

The Paddlewheel

Moorhead Rotary Club

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Moorhead Rotary Club 1405 District 5580

President	Gina Monson
President-Elect	David Sederquist
President Nominee	Steve Astrup
Treasurer	Emily Gess
Secretary	Teresa Joppa
Past President	Steve Schaefer

Directors (2022) Chris Andreasen & Steve Schaefer Directors (2023) Tammy Finney

& Steve Astrup

Directors (2024) Tracey Moorhead, Ernie Simmons & Megan Wiesneski RYLA Coordinator Randy Farwell Polio Plus Coordinator Cindy Note Sergeant at Arms Team

 Dave Sederquist, Eric Johnson & Jean Hannig

 Program Chair
 Jean Hannig

 Pianist
 Sharon Fangsrud

 Song Leader
 Bob Hanna

 Trivia Master
 Brent Brandt

 Photographer
 Russ Hanson

 Paddlewheel Editor
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Nancy Edmonds Hanson

December Birthdays

Lunak, Brandon	Dec 0
Andreasen, John	Dec 0
Deilke,Violet	Dec 2
Hanson, Nancy	Dec 2
Monson, Gina	Dec 3

Wedding Anniversaries

Sederquist, David & Jane	
Dec 08 1984	37 years

Rotary Anniversaries

Finney, Tammy	6 years
Dec 08 2015	
Baldwin, Jill	21 years
Dec 12 2000	Dec 13 1988
Parries, Kay	33 years
Dec 13 1988	



We Celebrate the Season on Tuesday

Meeting and Tour of MHS Career Academy — 4:30 p.m.

Superintendent Brandon Lunak takes members through the new Career Academy (located on frontage road directly west of Menard's).

Holiday Party — 5 p.m.

Our Christmas party begins right after the tour. We'll be entertained by Moorhead High School's renouned carolers and the Apollo Strings, with an array of appetizers served by Concordia Catering.

Moorhead Rotarians elect officers for '22-'23

The main item of business for Moorhead Rotary at its regular meeting Dec. 7 was election of officers who will serve during the upcoming Rotary year, beginning on June 1, 2022.

Acting president Jean Hannig conducted the election. The board presented the following slate of candidates:

President — David Sederquist President-Elect — Steve Astrup Secretary — Teresa Joppa Treasurer — Emily Gess Director, 2022-2025 — Tammy Finney

Jon Benson moved a unanimous ballot be case for the entire slate. All members voted aye.

December Travel Raffle winners announced

Travel Raffle committee chair Dale Hetland announced the winners of the club's monthly raffle. Nancy Hanson won third prize, a \$100 dining certificate to Rustica, with a ticket sold by Russ Hanson. Jon Benson bought his own ticket, nabbing the second place prize of \$200. The top award went to Keith Kreps, who bought his ticket from Randy Farwell.





The club had collected 28 pairs of socks for Churches United for the Homeless as of our first meeting in December. With just two left, we still need 72 more pair to reach our goal for the month's centennial project. Celebrate the Christmas spirit with your donation this week!





Photos/Russ Hanson: Acting President Jean Hannig. Trivia Master Brent Brandt.

Travel Raffle chair Dale Hetland announces December's winners.

Sergeant at Arms Jon Benson.

John Andreasen explains matching-grant campaign to raise gift to Polio Plus to replace cancelled 2020-21 Recitals With a Cause.



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Sergeant Jon brings good cheer

Sergeant at Arms Jon Benson shared comic comments, then turned his attention to happy dollars. Jean spoke up first — expressing her appreciation that Moorhead Rotary, like the other four F-M Rotary clubs, has reached 100% participation in the Natural Playground project. The project has also benefited from a \$250,000 gift from the John Ballantyne Fund, bringing to the total raised so far to \$537,000 in gifts, pledges, grants and in-kind donations. The F-M Rotary Foundation will also participate in Giving Hearts Day in February; Rotarians are encouraged to spread the word and encourage friends and associates to contribute.

Andreasen promotes replacing recital funds with club Polio Plus campaign

John Andreasen once again laid out plans for a club fund-raiser to replace the twice-postponed Recital With a Cause. After missing two years due to the Covid pandemic, the F-M Rotary Foundation has not been able to continue its substantial annual donations to Polio Plus, the F-M Symphony and the F-M Youth Symphony:

Since its inception 10 years ago, the April event

featuring some of the area's best young musicians has generated \$100,000, which has been divided between the two musical groups (\$30,000) and Rotary International's campaign to eradicate polio around the globe. The concert is now being planned for 2022.

John encouraged Moorhead Rotarians to celebrate our centennial year with a \$10,000 donation to the international campaign. He has contributed \$5,000 to the cause, to be matched by individual gifts from our members. He distributed envelopes for contributions. (If you did not attend last week's meeting, please contact him toreceive yours.)

What's coming up?

Only two meetings remain in the coming month the Career Academy tour and Christmas party Dec. 14, and our regular noon meeting Dec. 21 featuring Dr. Paul Dovre's annual Christmas message. We will not get together on Dec. 28 and Jan. 4. Noon meetings resume Jan. 11.

However, Gary and Cindy Nolte have invited members and their guests to a holiday open house at their home on Dec. 28 at 5 p.m. More information will be forthcoming.

Looking Ahead

December 28 — no meeting

January 4 — no meeting

January 11

Sergeant at Arms	
Rotarian of the Day	
ProgramDan Hannaher, Luthe	
Immigration and Refugee Services	

Meetings

Tuesdays — noon Moorhead Schools Operations Center, 1401 30th Ave. S.

Participate via Zoom:

https://us04web.zoom.us/j/742305 775?pwd=V0ZTMVI1NIdkY2xMM nIHNEdPdlRxdz09 Meeting ID: 742 305 775 Password: 630851

Other F-M Rotary Meetings

Monday: FM/PM Rotary 5:30 p.m., Lucky 13 Pub Monday: Fargo West Rotary Noon, Holiday Inn Wednesday: Fargo Rotary Noon, Radisson Thursday: FM/AM Rotary 7 a.m., Ramada Plaza

December 14 — No noon meeting Career Academy tour at 4:30 p.m. Christmas party at 5 p.m.

Meet at the Moorhead Career Academy at 4:30 for a tour, followed by the club Christmas party. FoodConcoria Catering Entertainment....MHS Carolers & Apollo Strings

December 21

Sergeant at Arms	Ernie Simmons
Rotarian of the Day	Bill Craft
ProgramChristmas m	nessage, Paul Dovre