



The Paddlewheel

Moorhead Rotary Club

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Moorhead Rotary Club 1405 District 5580

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

Directors (2023) Chris Andreasen, Greg Johnson & Steve Schaefer
Directors (2024) Tracey Moorhead, & Ernie Simmons
Director (2025) Tammy Finney & Jean Hannig
Directors (2026) Nancy Hanson & Tim Hiller
RYLA Coordinator Randy Farwell
Polio Plus Coordinator Cindy Nolte
Program Chair Jean Hannig
Paddlewheel Editor

February Birthdays

Sederquist, Dave February 23
Elmer, Corey February 23

Rotary Anniversaries

Cater, Alma 35 years
Feb 02 1988
Elmer, Corey 20 years
Feb 11 2003

Meetings

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



Photos/Gary Nolte & Teresa Joppa. (Above) Paul Harris Fellows Teresa Joppa, Kay Parries, John Andreasen, Jerry Rogers, Gary Nolte and Dave Sederquist. (Back row) Bill Woods, Paul Dovre, Dave Tranby and Chuck Matthees.

Coming Up Tuesday, Feb. 28

Katie Burington introduces us to the Emerging Digital Academy at this week's meeting. Rob Remark is sergeant at arms Tuesday.

Moorhead Rotary elects officers for 2023-24 and honors multiple Paul Harris Fellows

President Dave Sederquist welcomed Moorhead Rotarians Feb. 21 to a special meeting all about the club and its members.

Recital with a Cause has raised \$218, 479

John Andreasen, an originator of the Rotary Recital with a Cause 12 years ago, reported on what has become a major five-club fund-raiser — both for Polio Plus, its original purpose, and also for youth musical programs in Fargo-Moorhead.

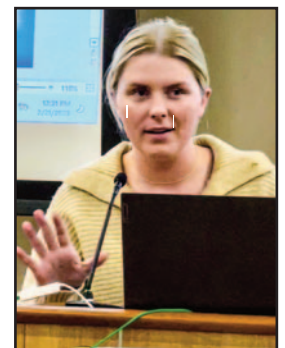
According to John, who chairs the planning committee made up of members from all the clubs, the concerts featuring the area's top young musicians has raised a total of \$218,479 since its inception in 2010. Last year, when the program resumed after several years of postponement due to Covid, its total reached \$61,112.

Polio Plus has received \$157,000 during the same period, an amount matched by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. Last year's donation was \$52,000. The funds have impacted lives around the globe, funding 225,584 vials of vaccine for more than 2 million shots.

Now in the planning stage, this year's recital will



Jon Riewer "pins" new member Austin Ruud.. Gary Nolte and Jean Hannig. (Below) Austin Ruud and Katie Fredericksen.



Photos/Gary Nolte & Teresa Joppa.
Sue Koesterman introduces new member Katie Fredericksen.

Jon Riewer and new member Austin Ruud, a former member of the Fargo West club.



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

take place at 7 p.m. on May 4 at First Lutheran Church in Fargo.

President Dave reported that the Super Bowl party sponsored by the five F-M Rotary clubs on Feb. 12 was a success. More than 70 members and guests attended the gathering at the VFW Club.

He also noted that the Valentines Day social planned last Tuesday was cancelled due to threatening winter weather. It will be rescheduled ... again.

Dave led the club in singing “My Bonnie Lies Over the Ocean” before introducing the club’s two newest members, Austin Ruud and Katie Fredericksen. They received their Rotary pins from Jon Riewer and Sue Koesterman.

Paul Harris pins awarded to 10

Gary Nolte briefly explained Rotary International’s Paul Harris Fellows. The charity has earned a five-star rating, with funds supporting a wide variety of local and regional project.

Receiving the awards were: Bill Woods (PHF + 1), Dave Sederquist (PHF + 1), Paul Dovre (PHF + 2), Dave Tranby (PHF + 2), Jerry Rogers (PHF + 3), Kay Parries (PHF + 3), Teresa Joppa (PHF + 4), Chuck Matthees (PHF + 7), Karin Andreasen (PHF + 7), and John Andreasen (PHF + 8).

Officers elected for coming Rotary year

President Dave thanked two retiring members of

the club’s board of directors for their service — Chris Andreasen and Greg Johnson. He noted that membership on the board has been reduced from nine directors to six. Two new members will be joining — Tim Hiller and Nancy Edmonds Hanson.

Dave noted that the board is still looking for a candidate for president-elect. He also announced that Emily Gess has resigned as the club’s treasurer; a new one needs to be recruited. (Dues and the cost of meals are waived for the treasurer.) Teresa Joppa has consented to another year as secretary.

Members contribute happy dollars

- Jean told about the youth exchange conference she attended in Washington, D.C., with 400 other youth exchange officers.
- Teresa reported the Spuds girls hockey team is going to State.
- Dave Tranby added that Moorhead boys hockey had a big game that night and that they, too, were on their way to State.
- Gary noted that he, an MSUM grad, made the cover of the Concordia alumni magazine with his car.

Anne Blackhurst won raffle — and gave back

Last week Anne Blackhurst, who was also our speaker, won the pot in the club’s weekly raffle. She graciously donated her winnings back to the club treasury to be used for projects

Looking Ahead

February 28

Sergeant at ArmsRob Remark
Rotarian of the Day
Program.....Katie Burington,
Emerging Digital Academy

March 7

Sergeant at ArmsSteve Schaefer
Rotarian of the DayRandy Falwell
Program4-Way Test essay contest winners

March 14

Sergeant at ArmsDale Hetland
Program

March 21

Sergeant at Arms.....Nancy Hanson
Program

March 28

Sergeant at ArmsPaul Dovre
ProgramDon Kinzler, Lawns of the Future

April 11 — No Meeting

May 4 — Recital with a Cause

7:00 p.m.First Lutheran Church