



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 Nolte
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
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January Birthdays

Dovre, Paul	Jan 07
Astrup, Steve	Jan 10
Riewer, Jon	Jan 14
Finney, Tammy	Jan 29

Wedding Anniversaries

Brandt, Brent and Kristi	
Jan 01 2010	12 years
Johnson, Gregory and Kelley	
Jan 05 2012	10 years

Rotary Anniversaries

Kolb, Ronald	47 years
Jan 14 1975	
Farwell, Randy	21 years
Jan 23 2001	



Coming Up Tuesday

Jennifer Illich of First Link is our speaker on Jan. 25, introduced by Rotarian of the day Teresa Joppa. John Andreasen is sergeant at arms.

Speaker Kriss Burns explains business services offered by PRO Resources

Acting president Jean Hannig welcomed Rotarians in person and on zoom with a challenge — to dream up a treehouse design for the Rotary Natural Playground, to be built in coming months in Moorhead’s Memorial Park. Fund-raising is underway to raise the money needed to build the park, with contributions from members of all five Fargo-Moorhead Rotary organizations as well as area businesses, foundations and charities.



Photos/Russ Hanson:
(Left) Kriss Burns of PRO Resources.
(Below) Sergeant at Arms Dave Sederquist.
Rotarian of the Day Dale Hetland.
(Bottom) Acting president Jean Hannig leads the club in the Pledge of Allegiance.

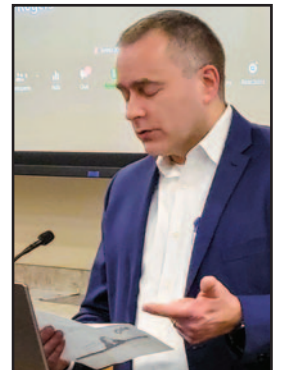
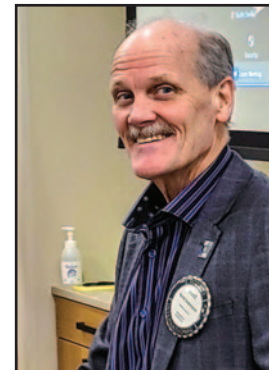
She and John Vander Linden of the FM Rotary Foundation explained the baggies of marshmallows and toothpicks are the starter tools to create an imaginative treehouse for the park. Rotarians — or creative children of their acquaintance — are invited to use them to build a model ... then photograph it and submit it online.

Prizes will be awarded for top entries, including a gift basket from Swanson Health Products, a \$100 gift card to Fleet Farm, and another to K & Krafts at the Center Mall. (Details are on page 3 of this Paddlewheel.)

The contest is a reminder to support the project on Giving Hearts Day, in which the park is participating.

Sergeant at Arms Dave addresses MLK Day

Sergeant at Arms Dave Sederquist share facts about Martin Luther King, whom the nation remembered on Monday, Jan. 17. The federal holiday has honored the civil rights leader since 1986, when it was established.



Photos: Kits of marshmallows and toothpicks, intended to inspire Rotarians to design a treehouse for the new Natural Playground.

Gary Nolte talks with John Vander Linden of Fargo Rotary, who updated the club on fund-raising and plans for the playground.

Jean Hannig and Kriss Burns.



Happy dollars were collected, starting with Dave Tranby, who reported his grandson's hat tricks have made him a youth hockey star. Violet Deilke was about to depart on a three-week road trip with husband Karl. John Andreasen recounted the tale of a shivering stray dog in their yard Sunday; Moorhead officers "worked gently and persistently," he said, "to capture him and take him to safety."



Kriss Burns: PRO Resources does it all

Rotarian of the Day Dale Hetland introduces speaker Kriss Burns, a company with offices in Detroit Lakes, Fargo and Grand Forks that offers all kinds of human resources services except staffing. Among their services is payroll (for companies with a minimum of \$100,000), handling all payroll deductions and administration.

problems in safety and risk management, employee benefits, employee assistance, compliance and culture. The firm offers a comprehensive benefits package in which clients can participate — from 401(K) to all kinds of

Founded in 1991, the company has more than 400 clients in five states, plus service employees in 41 states. In addition to payroll, they solve employers'

insurance. Most of their work, Kriss said, stems from payroll. "We get a lot of referrals from business bankers," she noted. For more information, go to www.proresourceshr.com.

Meetings

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

Participate via Zoom:

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/742305775?pwd=V0ZTMV11NldkY2xMMnIHNEdPdIRxdz09>
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

Looking Ahead

January 25

Sergeant at ArmsJohn Andreasen
Rotarian of the DayTeresa Joppa
Program.....Jennifer Illich, First Link

February 22

Sergeant at Arms Steve Astrup
Rotarian of the Day.....Dave Tranby
ProgramAbe Tomayo, Salvation Army

February 1

Sergeant at ArmsViolet Deilke
Rotarian of the DayViolet Deilke
Program.....Cindy Graffeo, Fargo, Downtown
Community Partners

March 1 — Mardi Gras Social

Social at Nolte home — no noon meeting

February 8

Sergeant at ArmsBob Hanna
Rotarian of the DayEmily Gess
ProgramSally Jacobson, Red River Zoo

March 8

Sergeant at ArmsSteve Schaefer
Rotarian of the DayRandy Farwell
ProgramPolice Chief Shannon Monroe

February 15

Sergeant at ArmsBrent Brandt
Rotarian of the DayChris Andreasen
ProgramDeb Dawson, "African Soul/
American Heart"

March 15

Sergeant at ArmsErnie Simmons
Rotarian of the DaySteve Schaefer
ProgramKellie Hamre, Gigi's Playhouse

March 22

Sergeant at ArmsRob Remark
Rotarian of the DayEric Wilkie



FM Rotary Foundation Giving Hearts Day Marshmallow Treehouse Talking points

- The FM Rotary Foundation has joined DMF's Giving Hearts Day for the first time in 2022
- Our event to promote our drive is a "Marshmallow Treehouse" kit
- Each Rotarian attending their Rotary meeting when these kits are distributed will receive 2 baggies that contain toothpicks, small marshmallows and instructions.
- You can either do the activity yourself, or distribute one or both of your bags to others. We encourage you to share the packets to prospective Rotarians to
 - Raise awareness about the Natural Playground project
 - Raise awareness about the FM Rotary Foundation and our Giving Hearts Day campaign
 - Create an opportunity to connect with prospective Rotarians
- The activity is to build a "treehouse" using the toothpicks and marshmallows (and any other creative materials you want to incorporate). You then enter an image of your design to win prizes [to our simple Google Form site](#) (to qualify for prizes!). You can also post your images to social media with the hashtag #GivingHeartsDay.
- The Natural Playground committee will post some (or all!) of the pictures to our <https://www.facebook.com/FmNaturalPlayground/> page, and we will announce the winners on our Facebook page.
- Prizes include
 - A gift basket of health products from [Swanson Health Products](#)
 - A \$100 gift card to [Fleet Farm](#)
 - A gift card to [K & Krafts](#) at Moorhead Center Mall

Key points about the FM Rotary Foundation Natural Playground and Bike Skills Park at Riverfront Park.

- 5 local Rotary **clubs are collaborating** via the FM Rotary Foundation
- This unique park will be the **first large project** of its kind in our community.
- It will be a **recreation destination** and an **attraction for visitors**
- The Rotary Natural Playground promotes **physical activity**, free-unstructured play and year round exposure to nature which are all proven to provide **mental health benefits** for children.
- Strategically **located in the community core**. It will enhance our downtown. Furthermore, the location offers accessibility to **underserved youth**.
- **100% volunteer driven**. 100% of donations go towards the park.
- The City of Moorhead Parks & Recreation owns the land and is responsible for **ongoing park maintenance and liability**.
- **Flood friendly**: The main structures being built are above the flood plain.
- **4-season**: Many people in our community recognize the need for more winter outdoor activities.
- The ground level activities are **wheelchair accessible**.



Giving Hearts Day
Help someone.

