



The Paddlewheel

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District 5580*

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Bob Hanna, Brent Brandt
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Coming Up Tuesday

Dick Walstad brings news of the upcoming Fargo AirSho this week. Eric Wilkie is our sergeant at arms, and Sam Wai and Greg Johnson are greeters.

*Photos/Russ Hanson:
President Steve Schaefer. Song leader Brent Brandt. Exchange student Nicolas Padula Pinho. Gina Monson. Melissa Sobolik of Great Plains Food Bank.*



Great Plains Food Bank's impact stretches far beyond Fargo-Moorhead

President Steve Schaefer welcomed Rotarians and their guests, including a representative of Fargo West Rotary, John Vandervelde. Steve reported that the new president of Rotary International, Mark Maloney, has chosen "Rotary Connects the World" as his theme. He urged clubs to emphasize growing Rotary — to grow its service, to grow the impact of its projects, but most importantly, to grow its membership so that we can achieve more.

They'll arrive in a month, with pick-ups scheduled at the Holiday Inn Aug. 19-21.

A half-lug is \$20 and a full lug, \$35. Organic peaches are also available for \$45 per full lug.

Steve noted that support of Polio Plus is more important than ever. After decades of decline, the number of polio cases is growing worldwide — up from 33 in all of last year to 48 so far in 2019.

Exchange student Nicolas bids us goodbye

Order your Fargo West peaches now

John invited members to place their orders for Colorado peaches, one of his club's biggest fundraising projects. The peaches are running several weeks behind this year, he said, but "will be as delicious as ever — plump, juicy and full of flavor." To pre-order for guaranteed availability, go to <https://squareup.com/store/fargo-west-rotary>

Sergeant at Arms Gina Monson introduced our foreign exchange student, Nicolas Padula Pinho, who has spent the past 10 months in Moorhead. He thanked the club: "It has been an awesome year ...





Guests, 7-09-19

Emily F., Eventide
 Melissa Sobolik, Great Plains Food Bank, speaker
 Nicolas Padula Pinho, exchange student

Visiting Rotarian

John V., Rotary West

July Birthdays

Benson, Jon	Jul 06
Erbes, Roger	Jul 16
Qualey, Neil	Jul 17
Fangsrud, Sharon	Jul 21
Parries, Kay	Jul 2

Wedding Anniversaries

Koesterman, Sue & Michael	
Jul 05 1960	59 years
Rogers, Jerry & Sue	Jul 18 1970
49 years	

Rotary Anniversary

Dovre, Paul	39 years
Jul 01 1980	
Wilkie, Eric	8 years
Jul 01 2011	
Schaefer, Steve	17 years
Jul 02 2002	
Qualey, Neil	27 years
Jul 21 199	

Photos/Russ Hanson: Jade Rosenfeld. Greeter Dale Hetland and Steve Schaefer. Russ Hanson (without his camera).

the best year of my life," he said. "Learning about American culture has gotten me out of my comfort zone." He noted that he and his family will be moving to Switzerland — another intercultural adventure — where he feels he already has friends among other Rotary Exchange students he's met this year.

Members saluted his visit with happy dollars. Chuch Matthees dropped one in the cup for the French bike trip he and his wife shared with Bill Craft. Chris Volkers and Jade Rosenfeld donated dollars of thanks for being back at Rotary after their absences, while Chris gave another in honor of songleader Brent Brandt and his wealth of movie trivia.

'Ending Hunger 2.0' research turns up startling statistics on food insecurity

Melissa Sobolik of the Great Plains Food Bank shared startling information on hunger in North Dakota and Clay County from their most recent survey of a sampling of about 500 clients based on about 80 questions. "We really try to understand the root causes of hunger," she said. "Because of this survey, in addition to providing food through the food bank, we have launched Ending Hunger 2.0 to address those root causes.

Among its conclusions: 41% report having to

choose between housing and food, 40% paying utilities and food, 40% transportation (including gas) and food, and 32% between medical care and food. 81% of the adults surveyed are food-insecure, along with 32% of children. 29% report not having eaten for a whole day recently. They have used one of the food pantries Great Plains supplies an average of 8.8 times in the past year.

The survey identified these root causes: cost of housing, 56%; poverty, 35%; no available housing, 34%; lack of transportation, 36%; chronic disease and health conditions, 35%; and language barriers, 26%.

Rotary Volunteer Opportunity

You are all probably aware of the volunteer reading tutor service that our long-time member, Rod McLarnan, has been doing at Reinertsen Elementary. Earlier this summer, Dale Hetland and Steve Schaefer met with representatives of MN Reading and MN Math Corps and they shared more information about how that tutoring opportunity works. Please see the attached flyers. There are openings for tutors in Moorhead as well as Dilworth and Glyndon for both reading and math. Flyers with details on the programs are attached to this emailed Paddlewheel and posted on ClubRunner.

Looking Ahead

July 16
 Sergeant at ArmsEric Wilkie
 ProgramDick Walstad, Fargo AirSho
 GreetersGreg Johnson & Sam Wai

July 23
 Sergeant at ArmsEric Johnson
 ProgramAddie Bengtson-Loerzel,
 Minnesota Miss Amazing Teen
 GreetersNathan Johnson & Scott Wilkie

July 30
 Sergeant at ArmsAnne Blackhurst
 ProgramClub Assembly, Steve Schaefer

Greeters.....Ron Kolb & Bill Woods

July 30 — Five-Club Golf Fun-Raiser
 5-Club Rotary Foundation golf tournament at Moorhead Country Club ... shotgun start at 1:30 p.m., followed by dinner and awards.
 Registration information on Clubrunner

August 6
 Sergeant at ArmsBrad Donabauer
 ProgramJean Hannig, Rotary International
 Conference report
 Greeters.....Chris Andreasen & Brandon Lunak