

The Paddlewheel

Moorhead Rotary Club

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Coming Up Dr. Tonya Hansen will talk with us this week about recovery from the Covid-19 pandemic. Anne Blackhurst is sergeant at arms, and Jean Hannig is Rotarian of the day.



Koesterman: Churches United's goal is to provide permanent supportive housing

President Gina Monson welcomed Moorhead Rotarians to the club's regular meeting at the Moorhead Schools Operations Center July 20. She thanks all who helped at the YWCA's Cherries for Charity sale and the Downtown Street Fair, where the five local clubs had a booth promoting the Natural Playground. She reminded members of the 2021-22 mandate: Everyone bring one as a guest to one of our meetings.

Tajiki irrigation well project is complete

Steve Schaefer updated club members on our international project — the installation of irrigation wells in a remote area of Tajikistan. Concordia international student Amina Fatkhulloeva sent photos of the culmination of the project, funded by grants from our club and District 5580. The water is flowing! A sign in front of the pumphouse credits Rotary and Concordia College, where she is starting her senior year.





Photos/Russ Hanson: Sue Koesterman (top right) talks about solutions to homelessness, like Churches United's Bright Sky Apartments.

Second row: President Gina Monson; Sergeant at Arms Dave Sederquist; Rotarian of the Day Steve Astrup.

No Rotary Ride to be held this fall

The traditional Rotary Ride — the bike ride to raise funds for Polio Plus — has been cancelled next month due to the lingering pandemic. But the FM Rotary Foundation's annual golf tournament takes place July 27 at Moorhead Country Club.

Centennial Photo & Social — August 10!

Here's everyone's chance to be a cover model! We'll be taking an all-club photo on Tuesday, Aug. 10 (in place of our regular noon meeting).

Members will gather on the west side of the Hjemkomst Center in Viking Ship Park at 5 p.m. Afterwards, we'll move the gathering to Rustica for a relaxed club social.

Moorhead Rotary Club 1405 District 5580

President	Gina Monson
President-Elect	David Sederquist
President Nominee	
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 Paddlewheel Editor

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June Birthdays

Brandt, Brent	Jun 01
Baldwin, Jill	Jun 09
Farwell, Randy	Jun 18
Joppa, Teresa	Jun 27

Wedding Anniversaries

Dovre, Paul & Mardy	Jun 03 1958
63 yearss	
Qualey, Neil & Carmen	Jun 15 1968
53 years	
Wai, Sam & Coralie	Jun 20 1976
45 years	
Tranby, Dave & Sharon	Jun 22 1974
47 years	

Rotary Anniversaries

25 years

Deilke, Violet Jun 04 1996

Meetings

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

Participate via Zoom:

https://us04web.zoom.us/j/74230 5775?pwd=V0ZTMVI1NldkY2xM MnIHNEdPdIRxdz09 Meeting ID: 742 305 775 Password: 630851

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Photos/Russ Hanson: Jon Benson and Teresa Joppa. Gina Monson and Dale Hetland.

Right column: Concordia student Amina Fatkhulloeva sent photographs of the completion of irrigation wells in Tajikistan — an international project of Moorhead Rotary with the help of a grant from District 5580.



Last year's tournament raised \$7,000. Representing our club are Jerry Rogers, Dave Tranby and Gary Nolte.

Sergeant at arms gathers happy bucks

Stand-in sergeant at arms Dave Sederquist, after sharing intriguing facts about the Olympics, solicited happy dollars. Jon Benson paid a find of \$20 for missing a long string of meetings. Steve Schaefer urged friends to see "Beauty and the Beast" staged by the Gooseberry Players. Randy Farwell spoke highly of fishing at Devils Lake, where his father-in-law caught a huge walleye of more than 11 pounds ... then released it.

Permanent supportive housing saves \$\$, lives

Rotarian of the Day Steve Astrup welcomed our Sue Koesterman, who gave an eye-opening talk on the cost of and solutions to homelessness. The Churches United director said the organization employs 50 team members who serve 400 people each day, totaling 700 a year, including 108 elderly.

Permanent supportive housing offers homes, not temporary shelter, including supportive services. There's no time limit on how long someone can live in the 43-unit Bright Sky Apartments or the upcoming 36-unit building for those over 55.

For 60% of those served in the shelter, it's a onetime experience. The rest are repeat guests with chronic issues. The cost of services for a homeless individual is \$35,500 a year; providing permanent housing reduces that almost 50%.









July 27

Sergeant at ArmsAnne Blackhurst Rotarian of the Day.....Jean Hannig Program Dr. Tonya Hansen, Covid Recovery

July 27 — Rotary Golf Tournament

1:30 p.m.....Moorhead Country Club

Looking Ahead

August 3

Sergeant at Arms	Dave Sederquist
Rotarian of the Day	Jean Hannig
Program	Heart of Clay Ministry

August 10 — Photo & Club Social

5 p.m.....Gather on west side of Hjemkomst for 100th anniversary photo 5:30Club social at Rustica