



# The Paddlewheel

## Moorhead Rotary Club

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### New Members 2019-2020

Zach Heuring  
Josh Jaster  
Megan Wiesneski  
Dylan Connell

Moorhead Rotary Club 970  
District 5580

President Jerry Roger  
President-Elect Gina Monson  
President Nominee 2021-2022  
David Sederquist  
Treasurer Emily Gess  
Secretary Teresa Joppa  
Past President John Andreasen

Directors (2020) Ernie Simmons,  
Pat Gulbranson and Greg Johnson  
Directors (2021) Kevin Heazlett  
and Tracey Moorhead  
Directors (2022) Tammy Finney  
and Steve Astrup  
RYLA Coordinator Randy Farwell  
Polio Plus Coordinator Cindy Nolte  
Sergeant at Arms Team  
Dave Sederquist, Eric Johnson  
& Jean Hannig  
Pianist Sharon Fangsrud  
Song Leaders Bill Schwandt,  
Bob Hanna  
Photographer Russ Hanson  
Paddlewheel Editor  
Nancy Edmonds Hanson

### 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



### Coming Up Tuesday — via Zoom

A representative of the Jeremiah Program will tell us about the local project to help single mothers and their children achieve stability and improve their lives. Eric Wilkie is our sergeant at arms.

### Steve Schaefer passes the gavel to 2020-2021 president Jerry Rogers

The Moorhead Rotary gavel was passed — in three-dimensional life — from Steve Schaefer to 2020-2021 President Jerry Rogers at the club's first face-to-face meeting in four months on July 21.

The gathering at Gooseberry Park in Moorhead drew 13 members, about half the regular attendance at the virtual Zoom meetings that have been held since March. Trivia master Brent Brandt opened the COVID-sensitive meeting in the just-sanitized main shelter with a quiz on the city's parks. Counting playgrounds, pools and ballfields, Moorhead maintains a total of 62.

President Jerry Rogers announced that Kevin Heazlett has resigned from the club due to personal and professional commitments.

### Happy dollars celebrate novel fund-raiser

When Dave Sederquist called for happy dollars, Brent again spoke up. KFGO's Parking Lot Bingo event Friday, July 31, will be a benefit for Churches United for the Homeless.

Players will gather in the north parking lot of the



Moorhead Center Mall at 6 p.m. One person per car is asked to register, though everyone in the car can play, vying for prizes donated by local sponsors. An ice cream truck will be on hand to provide refreshments.

The parking lot events have been taking place since April. They're the brainchild of KFGO personalities JJ Gordon and Amy Iler.

Other happy (or not-so-happy) dollars came from Jean Hannig, who paid a fine because her speaker failed to show up; Chris Andreasen, who promoted a Pathways Vacation Bible School event at Trinity Lutheran Church; Dale Hetland, who is glad MBA is starting up again; John Andreasen, in honor of the new daughter-in-law who brightens the family's lives; and Bill Woods, for being able to gather in person. Jerry contributed \$50 ... a dollar for every year of marriage he and his wife Sue celebrated on their anniversary July 17.

### The gavel is passed

Steve passed the ceremonial gavel to Jerry to the tune of "If I Had a Hammer." He wished Jerry well,

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### Guest 7/21

Nikki Andreasen, wife of Christ Andreasen

### July Birthdays

Benson, Jon	Jul 06
Erbes, Roger	Jul 16
Qualey, Neil	Jul 17
Fangsrud, Sharon	Jul 21
Parries, Kay	Jul 22

### Wedding Anniversaries

Koesterman, Sue & Michael	
Jul 05 1980	40 years
Rogers, Jerry & Sue	
Jul 18 1970	50 years

### Rotary Anniversaries

Dovre, Paul	
Jul 01 1980	40 years
Wilkie, Eric	
Jul 01 2011	9 years
Schaefer, Steve	
Jul 02 2002	18 years
Qualey, Neil	
Jul 21 1992	28 years



reminding him that members will do whatever it takes to support him.

### Members share reasons why they became Moorhead Rotarians

After wondering about her speaker's absence — did he go to the wrong one of Moorhead's 62 parks? — Jean stepped up to the microphone to share her personal reasons for joining Rotary. "I wanted to expand my acquaintances and my knowledge of our community," she said. She explained how membership provides a network among the business community, offers ways to help with a wealth of service projects, and has given her connections within the Rotary family. She has continued her involvement because of the Rotary Youth Exchange.

She passed the mic to others, asking them to share their motives for joining. Many started out for business reasons and because friends or

colleagues invited them. But then they got involved with a service project, locally or internationally, that deepened friendships. Some cited family members who were Rotarians.

Several have been instrumental in recruiting new members. Even those newer to the club said they have enjoyed meeting new people, learning new things, sharing fellowship and helping with service projects.

President Jerry was encouraged to join 36 years ago by Dr. John Holtan. "He told me, 'You don't have to talk medicine there,'" he confided.

The long-suspended weekly raffle resumed, with Steve winning a chance at the pot — now standing at \$755. But with no deck of cards present, he couldn't draw the winning (or any other) card. It was left to Dave or Gina to figure out how to handle the logistics next week.

### Looking Ahead

#### July 28 ... Zoom

Sergeant at Arms .....Eric Wilkie  
Program.....Jeremiah Porgram

#### August 4 ... Zoom

Sergeant at Arms .....Brad Donabauer  
Program.....Economic recovery & COVID-19

#### August 11 ... Zoom

Sergeant at Arms .....Bill Woods  
Program .....Moorhead Parks Department

#### August 18 ... Zoom

Sergeant at Arms .....Steve Astrup  
Program.....New American Consortium

*Most Moorhead Rotary meetings will probably continue to be conducted virtually via Zoom for the remainder of 2020, since Concordia is not permitting outside groups from meeting on campus. The board will continue to look at when, where and how indoor meetings will be able to resume.*