



The Paddlewheel

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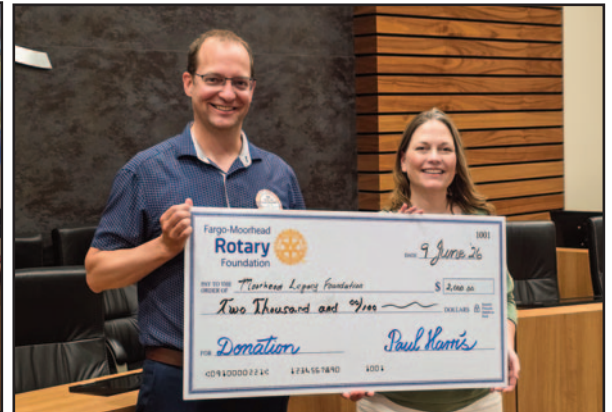
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June Wedding Anniversaries

Dovre, Paul and Mardy 68 years
Jun. 03 1958
Tranby, Dave and Sharon 52 years
Jun. 22 1974

Rotary Anniversary

Deilke, Violet 30 years
Jun. 04 1996



Coming Up June 16

Historian Markus Krueger joins us this week with a talk titled "1937 — Fargo Batman Dies." Paul Dovre is our sergeant at arms.

Actor Stephen Tobolowsky shares stories from his books, takes members' questions

Moorhead Rotarians welcomed a very special guest to their June 9 meeting — Hollywood character actor Stephen Tobolowsky, in Fargo for an appearance at the Fargo Theatre presented by Rotarian Brent Brandt. Guests also included his partner, actor Ann Hearn, exchange student Ana, and President Tim Hiller's children Clara and Danny.

The meeting started, though, with another headline-worthy event: Presentation of a check for \$2,000 to the Moorhead Legacy Education Foundation director, Rotarian Janelle Leiseth. The grant for children's supplies comes from the proceeds of last year's Travel Giveaway. Previously, checks have been presented to Churches United for the Homeless and The Loop, Moorhead's new library/community center.

Members offer lots of 'happy dollars'

Sergeant at Arms Jean Hannig's call for happy dollars generated plenty of good news. Chris Andreasen told of his brief cameo on Norwegian National TV's special on Norse culture around the world. Tom Riley announced he's heading for the Rotary International convention in Taipei, Taiwan. Cindy Nolte spoke of a pre-wedding "tea ceremony" she and Gary will attend for one of their Vietnamese foster children. After thanking the club, Janelle mentioned the MHS speech team — including her daughter — traveling to Virginia for the national tournament.



Photos/Nancy Hanson: (Top) Stephen Tobolowsky charmed members on June 9. President Tim Hiller presents check for \$2,000 to Janelle Leiseth for Legacy Education Foundation. (Above) Dave Sederquist questions Tobolowsky. (Below) Chris Andreasen. Kay Parries. (Bottom)





Photo/Nancy Hanson: (Above) Ernie Simmons. Members gather for check presentation to Legacy Education Foundation.

(Right) Clara and Danny Hiller, Tim's children. A WDAY news team covered our meeting.

(Bottom) Members with Stephen Tobolowsky and Ann Hearn.



Dave Sederquist noted that he and his wife got up on their water skis for the first time last week. Alex Aldrich paid \$2 in back dollars (and \$3 for Nancy), then \$5 because his wife has been gone for five days and their house has neither burned down nor been destroyed, and all their children are still alive and accounted for.

Tobolowsky shares memories and personal tales

Our guest told of personal encounters of faith, including breaking his neck while riding a horse on an active volcano in Iceland. "It could have been fatal," he observed, "but here I am."

The author of several books, he started writing during his recovery because he didn't want to exit this earth without leaving stories like that behind



for his family. He told several of those stories, concentrating on how an act of kindness came back to him, and how stargazing inspired a majestic, unforgettable experience as a child.

The lesson, he said: "We always have more faith with what we discover in the dark."

Looking Ahead

June 16

Sergeant at ArmsPaul Dovre
ProgramMarkus Krueger, "1937 — Fargo Batman Dies"

June 23 — Rotary Service Day

June 30

Sergeant at Arms
ProgramAnne Hoefgen, Justice North

July 7

Sergeant at Arms
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July 14

Sergeant at Arms
ProgramSpecial program

July 21

Sergeant at Arms
ProgramAnne Hoefgen, Justice North

July 28 — Rotary Service Day

August 4

Sergeant at Arms
ProgramThomas Hill, Youthworks

