



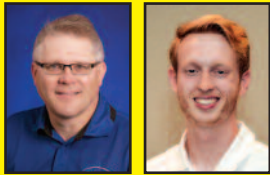
# The Paddlewheel

## Moorhead Rotary Club

Welcome Our New Members!

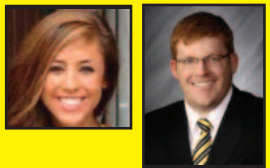
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**Patrick Lorenson**  
Ramsey State Bank

**Brett Drevlow**  
Boy Scouts



**Liz Brandenburg**  
Northwestern Bank

**Rob Mounts**  
Bremer Bank



**Roger Erbes**  
American Federal Bank

**Alex Ohman**  
Dakota Boys & Girls Ranch



**Sharon Fangsrud**  
Pianist

**Chris Volkens**  
Moorhead City Manager



**Scott Wilkie**  
Avis Rent a Car

**Brent Brandt**  
Health Equipment Recycling



**Sue Koesterman**  
Churches United for Homeless

**Chris Alstrup**  
Bell Bank



**Dan Stauffer**  
Retired

**Scott Greelis**  
Lion's Way Consulting



**Coming Up Tuesday:** Our guest is Ryan Lewis of Crossing Home, part of the Clay County Jail Ministry. Bill Craft is sergeant at arms, and Violet Deilke is Rotarian of the day. Dan Stauffer and Nathan Johnson are greeters.

### Legal Services director explains agency's free aid in civil matters

Past president Jon Benson welcomed members, standing in for Corey Elmer, who's on a Rotary trip to Guatemala with his son Jack.

He introduced guest Kristi Pedersen, the daughter of former Moorhead Rotarian Bob Leiseth, who died last fall. She confided that when his family went through his wallet, they found a well-worn copy of the Rotary Four-Way Test. Bob's memory is being honored with a legacy from his estate – a matching gift dedicated to the Recital for a Cause.

Gary Nolte noted that two other former Moorhead Rotarians, Lois Hanson and Jim Stenerson, recently passed away.

### Donabauer debuts as sergeant at arms

Brad Donabauer kicked off his first tour of duty as sergeant at arms with a Rotary Minute -- the story of a Texas Rotarian who always wore purple. Her unusual fashion choice sparked others' curiosity ... giving her an opportunity to talk about Rotary and the "Purple for Polio" event sponsored by another Texas member. Brad urged members to look for similar ways to talk about Rotary with our own friends.



*Photos/Russ Hanson: Past president Jon Benson with first-time Sergeant at Arms Brad Donabauer. Song leader Brett Drevlow. Rotarian of the Day Jade Rosenfeldt. Speaker speaker Anne M. Hoefgen, executive director of Legal Services of Northwest Minnesota.*

Then he opened the floor for Happy Dollars. Among those who spoke up:

- Dave Sederquist, still proud of being a grandfather, and for Brad for being a first-time Sergeant.
- Eric Johnson for a great week spent in Jamaica.
- Tracy Moorhead, who invited Rotarians to a March 15 event featuring two authors.
- Russ Hanson, who thanked Rotarians for his and Nancy's trip last week to Mexico, won in the club travel giveaway. "My god, that trip was something special! And we are going back again next year. Thank you to all who sell and buy our tickets."
- Gary Nolte, who saw a bald eagle in a tree in their year.
- Brent Brandt, happy that the Vikings signed Kirk Cousins.

Got ideas for summer programs? Please share them with Nathan: [nathan.johnson@eventide.org](mailto:nathan.johnson@eventide.org)

Photos/Russ Hanson: Bill Craft and Eric Johnson visit with speaker Anne Hoefgen of Legal Services of Northwest Minnesota. (Right) Jon Andreasen and Gary Nolte catch up with Kristi Pedersen, daughter of our late member Bob Leiseth.



**Guests**

- Rob Remark, guest of Dave Sederquist
- Kristi Pedersen, daughter of Bob Leiseth and guest of John Andreasen
- Gabbie Brandt, daughter of Brent Brandt
- Rei Yajima, Rotary exchange student

**Visiting Rotarians**

Dave Manning, FM AM Rotary

**Reported Make-ups**

Gary Nolte, Zone Cabinet, 3-13-18  
 Scott Greelis, Detroit Lakes, 3-1-18

**March Birthdays**

Astrup, Chris	Mar 03
Wilkie, Scott	Mar 11
Rogers, Jerry	Mar 13
Wilkie, Eric	Mar 13
Hulett, Michael	Mar 17
Volkers, Chris	Mar 18
Ackerman, Stacey	Mar 20
Hendrickson, Chuck	Mar 23

**Rotary Anniversaries**

Borgen, Lisa	2 years
Mar 01 2016	
Wai, Samuel	17 years
Mar 01 2001	
Grefsheim, Ray	1 year
Mar 07 2017	
Filler, Doreen	4 years
Mar 11 2014	
Belcher, Barb	5 years
Mar 19 2013	
Lunak, Brandon	1 year
Mar 28 2017	

Moorhead Rotary  
 Chartered May 1, 1921  
 Club 970  
 District 5580

- President Corey Elmer
- President-Elect
- Secretary & Paddlewheel reporter David Wahlberg
- Treasurer Doreen Filler
- Past President Eric Wilkie
- Director Dale Hetland
- Director David Sederquist
- Director Tammy Finney
- Director John Andreasen
- Director Troy Nellis
- RYLA Coord. Randy Farwell
- Polio Plus Coord. Cindy Nolte
- Sergeant at Arms Team
- Dave Sederquist, Eric Johnson, Mike Hulett & Jean Hannig
- Pianist Sharon Fangsrud
- Song Leaders Bill Schwandt, Bob Hanna, John Andreasen
- Photographer Russ Hanson
- Meeting Reporter Teresa Joppa
- Paddlewheel Editor Nancy Edmonds Hanson

**Agency offers legal services to low-income residents of 22 northwest counties**

Rotarian of the Day Jade Rosenfeldt introduced our guest speaker Anne M. Hoefgen, executive director of Legal Services of Northwest Minnesota. The agency has 23 employees in three locations. Anne is a Wisconsin native, graduate of the University of Wisconsin and an accidental PTA president.

Anne explained that her agency, commonly known as Legal Aid, provides civil (non-criminal) legal services to low-income families and individuals in 22 counties from its offices in Moorhead, Alexandria and Bemidji. It also partners with private attorneys.

Family law accounts for 46 percent of cases. Others center around housing, income

maintenance, consumer and employment issues, health, and protection from domestic violence and child abuse, and help in securing stable custody arrangements.

“It is hard to get out of poverty,” she acknowledged. “Access to factors of personal safety, finance, employment and education is vital. These are the priorities we use in determining what cases to accept ... because we can’t take them all.”

She said 15.2 percent of people in our region live in poverty, including one in ten children. A family of four is estimated to need an income of \$45,672 for its basic needs, but 90.1 percent of Legal Services clients earn just \$30,750.

Potential clients can access its free services during public hours every Thursday from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. at the Clay County Courthouse.

**Looking Ahead**

**March 20**

Sergeant at Arms.....Bill Craft  
 Rotarian of the Day .....Violet Deilke  
 Program .....Ryan Lewis & Friends, Crossing Home, Clay County Jail Ministry  
 Greeters .....Dan Stauffer & Nathan Johnson

**March 27**

Sergeant at Arms .....Jean Hannig  
 Rotarian of the Day .....Jade Rosenfeldt  
 Program.....Lt. Mark Empting, Sheriff’s Dept., & Justin Roberts, ass’t Clay Co. jail admin.  
 Greeters .....Scott Wilkie & Ron Kolb

**April 3**

Sergeant at Arms .....  
 Rotarian of the Day .....Corey Elmer  
 Program.....Whitney Irish & Steve Astrup, “Top 5 Do’s and Don’ts of Estate Planning”  
 Greeters .....Brandon Lunak & Roger Erbes

**April 3 — Recital for a Cause**

Bethesda Lutheran Church .....7 p.m.

**April 10**

Sergeant at Arms .....  
 Rotarian of the Day .....Jade Rosenfeldt  
 Program ..... Brittney Engebretson, LSS Youth Court and Restorative Justice  
 Greeters .....Chuck Matthees & Pat Lorenson

**April 17 — no noon meeting**

Tour and social at D-S Beverages, 201 17th St N, Moorhead

**April 24**

Sergeant at Arms .....  
 Rotarian of the Day .....Jade Rosenfeldt  
 Program John Ammerman, MHS hockey coach  
 Greeters.....Lisa Brandenburg & Tracey Moorhead

**April 26-28 — District 5580 Conference**

Thunder Bay, Ontario