



The Paddlewheel

Moorhead Rotary Club

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Moorhead Rotary Club 1405 District 5580

President	Gina Monson
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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	Nancy Edmonds Hanson

February Birthdays

Dave Sederquist	Feb 23
Corey Elmer	Feb 23

Rotary Anniversaries

Cater, Alma	34 years
Feb 02 1988	
Elmer, Corey	19 years
Feb 11 2003	



Coming Up Tuesday, March 29

A speaker from Aldevron will join us this week to fill us in about one of the area's most successful technical start-ups. Dale Hetland is sergeant at arms, and Greg Johnson is Rotarian of the day.

Rape & Abuse Center speakers talk history, need and outreach

Acting president Jean Hannig welcomed members on hand at the School Operations Center and online. She reminded them of the Rotary International theme of the month, "Connecting the World."

After a two-year hiatus caused by the coronavirus, the FM Rotary Foundation's Recital with a Cause is on again next month. The concert is scheduled for April 21 at First Lutheran Church in Fargo. As always, it will feature some of the region's leading youthful musicians.

Also coming closer on the calendar is a date 100 years in the making ... Moorhead Rotary's centennial celebration. It takes place Wednesday, My 4, in the Centrum at Concordia College. The evening begins with a happy hour, followed by dinner and a program. Tickets, \$45 per person, are now available online. The link to make your reservations is in this week's Paddlewheel email.

'World's best trivia master' queries group

After being introduced as "the world's best trivia master, Brent Brandt got the meeting going with a



Photos/Brent Brandt: Chris Johnson, CEO of the Rape & Abuse Crisis Center, and development director Sami Harwood. Sergeant at Arms Rob Remark. Brent and the crew. Acting president Jean Hannig.

challenge on Bible trivia, corporate slogans and four-word answers.

Sarge Rob talks about new library

Sergeant at Arms Rob Remark brought members up to date on Moorhead's proposal for a new



(Right) Teresa Joppa sells Greg Johnson tickets for the weekly drawing. Last week Jerry Rogers cleaned out the pot, winning \$200.

(Below) Brent Brandt and Russ Hanson grin for the camera.

(Below, right) Jean Hannig welcomes members and our speakers to the meeting.



Meetings

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

Participate via Zoom:

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/742305775?pwd=V0ZTMV11NldkY2xMMnIHNEdPdIRxdz09>
Meeting ID: 742 305 775
Password: 630851

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

regional library and community center, a project on which he has been working. The new facility replaces the current library, which was built in 1960. “It has aged out of its usefulness,” he said of the 37,000 square foot structure. Its replacement is estimated at 50,000 to 55,000 square feet.

The library proposal comes up for a vote in November, when residents will decide on establishing a sales tax to fund the project. Costs are variable at this point due to rising material prices. The Mayor’s Library Task Force is holding two listening sessions April 5 and 19 to gather public input for the project.

Happy dollars poured in for grandchildren splashing in puddles in rubber boots, Jean Hannig and Brent Brandt’s trips to the Twin Cities to see “Hadestown,” and Teresa Joppa’s enjoyment of the Elton John concert last weekend at the Dome. Gary Nolte reminded members of the club’s Ukrainian connection: In 1989, led by PDG Gerry Haukebo, the club collected and shipped 1,300 pound of oncology literature to health providers in Ukraine.

Rape & Abuse Center helps victims of domestic violence and other assault

Jean introduced Chris Johnson and Sami Harwood, the CEO and development director of the Rape and Abuse Crisis Center. Johnson recounted how it was established in 1977 by its “founding grandmothers,” who recognized the need for its services in Fargo Moorhead. Today the nonprofit employs 43 and has an annual operating budget of \$2.8 million.

In addition to its services for victims of domestic violence, sexual assault and child sexual abuse, the center may be best known for “Red Flag Green Flag,” the body safety curriculum it developed in the 1980s to teach body autonomy to elementary students. It’s now in use all over the world.

The center’s services include crisis intervention, counseling, community education and coordination of community services. In 2021, it served 2,608 individuals including 237 children and presented programs heard by 14,035 people.

Looking Ahead

March 29

Sergeant at ArmsDale Hetland
Rotarian of the DayGreg Johnson
Program.....Speaker from Aldevron

April 5

Sergeant at Arms.....Cindy Nolte
Rotarian of the DayRandy Farwell
Program.....Don Kinzler, “Get Ready for Spring”

April 12

Sergeant at Arms.....Bill Craft
Rotarian of the Day
Program.....Kory Wolden, Family Health Care
Mobile Clinic

April 19

Sergeant at Arms.....Jerry Rogers
Rotarian of the Day
ProgramKarla Isley, United Way

April 21 — Recital with a Cause

7:30 p.m.First Lutheran Church

April 26

Sergeant at Arms.....Teresa Joppa
Rotarian of the Day
Program.....EPIC Companies

May 4 — Centennial Dinner

5:30 p.m.....Concordia College Centrum