



# 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



**Steve Astrup**  
Vogel Law



**Sharon Fangsrud**  
Pianist



**Chris Volkers**  
Moorhead City Manager



**Scott Wilkie**  
Avis Rent a Car



**Brent Brandt**  
Health Equipment Recycling



**Sue Koesterman**  
Churches United for Homeless



**Chris Astrup**  
Bell Bank



**Dan Stauffer**  
Retired



**Scott Greelis**  
Lion's Way Consulting



**Coming Up Tuesday:** Matt Eidem, program director of the Historical and Cultural Society of Clay County, will discuss the history and current programs of Comstock House. Eric Johnson is sergeant at arms, and Jade Rosenfeldt is Rotarian of the day. Our greeters are Brent Brandt and Kay Parries.

### Moorhead Rotary inducts six new members

President Corey Elmer welcomed back five members who attended the District 5580 Conference in Thunder Bay, Ont. Kay Parries, Gary and Cindy Nolte, Jean Hannig and John Andreasen. They urged members to start making plans for next year's conference, a family-friendly weekend in Minot that will include a service project.

Corey reported that he, Troy Nellis and John Andreasen will split up club leadership duties for the coming year. The subsequent president rotation includes Steve Schaefer, 2019-2020; Jerry Rogers, 2020-2021; and Gina Monson, 2021-2022. Please attend this week's meeting for the formal vote.

Other announcements:

- The deadline for grant applications has been moved to May 15. From \$12,000 to \$15,000 is available. For more information, talk to grants chairman Sam Wai.
- We still need a volunteer to serve on the planning committee for the Rotary golf tournament.
- New Rotary exchange student Nicholas from Brazil arrives in mid-August, and three families are needed to host him. Please consider opening your home.

### Repeat winner snags Alaska trip

The final prizes of our travel raffle fund-raiser were unveiled by committee chair Violet Deilke and Alma Cater. The lucky Christine Schultze won the most popular trip of the year, the Alaska cruise. Christine,



*Photos/Russ Hanson: Moorhead Rotary inducted six new members. Shown with sponsors are Scott Greelis, Chris Volkers, Dan Stauffer, Steve and Chris Astrup, and Sharon Fangsrud. Former member Mike Astrup (right) accompanied his sons. Sergeant at Arms Steve Schaefer. Rotarian of the Day Jade Rosenfeldt. Fire Chief Rich Duysen updated the club on the department.*





Photos: Jon Riewer, Teresa Joppa, Chris Volckers & Scott Greelis. Alma Cater & Violet Deilke. Adam Nordin, Chris & Troy Nellis.

## Guests — May 8

Mike Astrup, former member and father of Steve and Chris Astrup  
 Greg Roeder, guest of John Andreasen  
 Kim Schlotfeldt, guest of Violet Deilke  
 Kevin Zacchea, guest of Alex Ohman  
 Rei Yajima, Rotary exchange student  
 Sarah Dille, guest of Dan Stauffer  
 Christian Elmer, son of Corey Elmer

## Reported Makeups

District Conference: Gary & Cindy Nolte, Kay Parries, Jean Hannig and John Andreasen  
 Gary & Cindy Nolte, Detroit Lakes Rotary, April 12

## May Birthdays

Brandenburg, Liz	May 01
Gess, Emily	May 04
Hannig, Jean	May 09
Tranby, Dave	May 14
Moorhead, Tracey	May 27

## Wedding Anniversaries

Joppa, Teresa & Norwig, Richard	May 05 1990	28 years
Hanna, Bob & Zue Zan	May 22 1982	36 years
Matthees, Charles & Barbara	May 26 1979	39 years
Schaefer, Steve & Terese	May 30 1992	26 years

## Rotary Anniversaries

Gess, Emily	1 years
May 02 2017	
Monson, Gina	0 years
May 05 2009	

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

who has also won in previous years, bought her ticket from Steve Schaefer. Second prize of \$200 cash was won by Jerry Baldwin, who bought his ticket from wife Jill. Teresa Joppa sold Ginger Thrasher the ticket that won her a \$100 gift certificate to Rustica or Mezzaluna.

## First-time Sarge Steve salutes May Day

Steve Schaefer made his debut as sergeant at arms, sharing thoughts of May Day celebrations past and present. He reminded members of May baskets and traditional gifts of flowers – as well as the perfect day to put out hummingbird feeders. Those in higher education also know it, he said, as National Decision Day, a benchmark for student counts for the fall semester.

He picked a bouquet of happy dollars. Randy Farwell hailed the third year of the Moorhead Business Association's sponsorship of 4th of July fireworks at MSUM – and added, "I have pledge cards right here for businesses and individuals to help support it." Tracey Moorhead's dollar tied into that theme, as she told of how her grandchildren have been coming here from New York for years to the holiday celebration.

Alex Ohman's dollar was in celebration of completing his master's degree, while Kay Parries observed her 16th year in business. Jean Hannig announced past exchange student Erhard is returning in June to participate in the Trollwood musical program.

Brett Drevlow had two reasons to be happy – comedian Jim Gaffigan and the return of summer camping weather. Finally, Sergeant Steve himself shared the news that his daughter has been awarded a Fulbright scholarship.

## Fire chief discusses services, challenges

Jade Rosenfeldt introduced Moorhead Fire Chief Rich Duysen, who has been with the Moorhead Fire Department since 1994 and became the city fire marshal in 2012. He is also a firefighter with the Air National Guard. He served as Moorhead's Fire Marshal starting in 2012. He also serves as a fire fighter with the Air Guard.

His department employs a staff of 38, who make up three 11-person shifts per day. They're called out for fires, of course, but also medical emergencies, rescues, hazardous materials incidents, public education, hydrant testing, rental housing and commercial property inspections, fire investigations ... and, yes, to get cats out of trees.

The department responded to 3,600 calls in 2017. That included 120 fires; 2,305 medical incidents; 105 haz mat calls; 436 false alarms; and two fire deaths. The numbers include mutual aid calls to Fargo.

He said cities are ranked on a scale of 1 to 10 by the Insurance Services Office, with 1 being the best. Moorhead is currently at 3, and was inspected last week to move up to level 2.

Two investments are in the works. The city is applying for a \$150,000 FEMA grant for breathing apparatus and will be spending \$600,000 to replace one of its trucks purchased in 2005. The older truck will remain in reserve.

"We really need to look at our city services and prioritize," said the chief. "This includes station locations and everything that goes with it. We are going to need more coverage as the city grows, but where and when are things we have to decide."

## Looking Ahead

### May 8

Sergeant at Arms .....Eric Johnson  
 Rotarian of the Day .....Jade Rosenfeldt  
 Program .....Matt Eidem, program director,  
 Historical & Cultural Society/Comstock House  
 Greeters .....Brent Brandt & Kay Parries

### May 15

Tour of Comstock House, 506 Eighth St. S.  
 Box lunches will be served.

### May 22

Sergeant at Arms .....Mike Hulett  
 Rotarian of the Day .....Troy Nellis  
 Program .....Chris Volckers, City Manager  
 Greeters .....Steve Astrup & Neil Qualey

### May 29

Sergeant at Arms .....Bob Hanna  
 Rotarian of the Day .....Troy Nellis  
 Program .....Chris Volckers, City Manager  
 Greeters .....Scott Greelis & Jon Riewer