

The Paddlewheel

Moorhead Rotary Club

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New Members 2019-2020

Zach Heuring
Josh Jaster
Megan Wiesneski

Moorhead Rotary Club 970 District 5580

President Steve Schaefer
President-Elect Jerry Rogers
President Nominee 2021-2022 Gina Monson
Treasurer Emily Gess
Secretary Teresa Joppa
Past President Corey Elmer

Directors (2020)

Gina Monson, Pat Gulbranson and Greg Johnson

Directors (2021)

Dave Sederquist, 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

Rotary Exchange Student

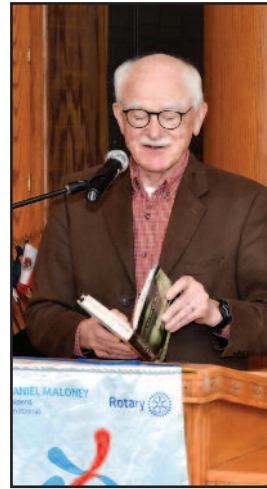
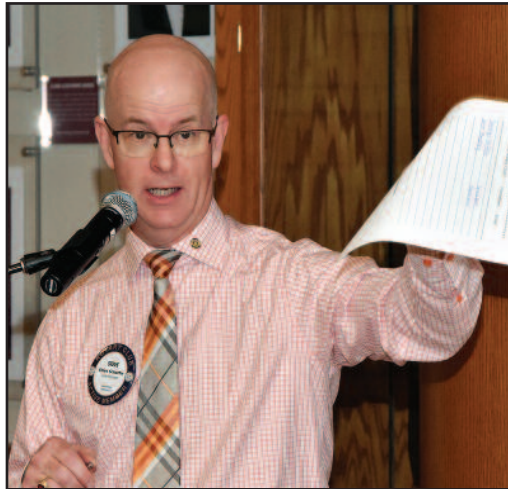
Frida Lehtonen, Finland

Meetings are held at 11:50 a.m. every

Tuesday in Birkeland Lounge at Concordia College's Memorial Auditorium.

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

We'll have one of our most popular programs, talks by several of our own members, at this week's meeting. Sue Koesterman is sergeant at arms. Tammy Finney and Randy Farwell are our greeters.

Tutors needed to help youngsters improve their reading and math skills

President Steve Schaefer welcomed members and guests, with a special word of thanks for greeters Doreen Filler and Dave Tranby. He launched right into business with a call for volunteers — for the club's centennial committee and to serve as song leader.

Bringing joy at Christmas

Gina Monson introduced an opportunity to spread

Bolivia project with Mano a Mano

Details and the itinerary for Rotary's service mission to Bolivia are coming together. Volunteers will be working with the humanitarian organization Mano a Mano. The schedule includes the possibility of up to three days of side trips. Full information is on ClubRunner as well as attached to this week's Paddlewheel email.

Information on the Guatemala service trips is also available on ClubRunner.



Photos/Russ Hanson: President Steve Schaefer. Sergeant at Arms Paul Dovre. Rotarian of the Day Dale Hetland. (Above) Carolyn and Jenn described the Minnesota Reading and Math Corps and invited members to become tutors.

a bit of happiness to families living in low-income motels and shelters at Christmas. The Joy Project is an all-volunteer effort to serve a hot holiday dinner and provide gifts for children and parents who might otherwise have none. (For more information, go to YouTube and search for "joy project cass clay.")

The sponsors have plenty of mittens and hats, but they're looking for the most popular gift of all, fleece blankets. You can help by donating fleece fabric and even helping make the blankets at a session scheduled from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. next Tuesday, Dec. 3. Fleece in colors and patterns suitable for boys and men is especially needed. To volunteer or donate, talk with Gina, 218-477-2244.

Holiday party to be hosted at the Rourke

The club's annual holiday party is scheduled for Tuesday, Dec. 10, from 6 to 8 p.m. (We won't meet at noon that day.) Once again it will be hosted at the Rourke Museum. Steve is looking for a member to coordinate the event.

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Photos/Russ Hanson: Jon Benson draws the wrong card in the weekly raffle.

Bill Woods and Rod McLarnan.

Kevin Heazlett, Dave Sederquist and Josh Jaster.

Guests, 11/19/19

Carolyn and Jenn, Minnesota Reading and Math Corps, speakers

November Birthdays

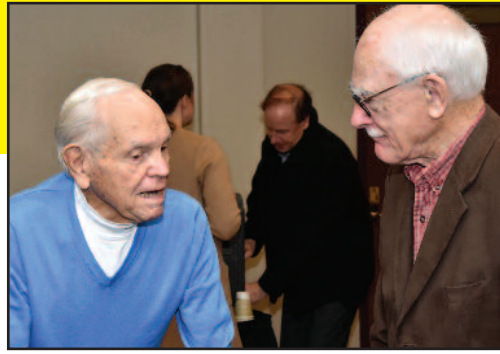
Hetland, Dale	Nov 03
Matthees, Charles	Nov 08
McLarnan, Rod	Nov 08
Koesterman, Sue	Nov 19
Nolte, Gary	Nov 28

Wedding Anniversaries

Farwell, Randy and Sherri	Nov 02 1991	28 years
Benson, Jon and Jessica	Nov 11 2002	17 years
Monson, Gina and Dave	Nov 30 1996	23 years

Rotary Anniversaries

Rogers, Jerry	Nov 05 1985	34 years
Woods, William	Nov 05 2004	15 years
Hanson, Russ	Nov 06 2007	12 years
Hanna, Bob	Nov 08 1988	31 years
Moorhead, Tracey	Nov 10 1992	27 years
Koesterman, Sue	Nov 19 2017	2 years
Riewer, Jon	Nov 25 2003	16 years
Tranby, Dave	Nov 25 1986	33 years
Joppa, Teresa	Nov 27 2001	18 years



Photos/Russ Hanson: President Steve presents past president (twice!) John Andreasen with international flags in honor of his service. Rod McLarnan and Paul Dovre. Jenn and Carolyn chat before their talk with Bill Woods, Dale Hetland and President Steve. (Below right) The club's board of directors met last week.



Paul Dovre shares Concordia 'presidential follies,' including two of his own

Sergeant at Arms Paul Dovre entertained members with his account of "presidential follies" at Concordia College — all reflecting booming optimism of the moment in the face of nay-sayers, and ultimately proving to have been a good idea. During his own two stints at the helm, he noted two: the campanile (bell tower) in the middle of the campus and the enclosed overhead walkway over Eighth Street.

Happy dollars cited the Gophers' and Vikings' successes, a gathering of exchange students, and the presidential optimism for building projects ... including new housing proposed by Churches United.

Paul's last words: "May all your follies turn out to be joyful."

Minnesota Math and Reading Corps are seeking tutors for youth in local schools

Two representatives of the Minnesota Reading Corps and Math Corps were on hand to invite members and friends to volunteer as tutors for local youngsters beginning next August. They are part of AmeriCorps, a domestic Peace Corps-like program that focuses locally on education. It began in St. Cloud and now is offered in 13 states.

Jenn and Carolyn reported that children who are not proficient in math by the 8th grade are less likely to graduate or may be delayed. Math tutors



work with children in 4th through 8th grades, each receiving 90 minutes of tutoring per week.

Reading Corps supports children in kindergarten through 3rd grade. Tutors work at three levels: pre-kindergarten, K Focus, and K-3. Training is provided for all tutors. There's no charge to students, parents or schools for the reading program; schools are asked to pay a math fee.

Working with the program offers benefits for tutors as well as kids. A living allowance is provided along with an educational award of money that can be used either by the tutor or someone he or she designates. Health insurance is also provided for those who tutor full-time. Part-time schedules are also available.

Rod McLarnan brought up his experiences over eight years in the reading program. At 93, he says he should be a "really good reader pretty soon." He added, "I love it when a child is able to improve their skills and no longer struggles."

Looking Ahead

November 26

Sergeant at ArmsSue Koesterman
Program.....Member Talks
GreetersTammy Finney & Randy Farwell

December 3

Sergeant at ArmsDale Hetland
ProgramParks Director Holly Heitkamp,
Moorhead Community Fund
GreetersEmily Gess & Sam Wai

December 10 — Evening Christmas Social
Rourke Museum, 6-8 p.m. **No noon meeting.**

December 17

Sergeant at ArmsGary Nolte
Program.....Paul Dovre, Christmas message
GreetersAbby Gold & Eric Wilkie

December 24 — No meeting

December 31 — No meeting