



The Paddlewheel

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Moorhead Rotary Club 970 District 5580

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Pat Gulbranson and Greg Johnson
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and Tracey Moorhead
Directors (2022) Tammy Finney
and Steve Astrup
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Polio Plus Coordinator Cindy Nolte
Sergeant at Arms Team
Dave Sederquist, Eric Johnson
& Jean Hannig
Program Chair Jean Hannig
Pianist Sharon Fangsrud
Song Leaders Bill Schwandt,
Bob Hanna
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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



No Meeting Tuesday

Moorhead Rotary will not meet this week. Instead, club members will spend the day filling volunteer shifts for our third Drive-By Food Drive at the Moorhead Center Mall.

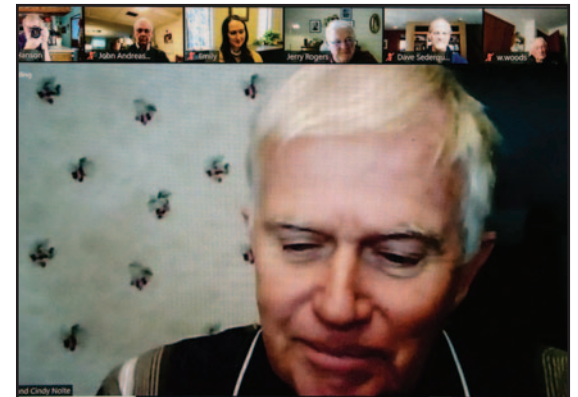
World Polio Day marks great successes ... and big global challenges yet to come

Twenty-two Moorhead Rotarians logged in for the club's regular Zoom meeting Tuesday and were welcomed by President **Jerry Rogers**.

Gina Monson of the Service Committee asked everyone to sign up for a shift at the club's third quarterly Drive-By Food Drive. The event takes the place of Tuesday's meeting on Nov. 3 — Election Day — with an all-day gathering of donated food and supplies for Churches United for the Homeless. It will take place in the parking ramp of the Moorhead Center Mall. She noted that more signage is planned to draw increased community attention to the drive.

Bill Woods reported that St. Joseph's School has asked the Dictionary Committee to present the books to third graders via Zoom on Friday, Nov. 6, at 1:30 p.m. He and chair **Russ Hanson** will tell the classes about the presentation, an annual tradition of the Rotary Club, and call out names, while their teachers will hand children their personalized copy.

District President-Elect Kay Biga is organizing a task force for District 5580's Women in Rotary



Project. **Kay Parries** will represent the club on the committee.

Travel raffle committee reaches sales goal

Travel raffle committee chair Violet Deilke announced the good news: Every ticket for the 2020-2021 travel giveaway has been sold!

Nine members were eligible for two prize drawings honoring those who reached ticket-sales goals and turned them in by Sept. 29. The winners of two \$50 dining certificates were Alma Cater and Randy Farwell. Pat Gulbranson's name was drawn for a \$25 gift certificate.

Sarge Emily highlights week's holidays

Sergeant at Arms **Emily Gess** filled members in on facts about two special days this week — World Polio Day Oct. 24, and of course Halloween. She said her children are looking forward to the latter, even though it will be quite different in this time of pandemic.

Visiting Rotarian 10/27

Jennifer Miller, FM AM Rotary

November Birthdays

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

Wedding Anniversaries

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|-------------------------|-------------|----------|
| Farwell, Randy & Sherri | Nov 02 1991 | 29 years |
| Benson, Jon & Jessica | Nov 11 2002 | 18 years |
| Monson, Gina & Dave | Nov 30 1996 | 24 years |

Rotary Anniversaries

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|------------------|----------|
| Rogers, Jerry | 35 years |
| Nov 05 1985 | |
| Woods, William | 16 years |
| Nov 05 2004 | |
| Hanson, Russ | 13 years |
| Nov 06 2007 | |
| Hanna, Bob | 32 years |
| Nov 08 1988 | |
| Moorhead, Tracey | 28 years |
| Nov 10 1992 | 8 years |
| Nov 18 2012 | |
| Koesterman, Sue | 3 years |
| Nov 19 2017 | |
| Riewer, Jon | 17 years |
| Nov 25 2003 | |
| Tranby, Dave | 34 years |
| Nov 25 1986 | |



She fined those who have not volunteered for the food drive, then turned to Happy Dollars. Hers was the first, in honor of their fall birthdays.

Teresa Joppa had two reasons to celebrate, Halloween and the reopening of **Alma Cater's** Moorhead Country Greenery. **Gary Nolte** was happy the Vikings didn't lose on Sunday, and reported he plans to hand out candy Saturday dressed as a doctor in PPE.

Violet was delighted, of course, that all the tickets have been sold. **Brent Brandt** donated in her honor, thanking her for all her hard work. **John Andreasen** reported the good news that, although the Recital with a Cause was cancelled last spring due to the pandemic, a challenge grant of \$10,000 for 2021 is already in the bank. Finally, **Dave Sederquist** announced that another baby granddaughter is on the way.

Rotary's polio program will also battle Covid

Rotarian of the Day Gary Nolte introduced a video program on Rotary International's successful Polio Plus program. Rotary has been working to eradicate polio for more than 35 years. Its goal of ridding the world of this disease

is closer than ever.

As a founding partner of the Global Polio Eradication Initiative, the organization has helped reduce polio cases by 99.9 percent since its first project to vaccinate children in the Philippines in 1979.

Rotary members have contributed more than \$2.1 billion and countless volunteer hours to protect nearly 3 billion children in 122 countries from this paralyzing disease. Rotary's advocacy efforts have played a role in decisions by governments to contribute more than \$10 billion to the effort.

Today, polio remains endemic only in Afghanistan and Pakistan. But it's crucial to continue working to keep other countries polio-free. If all eradication efforts stopped today, within 10 years, polio could paralyze as many as 200,000 children each year. Now, the vaccination program will also help tackle Covid-19. Polio sites and the distribution system that supports them will share information and training and serve as test sites for the vaccine expected to become available in the months ahead.

Looking Ahead

November 3 ... Third Drive-By Food Drive

November 5 ... Dictionary presentation

Zoom ceremony for St. Joseph's School 3rd graders

November 10 ... Zoom

Sergeant at Arms Eric Wilkie
Rotarian of the Day Gary Nolte
Program Keith Brokke, Rotary Foundation grants

November 17 ... Zoom

Sergeant at Arms Paul Dovre
Rotarian of the Day Dale Hetland
Program Jen Burgard & Karla Sorum, Hopeful Hearts

November 24 — No meeting

December 1 ... Zoom

Sergeant at Arms Sue Koesterman
Rotarian of the Day Steve Astrup
Program Joel Friesz, LSS Restorative Justice

December 8 ... Zoom

Sergeant at Arms Jon Benson
Rotarian of the Day Bob Hanna
Program Community Peace-Building and Conflict Prevention, Christian Harris, Rotary Peace Scholar in Libya

December 15 ... Zoom

Sergeant at Arms Gary Nolte
Rotarian of the Day Ernie Simmons
Program Paul Dovre's annual Christmas message

December 22 — No meeting

December 29 — No meeting