



# The Paddlewheel

## Moorhead Rotary Club

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### Moorhead Rotary Club 970 District 5580

President Jerry Roger  
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David Sederquist  
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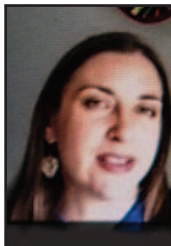
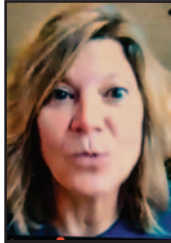
Directors (2020) Ernie Simmons,  
Pat Gulbranson and Greg Johnson  
Directors (2021) Kevin Heazlett  
and Tracey Moorhead

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

Program Chair Jean Hannig  
Pianist Sharon Fangsrud  
Song Leaders Bill Schwandt,  
Bob Hanna  
Photographer Russ Hanson  
Paddlewheel Editor  
Nancy Edmonds Hanson

### 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



Alicia Belay (left) of FM AM Rotary, District 5580's 2019-2020 Rotarian of the Year, talked about Rotary International's Global Grant to support maternal and child health among indigenous women on five reservations.

### Coming Up Tuesday ... via Zoom

Dorie Leslie of Friendship Inc. speaks on the Fargo organization that provides housing and job support to people with developmental disabilities. Dale Hetland is sergeant at arms, and Barb Belcher is Rotarian of the day.

### Visiting Rotarian Alicia Belay reports on grant to improve maternal health

President-elect Gina Monson welcomed 17 Moorhead Rotarians and several guests to the club's virtual meeting Oct. 6.

### Dictionary project wraps up

Dictionary project chair Russ Hanson reported that the 2020 distribution of Merriam-Webster dictionaries to Clay County third graders has been completed. After club members turned out Oct. 3 to label and package the books, he and Bill Woods delivered them to every elementary school in Clay County except Ulen, where the local Lions Club took over their local project several years ago.

Books were distributed differently this year due to Covid-19 restrictions. Instead of presenting and describing them in each third-grade classroom, they brought them to the school office, where teachers picked them up to hand out to their students. Bill developed a sheet of notes for them to use that replicates club members' presentation in years past.

A total of more than 900 dictionaries were ordered,



organized and distributed by Moorhead Rotary.

### Travel raffle ticket sale to conclude Tuesday

Chair Violet Deilke of the Travel Raffle Committee reported that as of that date, 160 (out of 300) raffle tickets had been sold and the money turned in. The last day for sales is Tuesday, Oct. 13. She asked members to bring their tickets and money to her at the Center for Hair and Wellness, including any that are still unsold so that others may get them into the hands of buyers.

### Centennial dinner pushed forward

The committee planning the club's 100th anniversary celebration has pushed the centennial dinner ahead because of Covid-19. Originally planned for next May, it will now be held in November 2021.

### Sarge Dave looks at other clubs

Sergeant at Arms Dave Sederquist took a look at what other service clubs like Lions and Kiwanis have been doing, including their membership numbers, focus and service projects.

Bill Woods donated the first happy dollars in honor of another successful dictionary project, something area

Photos: Bill Woods and Russ Hanson (behind the camera) have delivered all 900 dictionaries to this year's crop of Clay County third graders.

### Visiting Rotarians 10/06

Alicia Belay, FM AM Rotary, speaker  
Jennifer Miller, FM AM Rotary

### October Birthdays

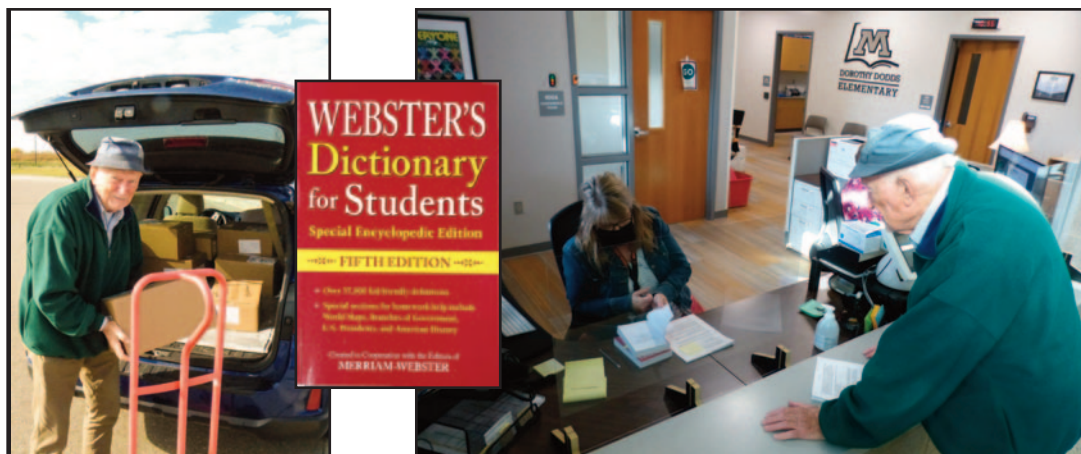
Wai, Sam	Oct 03
Hanson, Russ	Oct 23
Johnson, Gregory	Oct 28
Kolb, Ronald	Oct 29

### Wedding Anniversaries

Gess, Emily & David	Oct 04 2008
12 years	
Elmer, Corey & Brenda	Oct 05 1996
24 years	
Hannig, Jean & Jeff	Oct 24 1972
48 years	

### Rotary Anniversaries

Andreasen, John	28 years
Oct 01 1992	
Johnson, Eric	8 years
Oct 02 2012	
McLarnan, Rod	38 years
Oct 05 1982	
Benson, Jon	13 years
Oct 09 2007	
Donabauer, Brad	7 years
Oct 22 2013	
Wiesneski, Megan	1 year
Oct 22 2019	
Andreasen, Christopher	2 years
Oct 23 2018	
Simmons, Ernest	2 years
Oct 30 2018	



youngsters have come to expect and look forward to. Jean Hannig reported a friend's funeral was well attended ... and all were wearing masks. Dave Tranby shared fond memories of a wedding.

### Alicia Belay tells of indigenous maternal health project & adaptations due to Covid

Rotarian of the Day Bill Woods introduced Alicia Belay of the FM AM Rotary Club, who brought us up to date on a "local international project" to improve maternal health among indigenous women on reservations in the Dakotas, Minnesota, Montana and Nebraska. The grant funded training for health organizations serving pregnant women. Rotarians worked with the tribal groups for two years before the project was launched to learn what was needed on their reservations.

"This was a 'local international project,'" Alicia said. It was a joint effort of the FM AM club and its counterpart in Thunder Bay and Fort Williams,

Ontario. They applied for and received a Rotary International Global Grant, with funding coming from 39 clubs in eight countries.

The project was just beginning or ready to go when the Covid-19 pandemic struck. "As with all global projects, there is a problem," Alicia noted. "So now what?"

Project planners are proceeding to think outside the box. One solution being considered is transitioning to telehealth consultations. The sponsors are developing a regional indigenous telehealth conference, she said. The Spirit Lake Reservation is hosting it, with all five partner sites participating. Local artists and elders will present. The goal is to connect tribes with additional federal funding and other opportunities. A second grant application now under review by Rotary International would serve an additional 155 women, with \$31,000 in club funding and a matching amount from RI.

### Looking Ahead

#### October 13 ... Zoom

Sergeant at Arms .....Dale Hetland  
Rotarian of the Day .....Barb Belcher  
Program.....Dorie Leslie, Friendship Inc.,  
    Fargo organization provides housing & job  
    support to people with developmental  
    disabilities

#### October 20 ... Zoom

Sergeant at Arms .....Jean Hannig  
Rotarian of the Day .....Chris Andreasen  
Program.....Justin Kristan, Active Transportation  
    Alliance, bike safety & transportation issues

#### October 27 ... Zoom

Sergeant at Arms .....Eric Johnson

Rotarian of the Day .....Bob Hanna  
Program.....Megan & Gloria Mink,  
    Youth Protection

#### November 3 ... Third Drive-By Food Drive

#### November 10 ... Zoom

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

#### November 17 ... Zoom

Sergeant at Arms .....Paul Dovre  
Rotarian of the Day .....  
Program .....Jen Burgard & Karla Sorum,