

The Paddlewheel

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September Birthdays

Schaefer, Steve	Sep 01
Hanna, Bob	Sep 13
Nolte, Cindy	Sep 15
Simmons, Ernest	Sep 19
Craft, William	Sep 22

Wedding Anniversaries

Hetland, Dale & Ruth 32 years

Andreasen, John & Carol Sue 50 years

Deilke, Violet & Karl Sep 12 1975

47 years

Rotary Anniveraries

Nordin, Adam	7 years
Sep 08 2015	
Erbes, Roger	5 years
Sep 09 2017	
Craft, William	11 years
Sep 13 2011	
Remark, Rob	4 years
Sep 18 2018	
Shockley, John	7 years
Sep 21 2015	
Brandt, Brent	2 years
Sep 29 2020	



Coming Up Tuesday, September 20

Mayor Shelly Carlson joins us Tuesday to talk about the sales tax initiative that will fund the new community center and regional library downtown. Emily Gess is sergeant at arms, and Cindy Nolte is Rotarian of the day.

Freedom Resource Center speakers detail services for disabled residents

President Dave Sederquist welcomed members to Moorhead Rotary Sept. 13, along with Teresa Joppa's guest, Sarah Lewerenz from Duluth and speakers Katelyn Vilmo and Merri Christlieb from the Freedom Resource Center. He showed a Rotary video with President Jennifer Jones discussing the current polio situation and clean water efforts around the globe. She noted Rotary must raise \$50 million to trigger a matching grant from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation.

Year's biggest fund-raiser kicks off

Service committee chair Dale Hetland announced the beginning of our 2022-23 Travel Give-Away raffle, our key fund-raiser of the year. Top prizes include eight trips, but each winner gets to choose his or her prize among 10 attractive options. Second prizes will again be \$200 in cash, while third is a \$100 gift card.

Only 400 tickets will be sold ... with purchasers have a total of 24 chances to win. Members can qualify for extra prizes, too. If you sell your five tickets by this Tuesday, Sept. 20, you'll be entered in a drawing for a \$25 dining card from Rustica. If you sell an turn in eight tickets by Sept. 27, you may qualify for even more prizes!

Dale suggested a great way to sell without pressure is to send out emails or post the opportunity to buy on Facebook, approaching your own friends and family along with anyone else who



Photos/Gary Nolte: Our speakers, Katelyn and Merri from the Freedom Resource Center. Travel Raffle chair Dale Hetland. President Dave Sederquist. Rotarian of the Day Teresa Joppa.









responds. "You will be surprised!," he promised.

Each member receives five tickets, but you can get as many more as you need. But if you've tried but are unable to sell all of them, please talk to the committee. "Please don't wait until the end to turn back your unsold tickets," he urged.

Meetings

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

Participate via Zoom:

https://us04web.zoom.us/j/742305 775?pwd=V0ZTMVI1NldkY2xMM nIHNEdPdlRxdz09 Meeting ID: 742 305 775 Password: 630851

Potential outbound exchange student in 2023

The club has a very interested teen who would like to be an outbound exchange student next year! Jean Hannig, Jerry Rogers, Teresa Joppa and Brandon Lunak helped interview the current Moorhead High student.

Dave also asked a member to step up to run the 4-Way Test essay contest in conjunction with the high school. Jon Riewer expressed his interest.

Dave also noted that District Governor Kay Biga will be our guest and speaker on Oct. 4. "We want good attendance!" he emphasized.

Sarge Randy reviews facts about British queen

Sergeant at Arms Randy Farwell reviewed facts about Queen Elizabeth, who is being celebrated around the world. She became the heir apparent at 14 when her uncle abdicated to marry Wallis Simpson and her father became king. Randy recommended Netflix' "The Crown" to learn more.

He went on to collect happy dollars ... from Dale for the upcoming raffle campaign, from Chris for his wife Nikki's birthday, and from Violet for the Travel Give Away and for Jon Riewer's stepping up.

Freedom Resource Center helps disabled

Rotarian of the Day Teresa Joppa introduced our guests, Katelyn Vilmo and Merri Christlieb from the Freedom Resource Center, the largest disability rights organization in our region. The organization has been providing services for disabled men and

women in our community for 25 years.

The speakers told of how the concept began in Berkeley, California, in 1986 — that those who have disabilities should have the same rights, options and choices as every other person. Today there are more than 300 centers for independent living nationwide, including eight in Minnesota and four in North Dakota.

The private nonprofit serves those with any disability and at any age. No medical verification is required, and there's no income requirement; all services are free.

FRC's core services include information and referral, individual and systems advocacy, independent living skills training, peer mentoring and help during transitions from nursing homes and other institutions to home and community-based services. They teach budgeting, decluttering and drivers training, helping individuals get their permits and study for their tests.

The nonprofit has offices in Fargo, Fergus Falls, Jamestown, Wahpeton and Lisbon. It receives some state and federal funding but relies on donations as well. Its big fund-raisers are Oct. 6.

Among their services is an accessibility specialist who can measure and install a ramp at an individual's house for free. It's left in place until it is no longer needed.

"We also help solve problems with transportation. That can be a barrier," they told the club.

Looking Ahead

September 20

Sergeant at ArmsEmily Gess
Rotarian of the DayCindy Nolte
ProgramMayor Shelly Carlson,
Moorhead Sales Tax Initiative for Community
Center & Library

September 27

Sergeant at ArmsBill Woods
Rotarian of the DayJon Riewer
ProgramDon Kinzler, Fall Garden Tips

October 4

Sergeant at ArmsTBD
Rotarian of the DayKay Parries
ProgramDistrict Governor Kay Biga

October 11

October 18