



The Paddlewheel

Moorhead Rotary Club

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Moorhead Rotary Club 970 District 5580

President	Jerry Roger
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Sergeant at Arms Team	Dave Sederquist, Eric Johnson & Jean Hannig
Program Chair	Jean Hannig
Pianist	Sharon Fangsrud
Song Leader	Bob Hanna
Trivia Master	Brent Brandt
Photographer	Russ Hanson
Paddlewheel Editor	Nancy Edmonds Hanson

June Birthdays

Brandt, Brent	Jun 01
Baldwin, Jill	Jun 09
Farwell, Randy	Jun 18
Joppa, Teresa	Jun 27

Wedding Anniversaries

Dovre, Paul & Mardy	Jun 03 1958
63 years	
Qualey, Neil & Carmen	Jun 15 1968
53 years	
Wai, Sam & Coralie	Jun 20 1976
45 years	
Tranby, Dave & Sharon	Jun 22 1974
47 years	

Rotary Anniversaries

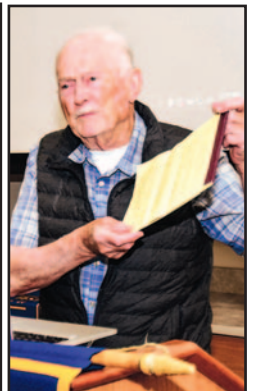
Deilke, Violet	25 years
Jun 04 1996	

Meetings

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

Participate via Zoom:

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/742305775?pwd=V0ZTMVl1NldkY2xMbnlHNEdPdIRxdz09>
Meeting ID: 742 305 775
Password: 630851



Coming Up Tuesday

Adam Martin, founder of the F5 Project to aid those convicted of crimes in reestablishing lives after prison, is our guest speaker. Teresa Joppa is sergeant at arms, and Jon Riewer is Rotarian of the day.

NDSU garden expert Don Kinzler offers tips for maintaining lawns during drought

Moorhead Rotarians sang together for the first time in well over a year — “Let There Be Peace on Earth.”

Tajikistan grant project update

Steve Schaefer updated the club on progress of the water project in Tajikistan. Concordia international student Amina Fatkhulloeva sent photos of the project’s process; pipe has been purchased, and the pump that will power the irrigation project has been installed. Moorhead Rotary has donated \$3,000 to the project, along with a matching grant of \$3,000 from District 5586. Amina, who spoke to the club last winter, is at home supervising the project. “It’s going fast,” she wrote.

Memorial Day memories & happy dollars

Sergeant at Arms Dave Sederquist spoke of the history of Memorial Day, which was begun in the South by freed slaves to honor Union soldiers who fought for their freedom, but grew to honor the war dead of the entire nation. Originally called Decoration Day, its meaning has been enlarged to encourage reconciliation with those from who you are estranged.

The first happy dollars were offered by the Noltes in honor of our veterans. Gina Monson reported happy travels to New York, Kentucky and other



A canvas on which the landscape is featured

Photos: Speaker Don Kinzler of NDSU Extension. President Jerry Rogers. Steve Schaefer. Rotarian of the Day Bill Woods.

states. Violet Deilke’s dollar was in honor of her 25th anniversary as a member of Moorhead Rotary. Steve Schaefer contributed 29 happy dollars, one for each year of his happy marriage. Emily Gess saluted Brent Brandt’s birthday, and Dave Sederquist hailed the return of singing; Cindy Nolte added, “If you don’t sing, you use your ability to exercise that vocal muscle.” Russ Hanson donated in honor of his late father, who served as an Army pharmacist in Korea.

Dave wrapped up with a quote credited to Abraham Lincoln: “The best thing about the future is that it comes just one day at a time.”

Kinzler shares insights into lawn care

Rotarian of the Day Bill Woods introduced an old friend NDSU agricultural extension specialist Don Kinzler. A native of Lisbon and graduate of NDSU



Photos/Amina Fatkhulloeva: Varzi-Kanda village in Tajikistan. Irrigation water line. Stockpile of pipe awaiting installation in Varzi-Kanda.

in horticulture, Don and his wife Mary ran a commercial greenhouse for many years. He writes about nurturing yards and gardens every week in The Forum and other area newspapers, and hosts lawn and garden segments on WDAY Radio.

Don dubbed his program “A Greener Lawn with Less Work.” He told how a perfect green lawn once signified a person of means, since a manicured expanse requires a lot of work — and only they could afford to hire the help to maintain it. The invention of the lawn mower, he said, revolutionized the lawn care business. “After World War II, lawns really took off, along with growth of the suburbs. With affordable mowers, homeowners could mow their own grass.”

He called the lawn “a canvas on which the landscape is featured.” He recommended choosing a grass seed high in Kentucky Bluegrass, at least 50%.

Key to keeping a lawn healthy and keeping maintenance simple is setting the cutting height to 3 inches. “It helps keep grass roots shaded and conserves moisture,” he advised. Moreover, it helps prevent weeds. “The taller the grass, the

healthier, and the deeper the roots.”

His second rule: Don’t bag the grass clippings. They help fertilize and also conserve moisture. “Do bag if they get too thick and cover the grass,” he added.

His third tip was to skip bagging leaves in the fall. “Simply mow and mulch them back into the lawn,” he recommended.

About watering, he suggested watering deeply and less often, adding about 1 inch of water per week. Shallow watering, he pointed out, leads to shallow roots. “Set out a soup can to measure how much you’re watering,” he said.

He recommended against “weed & feed” products. “If you get weeds, use a spot spray on them or just dig them up,” he offered. As for crab grass and quack grass ... “There really is no cure.”

Among lawn alternatives he recommends are turf grasses, grown cover, clover, wildflower mixes and creeping juniper. One final tip: Trees and shrubs benefit from mulch.

Looking Ahead

June 8

Sergeant at Arms.....Teresa Joppa
 Rotarian of the DayJon Riewer
 ProgramAdam Martin, F5 Project

June 15

Sergeant at ArmsJon Benson
 Rotarian of the DayJean Hannig
 Program“Living Beyond Yourself,”
 Rotary Convention Speaker

June 22

Sergeant at ArmsGary Nolte
 Rotarian of the DayTeresa Joppa
 ProgramChristine Holland, River Keepers

June 29

Sergeant at ArmsJean Hannig
 Passing of the Gavel and Club Social

July 27 — Rotary Golf Tournament

1:30 p.m.....Moorhead Country Club