



The Paddlewheel

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Other F-M Rotary Clubs
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

If you attend meetings of any of these clubs, just check in. We have a reciprocal agreement.

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This week's meeting: Tim Flaherty of St. Paul will discuss how Greater Minnesota fared in the 2015 Legislature, offering an insider's perspective on the 2015 legislative session and what the legislature and governor did (or didn't do) for Greater Minnesota. He is principal lobbyist for the Coalition of Greater Minnesota Cities and the city of Moorhead. Jean Hannig is sergeant at arms and Corey Elmer, Rotarian of the Day, with Lynne Kovash & Cindy Nolte as greeters.



Photos: President Eric Wilkie inducts Adam Nordin as a Rotarian as Ed Wright looks on. Gary Nolte presents Bryan Davidson with his first Paul Harris Fellowship. Dr. Bill Craft checks in three guests from Concordia and, at right, talks about campus innovations.

Concordia president Bill Craft talks about campus innovations as school year begins

In honor of Labor Day, Tuesday's meeting opened with Vern Goodin leading a rendition of "I've Been Working on the Railroad." President Eric Wilkie called Adam Nordin and his sponsor Ed Wright to the fore, welcoming the funeral director — who has worked for Wright Funeral Home for nine years — into Rotary membership.

Bryan Davidson 'pinned' as Harris Fellow

Gary Nolte, as Rotary Foundation representative, presented Bryan Davidson with his first pin as a Paul Harris Fellow. He reminded members that the points they earn, along with cash donations, enable them to make a difference as foundation supporters.

What do you know about Labor Day?

Sergeant at Arms Dave Sederquist tested members on their knowledge of the national

holiday just past, established in 1894 to commemorate labor's achievement of the eight-hour workday.

Members celebrated good news by donating "happy dollars" to the club treasury: The MSUM Dragons' season-opening win (while the Bison did not); exchange student Tangkwa's trip to Boston with her host family; the absence of new polio cases around the world last week; Moorhead Spuds victories; the first day of school in Moorhead, with more than 300 more students than last year; grandparenting in Austria; Steve Schaefer's daughter's exchange trip to Ghana; the upcoming Travel Giveaway; and the Cobber win over the weekend.

Concordia opens year with new programs

Rotarian of the Day introduced our fellow Rotarian, Dr. Bill Craft, who has served as



Photos: Vern Goodin leads the group in song. Sergeant at Arms Dave Sederquist. (Middle right) Ron Kolb and Don Myrvik welcome Tankwa & Jean Hannig. Bill Craft & Eric Wilkie.



Guests, September 8

Shellie Simonson Ulven, guest of Eric Wilkie
 Eric Addington, Karl Stumo & Carly Nelson, guests of Bill Craft
 Tangkwa Apinya Simasthien, foreign exchange student

Visiting Rotarians

Leann Wolf, Fargo West

Make-Ups

Chuck Matthees, Rotary Rides committee (2x)

Concordia College's president since 2011 — the 11th to lead the college. He previously served as dean and vice president for academic affairs at Luther College, where he originally taught English.

Bill described many ways in which the local college, founded in 1891, is evolving to meet the changing needs of students as well as American society. The college has introduced new academic programs this year including majors in heritage and museum studies and finance, as well as an agribusiness concentration and a master's program in nutrition. Current enrollment is 2,200.

Concordia's Career Initiative is approaching students' future differently than the old standard campus career service. Its goal is to involve all students every year in exploration of the multiple opportunities that await them in their fields of study.

Bill pointed out that the college has devoted its largest-ever capital undertaking to upgrading the study of the sciences. Some

\$45 million has been invested in renovating the Science Building to better fit the needs of today's approach to scientific education.

He highlighted some of the college's achievements with a quick overview of statistics:

- 90 percent of Cobbers graduate in four years.
- 88 percent of graduates who apply to medical school are accepted, along with 90 percent of law school applicants.
- 98 percent of graduates are employed in their fields of study within six months of graduation.
- The average student's family earns less than the family of those who send their children to the University of Minnesota. That's made possible by generous financial aid awards — an average of \$30,000 in aid offsetting annual costs of \$41,000.

September Birthdays

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| Schaefer, Steve | Sep 01 |
| Kovash, Lynne | Sep 12 |
| Hanna, Bob | Sep 13 |
| Nolte, Cindy | Sep 15 |
| Craft, William | Sep 22 |

Wedding Anniversaries

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| Hetland, Dale & Ruth | 25 years |
| Sep 01 1990 | |
| Holtan, Paul & Vicki | 36 years |
| Sep 01 1979 | |
| Andreasen, John & Carole Sue | |
| Sep 02 1972 | 43 years |
| Kolb, Ronald & Judy | 56 years |
| Sep 05 1959 | |
| Deilke, Violet & Karl | 40 years |
| Sep 12 1975 | |

Club Anniversaries

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| Bertilrud, Mark | 2 years |
| Sep 03 2013 | |
| Craft, William | 4 years |
| Sep 13 2011 | |

Upcoming Meetings: Programs and Assignments

Tuesday, September 15

Sergeant at Arms:Jean Hannig
 Rotarian of the Day:Corey Elmer
 Program:Tim Flaherty, St. Paul
 "How Did Greater Minnesota Fare in the 2015 Legislature?" He is principal lobbyist for the Coalition of Greater Minnesota Cities and the city of Moorhead at the Minnesota Legislature. He will provide an insider's perspective on the 2015 legislative session and what the legislature and governor did (or didn't do) for Greater Minnesota.
 Greeters:L Kovash & C Nolte

Tuesday, September 22

Meet at Northern Lights Boy Scouts Council, 4200 19th Ave S, Fargo
 Sergeant at ArmsMike Hulett
 Rotarian of the DayBill Schwandt
 Program.....Lynn Helms, director,

North Dakota Department of Mineral Resources. He is North Dakota's foremost authority on its oil resources and the Bakken formation. He will share his insights on the current outlook for the oil industry in North Dakota.

Greeters:S Ackerman & K Parries

Tuesday, September 29

Sergeant at ArmsEric Johnson
 Rotarian of the DayJon Riewer
 ProgramChris Berg, host of "6:30 Point of View," "North Dakota Today" and "Bison Football Pregame Show" for Fargo's KVLV-TV, will share his insights into public affairs, the media and other interesting topics.

Greeters J Andreasen & N Qualey