



The Paddlewheel

Moorhead Rotary Club

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Club 970
District 5580

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Gary Nolte

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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P.O. Box 72
Moorhead, MN 56561



Meeting at Northern Light Boy Scouts Council, 4200 19th Ave. S., Fargo

This week's meeting: Lynn Helms, director of the North Dakota Department of Mineral Resources, 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. Sergeant at Arms is Mike Hulett, & Bill Schwandt is Rotarian of the Day. Stacey Ackerman & Kay Parries are greeters.

Lobbyist sums up '15 Legislature's lack of real results for Greater Minnesota cities

President Eric Wilkie welcomed Rotarians and half a dozen guests to our weekly meeting. John Andreasen led the group in singing "When Irish Eyes Are Smiling" in honor of guest speaker Tim Flaherty.

Eric reminded everyone that next week's meeting will be hosted by Bryan Davidson at the Northern Light Boy Scout Council's headquarters in Fargo ... NOT at the Hjemkomst.

Dictionaries are on their way

Dictionary project chairman Bill Woods reported that 873 dictionaries have been ordered. Club members will be presenting them to every third grade student in Clay County in coming weeks. This year the Ulen Lions Club is covering their town's children.

Noltes report on Rotary polio progress

Gary & Cindy Nolte reported on the Rotary Zone 28 meeting they recently attended in



Photos: President Eric Wilkie inducts Matt Thomason & Chuck Hendrickson with sponsor Corey Elmer. (Above) Sergeant at Arms Jean Hannig. Dictionary chairman Bill Wood. (Below) Gary & Cindy Nolte. Speaker Tim Flaherty, lobbyist for Minnesota cities.



Detroit, Michigan ... where club representatives celebrated the near-eradication of polio, thanks to worldwide efforts by Rotary and its partners. Gary, who has been named the zone's End Polio Now manager, says he'll have big shoes to fill, since his predecessor raised more than \$2,000 for the cause.

Sergeant Jean discusses member duties

Sergeant at Arms Jean Hannig shared tales of her new puppy before moving on to the three



Photos: Sponsor Corey Elmer presents pins to new members Chuck Erickson (top left) & Matt Thomason. Sergeant Jean collects happy dollars. State Rep. Ben Lien & Ron Hagemann. Tim Flaherty chats. (Left) John Andreasen leads the club in singing "When Irish Eyes Are Smiling."

Guests, September 15

Tim (speaker) & Susan Flaherty, St. Paul
 Brenda Elmer, guest of Corey Elmer
 Ben Lien, guest of Mike Hulett
 Dorothy Suomala, guest of Paul Suomala
 Tangkwa, FES

Make-Ups

Gary & Cindy Nolte, Rotary Zone meeting in Detroit
 Bill Woods & John Andreasen, Rotary West, 9/14
 Chuck Matthees, Rotary Ride meetings (4x)

primary duties of Rotarians: to attend at least 50 percent of meetings (including makeups at other clubs); to be involved in service to the community; and to recruit new members by inviting them to visit.

Happy dollars celebrated old dogs who don't need all the care that Jean's new pup demands; Cindy and Lynne's birthdays; Concordia's upcoming symposium "China Rising"; and the 40th anniversary of Alma Cater's downtown Moorhead business, Country Greenery. Gary Nolte also pitched the opportunity to volunteer for the upcoming January service mission to Haiti.

Lobbyist reports on Legislature's actions & failure to act for rural Minnesota's cities

Rotarian of the Day Corey Elmer introduced Tim Flaherty, an attorney with Flaherty Hood, the St. Paul legal and lobbying firm that represents the Coalition of Greater Minnesota Cities at the Minnesota Legislature.

Tim said the cities represented by CGMC are disappointed in the work of the 2015 Legislature, which — despite a \$2 billion surplus — failed to adequately support his clients' priorities.

While legislators debated the Senate Office

Building, the deeply divided body failed to pass a tax bill, fund badly needed transportation infrastructure and provide aid to local governments. Appropriations for workforce housing development, rural broadband expansion, infrastructure improvements and employer-driven job training fell far short of the levels the coalition said are needed ... despite strong bipartisan support.

"Focus on tax cuts crowded out investments in Greater Minnesota's infrastructure," he concluded. "Success in 2016 — when the state again expects a surplus of \$1.3 billion — will depend greatly on the engagement of all Greater Minnesota leaders. We need to convince the governor and legislators."

September Birthdays

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

Wedding Anniversaries

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

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

Upcoming Meetings: Programs and Assignments

Tuesday, September 22

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 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