



Dickinson, North Dakota Rotary Club

# Branding Iron

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## Today!!

### Your Greeters Are:

Jason Hanson & Jon Hendrickson

Next Week:

Tom Henning & Bill Herauf

### Birthdays Today:

Belated: Vicky Steiner (7/09)

(Sorry I forgot you  
last week!)



## Give Thanks Today

Invocation by: **Greg Sund**

Next week: Todd Tavis

**There are times when life isn't all we want, but it is all we have. May our Rotarian members be of assistance, encouragement & kindness. We are human beings capable of reaching great potential but not capable of being perfect. Amen.**

*~ invocation prepared by Dennis Cannon*

## Program Chair:

**Rich Wardner**

Next Month: Erv Bren

## Your Program Today:

**Gary Peters**

Community Action and Energy

## Coming Up

July 23: Kevin Cramer  
ND Public Service Commission  
"Wind Energy in ND"

July 30: Tully Chambers  
Rotary District Governor

## Origin of the Rotary Flag

**Rotary International officially adopted its flag during the 1992 Congress in Dallas (Texas).**

The flag is made of a white field with the official wheel emblem in the middle. The four parts of the wheel rim are royal blue. The words ROTARY and INTERNATIONAL, in gold, are placed in the upper and lower parts of the rim, respectively. The wheel hub and cotter pin slot are white.

The first official flag of Rotary is said to have been displayed in Kansas City (Missouri) in January 1915. In 1922, admiral Richard Byrd, member of the Winchester Rotary Club, brought a small flag in his expedition to the South Pole. He did the same in 1926 when he went to the North Pole.

Some Rotary Clubs use the official flag as club pennant during their meetings. In such instances, it is allowed to add above the wheel ROTARY CLUB and below it the city, state or country name. The official flag is permanently displayed in the seat of Rotary and during congresses and official events sponsored by Rotary International.

Rotary Club was founded by Paul Harris on 23 February 1905, renamed Rotary International Association in 1913, and eventually Rotary International in 1926. Rotary International has today more than 1.2 million members and 31,500 clubs in 160 countries. It seems that the official flag of the organization is white with the emblem in the middle, whereas the flag used in practice (at least as seen in Denmark and Finland) has a yellow border.

**~submitted by Lyle Brudvig**

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# Campfire Memories



Special thanks: MDU and Rick Backes for printing the Branding Iron!

## Veronica had a “wonderful time!”



Last week, exchange student, **Veronica Auvert**, left, and her good friend, Kayla Rummel, visited. Veronica left two days later for her home in Venezuela after 11 months in Dickinson as a Rotary exchange student. While in the United States, she stayed with Rotary families.

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**Visiting Rotarian: Herb Schmidt**, right, president of the Fargo-Moorhead AM Club, visited last week and brought his brother, Ken.

## Visitors: Joe Rothschiller

brought Steffes employees Jim Deichert, left and Todd Mayer as his guests. Todd especially enjoyed the uranium program!



**Erv Bren** brought Gary Peters, Housing Director at Community Action.

**Winner of the Wine:**  
Ken Kussy

**Rotary Online:** Check out the web sites for news, archived newsletters and everything Rotary!

Dickinson Club Website: [www.dickinsonrotary.org](http://www.dickinsonrotary.org)  
District Website: [www.clubrunner.ca/5580](http://www.clubrunner.ca/5580)  
Rotary International Website: [www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org)

## Last Week's Speaker:

### Uranium in North Dakota Heats up energy sector



**Ed Murphy**

Exploration for Uranium “Yellow Cake” began in ND in the late 1940's when 82 samples were collected. Most of them were in the Medora and Amidon areas. The Atomic Energy Commission dug pits and found that Uranium attached to the first carbon material it found – usually lignite coal.

1963-1967 saw active Uranium mining in ND with nine to fourteen mines in Stark, Billings, Slope and Golden Valley Counties. Union Carbide Corporation had a kiln in Belfield and Kermac Nuclear Fuels Corporation had the Griffith site near Bowman. Eleven companies were active in Uranium mining and during this time the coal would be burned to reduce it down to ash where the Uranium would be collected. There were burning sites in Edgemont, SD and in Wyoming.

Most of the Uranium is located along Highway 85 in what have been known as the Fritz Mine, the Klym Mine and the Frank Mine. New companies are now coming in to continue exploration at those same sites.

In 1979 the Three Mile Island incident, Chernobyl and the movie “The China Syndrome” killed Uranium mining in the U.S. At that time the price of Uranium was \$40/pound. It shot up to over \$100/pound and today sells for about \$60/pound, which aids in the desire to explore.

The U.S. accounts for only 4% of the Uranium reserves and yet has 25% of the nuclear plants. Canada has the largest amount of reserves with 26%. Current exploration is in sandstone 200-500 feet deep. The average life of a mine is 7 years and then an additional 15 years is required to reclaim the land.

~submitted by Linda Steve

## New Member Proposal:

**Russell Murphy**, a guest of LaVonne Bullinger, is now a proposed member. His classification is Banking, Trust Officer, American Trust Center.



Last week, Shirley Dukart pinned new member **Don Bares**, pictured at left.

**Dickinson Rotary Club Ranch Hands (Committee Assignments)****Membership**

Shirley Dukart, Group Chair

**Development & Retention**Ken Nelson  
Harvey Brock  
Pat Altringer  
Mary Anderson  
Mary Massad**Family of Rotary**Chris Gerving  
Muriel Dassinger  
Billie Rase  
Raymond Schnell  
Carmi Howe  
Mike Keidrowski  
Winnie Stump-Delong  
Clarence Storseth**Fireside Chat**Lyle Brudvig, Chair  
Buzz Whelan  
Kari Shea**Service Celebrations**Farmer Rancher Night  
(October)  
Kevin Thompson  
David Anderson  
Jason Hanson  
Larry Schnell  
Christmas Party (December)  
Carmi Howe  
Shirley Dukart  
Valentines Party (February)  
Paul Steffes  
Dean Rummel  
Armed Forces Day (May)  
Joe Frenzel  
Chuck Rummel  
Rotary Road Trip (June)  
Lew Moormann  
Gaylon Baker**Public Relations**Lew Moormann, Group  
Chair**Newsletter**Kris Fehr  
Teri Lynn Steckler  
Lyle Brudvig  
Vicky Steiner  
Ron Treacy  
Linda Steve  
Dennis Cannon**Programs:**July: Rich Wardner  
August: Erv Bren  
Sept: Frank Wald  
Oct.: Frank Wald  
Nov: Merry Johnston  
December: Mary Massad  
January: Bill Herauf  
February: Joe Frenzel  
March: Jon Brudvig  
April: Mike Kiedrowski  
May: Todd Otto  
June: Mark Emmerich**Music & Songs**Frank Pearson, Chair  
Merry Johnston  
Kari Shea  
Gene Jackson  
Todd Otto  
Pat Altringer  
Kathleen Chesnut**Service**

Ken Kussy Group Chair

**Community Projects**Richard Schmidt, Chair  
Jon Hendrickson  
Brad Brennan  
Rick Backes  
Warren Vrana  
Bill Anderson  
Lloyd Schnaidt  
Kathleen Chesnut  
Dean Rummel  
Larry Schnell  
Paul Schuetzler  
Don Bares**Youth Program**Jeanne MacDonald  
Dawn Pruitt  
Robbi Kudrna  
Todd Otto  
Tim Priebe  
Chuck Rummel  
William Herauf  
Mark Emmerich  
Paul Stremick  
Deb Ballard  
Russ Murphy**Vocational Awareness**C.B. Haas  
Lee Hamre  
Jon Hodnefield  
David Anderson  
Nancy Johnson  
April Bishop  
Howard Freed  
Dale Jacobsen  
Lloyd Moldenhauer  
Jay Elkin  
Jonathan Stevenson**Fund Raising**Jim Ozbun  
Chip Poland  
Brad Fong  
Scott Meschke  
Sue Larson  
Karen Boulden**Foundation**

Greg Sund, Group Chair

**International Service**Clyde Frank, Chair  
Rita Krank  
Gene Jackson  
Lawrence Schilla  
Tom Henning  
Randy Sickler  
Richard Backes  
Jim Irsfeld  
Pam Kostelecky  
Irene Schafer  
LaVonne Bullinger  
Jon Brudvig  
John Tongen**Ambassadorial****Scholarships**  
Merry Johnston, Chair  
Jack Olin  
Norbert Sickler  
Todd Tavis  
Jon Brudvig**International Exchange**Jerry Fisher  
Robbi Kudrna  
Jason Dahl  
Dan Dasovick  
Dennis Hulsing  
Richard McCallum  
Brian Rummel  
Joe Rothschilder  
Hal Haynes, Jr.  
Roland Jacobs**Group Study Exchange**Shirley Dukart, Chair  
Kevin Thompson  
Bruce Howe  
Guy Moos  
Rich Wardner  
Erv Bren**Board of Directors 2008-2009**President: Glenice Hansen  
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Vice President: Jason Hanson  
Treasurer: Sue Larson  
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1 Year Director: Kris Fehr  
Sergeant at Arms: Dale Jacobson  
Past President: Gaylon BakerCan't find  
your name?  
See President  
Glenice so you  
can serve on  
the commit-  
tee of your  
choice.