

BRANDING IRON

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Today's meeting:

ND Army National Guard

Sgt. Joseph Kane, recruiter with the local ND Army National Guard, is our speaker.



Rotary Friendship Exchange to Croatia

Interested in traveling? District 5580's next Rotary Friendship Exchange will be to Croatia in 2026, as announced by Rotarian Jan Murtha, who serves on the District 5580 Friendship Exchange Committee. For details or to apply for the trip, contact Jan.

Last week: The Great Pumpkin Hunt

otarians got a peek behind the scenes of the work, organization and fun of The Great Pumpkin Hunt, a Consolidated annual event for seven years, at our last meeting. Robbin

Schwindt explained that the family event's mission is to bring the community and businesses together. The highly anticipated event features daily clues, a prize worth \$2,800 (last year), a pumpkin hotline (with 30-50 calls a day) and a pumpkin sometimes in disguise! Robbin said the event began seven



years ago and continues to grow. Changes and new things are planned for the 2025 event. The fun begins the week before Halloween.

Annual Flower Pot Auction coming May 7, just in time for Mothers Day! Proceeds will be used for Club projects.

Goodbye & Good Luck to Rotarian Urja!



Last week we said goodbye to club past president Urja Aryal. Urja joined Rotary in 2019, served as president 2022 -2023, as past president and board member and is a Paul Harris Fellow. She has been one of our

informal tech expert and has created our electronic sign ups. She regularly volunteered for reading to preschoolers, Pancake Karnival and Highway Clean Up. Urja will be traveling to her home country of Nepal, then moving to the East Coast to join her partner. We will miss her and her positive attitude and wish her well in her future adventures.

Today's Meeting:

Greeters: Tim Brooke & Jan Murtha *Next meeting: Rick Burwick & Ken Nelson*

Community Kindness: Cash donations for the 12th Annual Kids Health & Safety Fair on May 8. We collected \$235 last month for the Dickinson High School After Prom Party.

Invocation: We are grateful for the gift of life, and for the preciousness of mothers and children. We are reminded of the millions of mothers and children around the world who face preventable health challenges. AMEN