



THE COG



A Monthly Publication of the Brookings Rotary Club

JULY 2018

July Programs

Erich Olson-Program Coordinator for July

July 3.....Meghan Kelly.....St. Thomas More Catholic School
 July 10Dr. Kimberly Kludt & Paul Nepodal.....Deubrook Area School
 July 17..... Richard Brubaken.....Volga Christian School
 July 24..... Brian JandahlElkton School District
 July 31.....Randy Soma.....Brookings School District Activities Director

JULY BIRTHDAYS

8 David Merhib
 17 Mylo Hellickson
 17 Del Johnson
 25 Ron Waltz

July Sergeant at Arms will be the perpetually peppy and seldom early to arrive Brad Blaha.

FEEDING BROOKINGS (from their website)

Our Mission....Following the example of Jesus when feeding the crowd with just five loaves and two fish, the ministry’s goal is to feed the hungry of the Brookings area through a weekly grocery distribution.

How Does Feeding Brookings Work?.....From 4-5 pm each Thursday afternoon at Ascension Lutheran Church in Brookings volunteers distribute produce and bakery items provided by our local WalMart and HyVee stores, canned goods from the Emergency Food Assistance Program, hygiene items, and a food item of the month. **Who is Served?** All in need are welcome. There is no paperwork to complete. **For More Information.....** www.feedingbrookings.org or ask

Mary Kidwiler

Rotary is making Feeding Brookings our July Service Project. It will be at 3:40 on Thursday, July 12 and goes until 5PM. Please sign up or call Mary Kidwiler (605-690-6850 to volunteer.

PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE FOR JULY

As we enter a new year for Rotary, I want to take a moment and say “Thank You” to Reva Johnson for her leadership over the past year as Club President. “You have given me large shoes to fill and I will aspire to do my best”. I also want to say thank you to all of the board members and committee chairs for their leadership and direction for the club and for each of the individual committees of our club. Without your dedication and attitude of service, we would not be able to accomplish the many things that the Brookings Rotary Club does throughout the year for our community, region and the world.

As I previously mentioned, our District Governor Elect is Dave Lorenz, from the Rotary Club of Vermillion. DGE Dave’s theme for the 2018 -2019 year is “Be the Inspiration”. He has challenged each of us as Rotarians to combine his theme with the theme from last year to “Be the Inspiration to Make a Difference”.

Each of us as Rotarians can use our lives to inspire others that we encounter on a daily basis and make a difference in their world. This month we are hearing from many local educators from our community and area. Through Rotary we are able to “inspire” several area students through our scholarship program, we are able to “make a difference” for those who are food insecure by assisting with the Harvest Table and the Feeding Brookings organizations. These are ways we are making a difference in the lives of our area community members as Rotarians.

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July Service Anniversaries

7-27-65 Bruce Lushbough 53 yrs	7-27-04 Jim Klinker 14 yrs	
7-15-75 Van Fishback 43 yrs	7-28-09 Cathrene Voelzke 9yrs	
7-01-97 David Gilkerson 21 yrs	7-27-10 Barry Dunn 8 yrs	
7-01-00 Tim Harvey 18 yrs	7-16-13 Ben Hauck 5 yrs	
7-02-02 Greg Fargen 16 yrs	7-22-14 Michael Gonda 4 yrs	
7-15-03 Dean Kattelmann 15 yrs	7-11-17 Darla Biel 1 yr	

(President's message continued)

To me, each of you as Rotarians are an inspiration as you reach out to our community and make Brookings and the surrounding area a great place to spread the Rotary message through your service to others. Thank you for all you do as Rotarians.

Please make an effort to thank your other 2018-19 Board members for stepping up to co-ordinate those efforts that make our club operate: Jennifer Soma, President Elect; Reva Johnson, Past President; Del Johnson, Secretary; Nicole Rawden, Treasurer; David Merhib, Director; Ben Hauck, Director; Don Norton, Director; Dan Little, Ass't District Governor; and Gregg Jongeling, Sergeant at Arms and all of your committee chairs who will be introduced as we proceed into 2018-19.

Yours in Rotary, Steve

Moses had the first tablet that could connect to the cloud.

The first computer dates back to Adam and Eve. It was an Apple with limited memory, just one byte. And then everything crashed.

TRUE FRIENDSHIP: Walking into their house and your wifi connects automatically.

I named my dog 6 Miles so I can tell people that I walk 6 miles every single day

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**PRESIDENT STEVE CARNES
CONTACT INFORMATION
QUESTIONS?? COMMENTS!!
STEVE WANTS TO HEAR
FROM YOU!!!!!!**



Wedding Anniversaries for July

July 3.....Nadim & Seham Hassoun	July 20.....Teree & Daniel Nesvold
July 9Van & Barbara Fishback	July 22.....Bruce & Ila Lushbough
July 11.....Rich & Jennifer Widman	July 23.....Darla Biel & Marc Serrett
July 13.....Jackie & Tony Lanning	July 24.....David & Diane Odens
July 14..... Jesse & Teri Ronning	July 25.....Terry & Ann Spitzenberger
July 17.....Don & Kay Norton	July 29.....David & Vanessa Merhib
July 17.....Della & Craig Tschetter	July 30.....Barry & Jane Dunn

The following Rotarians had perfect attendance in June

Brad Blaha	Gregg Jongeling	Carol Peterson
Steve Carnes	Millie Juel	Ron Peterson
Lewayne Erickson	Dan Little	Nicole Rawden
Dave Gilkerson	Bruce Lushbough	Fred Rittershaus
Gary Gramm	David Merhib	Rod Schaefer
Mylo Hellickson	Teree Nesvold	Dick Smith
Del Johnson	Don Norton	Cathy Voelzke
Reva Johnson	Kay Norton	Vern Voelzke



July Meal Schedule (HyVee)

July 3.....	Burgers & Brats
July 10.....	Turkey
July 17.....	Chinese
July 24.....	Baked Potato Bar
July 31.....	Burgers & Brats

WELCOME SOME OF OUR NEWEST BROOKINGS ROTARY MEMBERS



Kay Norton

Kay Norton and her husband, Don, moved from western Illinois to Brookings last August, when Don began serving as the CEO of the South Dakota Agricultural and Rural Leadership Foundation. Kay accepted a full-time English faculty position and teaches at University Center in Sioux Falls. Prior to beginning teaching more than a decade ago, she owned a marketing and advertising agency for 20 years, and also worked in the print media industry. She earned bachelor's and master's degrees in English from Western Illinois University. A Paul Harris Fellow, Kay has been a Rotarian since the early 1990s, and has served as her Club President and District 6460 Public Relations Committee Chair. She enjoys reading, cooking, and singing and traveling with Don. The couple have two musically talented sons; Christopher in Chicago and Donnie in Portland.

Deb Debates is a lifelong South Dakota resident. She grew up on a farm in Moody County but graduated from high school in Jasper, MN. Deb earned a BS degree from SDSU and taught family and consumer sciences and German at Canton SD High School. She returned to SDSU in 1991 and earned a MS degree in family and consumer sciences education in 1993 and a PhD from Iowa State in Human Development and Family Studies in 1999.

Deb worked at SDSU from 1991-2014 in teacher education and was program coordinator for the family and consumer sciences education program. She continues to teach online courses as needed. Deb is passionate about education and working with young people. Deb served as the housemother for FarmHouse fraternity for more than 20 years. Recently, Deb was elected to the Brookings School Board. Deb enjoys traveling, reading, flower gardening, cheering on the Jackrabbits and Minnesota Twins.



Deb Debates



Joey Collins

Joey Collins served three years in the U.S. Army and was honorably discharged. He was an Airborne Paratrooper and served in the Gulf War. Joey worked in corrections for the Washington State Penitentiary and the South Dakota State Penitentiary. He worked as deputy sheriff for Brookings County, and retired from the Brookings Police Department as a Patrol Lieutenant in 2017. He has taught Criminal Justice at South Dakota State University. Joey earned a Master's Degree in Management in 2010.

He is married to Julie and they have two children, Peggy Sue and Judith.

As an indication of his desire to serve his community, Joey ran for a seat on the Brookings City Council this year.

Greetings from The School of St Jude.

[We have exciting news!](#)

We warmly welcome you to join us for the Standard 7 graduation ceremony of Lidia that will take place on Thursday December 6, 2018 in Arusha, Tanzania - one of the most breathtaking and popular tourist destinations in Africa. Every year, we are thrilled to welcome visitors from our St Jude's international family and would love for you to be among them! We are often told that visiting St Jude's and seeing first-hand the direct impact your support has had on the student whose academic scholarship you have sponsored is one of the most rewarding experiences of being a sponsor.

If you are interested in finding out more about visiting St Jude's for the ceremony, or at any time, email our Visitor team via visitor@schoolofstjude.co.tz and from there they can start planning your personalized itinerary.

If you have any questions about the Standard 7 Graduation, gift packs or more generally, do not hesitate to ask via sponsor@schoolofstjude.co.tz If you'd like to congratulate Lidia, please feel free to reply to this email and we will pass on your congratulations and best wishes.

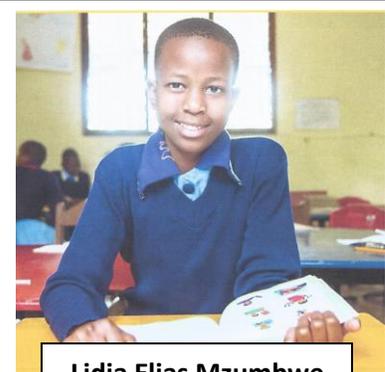
Thank you so much for your generous support of Lidia's academic scholarship. It is due to the generosity of sponsors like yourself that we have been able to continue fighting poverty through education and educating the future leaders of Tanzania!

Kind regards,

Valentina Mboya
Sponsor Relations Team

The School of St Jude
PO Box 11875, Arusha, Tanzania

Fighting poverty
through education



Lidia Elias Mzumbwe



CONGRATULATIONS TO CRAIG AND DEE JOHNSON

Craig and Dee Johnson were recognized June 12 by the Rotary Foundation as Major Donors – Level 2 -- \$25,000 to \$49,999. They received a beautiful crystal recognition piece and a pendant and lapel pin acknowledging their charitable giving to the Rotary Foundation.

The **Rotary Foundation** transforms these gifts into service projects that change lives both close to home and around the world. During the past 100 years, the **Foundation** has spent \$3 billion on life-changing, sustainable projects. With your help, they can make lives better in your community and around world.

Brookings Rotary thanks and congratulates the Johnsons