



THE COG



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April Programs

Lewayne Erickson & Wes Tschetter --- Program Coordinators--- April

April 4..... Justin Sell SDSU Athletic Director
April 11.....The Swiftel Centerat the Swiftel Center
 April 18 Dr. Mary Kay HellingUniversity Accreditation
 April 25..... Kerri Young & Clarissa Ober SDSU Student Athletes

April Sergeant at Arms will be the high achieving, hardworking Erich Olson

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

8 Ron Peterson
 15 Alan Rogers
 18 Tom Manzer
 26 Richard Smith
 30 Bruce Lushbough
 30 Paul Moriarty

Due to the City/School Board election our April 11 Rotary Meeting will move to the Swiftel Center located on 32nd Ave north of 6th Street. Lunch will be provided by Swiftel Catering.

There is a voting precinct located at Swiftel that day so you may vote before or after the Rotary Meeting if you should so wish !!!!!

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE FOR APRIL

Greetings Rotarians,

April is designated as Maternal and Child Health Care month by Rotary International. Consider the following facts published by the World Health Organization (WHO):

- 5.9 million children under the age of 5 years died in 2015.
- More than half of these early child deaths are due to conditions that could be prevented or treated with access to simple, affordable interventions.
- Leading causes of death in children under 5 years are preterm birth complications, pneumonia, birth asphyxia, diarrhea and malaria. About 45% of all child deaths are linked to malnutrition.
- Children in sub-Saharan Africa are more than 14 times more likely to die before the age of 5 than children in developed regions.

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Brookings Rotary Fun Facts

First Brookings Rotary Club female president.....Ginger Thomson 1999-2000
 Member with most seniority.....Ron Peterson 61 yrs
 Newest member.....Jason Croat (attends Monday night meetings)
 Current member who served two consecutive terms as President.....Van Fishback 1995-1997
 Brookings Rotary chartered in 1920 and was sponsored by Watertown Rotary Club
 There were 21 charter members. One of them was named Van Fishback!
 In 1996 Jason Flaskey received a Brookings Rotary Club scholarship and is now a member of the club.

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April Service Anniversaries

4-01-85	Nadim Hassoun	32 yrs	4-05-11	Reva Johnson	6 yrs
4-01-87	Tom Manzer	30 yrs	4-17-12	Alan Gregg	5 yrs
4-11-89	Ginger Thomson	28 yrs			



(President's message continued)

Maternal and Child Health Care is one of Rotary's six areas of focus. Therefore, Rotarians worldwide are actively working to improve maternal and child health. We are blessed with excellent health care services in our community. However, the following areas are possible project areas to work with Rotarians in less fortunate communities to support maternal and child health:

- Immunizations and antibiotics
- Nutrition
- Mother to Infant HIV transmission
- Reducing maternal deaths
- Family planning services

If you have a specific interest in any of the areas mentioned above or any other project areas, I encourage you to communicate them with someone on the Rotary Board and/or attend a Monday Evening Rotary meeting at 5:30pm at Wooden Legs Brewery. We have a growing number of young professionals interested in making a difference by Serving Humanity thru Rotary. I encourage you to attend Monday Evening meetings as you are able, especially if you are unable to make a Tuesday noon meeting!

Enjoy the beautiful Spring weather!

Dan

BROOKINGS ROTARY CLUB HONORS STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

Brookings High School seniors Madison Rief and Aspen Myer were honored as the Brookings Rotary Club's March Students of the Month.

Madison is the daughter of Jeff and Robin Rief of Brookings. She has been involved in Cross Country, Volleyball, Basketball, Track and Field, FCCLA, Spanish Club, and Student Council. She is a member of National Honor Society and a volunteer tutor at Medary Elementary. Madison plans to attend the University of Minnesota-Twin Cities, to obtain a degree in genetics, cell development, and biology.

Aspen is the daughter of Steve and Wendy Myer of Volga. She has been involved in Band, Choir, Winter Drumline, Jazz Band, Jazz Choir, Orchestra, Oral Interp, Debate, and BHS and community theatre. She is also a member of the National Honor Society. Aspen plans to study chemistry at Concordia College in Moorhead, Minnesota.



Wedding Anniversaries for April

Apr 1.....	Erich & Lauren Olson
Apr 4.....	Michael & Patricia Crinion
Apr 15.....	Rod & Deb Schaefer
Apr 27.....	Jane & Brad Hennings

The following Rotarians had perfect attendance in March

Steve Carnes	Craig Johnson	Carol Peterson
Lewayne Erickson	Delmar Johnson	Nicole Rawden
Bob Fishback	Gregg Jongeling	Jennifer Soma
James Gilkerson	Mary Kidwiler	Ginger Thomson
Gary Gramm	Bruce Lushbough	Toby Uecker
Randy Hanson	David Merhib	Jeff Weldon

April Meal Schedule (HyVee)

Apr 4.....	Taco Bar
Apr 11.....	Lunch by Swiftel
Apr 18.....	Baked Potato Bar
Apr 25.....	Soup / Sandwich