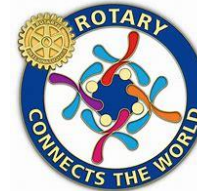




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MARCH 2020

March Programs

Ginger Thomson - Program Coordinator for March

Mar 3.... Christine Krogman..... Department of Social Services
 Mar 10.... Phil Wagner.....Brookings County Museum
 Mar 17.... Kate Trieber and Mike Mogard.....Children’s Museum Food Pod
 Mar 24....Rotary Leadership..... Club Assembly
 Mar 31....Mike Huether.....”Serve...Lead...Win”

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

1 Nadim Hassoun
 8 Cathrene Voelzke
 14 Nicole Biever
 17 Mitch Steinhoff
 22 Larry Fjeldos
 23 Gary Gramm
 28 Rod Schaeffer

March Sergeant at Arms is SDSU **F.O. Butler Award for Excellence in Community Service** winner Toby Uecker.

PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE FOR MARCH

March MADNESS, here we go! I love this time of the year as do many of you! Many of you take time off from work to head south to Sioux Falls to watch the Jackrabbits in the Summit Tournament. I love to fill out the brackets and watch as many of the games as I can until the Championship night. Who’s going to take home the trophy this year?

The Centennial Committee has been meeting monthly since January. Please mark April 14th to be in attendance. We are having our “group” picture done to commemorate our 100 years. This will be taken at the Research Park and then revealed at our May Centennial Celebration.

This past Sunday, February 23rd, 2020, was Rotary’s 115th Anniversary! The Nortons joined my family and I for brunch at The Pheasant. We celebrated because Rotary is what brought our two families together. Think of all the people throughout the world, the United States, and even just here in Brookings, SD who we/you have met because of Rotary! *(continued on back)*

Multi-district PETS – March 12-14, 2020 Mayo Civic Center, Rochester, MN - The North Central Presidents-Elect Training Seminar is an annual multi-district training event for incoming Rotary Club Presidents-Elect, and Presidents-Nominee. Please submit the names of these officers to [Nicole Rawden](#) for marketing information will be distributed to these officers starting soon. All are welcome to attend. The registration cost is \$245 by January 31 and \$270 after January 31. District 5610 President-Elects registration fee will be covered by District 5610. Checkout the program agenda, speaker line-up, and videos on why you should attend at <https://www.ncpets.org/>.



Bring a guest to Rotary as a potential member. Let’s share Rotary.

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March Service Anniversaries



3-28-61	Robert Fishback	59 yrs	3-04-08	Jesse Ronning	12 yrs
3-23-77	Fred Rittershaus	43 yrs	3-19-13	Erich Olson	7 yrs
3-13-84	Vern Voelzke	36 yrs	3-25-14	Roger DeGroot	6 yrs
3-28-05	Jackie Lanning	15 yrs	3-14-17	Jason Croat	3 yrs
			3-02-18	Jim Ducker	2 yr

District 5610 Conference is April 24-25 in Hot Springs. All members are invited to attend. Contact Past President Steve Carnes (605-996-3509) or President Jennifer Soma or go to the District 5610 website for more information. (sign up on-line at Rotary 5610 website)

The Friday evening banquet will feature special Rotarian awards, recognitions, a message from RI Representative Phil Silvers and entertainment featuring Western Music and History. Saturday morning will feature an inspiring message from Dr. Fozia Alvi, a physician and humanitarian. Also, Tom Gump will present on Veterans Serving Veterans Rotary Club as will Jon Ruybalid on the Whiteclay, Nebraska, maker space being supported by District 5610. Also, there will be a discussion on our District's first ever Disaster Response grant to address Pine Ridge Reservation homes damaged by the "bomb cyclone" of 2019.

Willie Mac Basketball at Boys and Girls Cub Friday and Saturday March 27 and 28. Rotary will help provide staff so we need you to volunteer. Save the date!! Sign up sheets will be coming around at the meetings or call Reva Johnson (562-201-3059) to get on the roster.

(President's message continued)

Some of you are already south for the winter and some of you are just leaving. Some of us have to stay back and hold down the fort, but remember wherever you are, have fun and keep smiling!! There may be white stuff on the ground when you get back, but it won't last too much longer. If the white stuff is here at the end of month, it will bring on the true March Madness.

Blessings,

Jennifer



Everyone's Irish
On March 17th.

Wedding Anniversaries for March

Mar 6.....	Nicole & Jammey Rawden
Mar 17.....	Doug & Mary Malo
Mar 19.....	Dan & Pat Little
Mar 22.....	Alan Gregg & Carol Rettkowski

The following Rotarians had perfect attendance in February

Keith Bartels	Larry Janssen	Steve Pohl
Lewayne Erickson	Gregg Jongeling	Nicole Rawden
Bob Fishback	Millie Juel	Fred Rittershaus
Jim Gilkerson	Bruce Lushbough	Dick Smith
Michael Gonda	Doug Malo	Jennifer Soma
Gary Gramm	Kay Norton	Ginger Thomson
Alan Gregg	Don Norton	Zeno Wicks
Nadim Hassoun	Erich Olson	Rich Widman

March Meal Schedule (HyVee)

Mar 3.....	Burgers and Brats
Mar 10.....	Turkey
Mar 17.....	Fried Chicken
Mar 24.....	Taco Bar
Mar 31.....	Lasagna