

# The Cog



A Monthly Publication of the Brookings Rotary Club

**MAY 2022** 

### **May Programs**

# <u>Erich Olson and Don Norton------Program Coordinators for May</u> May 3.....Billy Wilburn)......Prairie Repertory Theater-Summer 2022

May 10.....Jeff Lee.....Brookings School District update and Bond Vote May 17.....Dr. Will Prigge......SDSU History Prof.-Ukrainian Conflict Origins May 24.....Robert Lofthouse........Author of Honor Through Sacrifice

May 31.....Club Assembly.... incl. 100% Paul Harris Fellow awards and cake

The May Sgt. at Arms will be the recently returned from Ariz. Gregg Jongeling.

#### MAY BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Doug Malo
- 6 Mildred Juel
- 8 Kay Norton
- 8 Dan Nelson
- 9 Lewayne Erickson
- 20 Erich Olson
- 21 Jason Flaskey
- 23 Lisa Hager
- 27 Peggy Miller

### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE FOR MAY

#### All Things Seem Possible

American naturalist, photographer, and writer Edwin Way Teale put it this way: "All things seem possible in May." Indeed, May brings the gifts of spring and the promise of summer.

April's Rotary Presidents' Elect Training Seminar (PETS) held in Mitchell was similar to the feeling that May brings. The new Rotary year will start soon (July 1) and with it comes new leadership, new projects, and a rededication of clubs and District 5610 to "IMAGINE" – the 2022-23 Rotary theme. It holds the promise of doing good.

Our district's response to the Ukraine crisis is inspiring. See the pictures of food and supplies being unloaded by the Barlad, Romania club in this issue of the COG. Those supplies were sent there by YOU, and me, and Rotarians across the United States. We hope to change lives in a place where change and salvation is greatly needed.

We're back at work on local projects as well – we'll be serving at the Harvest Table on October 10<sup>th</sup>, and we're helping to make the Brookings Marathon a success on May 14. The coats we collect on Thirsty Thursday, May 5, will be used to keep those less fortunate warm when winter sets in once again. And in June, we'll once again team up with other local service clubs to help provide cereal for local children who might otherwise not have breakfast this summer once school lets out. Thanks to the Brookings Backpack Project for bringing this project idea to us.

It is possible to make positive change in our world, and the Brookings Rotary Club is just the group to make that happen! IMAGINE how you can be a part of Service Above Self. See you on Tuesdays – and bring a friend!

Thirsty Thursday will be May 5 at Cubby's in downtown Brookings. The theme is Share the Warmth. You may bring items or give a donation toward the coats already purchased by Brookings Rotary.

See you there at 5 PM

The Brookings Marathon will be held Saturday, May 14, 2022. Rotary provides 10 volunteers to guide runners to and across Medary Ave. and thru the SDSU campus. Rotarians are in place at 6:45 AM to provide guidance and encouragement as the runners pass. They are done by 8 AM. Jim Gilkerson (605-691-2018) coordinates the volunteers for Rotary and will be the on-course group leader.



		May Service Anniversaries			
5-18-60	Richard Wahlstrom	62 yrs	5-10-16	Nicole Rawden	6 yrs
5-05-87	Rod Schaefer	35 yrs	5-16-17	Mitch Steinhoff	5 yrs
5-05-92	Larry Fjeldos	30 yrs	5-08-18	Debra DeBates	4 yrs
5-22-07	Gerard Moriarty	15 yrs	5-22-18	Dan Nelson	4 yrs
			5-01-18	Teree Nesvold	4 yrs



## BROOKINGS ROTARY FOUNDATION UPDATE By: Larry Fieldos May 2021

Brookings Rotary Club Foundation 2021 giving goal: \$8,000.00 Amount contributed to date: \$4,000.00

### **→** 100 for 100 was the phrase for our Rotary Club Centennial Year Celebration.

The reveal of the "rest of the story" took place on April 14th last year on a Zoom Club meeting. Brookings Rotary Club received the most honorable designation of a 100% Paul Harris Fellow Club. Worldwide only 10% of the 35,000+ Clubs have achieved this honor.

### Our current count is 189 PH Fellows, 54 Multiple PH Fellows & 2 Major Donors.

How this was accomplished is a story of 'paying it forward' by a committed group of Brookings Area residents realizing that the heart and soul of Rotary is the work done locally and globally by The Rotary Foundation (TRF). So now what can we do as individual Rotarians to 'pay it forward' as the Rotarians of the first 100 years showed us the way?

### 100% Every Rotarian Every Year (EREY) designation.

For clubs that achieve a minimum Annual Fund contribution of \$100 per capita during the Rotary year, and every dues-paying member must personally contribute at least \$25 to the Annual Fund during the year.

The remaining would be made up by individual contributions to TRF for the annual raffle, annual Paul Harris Society members (when you elect to contribute \$1,000 or more annually to the Annual Fund, PolioPlus, or an approved Foundation grant), matching dollars for future PHF and others. Your donations train future peacemakers, support clean water, and strengthen local economies.

Covid 19 Virus reminds us of the fragility of our lives and what a gift Rotary friendships are with the restart of hybrid club meetings both in person and zoom. Over the months of past club social meetings "foundation moments" asked about our giving to the TRF and poised the question:

### What is your legacy?

Finally, we have a **Brookings Club Legacy Book.** In the past when a Rotarian left the club for any reason the foundation recognition points that one had accumulated were lost. We are going to ask Rotarians to sign a Rotary Paul Harris Fellow Recognition Transfer Request Form to allow the Brookings Rotary Club to assign the points to a future Rotarian when they are available. This will allow the Club to continue the PHF matching program in perpetuity.

The following R Brad Blaha Steve Carnes Lewayne Erickson Jim Gilkerson Michael Gonda Del Johnson	otarians had perfect Gregg Jongeling Millie Juel Jim Klinker Jackie Lanning Kay Norton Don Norton	Erich Olson Ginger Thomson Della Tschetter Toby Uecker Chad Vilhauer	Wedding Anniversaries for May May 5Dean & Kendra Kattelmann May 19Ann & Rick Volin May 23Gary & Sally Gramm May 26James & Kysa Gilkerson May 27David & Rina Reynolds
		May Meal Schedule  May 3Hy-Veeburgers/brats  May 10TBD  May 17TBD  May 24TBD	

May 31.....TBD