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March Programs

Erich Olson - Program Coordinator for March

Mar 6....Brittany Kleinsasser.....Bicycling in Brookings
 Mar 13....Dan McColley.....Habitat for Humanity's Nail the Runway
 Mar 20....Mary Jo Lee.....Fulbright Experience in China
 Mar 27....Brenda Schweitzer.....Brookings Area Transit Authority (BATA)

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

1 Nadim Hassoun
 4 Tim Harvey
 8 Cathrene Voelzke
 17 Mitch Steinhoff
 22 Larry Fjeldos
 23 Gary Gramm
 28 Rod Schaeffer

March Sgt. at Arms is our hard-working program chair Erich Olson.

One profits most who serves best

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE FOR MARCH

Rotary Supports Education at All Levels

As Rotarians we are all proud of the service and philanthropy which makes a difference in our community and across the world. Polio Plus is our largest and proudest international effort and we have our monthly local service projects. Education is one of Rotary's priorities. Our club supports local educational efforts from financial support and service to the Boys and Girls Club, to the five \$1,000 SDSU scholarships given to area students each year.

Among the avid spokespersons and supporters of our 'Scholar Dollars' which funds our 5 SDSU scholarships is Dr. Dan Carlson, himself a recipient of an Ely, MN Rotary Club scholarship as an undergraduate student.

My husband and I have a friend, Dr. Larry Arnn, President of Hillsdale College, who because of a Rotary International Fellowship to Oxford in 1977 is perhaps the world's expert on Winston Churchill. This farm boy from Arkansas is proud to tell anyone about the impact Rotary had on his education.

One of the newest Rotary Global Grant Scholars, Katie Duszenko was sponsored by the Vermillion Rotary Club. Katie graduated from USD with majors in Media & Journalism, International Studies and French. She is pursuing a Master's degree in international relations with a goal of working after graduation in programs that improve literacy rates in developing nations. She is studying at the University of Leiden in the Netherlands.

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BROOKINGS ROTARY CLUB TO MEET THE MEMBERSHIP CHALLENGE

Clubs in District 5610 have been given a Governor's Membership Challenge during the months of March and April. Clubs are divided into small, medium, and large. (Brookings is in the large category)

The club with the most points in the March and April timeframe will be given special recognition by Governor Steve Harrington, and Membership Chair Carmen Hansen.

Here are the ways our club can earn points:

4 pts - If the club has a membership chair.

7 pts - Per new member registered in March and April.

2 pts - For each new guest brought to a club meeting. The guest should be a potential new member, ie might be a good candidate.

3 pts - For each new membership orientation class offered

Bring a guest as a potential member. In March and April the club buys them lunch!! Let's share Rotary.

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March Service Anniversaries

3-28-61	Robert Fishback	57 yrs	3-28-05	Jackie Lanning	13 yrs
3-23-77	Fred Rittershaus	41 yrs	3-04-08	Jesse Ronning	10 yrs
3-13-84	Richard Lee	34 yrs	3-19-13	Erich Olson	5 yrs
3-13-84	Vern Voelzke	34 yrs	3-25-14	Roger DeGroot	4 yrs
3-09-93	Duane Sander	25 yrs	3-14-17	Jason Croat	1 yr



Presidents-Elect Training (PET) is Friday, April 13 in Mitchell. All club officers, and especially the Club Secretary, are invited to attend. Contact President-Elect Steve Carnes (605-996-3509) or go to the District 5610 website for more information. (sign up on line at Rotary 5610 website)
 District 5610 Executive Assistant Nicole Rawden will moderate the training and will cover important topics such as ClubRunner, Rotary International Club Administration, Rotary Club Central and "Lead Your Club", a manual for club secretaries with a month to month calendar. We encourage all club secretaries and others to hop in the car with their president elects and join your fellow club secretaries and others in Mitchell on April 13. There is no cost for attending and delicious food will be available. **NOTE: Rotary International stresses that the current president of any club whose president-elect fails to attend PETS must continue as president in the coming year.*

Willie Mac Basketball at Boys and Girls Cub March 24. 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 to get on the roster.

(President's message continued)

There are also Rotary Peace Scholarships which are fully funded academic fellowships at one of our peace centers:

- Duke University & University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill US
- International Christian University, Japan
- University of Bradford, UK
- University of Queensland, Australia
- Uppsala University, Sweden

Each year Rotary awards up to 50 master's fellowships to these institutions. The Rotary Foundation has spent about \$29 million on its Peace Centers in fields related to peace and conflict resolution and prevention. Programs last 15-24 months and require a practical internship. The average grant is about \$75,000 per fellow for the two-year program.

Rotary is making a difference through education in our community and improving lives across the world.

The difference we make starts with us!

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Wedding Anniversaries for March

Mar 6.....	Nicole & Jammey Rawden
Mar 6.....	Jeff & Tracie Weldon
Mar 17.....	Doug & Mary Malo
Mar 19.....	Dan & Pat Little
Mar 22.....	Alan & Carol Gregg
Mar 23.....	Carey & Lisa Bretsch

The following Rotarians had perfect attendance in February

Michael Bartley	Kaleb Hight	Don Norton
Victoria Blatchford	Gregg Jongeling	Carol Peterson
Dan Carlson	Del Johnson	Nicole Rawden
Steve Carnes	Reva Johnson	Rod Schaefer
Isaiah Crevier	Millie Juel	Rick Wahlstrom
Don Crowe	Mary Kidwiler	Zeno Wicks
Lewayne Erickson	Jim Klinker	Rich Widman
Bob Fishback	Tom Manzer	

March Meal Schedule (HyVee)

Mar 6.....	Lasagna
Mar 13.....	Roast Turkey
Mar 20.....	Baked Potato Bar
Mar 27.....	Chinese