



THE COG



A Monthly Publication of the Brookings Rotary Club

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November Programs

David Merhib -- Program Coordinator for November

Nov 1...Ryan Murphy.....JLG Architects
 Nov 8...Tara Mills and staff.....Boys and Girls Club Teen Center Tour
 Nov 15...Crystal Levesque & Joe Darrington.....SDSU Swine Unit
 Nov 22...Matteo Cabra.....Brookings Rotary Exchange Student (Italy)
 Nov 29.....Club Assembly.....Satellite Club Kickoff

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

1 Kenneth Knudtson
 5 Dean Kattelmann
 9 Van Fishback
 13 Tara Mills
 30 Justin Fjeldos

November Sgt. at Arms will be Dr. Ken Knudtson, a "site" for sore eyes.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE FOR NOVEMBER

President's Message

The theme for the Rotary Zone meeting last week in Salt Lake City was "Rotary at the Crossroads". Past Vice President of Rotary International, Greg Podd asked us to rethink Rotary. The number of Rotarians worldwide has remained around 1.2 million for the past 15 years. Since 41% of new Rotarians leave Rotary within the first 5 years, the annual growth of 10% of new Rotarians is negated by roughly 10% leaving our membership. Greg challenged all District leaders to "Rethink Rotary" and to create a vision as to how we desire to Serve Humanity during the 100th anniversary year of the Paul Harris Foundation. He also emphasized that everything in Rotary starts at the club level for the over 37,000 clubs worldwide.

Julie Aubry, Regional Membership Officer, reminded us that there are no "Rotary Police". The 2016 Council on Legislation resulted in a dramatic shift in the flexibility of local clubs to carry out their Rotary mission with the end of the classification system and fixed weekly meeting times. Julie emphasized that we think about how to make Rotary relevant in our community. An example of this flexibility is our current goal of establishing a satellite club as part of our Brookings Club so that we may meet the needs of a younger, more diverse group of Rotarians in our community.
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Satellite Club

The initial meeting of the Brookings Rotary Satellite Club will be on Monday, December 5th in the Wooden Legs meeting room from 5:30-6:30pm. In preparation for the satellite club roll-out, our Board members will be assisting with a membership oriented discussion at our November 29th Brookings Rotary meeting. Please invite interested partners, friends, and colleagues to this meeting to learn about Rotary's six areas of focus and the launch of the satellite club the following Monday.



NOVEMBER 8 ROTARY MEETING IS AT THE BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB TEEN CENTER – 1910 12TH St S

NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

Reva & Jerome Johnson Nov 8
 Craig & Dee Johnson Nov 14
 Duane & Phyllis Sander Nov 25



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November Service Anniversaries



11-02-71 Alan Rogers	45 yrs	11-21-06 Dr. Dan Carlson	10 yrs
11-30-79 Del Johnson	37 yrs	11-24-09 Roger Bierstedt	7 yrs
11-01-82 Wes Tschetter	34 yrs	11-24-09 Rich Widman	7 yrs
11-19-02 James Johnson	14 yrs	11-18-14 Jane Hennings	2 yrs
11-11-03 Stephen Pohl	13 yrs		

PLEASE GREET THESE NEW MEMBERS OF BROOKINGS ROTARY

T. J. Otzelberger



Thomas John "T. J." Otzelberger is head men's basketball coach for SDSU. Otzelberger was born in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. He played college basketball at the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater, and was team captain for two years. On June 1, 2013, he married Alison Lacey, former ISU Women's Basketball standout and former WNBA player. They have twins, Jayce and Olivia who are almost two.

Jeni Norwood



Jeni is a native of Brookings. She holds a Criminal Justice Degree and a Business Management Degree. Jeni is the Branch Manager of IMKO Workforce Solutions in Brookings. She has been married to Jeremiah Norwood for fourteen years. They have a 12 year old son Logan, a dog named Tyson and a cat named Lilly.

Jennifer Soma



Jennifer is the Manager of BankStar Insurance Services. Jennifer is very active in several organizations and serves on the board of Women in Leadership and Learning, East Central Behavioral Health, Beyond Connections and MOM's Next. Jennifer and her husband Randy have three daughters and live in Brookings.

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What is your vision of Rotary? How can Brookings Rotary support your goals to "Make a Difference"? When Rotary committed to eradicate Polio in 1979, there were approximately 1,000 children per day being infected with Polio Worldwide. To date in 2016, there have been a total of 24 new cases of polio diagnosed in the countries of Afghanistan, Pakistan and 3 new cases in Nigeria. More importantly, there have not been ANY new cases diagnosed in the past 3 months! We are truly "this close" to eradicating Polio by 2020. If you would like to explore an international project, please consider joining Wheelchairs for Hope for a week in Guatemala in February, 2017. To learn more about international Rotary community and activities, please also consider attending the RI convention in Atlanta from the 10th-14th of June, 2017! There are still spaces on the bus if you would like to travel with others from our District!

Have a great month!

Dan

ROTARY FALL GATHERING

At Cubbys' Private Party Room at 5:30 PM on November 7. Appetizers will be served. \$15 per person. This is Brookings Rotary's Fall Social so come and socialize. All proceeds go to the Polio Plus fund.



The following Rotarians had perfect attendance in October

Carey Bretsch	Gregg Jongeling	Steve Pohl
Lewayne Erickson	Millie Juel	Richard Smith
James Gilkerson	Mary Kidwiler	Cathy Voelzke
Gary Gramm	Dan Little	Vern Voelzke
Alan Gregg	David Merhib	Rick Wahlstrom
Nadim Hassoun	Carol Peterson	Jeff Weldon
Del Johnson		

November Meal Schedule(HyVee)

Nov 1.....	Soup and Sandwich
Nov 8 @teen center...	Fried Chicken
Nov 15.....	BBQ Beef Sandwich
Nov 22.....	Baked Potato Bar
Nov 29.....	Taco Bar

HAPPY THANKSGIVING