



The Cog



A Monthly Publication of the Brookings Rotary Club

OCTOBER 2022

October Programs

Ginger Thomson - Program Coordinator for October

- Oct 4 Tori Nelson & Myah Selland...Her Turn Athletic Camp Scholarships
- Oct 11 ...**JOINT MTG WITH OPTIMIST CLUB AT PIZZA RANCH -- NOON**
- Oct 18Dan Nelson.....Brookings County States Attorney
- Oct 25Ginger Thomson & Jay VanDuch - Friendship Exchange-Sweden

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

- 4 Darrell DeBoer
- 13 Darla Biel
- 19 James Johnson
- 21 Nicole Rawden
- 22 Della Tschetter
- 27 Kaleb Hight
- 27 Jennifer Olson
- 30 Don Evenson

October Sgt. at Arms is the charming and persuasive Mary Kidwiler.

October 10 (Monday) – Serve Harvest Table -- sign up at meeting or contact Brad Blaha (507-456-2482)

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE ABOVE SELF

October 22 (Saturday) -- Brookings Marathon -- contact Jim Gilkerson (605-691-2018) to volunteer

OCTOBER PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE -- Save the Date -- 5PM Sunday November 13

Great food, desserts, music, and special guest speaker VJ Smith! The committee tasked with planning the Ukraine Medical Supplies Fundraiser has been working hard and has a great program planned. I encourage you to support this Brookings Rotary Club event and fundraiser by placing orders for your own tickets and sharing the information about our event with your friends, associates, co-workers, and other people you interact with. The best way to share information about our event is to send them the link www.RotaryHope.com via email or text. Thank you so much to Ginger for developing this website. It looks sharp and will be able to be repurposed for other Brookings Rotary Club events in the future. Ginger along with Kay, was also instrumental in developing a marketing plan for our event. More information on this event appears on page 4 of The COG.

As I mentioned last month a friend of our club has given \$10,000 with the desire that we use this money to help with the situation in Ukraine. That person is Keith Kerruish from the Isle of Man, UK. He has visited our club off and on through the years. Keith attended SDSU on a Rotary Fellowship and was mentored by Dr. Rick Wahlstrom. They continued their friendship for all these years. *(continued on back)*

OCTOBER 11 JOINT MEETING WITH OPTIMIST CLUB AT PIZZA RANCH

Due to a Health Fair scheduled at the Activity Center, Rotary will join the regular Optimist Club meeting at the Pizza Ranch at noon on Oct 11. You may purchase the buffet or just come for the meeting (no outside food please) which is held in the Pizza Ranch Meeting rooms down the hall from the buffet. **Let’s be sure to attend and outnumber the Optimists!!!!!!!!!!!!!!** There will be ZOOM.



October Anniversaries

October 24

Kaleb & Heather Hight

OBVIOUSLY NOT A POPULAR MONTH FOR WEDDINGS!!

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October Service Anniversaries

10-30-79 Del Johnson	43 yrs	10-17-00 Della Tschetter	22 yrs
10-01-87 Larry Janssen	35 yrs	10-30-01 Mildred Juel	21 yrs
10-27-98 Craig Johnson	24 yrs	10-24-14 Kaleb Hight	8 yrs
10-27-98 Peggy Miller	24 yrs		



(President's message continued)

On top of all this, Dr. Dan Little has helped us to secure a \$25,000 Disaster Grant from the Rotary Foundation! Thank you Dan, for all your work on this grant. The fundraiser along with the gift from Keith and this disaster grant should allow us to make a greater than \$40,000 impact for Ukrainians suffering from the war and war related conditions via our partner club in Barlad, Romania. Hope to see you on November 13th.

The Club's thanks go to Wes Tschetter who stimulated scholar dollar giving to the tune of over \$1100 during the month of September with his matching challenge of \$500.

Also, many thanks to Past President Don Norton and his team who helped the club earn the 2021-22 Rotary Citation award – see award on page 3 of The COG. President Erich

"CELEBRATE COMMUNITY!" ONCE AGAIN BENEFITS AREA RESIDENTS

Area residents in need of a helping hand once again benefitted from the "Celebrate Community!" project sponsored by Brookings Kiwanis, Lions, Optimist and Rotary Clubs. Hundreds of non-perishable food items were collected for the Brookings Food Pantry, while diapers and baby supplies were distributed to the Harvest Table. Household and hygiene supplies were donated to the Salvation Army. Service club leadership expressed gratitude to the community for dropping off donations to the Century 21 truck parked outside the Brookings radio stations, and representatives of the recipient organizations thanked the clubs for organizing the event. "So happy to have caring people in the community and so happy to be able to brighten the day of other people!" noted one of the agencies in its thank you note to the clubs. Service organization members said they anticipate future collaborative efforts to benefit the community



A MATCHING CHALLENGE HAS BEEN ISSUED

For the month of October Larry and Jan Fjeldos have pledged to match the amount of money the Brookings Rotary Club donates to the Feeding Brookings Program up to \$1000. Sergeant at Arms Mary Kidwiler is an active participant in this program and she will be giving Rotarians the opportunity to donate to both Feeding Brookings (which will be matched) and to the regular scholarship program as they may desire. There is a demonstrated need for food assistance in the Brookings community and here is our chance to help!!



The following Rotarians had perfect attendance in September

Brad Blaha	Marcia Janssen	Kay Norton
Steve Carnes	Larry Janssen	Dave Odens
Darrell DeBoer	Del Johnson	Erich Olson
Lewayne Erickson	Gregg Jongeling	Jennifer Olson
Jim Gilkerson	Millie Juel	Chad Vilhauer
Michael Gonda	Brian Lueders	Ann Volin
Mylo Hellickson	Don Norton	

October Meal Schedule

- Oct 4.....Firehouse Subs
- Oct 11.....AT PIZZA RANCH**
- Oct 18.....Qdoba Hot Bar
- Oct 25...HyVee soup & sandwich

Dear 2021-22 Club President,

Congratulations! Your club has earned the Rotary Citation, the most significant award a Rotary club can achieve, for 2021-22. This past year, your club demonstrated a commitment to achieve its goals, which ultimately helps strengthen Rotary and shape our future. I encourage you to display it proudly to celebrate your club's achievement.

Once again, congratulations on a successful year as club president!

Sincerely,

Shekhar Mehta

2021-22 RI President



BROOKINGS ROTARIAN HONORED FOR FOUNDATION GIVING

Brookings Rotarian Della Tschetter recently received the Paul Harris Plus-3 pin from Club President Erich Olson. A Paul Harris Fellow is one who has donated at least \$1,000 to The Rotary Foundation (TRF), or for whom someone else has donated \$1,000 in his or her name. Those who have achieved "Paul Harris Plus" status reflect the \$1,000 donation repeated in subsequent years. Donations to TRF go to help with projects in one of seven areas of global and community service: Promoting Peace; Fighting Disease; Providing Clean Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene; Saving Mothers and Children; Supporting Education; Growing Local Economies; and Protecting the Environment.





Sunday, Nov. 13, 2022 at 5:00 p.m.
Peace Lutheran Church in Brookings

Tickets \$50.00 Per Person Or
\$320 for a table of 8 (equates to \$40 each)

TICKETS AVAILABLE ONLINE @ www.RotaryHope.com or
by calling Erich at 605-999-1200

Authentic Ukrainian Dinner - Entertainment - Dessert Auction

Guest Speaker V.J. SMITH

*Sponsored and hosted by the Brookings Rotary Club. All proceeds
will be used to provide medical supplies to be distributed into
Ukraine, by the Bárlad, Romania Rotary Club.*