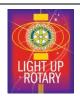


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## **JUNE 2015**

# **Erich Olson-Program Coordinator**

Jun Z	Al HeulonDirector, Brook	kings Economic Development Corporation
Jun 9	Senator Larry Tidemann	Legislative Report (Part Deux)
Jun 16	Dr. Larry Holler	Huntingtons Disease Research in Sheep
Jun 23	Dr. Keith Underwood	Food Safety & BBQ Tips
Jun 30	Rotarians	End of the Rotary Year Club Party

June Sergeant at Arms will be the highly revered Dr. Richard Lee.

# **FEEDING BROOKINGS (from their website)**

**Our Mission....** Following the example of Jesus when feeding the crowd with just five loaves and two fish, the ministry's goal is to feed the hungry of the Brookings area through a weekly grocery distribution.

How Does Feeding Brookings Work?......From 4-5 pm each Thursday afternoon at Ascension Lutheran Church in Brookings volunteers distribute produce and bakery items provided by our local WalMart and HyVee stores, canned goods from the Emergency Food Assistance Program, hygiene items, and a food item of the month. There is no need for guests to arrive early, random numbers for order of entry are drawn on the day of distribution at 3:50 pm.

Who is Served?......All in need are welcome. There is no paperwork to complete or qualifications to meet.

For More Information..... www.feedingbrookings.org

# **JUNE BIRTHDAYS**

- 2 Robin Buterbaugh
- 13 Alan Gregg
- 13 Jane Hennings
- 13 Jason Merkley
- 14 Craig Johnson
- 16 Reva Johnson
- 17 David Chicoine
- 17 LaDell Swiden
- 19 Harry Jones
- 22 Mary Kidwiler
- 23 Ginger Thomson
- 23 Vern Voelzke
- 24 Jackie Lanning
- 24 Daniel Little
- 26 Tom Jones
- 27 Michael Gonda

Rotary is making
Feeding Brookings a
priority for
volunteering. Show up
at 3:45 on Thursdays or
sign up on the website
www.feedingbrookings.org

#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE FOR JUNE

52 Tuesdays! A year ago this sounded like a huge number - 52 meetings to preside over, 52 meetings to make sure that everything was running smoothly. But all of a sudden, it is almost 52 weeks from that thought. And yes as I write this, it's been almost 52 weeks of meetings, programs, organizational details – but a wonderful 52 weeks. I am a believer in continual learning, learning something new every day. This past year has truly been a year of learning thanks to Rotary. I want to thank all of you for your patience, indulgence and friendship. But at the end of June, the gavel will be passed to the incoming president, Brad Blaha. And I can tell you from experience working with Brad that it will be a fun, productive and exciting year under his leadership.

June is a month of travel for presidents and incoming presidents of Rotary. Last year, I participated in the Rotary International (RI) convention in Sydney, Australia while this year the incoming president, Brad, is participating in the RI convention in Sao Paulo, Brazil.

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#### June Service Anniversaries

6-21-66	Harry Jones	49 yrs	6-17-09	Mary Bibby	6 yrs
6-07-76	Paul Moriarty	39 yrs	6-05-12	Jason Merkley	3 yrs
6-01-87	LaDell Swiden	28 yrs	6-24-14	David Merhib	1 yr
6-15-99	Richard Smith	16 yrs	6-24-14	Toby Uecker	1 yr



## (President's message continued)

Thanks to the many Rotary volunteers throughout this past year. It has been an interesting and eventful year to say the least. Some service related highlights from this year include our club's continued emphasis on the International Youth Exchange program, hosting Gabriel dos Santos Ascariz from Sao Paulo, Brazil and also sending outgoing students from Brookings to other Rotary districts around the world. Other youth related projects were: (1) Brookings High Student of the Month recognition, (2) raising scholarship money awarded to five seniors going to SDSU this fall semester, (3) funding requests from Boys & Girls Club, and (4) sponsored the 4-Way test essay competition. We also donated funds and participated in several community food assistance projects (Feeding Brookings and Harvest Table), and provided continued funding at the United Living Center. Other community projects included funds for the Brookings Boulevard tree project and providing many volunteers to work at the annual Brookings Marathon. Finally, our club continues our funding participation in the RI signature project End Polio Now.

As I review this list of projects along with so many great weekly programs and other Rotary fellowship opportunities this past year, all I can say is "Thank You" for your service and encouragement. My hopes and wishes to all of you for a great summer and a great upcoming Rotary year.

Again, thank you for the opportunity to serve as your Rotary President.

Mary Kidwiler, President

**Traffic Accident....** Well, Your Honor, I really didn't mean to get into a fight with the driver of the car I ran into the other day. I was rear-ended, which caused me to rear-end the car in front of me. The driver, whom you can see is a dwarf, approached aggressively after the accident yelling, "I am NOT happy." I decided that I would try to lighten things up and answered, "OK, I can see that, but then which one are you?" That's when the fight started.

#### **Wedding Anniversaries for June**

Jun 1Mylo & Lillian Hellickson	Jun 20Cathrene & Vern Voelzke
Jun 2Daryl & Marlys Englund	Jun 20Vern & Cathrene Voelzke
Jun 4Tara & Jacob Mills	Jun 21Dan & Deborah Carlson
Jun 5Alan & Jerri Rogers	Jun 22Don & Carol Evenson
Jun 6Michael & Tiffany Gonda	Jun 22Larry & Jan Fjeldos
Jun 6Jennifer & Craig Olson	Jun 22Jan & Larry Fjeldos
Jun 6Jason & Stephanie Petersen	Jun 23Ginger Thomson & Jay VanDuch
Jun 12Brad & Michelle Blaha	Jun 30 Larry & Marcia Janssen
Jun 16Don & Linda Crowe	Jun 30Gregg & Vi Jongeling
Jun 18Ken & Tammy Knudtson	

## The following Rotarians had perfect attendance in May

Michael Bartley	Randy Hanson	Don Larson
Brad Blaha	Craig Johnson	Bruce Lushbough
Dan Carlson	Delmar Johnson	Fred Rittershaus
Robert Fishback	Gregg Jongeling	Richard Smith
David Gilkerson	Mary Kidwiler	Cathrene Voelzke
James Gilkerson	Jim Klinker	Rich Widman
Alan Gregg		

## June Meal Schedule (HyVee)

Jun	2	Chinese
Jun	9	Taco Bar
Jun '	16	Fried Chicken
Jun 2	23	Burgers & Brats
Jun 3	30	Soup and Sandwich