



# The Cog



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**MARCH 2022**

## **March Programs**

**Yvette Campbell - Program Coordinator for March**

- Mar 1....Emily Howell, Cindy Pfenning, Amanda Runia, Laura Schwartz....  
..... Brookings Chamber Leadership Program
- Mar 8....Kelly Chandler.....Junior Achievement
- Mar 15....Don Barnett.....Rapid City Flood of 1972
- Mar 22....TJ Carlson.....Fellowship of Christian Athletes
- Mar 29....President Norton, et al.....Club Assembly

## **MARCH BIRTHDAYS**

- 1 Nadim Hassoun
- 8 Cathrene Voelzke
- 17 Mitch Steinhoff
- 22 Larry Fjeldos
- 23 Gary Gramm
- 28 Rod Schaefer

March Sgt. at Arms will be the incomparable Dean of Students Toby Uecker.

## **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE FOR MARCH**

### Let's Talk About Progress

One year ago I wrote the President's message for the COG. It's fun to read it now. We mention forming a "re-start committee" to figure out when we should meet in person again after one year of COVID-induced Zoom meetings. We talked about the growing number of Rotarians getting vaccinated, and how we were looking at new meal options and exploring other places to meet besides the Brookings Activity Center (BAC). We also talked about what technology we would need at the meetings to keep everyone engaged, even if they aren't comfortable or able to attend in person.

We've made progress! Now, our club is meeting in person each week with meals from a variety of great vendors, and after a lot of research it turns out the BAC is still the best location for us. Gregg, Jackie, and Jim have an amazing Zoom set-up on the big screen TV, and with more than 30 people attending regularly in person, we still have about 15 watching the Zoom option – some of those from out-of-state. As I recall, pre-COVID we usually had about 45 attending in person, so let's call that a break-even.

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**THIRSTY THURSDAY CONTINUES  
JOIN FELLOW ROTARIANS AND GUESTS AT**

**WOODEN LEGS BREWING CO.**

**Thursday (yes, really)      March 3, 2022 5PM  
309 5<sup>th</sup> Street, Brookings, SD**

**Bring non-perishable items to distribute to Food Pantry**



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## March Service Anniversaries

3-28-61 Robert Fishback	61 yrs	3-19-13 Erich Olson	9 yrs
3-13-84 Vern Voelzke	38 yrs	3-25-14 Roger DeGroot	8 yrs
3-28-05 Jackie Lanning	17 yrs	3-02-18 Jim Ducker	4 yrs
		3-23-21 Andrew Sloss	1 yr



### PLEASE BE AWARE THAT BROOKINGS ROTARY HAS A NEW ACCOUNTANT

The mailing address for payments is now:

Brookings Rotary  
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Brookings, SD 57006

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(billing questions may be referred to  
Chad Vilhauer or Del Johnson)

### \*\*\*\*\*USE CLUBRUNNER APP TO CHECK YOUR ROTARY PROFILE INFORMATION\*\*\*\*\*

Download ClubRunner from your APP store. To log in for the first time do the following:

**USERNAME** FirstLast10595 (Your first name plus last name plus 10595 – no spaces)

**PASSWORD** initial password is 10595, which you should change after logon,

To change password in the Member Settings Tab go to MyClubRunner,  
then My Profile, then Settings Tab

If any changes in your information are needed contact Del Johnson ([johnson4del@gmail.com](mailto:johnson4del@gmail.com)) 605-695-4115

### *(President's message continued)*

We had 15 Rotarians and 5 guests at our first Thirsty Thursday social gathering in February – what a fun time! It looks like a new tradition is born. And I am thoroughly enjoying our Tuesday meetings, with spontaneous raffles, sing-a-longs, Students of the Month, and plenty of Scholar Dollars.

There are lots of problems in the world right now, which means the world needs Rotary more than ever. We continue to be a vital part of our Brookings community, doing our part to make this “someplace special.” So let's talk about progress – as Ralph Waldo Emerson penned, “Write it on your heart that every day is the best day in the year.”

Don



### Wedding Anniversaries for March

Mar 6.....Nicole & Jammey Rawden  
Mar 7.....Jessica & Doug Murano  
Mar 17.....Doug & Mary Malo  
Mar 19.....Dan & Pat Little

### The following Rotarians had perfect attendance in February

Keith Bartels	Gregg Jongeling	Ginger Thomson
Yvette Campbell	Lisa Hager	Della Tschetter
Steve Carnes	Jackie Lanning	Wes Tschetter
Lewayne Erickson	Dave Odens	Toby Uecker
Jim Gilkerson	Erich Olson	Chad Vilhauer
Michael Gonda	Steve Pohl	
Del Johnson	David Reynolds	

### March Meal Schedule

Mar 1.....HyVee..... Taco Bar  
Mar 8.....Subway.....Breadless Bowls  
Mar 15.....Café Coteau..... Soup/salad  
Mar 22.....HyVee..... Soup/Sandwich  
Mar 29.....Pizza Ranch..... Chicken