



Upcoming Events CALENDAR



Greetings, First Class Club Members,
Happy spring! Hopefully, those April showers will bring us plenty of May flowers. I am looking forward to spending more time reading outside and playing lots of pickleball (my serve could use some improvement!).

I have added a trip to visit the new Theodore Roosevelt Presidential Library, and I am excited to explore beautiful Medora along with it. We will offer pick-up in both Watertown and Milbank, so I hope you consider joining us.

You will also notice a trip planned to Iceland in October 2027—a seven day adventure to experience the Northern Lights. I am waiting to confirm the date for Hobo Day that year before finalizing the booking (Go, Jacks!).

A couple more upcoming trip-related things include a travel show for our New York trip and an outing to see Annie at Chanhassen Dinner Theatres this fall.

I genuinely appreciate all of you, and if you have not traveled with me before, I hope to change that in the months ahead. Happy spring—we have earned it!

Warmly,

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APRIL

- 1 April Fools' Day**
- 3 Good Friday**
 - Brookings Main, Brookings East, Toronto, and White locations close at noon.
 - Brookings Hy-Vee and Brookings Walmart locations open normal hours.
- 5 Happy Easter!**
 - All locations closed.
- 14 First Class Club Movie Day**
- 22 Book Club – Brookings Main, 2–3 PM.**
Please check in at reception.
- 22 Earth Day**

MAY

- 1 May Day**
- 5 Cinco de Mayo**
- 10 Mother's Day**
- 12 First Class Club Movie Day**
- 13 First Class Club Day –** Join us for coffee and treats from 9 to 11 AM at Brookings Main. Bring your documents to shred until 5 PM.
- 25 Memorial Day**
 - All bank locations closed.
- 27 Book Club – Brookings Main, 2–3 PM.**
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Fun Spring Facts!

FUN FACTS ABOUT APRIL

- April's name likely comes from the Latin word "aperire," meaning "to open," referring to flowers blooming.
- April was originally the second month in the ancient Roman calendar.
- The phrase "April showers bring May flowers" dates back to the 1500s.
- April is a peak migration month for birds returning north.
- April 1 is April Fools' Day, a tradition of playful pranks for centuries.
- Earth Day (April 22) was first celebrated in 1970.
- April is National Gardening Month and National Volunteer Month.
- Birthstone: Diamond (symbolizes strength and clarity).
- Flowers: Daisy and Sweet Pea.
- Shakespeare was both born and died in April.

FUN FACTS ABOUT MAY

- May is named after Maia, the Roman goddess of growth and fertility.
- May Day (May 1) has been celebrated for over 2,000 years with flowers and dancing.
- Mother's Day is always celebrated on the second Sunday in May.
- Memorial Day (last Monday of May) became a federal holiday in 1971.
- May is peak blooming season in much of the Midwest.
- Lilacs and tulips often bloom in early May.
- The ship Mayflower sailed in 1620.
- Birthstone: Emerald (symbolizes renewal and love).
- Flowers: Lily of the Valley and Hawthorn.
- The full moon in May is traditionally called the "Flower Moon."

MOVIE DAY DETAILS



Dates & Times:

Tuesday, April 14 at 1:30 PM (doors open at 1 PM)
Tuesday, May 12 at 1:30 PM (doors open at 1 PM)

Location: Cinema 8 Theatre in Brookings

Cost: \$5 (includes ticket, pop, and popcorn)

Bring a friend, neighbor, or family member.
You may even win a door prize! For specific movie information, check the bank entrance doors or the drive-up window, visit BANkeasy.com/first-class-club, or give Becky a call at 605.696.2285 approximately one week before the movie date.