



March Newsletter

Welcome to another month - March. What is it about March that we love so much? Well, meteorologically speaking, March 1st is the first day of spring. What's not to like about that? The weather is warming up, days are getting longer, flowers are starting to bloom, and the cold weather is starting to fade.

March is also a month of fun. Even if you don't have any Irish blood running through your veins, you can still celebrate St. Patrick's Day. And who doesn't love March Madness; there is nothing better than watching 64 College Basketball teams go for a national title.

USDC loves March because this is the month where we celebrate our anniversary. Nearly 35 years ago, USDC started helping small, disadvantaged businesses make connections with large companies, government contractors and with each other. Every month we try to help our small businesses find ways to get contracts with organizations that seem out of reach for a disadvantaged business. Once a year, in our anniversary month, we try to motivate our members through great speakers.

This month, we are pleased to announce that Chad Hymas, Speaker and Author, will be addressing our group. Who is Chad Hymas? Chad is a best-selling author, President of his own Communications Company and a recognized world-class wheelchair athlete. Chad has an amazing story to tell about his journey. At the age of 27, his life changed in an instant when a 2,000 pound bale of hay shattered his neck leaving him a quadriplegic. His story will inspire you to overcome your own obstacles and find hope.

We hope that you will join us on March 31st to have a great lunch and hear Chad speak. Please note that we had to change the usual date of our monthly meeting to accommodate schedules. We will be meeting again in the Zions Bank Founder's Room. Thanks to Catherine Arik for making those arrangements and to Laura Nordfelt for arranging Chad's presence at our meeting. To RSVP for the meeting, go [here](#). If you have any questions, feel free to contact me at 801-581-7450.

We also want to thank Gerald Tramposh and his team from ARUP for their presentation at our February meeting. We had a great turnout and plenty of networking time for our members to meet new members who came to the meeting.

I look forward to seeing you at our meeting on March 31st. Remember, this is a great meeting to invite your boss or co-workers to attend. Your membership pays for one lunch for this meeting. If you plan to bring a guest, you need to pay an additional \$15 online or \$20 at the door. RSVP closes on March 21st.

Sincerely,

Randi Ruff, President
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