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Greetings Rotarians!

I wanted to thank those of you who were able to participate in the Club Assembly this week for your feedback and questions. For those of you who were unable to attend, we discussed the financial state of the club and had a general discussion on the proposition of increasing annual dues for the club. The board has proposed increasing our club dues to \$215.00 per member per year to accommodate the shortfall we have had in our budget and to keep pace with the increasing amount our club is required to pay to Rotary International to maintain our active status. The Board will be voting on the proposed increase on February 27, 2012. Prior to that meeting, I would like to hear any questions or concerns from you our members. Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns that you may have regarding this increase. I am glad to keep any comments or questions confidential but did want to get a general feel for your thoughts on this matter. As always, I appreciate your input!

Elise M. W. White
President of Lincoln South Rotary

CLUB SERVICE TEAM ON DUTY

Kiley Weichman
Brad Carter
Clay Ehlers
Phil Maddern



Visiting Rotarians and Guests

Rotarians— Charley Ogden and Mylani Veney Club 14.

HAPPY DOLLARS (For Emergency Relief)

Clay Ehlers, Pat Grewe, Brad Carter, Roger Vicroy, Dick Wampler, Jason Smith, Mylani Veney and Neal Lyons.



Lincoln South Rotary Clubrunner Links:

Meeting & speaker information:

<http://www.clubrunner.ca/CPrg/Home/speakers.asp?cid=6040>

Calendar of Events:

<http://www.clubrunner.ca/CPrg/Home/events.asp?cid=6040>



Reach Within to Embrace Humanity

Future LSR Programs

- 2/3/12** Dr. Sam Nelson— UNL Entrepreneurship Center
- 2/10/12** Terry Uland—“New Initiatives of the Downtown Lincoln Association”
- 2/17/12** Tom Morrison— Superintendent Branched Oak Rec Area— “Branched Oak Lake-Recreation for all Today and Tomorrow”
- 2/24/12** Adam White— Entrepreneur Performer “Compelling Communication”
- 3/23/12** LSR Annual Scholarship Awards
- 3/30/12** NO MEETING— (Annual Rotary Salute to Business on 3/27 will count as regular meeting)

Events & Projects

- 3/17/12** LSR Foundation Annual Chili Feed 6 pm at the home of John & Nancy Herdman
- 3/27/12** Annual Salute to Business at the Cornhusker Marriott. Doors open 11:30.

District Simplified Grant



Logan Otto presented information on a project which the Board has approved for a District Simplified Grant application. The grant will fund items for the Hill Nature Explore Outdoor Classroom project at Hill Elementary School. Current items being considered are art tables, picnic tables, discover tables, paving stones or resting benches.

Notes & Announcements

Nut Sales—Nut sales are winding down and there are just a few items left. We need everyone’s help to finalize the sales.

Foundation Drive The annual Dr. George Lytton Memorial Challenge 2011-12 RI Foundation Fund Drive came to a close on Friday. Joe Roberts, chair of the drive indicated that he had received pledges from all members but 1 who he will be contacting. Since only 2 members met the criteria for the drawing for the Paul Harris fellow the drawing was postponed until both members were present to flip a coin. Joe will have final results of the drive at a future meeting.

Salute to Business—This event which is sponsored by all 4 Lincoln Rotary clubs is scheduled for Tuesday March 27, 2012 at the Cornhusker Marriott. Lincoln South will have a table again this year. Cost is \$25 per person. Please see Joe Roberts if you are interested in attending. The honoree is Crete Carrier. This will count as the regular Lincoln South meeting that week so there will be NO MEETING ON FRIDAY MARCH 30TH. [See flyer with details on page 4.](#)

LSR Foundation Chili Feed— The annual LSR Foundation Chili Feed has been scheduled for Saturday March 17, 2012 at 6 pm at the home of John & Nancy Herdman. There will be a chili competition again this year so get your recipes ready!

RYLA—Tom Cardwell announced that the District is going to participate in the RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Awareness) program this year. Tom is Chair of the District committee and is looking for volunteers for the leadership camp that will be held at Camp Katron in Nebraska city in April.

LSR Annual Scholarship Awards—March 23rd has been set for the date to hear the presentations and make the scholarship awards. Tom Cardwell will be the chair of the event and is looking for items for gifts for both the scholarship contestants and their counselors. [See details on page 5.](#)

Daffodil Days—Lincoln South will be again participating in the American Cancer Society Daffodil Days. Members are encouraged take a sales envelope for sales of Daffodil items. Sales packets and money are due by February 17th and the daffodils will be delivered to the meeting on March 9th. If you would like to buy just for yourself, a packet will be circulated at the next several meetings. Volunteers are needed on March 7th or 8th to help package the daffodils for delivery and to deliver daffodils to other clubs. Please let Nicki or Elise know if you can help. [See Flyer on page 6 for products and prices.](#)

Red Cross Appreciation Game—Collections for the men’s basketball game have been scheduled for Wednesday February 8th at 7pm. See Brad Carter if you can help.

Incoming President Elect—Congratulations to Bob Vrana who has just been approved by the Board as the incoming President Elect for 2013-2014.

2011-2012 Club Goals

1. *Attain & Maintain 55 total members.*
2. *Increase number of female members & young professionals.*
3. *Hold periodic club assemblies.*
4. *Incorporate "New Generations" into current club service projects.*
5. *Maintain 100% sustaining membership in the Rotary Foundation.*
6. *Have a rewarding, unforgettable year!*

PROGRAM

On Friday a Club Assembly was held with the topic focused on the finances of the club. President Elise handed out financial information which included the following:

1. Balance sheet and income statement for the 6 months ending December 31, 2011.
2. Budget for the Fiscal 2011-2012
3. Membership Dues Analysis.



A membership dues analysis was presented which broke down the costs of membership in the club including required payments to Rotary International as well as other items paid by the club. Based on the analysis, the Board plans to recommend an increase in annual dues from \$190 per year to \$215 per year with the hope that another increase will not be required for several years.

The board will be voting on the increase on February 27, 2012. In the meantime, anyone with comments or concern should contact President Elise White at :

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The club has been running a deficit for the last several years which is consuming our reserves. The club discussed the reasons for the deficit and potential expense items that could be eliminated in future years. Several felt that running a deficit in any one year was not a particularly bad thing since the purpose of the club is not to build a large treasure chest. One suggestion in that regard was to establish a minimum reserve of funds that the club should maintain and manage the budget to that reserve.

**QUESTIONS?
COMMENTS?
ARTICLES?**

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January Birthdays

Lance Odom
Roger Vicroy
Don Anderson
Jenny Cardwell
John Woodrich

PLACES TO MAKE UP

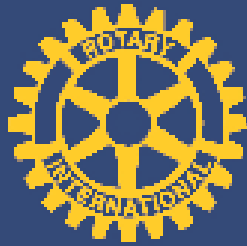
Tuesday morning—Sunrise Rotary at International House of Pancakes at 4501 North 27th (27th and Superior Ave.) at 7:00 AM

Tuesday Noon— Lincoln #14-Nebraska Club at 13th & M.

Wednesday 11:45 a.m.—Lincoln East at Valentinos at 70th & Van Dorn

Rotary is on the Web!

Rotary International— www.rotary.org
District 5650—www.rotarydistrict5650.org
Lincoln South Rotary—
<http://www.clubrunner.ca/CPrg/Home/homeS.asp?cid=6040>



Salute to Business

Save the Date

20th Anniversary

Salute to Business Luncheon
honoring:



Tuesday, March 27, 2012

Cornhusker Marriott Hotel

\$25

Corporate tables available

Doors open at 11:30

Lincoln South Rotary Club Annual Scholarship Awards



Wanted:

College-bound items for Scholarship Finalists (4 students)

Miscellaneous Gift Items for Counselors (4 counselors)

When:

March 16, 2012 – or sooner – so that the gift packs can be assembled and a “thank you flyer” can be printed prior to the meeting on the 23rd.

Who:

Bryan Block - 402-488-0934 - bryan@bmlfh.com



The Lincoln South Rotary awards scholarships to college bound high school seniors. Along with the money awarded, we have a tradition of providing gift packs – for the students and the counselors.

Examples of items that have been included in the past:

College-bound items – portfolios, pens, flash drives, gas cards, t-shirts, desk top items, mouse pads, calculators, pens / pencils, etc.

Miscellaneous Gift Item for counselors – office items, candies in candy jars, pens, magnifying glasses, calendars, etc.



Contact Bryan Block. He needs the back packs and gift bags as well as the wonderful gift items that will be inside the packs.

American Cancer Society 2012 Daffodil Days



Ordering Information:

- **Individual Bouquet** - \$10
- **Sunshine Bouquet** - \$15
 - *10 daffodil stems and a vase*
- **Bear and a Bunch** - \$25
- **Corporate ½ Case** - \$250
 - *250 flowers*
- **Corporate Case** - \$500
 - *500 flowers*



Sales Deadline: February 17, 2012

Delivery Date: March 9, 2012

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