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Greetings Rotarians! I wanted to take this opportunity to thank you all and our District Governor, Bob Perrin, his partner Roxy Orr, and our Assistant District Governor Bill Dick for the great meeting on August 26, 2011. Bob does an excellent job of making sure that fun is infused in all Rotary events, and his visit to our club was no exception. One of the goals for this year on both the international and district levels is to involve our families with Rotary events. I thought it was very fitting to have one of our guests to be Logan's daughter and hope she had fun catching airplanes at the meeting (Bet you never thought you'd see that line in a

President's Message...) I want to continue to encourage all of you to get your families involved with Rotary; whether it be inviting them to meetings, or including them in our service projects and social events. My professional life has taught me that families are truly the foundation for a productive civil society. If there is a breakdown in the fabric of the family, individual members are at a disadvantage for reaching their true potential. As Rotarians, we are blessed with many things, and I know for most of us that includes a solid foundation with our families. In our modern society, families come in all shapes and sizes and are comprised of a wide variety of persons. The "typical" nuclear family is no longer the typical family. I know many of you volunteer with a variety of organizations to help families find that solid foundation that is so critical for successful youth. One of these organizations in Lincoln is Voices of Hope. Our speaker for Friday, September 2 is a representative from Voices of Hope who will be informing us on the mission and services the Center offers. As we have been approved for a District Simplified Grant with Voices of Hope to help improve their child care room, I think this will be a unique opportunity for many of us to get involved in some small way in helping disadvantaged families find that firm foundation so many of us were so lucky to have.

Elise M. W. White
President Lincoln South Rotary

Visiting Rotarians and Guests

Rotarians—Bill Schmeeckle from Club 14 , Bill Dyck Asst. DG from Lincoln Sunrise, Roxy Orr from Omaha Suburban and District Governor Bob Perrin from Omaha Suburban

CLUB SERVICE TEAM ON DUTY

Joe Roberts
Brad Carter
Dick Wampler



HAPPY DOLLARS (For Emergency Relief)

Brad Carter, Dave Hilsabeck, Nicki Klein, Pat Grewe, Logan Otto, Chris Dietz, Jessica Kolterman, Tom Cardwell, Lance Odom, Craig Madson, Gene Swinton, Dean Heermann and Carl Olson.



Future LSR Programs

- 9/2/11 Patsy Martin "Voices of Hope"
- 9/9/11 US Navy Commander Darren Nelson-
"USS Arlington- tribute ship to the 9-11 attacks"
- 10/7/11 Lori Seibel "community Health Endowment of Lincoln"
- 10/21/11 Chris Sommerich, Nebraska Humanities Council "What Nebraska High School Students Think of US Foreign Policy"
- 10/28/11 Chief Jim Peschong, LPD- "What's happening at LPD"
- 11/18/11 Barb Bartle and GSE Team- "Rotary Group Study Exchange Team 2012 to India"

Events & Projects

- 9/24/11 Membership Seminar at Henry Doorly Zoo in Omaha.
- 10/14/11 Club 14 Auction at the Lincoln Station (benefits Boys & Girls clubs) \$75/ticket
- 10/21/11 LSR Foundation wine tasting fundraiser at the home of Joyce & Bill Schmeackle.

Notes & Announcements

Polio Fundraiser—Aaron Babcock has contributed Husker Illustrated yearbooks to be sold at \$10 apiece as a fundraiser for Polio with 100% of the proceeds benefitting the End Polio Now Campaign as well as other activities of Lincoln South Rotary.

Speaker Chair needed— President Elise, reported that we are still looking for a speaker chair for the 2011/2012 Rotary year. Anyone who is interested in lining up speakers each week, please contact Elise.

Rotary Leadership Institute — next session is October 15, 2011 at the Westminster Presbyterian Church in Lincoln. Lincoln South Rotary will pay the registration fee for any member interested in participating. The Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI) provides an educational opportunity for all Rotarians. The institute offers a leadership course in three full day parts (Parts I, II, III). Those completing each part are eligible for the next part. The courses are designed to provide Rotary knowledge and to develop leadership skills for voluntary organizations. Contact Elise or Nicki if you are interested.

District Simplified Grant — Lincoln South Rotary is privileged to receive a District Simplified Grant for \$2,000 to support the Voices of Hope – improving their Child Care room. Volunteers are needed with tools and construction skills to help build some items for the room. Contact Nicki or Elise if you are available.

Club 14 Auction—Joe Roberts reported that the Club 14 annual auction will be held on Friday October 14th at the Lincoln Station. Tickets are \$75 apiece See Joe if you are interested.

Red Cross Appreciation Game— Mark you calendars. The Michigan State game on October 29th has been designated for the Red Cross Collections. Sign up sheets will be available at future meetings.

Strike Out for Polio—Nicki Klein reported that the Strike Out for Polio event at the Salt Dogs game on August 19th raised approximately \$1,200. Thanks to all who sold tickets and participated.

Concessions Project—Nicki Klein reported that the Board approved pursuing a fundraising project to man a concessions booth at the Lincoln Air show on September 10, 2011. Volunteers will be needed for 3 to 4 hours shifts. It appears the club can raise between \$500 and \$1,000 on the project. Sign up sheets are available to volunteer for the event.

Lincoln South Foundation Fundraiser—The LSR Foundation wine tasting is scheduled for Friday October 21st at the home of Joyce and Bill Schmeackle. Tickets are \$25 apiece with all proceeds going to the Lincoln South Foundation to be spent on local projects to benefit the community.

August Birthdays

Bob Vrana
Corey Vandewege
Judy Krasomil
Samip Patel
Bob Obst
Gene Swinton

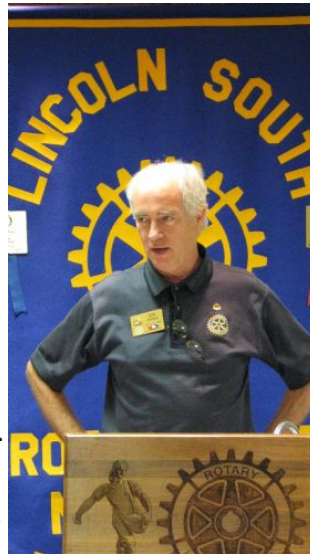


PROGRAM

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!*

We were honored on Friday to have District Governor Bob Perrin visit both the Lincoln South Board meeting and the regular club meeting. Bob commended Lincoln South for being an active club both at the local and regional level. Rotary International president Kaylan Banerjee's focus for 2011/2012 is on family. Family is the foundation of Rotary but many clubs do not include family in many of their activities. Lincoln South has done a good job of including family, particularly in service projects and social events. Bob indicated that his family was very active in the community as he grew up so Rotary was a natural fit for him which is a perfect example of how getting kids involved at a young age produces future Rotarians.



District Governor Perrin

the cause that brought partnering to Rotary when it was asked by the World Health Organization to partner on the eradication of polio. He asked us to think about forming partnerships with one or more organizations such as neighborhood groups, chambers of commerce, sports teams etc.

Of course membership is always an important goal and is the life blood of the organization. He asked us to do something fun at each meeting to keep members interested and active and to entice guests to come back and be a part of the club. We even had some fun catching airplanes and balloons which was quite entertaining. Bob pointed out that out of the 500 districts in the world who publish directories, the directory for District 5650 had humor in it as he pointed to several parts of the book which made everyone smile.

Bob described the meaning of the RI logo for 2011/2012. (See image at left). The Rotary Wheel represents the foundation, the orange dot at the top is the head, the orange and yellow lines represent compassion, the purple and pink lines represent arms and the green and blue lines represent legs. Each color represents a different strength.

Bob stressed the importance of partnering with other organizations. Polio was



Having some fun!

Bob presented some additional ideas to the Board including starting a Rotaract Club for students and young professionals and doing a progressive dinner for a social event.

In closing he informed us that this year the District has a clipping service which scans publications all over the district for articles on Rotary which he plans to send to club Presidents. In the month of July alone there were 51 articles about Rotary in the District so we must be getting the word out.

**QUESTIONS?
COMMENTS?
ARTICLES?**

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Lincoln South Rotary Clubrunner Links:

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

Calendar of Events:
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MEMBERSHIP MINUTE

Bob Vrana is active in St marks Church where he sings in the choir. He is married to De Etta and has 3 kids. Lisa is a teacher, Jason is a banker and Amy is a Deputy Sheriff. Bob has done many things from a Morris Code Intercept Operator to a TV reporter in Kearney to Public Relations in Lutheran Hospital. He received Bachelor's and Master's degrees from UNL and a Masters from the Army War College. He has been full time National Guard for the last 20 years where he now works in Public Affairs. He loves to bike, run, listen to music, read



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>

