



# The Sower

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## CLUB SERVICE TEAM ON DUTY

Bob Vrana  
Pat Grewe  
Chris Dietz  
Cheryl Brandenburgh



## Visiting Rotarians and Guests

Bob Athan from Club 14.

## HAPPY DOLLARS (For Polio Plus)

Lance Odom, Bob Vrana, Cheryl Brandenburgh, Don Anderson, Joyce Schmeckle, Jenny Cardwell and Kay Wunderlich.



## Rotary is on the Web!

**Lincoln South-Meetings & speakers**

<http://portal.clubrunner.ca/6040/Speakers>

**Lincoln South-Calendar of Events:**

<http://portal.clubrunner.ca/6040/Events/Calendar>

**Rotary International—** [www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org)

**District 5650—** [www.rotarydistrict5650.org](http://www.rotarydistrict5650.org)

### Future LSR Programs

- 10/31/14 Jamie Kerl— Able II Orthotics-Prosthetics
- 11/7/14 Gretchen Bren— District Polio Plus Chair
- 11/14/14 Joe Roberts & Nicki Klein— Rotary Grants
- 11/21/14 Dave Livingston— District Endowment Chair
- 11/28/14 NO MEETING AT THE KNOLLS— HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

### Events & Projects

- 12/6/14 Annual Holiday Party at the home of Joe & Sheryl Roberts— 7848 Creek View Drive, 6 pm social hour— 7:30 pm gift exchange
- 12/13/14 Salvation Army Bell ringing at Super Saver on 27th & Pine Lake Road.

## Notes & Announcements

**Diaper Drive** – Donations to date for the diaper drive total \$305 cash and 371 diapers. Thanks to all who have donated to this project.

**Youth Exchange**—On November 15th there will be interviews held in Omaha for potential outbound youth exchange students. Anyone who would like to participate in that process should contact Clay.

**Annual Holiday Party**—Scheduled Saturday December 6th at the home of Joe & Sheryl Roberts. 6 pm social hour and 7:30 pm gift exchange. All attendees need to sign up to bring heavy Hors d' oeuvres. (*See page 4 for flyer with details*).

**Nut Sales**—Lincoln South will again be selling nuts to raise funds for various club projects. Nick Klein reported that the sales period has begun. We no longer maintain an inventory of nuts but fill orders as they are placed. Orders sent to [nklein2@neb.rr.com](mailto:nklein2@neb.rr.com) by the end of the day Tuesdays will be available at Rotary the following Friday. Sales start now and will continue through the Holidays. Individual Sales Sheets and Product descriptions can be accessed on the Lincoln South website at [www.lincolnsouthrotary.org](http://www.lincolnsouthrotary.org) in the download files section in the lower left corner of the home page.

**Salvation Army Bell Ringing**—Dave Hilsabeck reported that Lincoln South will again be participating in the Salvation Army Bell ringing on December 13th at the Super Saver on 27th & Pine Lake. Volunteers are asked to sign up for 1 hour shifts. Sign up sheets will be available at the next few meetings.

### MEMBER MINUTE



New member Terry Kurtenbach gave his new member presentation. Terry is a commercial loan officer at Citibank at 29th & Pine Lake. He grew up in Columbus where he graduated from high school in 1978. He attended UNL and graduated in 1985. He worked for banks in Waverly and Havelock and then moved back to Columbus in 2001. He spent 10 years in the Columbus Rotary with Cheryl Brandenburgh. He has 3 daughters (2 of whom live in Lincoln), 2 grandsons, one brother and one sister. He and his wife moved back to Lincoln last August.



#### THE ROTARY FOUR-WAY TEST OF THE THINGS WE THINK SAY OR DO:

- Is it the TRUTH ?
- Is it FAIR to all concerned ?
- Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS ?
- Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned ?

## PROGRAM

### 2014-2015 Club Goals

1. *Earn the Presidential Citation.*
2. *Attain & Maintain 55 total members.*
3. *Successfully utilize New Grant Program by submitting 1 District Grant and 1 Global Grant.*
4. *Increase \$ raised from Golf Tournament and Grocery Grab by 5% over prior year.*
5. *Increase Rotary Foundation giving to \$9,300 with 100% participation.*
6. *Continue to participate in End Polio Now giving at \$32/member level by using Happy \$ and participating in End Polio Now events.*
7. *Continue to have Club participation at District Level.*
8. *Host a Rotary Days event with other clubs in Lincoln.*
9. **HAVE FUN AS ROTARIANS IN SERVICE TOGETHER!**

November is Rotary International Foundation month and in keeping with past years, all the November speakers will tell the club about the programs that the Foundation supports with contributions it receives. Then in December/January we will have our annual Foundation Drive to raise funds for the Foundation.

Joe Roberts, Rotary Foundation chair introduced Gretchen Bren as our speaker. Gretchen is the current District Polio Plus Chair.

Gretchen gave us a Polio + update with some good news. Nigeria has stopped the transmission of the wild virus and is expected to be polio free by next year and there are only 2 endemic countries left.

Gretchen then explained how National Immunization Day (NID) works. NID is a day set aside by the government of a country for immunization. The day usually includes polio immunizations but also may include other vaccines as well. It is done 6 to 10 times per year. She stressed the importance of the cold chain where the vaccine has to be kept cold to be viable. Thus cold carriers are key. Volunteers go out door to door with paid medical workers who do most of the work. They must keep track of every dose given. The process is hampered many times by political corruption and religious leaders in various countries. It is very helpful if you can get the local leaders to buy in to the process.

Why use Rotarians for this process? In many countries the Rotarians are a big draw since they are different. They get parents and kids out to see them who are curious about them. In fact the countries routinely use outside groups to bring out the crowds which helps the workers to get more done. It says thanks to the leaders and shows them we care about polio.

If they can get access to schools, they can get more accomplished in a day. The goal is to immunize every child under 5 yrs old. It can take 6 to 10 times for them to develop an immunity so they keep vaccinating them over and over.

Rotarians also look at local service projects while they are there and visit local Rotary meetings. One project distributes wheel chairs to polio survivors.

NID's benefit in many ways as reflected in the fact that Nigeria has been ebola free for 2 months primarily due to the medical infrastructure developed for polio.

**QUESTIONS?  
COMMENTS?  
ARTICLES?**

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### November Birthdays

Carl Zeutzius  
Bryan Block



### 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 70<sup>th</sup> & Van Dorn

*Lincoln South Rotary  
Annual Holiday Party*

*Hosted by  
Joe and Sheryl Roberts  
7848 Creek View Drive*

*Saturday, December 6th  
6:00 Social Hour with heavy Hors d' oeuvres  
Drinks will be provided by the club,  
Food will be on you.  
7:30 Gift Exchange\**

*Please RSVP by December 1st at  
Sr25325@gmail.com  
or by phone at  
402-489-0085*

*Directions:  
1 block south, and 2 blocks west of 80<sup>th</sup> & Old Cheney*

*\*Please note that the gift exchange is voluntary. Gifts are generally \$15-\$20. Individuals select gifts from those unopened or can "steal" items already opened. Rules apply to determine the order of selection and there is a maximum number of "steals" allowed.*