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STATEMENTS ON POLIO FACTS & FIGURES

“By the time the world is certified polio-free, Rotary’s contributions to the global eradication effort will exceed US\$1.2 billion. In addition, millions of dollars of ‘in-kind’ and personal contributions have been made by and through local Rotary clubs and districts for polio eradication activities. Of even greater significance has been the huge volunteer army mobilized by Rotary International. Hundreds of thousands of volunteers at the local level are providing support at clinics or mobilizing their communities for immunization or polio eradication activities. More than one million Rotarians worldwide have contributed toward the success of the polio eradication effort to date.”

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

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>

11/29/13 NO MEETING— Happy Thanksgiving!

12/6/13 Jay Wilkinson, CEO at Firespring

12/13/13 Wes Peterson, UNL Professor Ag Economics

12/20/13 Bill Schmeackle, Vice President Assurity Life

12/27/13 NO MEETING— Merry Christmas!

Events & Projects

11/23/13 Salvation Army Bell Ringing at Super Saver at 27th & Pine Lake from 10am to 6 pm

12/6/13 Annual Holiday Party at the home of Bob & DeEtta Vrana

Notes & Announcements

Salvation Army Bell Ringing— Don't forget the Salvation Army Bell Ringing on Saturday November 23rd at the Super Saver at 27th and Pine Lake from 10 am to 6 pm.

Holiday Party— Friday December 6th at the home of Bob & DeEtta Vrana. Please sign up if you plan to attend and indicate what type of heavy Hors d'oeuvres you plan to bring. Social Hour at 6 pm and gift exchange at 7:30 pm.

ABC'S OF ROTARY— WOMEN IN ROTARY

Until 1989 the Constitution and Bylaws of Rotary International stated that Rotary club membership was for males only. In 1978 the Rotary Club of Duarte, California invited three women to become members.

The RI board withdrew the charter of that club for violation of the RI Constitution. The club brought suit against RI claiming violation of a state civil rights law which prevents discrimination of any form in business establishments or public accommodations. The appeals court and the California Supreme Court supported the Duarte position that Rotary could not remove the club's charter merely for induction women into the club. The United States Supreme Court upheld the California court indicating that Rotary clubs do have a "business purpose" and are in some ways public-type organizations.

This action in 1987 allowed women to become Rotarians in any jurisdiction having similar "public accommodation" statutes. The RI constitutional change was made at the 1989 Council on Legislation, with a vote to eliminate the "male only" provision for all of Rotary.

November Birthdays

Bryan Block
Carl Zeutzius



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

2013-2014 Club Goals

1. *Attain & Maintain 50 total members.*
2. *Continue to Build on our successful fundraising events.*
3. *End Polio Now.*
4. *Earn the Presidential Citation.*
5. *Successfully utilize the Future Vision Grant Program to enhance our service projects.*
6. *Continue our exceptional Rotary Foundation giving.*

Our own Nicki Klein spoke to the club about District Grants and the Share System which transforms contributions into grants.

Contributions to The Rotary Foundation ("TRF") are made to 3 funds:

Annual Fund— Contributions are invested and untouched for 3 years after which they go into the Share System.

Endowment Fund— Holds long term larger contributions. The Trustees determine spendable earnings from this fund which go to the Share System.

PolioPlus Fund—Restricted to use only on Polio Plus.

District Grants are paid from Share System funds. These funds are controlled and Disbursed by each District to the clubs through an application and approval process.



In the last 10 years, Lincoln South Rotary has received \$18,787.81 in District Grants which have been used for the for such projects as The Friendship Home, People's City Mission, Lincoln Lighthouse, Clinic with a Heart, Northeast Family Center, Salvation Army, Voices of Hope, Hill Elementary and YMCA Music Camp.

During the 2013-2014 Rotary year, District 5650 has requested \$60,365 in Grants of which \$44,400 has been received and funded 26 projects.

In the latest report from the Charity Navigator which evaluates the effectiveness and efficiency of charities the

Rotary Foundation received 60.34 out of a possible 70 points. Nicki shared the following quote from Ken Barger, Pres. & CEO of Charity Navigator:

"This 'exceptional' designation differentiates The Rotary Foundation from its peers and demonstrates to the public it is worthy of their trust."

**QUESTIONS?
COMMENTS?
ARTICLES?**

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