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PAST PRESIDENTS MEET

Lincoln South Rotary Past Presidents gathered at the home of Dean and Pat Heermann for an evening of Beer, Brats, & Bragging on Sunday September 12, 2010. Each past president had the opportunity to brag about their year of service. PP Heermann said, "We all said 'I can do that'", meaning being President of Lincoln South Rotary. Our first President, Gene Swinton was present and talked about the start of Lincoln South Rotary. Subsequent Presidents talked about struggles and successes over the past 25 years. It is the past leadership and the development of future leaders that keeps Lincoln South Rotary #1 or near the top of the ranking in Rotary District 5650 each year. Past presidents agree that supporting The Rotary Foundation is very important every year and supporting the Lincoln South Rotary Foundation for local projects is also important. The local foundation immediately gives back to the local community and the Past Presidents encourage each Lincoln South Rotarian to support both the International Foundation and our local foundation.



Visiting Rotarians and Guests

Rotarians—Lynn Davis from Lincoln East and Jim Keyser from Club 14.

Guests—John Wood our speaker.

HAPPY DOLLARS (For Health & Hunger)

Phil Maddern, Dave Hilsabeck, Pat Grewe, Brad Carter, Logan Otto, Clay Ehlers, Mary Simmons, Dick Wampler and Nikki Isemann



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CLUB SERVICE TEAM ON DUTY

Mary Simmons
Ardel Harger
Dick Wampler
Nicki Klein



9/24/10 Kerry Winterer, CEO Dept Health & Human Services "An overview of the department from the new CEO".

Events & Projects

10/8/10 Club 14 Annual Auction at the Lincoln Train Station

10/15/10 Career Day

10/23/10 Rotary Leadership Institute— Omaha

10/23/10 LSR Foundation Wine Tasting at Schmeckles— 6 pm.

Pakistan Relief—Rotary District 5650 is hoping to send significant dollars to Pakistan for help with relief after the flooding. This is partly to honor the GSE Team that was visiting here from Pakistan. If you would like to contribute please make checks payable to the Rotary foundation and give your check to Joe Roberts or Nicki Klein. All contributions are due by October 31, 2010. (Please note that these are restricted funds and do not count toward Sustaining Membership, Paul Harris Fellow or Annual Programs Fund Per Capita Calculations.)



Notes & Announcements

Red Cross Appreciation Game— Brad Carter reported that this year the Red Cross collections brought in a total of \$45,553 which is an increase of 23% over last year. This also represents the third largest collection since Red Cross began the collections in 1986.

Thanks to Bryan Block, Jenny Cardwell, Tom Cardwell, Linda Carter, Scott and Barb Delisi, John Herdman, Dave Hilsabeck, Nikki Isemann and Del Phillips, Judy Krasomil, Phil Maddern, Craig and Connie Madson and Joe & Cheryl Roberts. Also a big thanks to Brad Carter for coordinating the team.

See page 4 for pictures and page 5 for a formal thank you letter to all volunteers from the Red Cross.

Speakers—Jason Smith has graciously agreed to coordinate speakers for the 2010/2011 Rotary year and he is asking for speaker ideas from members. If you have anyone in mind please contact Jason at jsmith@lcc.com

Lincoln South Foundation Wine Tasting—To be held at the home of Joyce Schmeeckle on October 23rd at 6:00 pm.

Club 14 Auction—Friday October 8th at the Lincoln Station. Lincoln South will not be reserving a table this year but if you are interested in attending, contact Joe Roberts. Tickets are \$75 per person.

Salvation Army Theatre Room—Tracey McLain and Pat Grewe are heading up the coordination of this project funded primarily by a District Simplified Grant.

Health & Hunger—Samip Patel reported that around Thanksgiving we will be looking for volunteers for food distribution such as through the Center for People in Need.

Georgia Orphanage Project—Tom reported that Lincoln South Rotary recently applied for a Matching Grant through The Rotary Foundation. The project is a literacy project – to help computerize and stock a library that is affiliated with the Orphanage that we have helped before. We got word today that the grant was approved – the amount of \$13,300. This shows the power of the Matching. There was \$2,000 placed into the process by Lincoln South Rotary. District 5650 provide some matching money and then The Rotary Foundation matched it further. He also reported that there are a few people traveling to The Republic of Georgia – leaving September 24th. Anyone with books for the library (in English – from children to adult) – contact Tom or Jenny and they will take them with them.

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>

PROGRAM

2010-2011 Club Goals

1. *Club Strength— Leave the club better than when I took office.*
2. *Club Growth— Attain and maintain membership of 55.*
3. *Support Polio Eradication.*
4. *Support critical project in one of 3 areas; Health & Hunger, Water or Literacy.*
5. *Maintain 100% sustaining membership in the Rotary Foundation.*
6. *Achieve the Presidential Citation*
7. **HAVE FUN!**

JOHN WOOD, Executive Director for the Lincoln Airport Authority was our speaker on Friday, September 17. John has been involved with aviation for the past 37 years. He is a commercial instrument rated pilot with more than 2,000 hours. He left the U.S. Marine Corp. in 1978 after serving eight years as a pilot. John has been the Executive Director of the Lincoln Airport since September of 1996. Immediately prior to that he was the assistant director at Eppley in Omaha.



John opened by telling us his entire job is about suction. That is how an airplane works. The engine sucks air through the engine which causes the plane to go faster which causes air to be sucked around the wings which causes the airplane to go . . . simple as that.

When talking about the regions competition he mentioned Omaha, Kansas City, Des Moines, Sioux Falls and Sioux City. With those cities being so close, it is often worth the drive to get a lower airfare than flying out of Lincoln. With Southwest flying out of Omaha now, it has gotten even harder – they are the lowest fare in the region. Flying has become a commodity – not a luxury. Now we are just looking at getting to a destination at the cheapest rate possible. To some, there is a

price that we will pay, however, for the convenience of traveling from Lincoln. The ability to be close to home – rather than traveling the additional 50 miles after a return flight – maybe worth the price difference.

When trying to get an airline to fly out of Lincoln the first thing that is discussed is the fare premium – what they will get for each booked seat. Then we have to convince the airline that Lincoln can support a certain level of tickets regularly. Then we have to convince the public to buy those tickets.

John speculated changes in the industry – that we will likely not see very low fares in the future. Seats were cheap for a while because there were too many seats available. Getting \$100 is better than getting nothing.

Airlines are trying to get back to making money. They have reduced the number of flights and also are flying smaller planes. Many airlines are partnering. These mergers may be helping airlines but not the consumer. Fewer airlines means less competition which means they can better control how much product is out there

**QUESTIONS?
COMMENTS?
ARTICLES?**

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Rotary International— www.rotary.org
District 5650—www.rotarydistrict5650.org
Lincoln South Rotary—

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



Member Minute

Nicolette “Nicki” Klein, from Harlan, Iowa. Five brothers and Sisters, 16 Nieces and Nephews, 5 Great Nieces and Nephews; parents both deceased. Worked at TierOne Bank for 35 yrs.

Started Rotary in Council Bluffs in 1988, also a member in Grand Island, then Lincoln South in 1997.

Has been to 10 International Conventions and on 3 Humanitarian Trips – India, Nicaragua and Zambia



RED CROSS APPRECIATION GAME



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





Dear Volunteer,

Thank you for sharing your time with us on Saturday, September 11 to help raise money for the American Red Cross on Red Cross Appreciation Day. Your help at Memorial Stadium in "passing the bucket" raised \$45,553 in much-need funds. This is a 24 percent increase from 2009, and the third largest collection since the Red Cross began "passing the bucket" in 1986.

With the economy challenging fundraising efforts, we are thrilled with this record-setting collection. The money raised by Pass the Bucket will be used to support crisis services, including disaster assistance, lifesaving CPR/AED training, emergency military communications and critical volunteer services like our First Aid Team.

If you have any comments or suggestions regarding this event, please contact me at (402) 441-6797 or abela@usa.redcross.org. Your comments and suggestions ensure the event's ongoing success.

On behalf of all of those served by the Cornhusker Chapter of the Red Cross, thank you again for your assistance with this importance fundraiser. Without your hard work, this event would not be possible. I hope you enjoyed your experience and that you will be able to join us for Pass the Bucket 2011!

For more information on the Red Cross, please visit our website at www.CornhuskerRedCross.org. To see Pass the Bucket photos, visit our photo site at www.flickr.com/photos/cornhuskerredcross.

Sincerely,
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