

1969-1970

Bill Williams - Forty-fourth President
Jack Griggs - Secretary

Bill started his year with a determination to improve our Rotary attendance and succeeded. He had 22 consecutive 100 per cent meetings and ended the year with 99.39 per cent attendance.

The Club was credited with a 200 per cent (600 per cent to 800 per cent) increase in our rating in the Rotary International Foundation Fund.

In his year the Rotary Club built the hood over the barbecue grill in McBean Park. There was lots of spirit in the club the entire year. It was he who originated the "Oops" award to harass his fellow Rotarians.

Bill would surreptitiously consult a Rotarians wife to dig up an embarrassing moment concerning her husband. He would then expose the Rotarian at our luncheon, present him with an "Oops" award and sock him with a big fine (a money making scheme). You will recall that the "Oops" were very cleverly designed.

1970-1971

Eli Demas - Forty-fifth President
Jack Griggs - Secretary

Eli instilled a lot of his "pep" into our Club in his year as president. Some of his projects were: built the benches between the Library and Boy Scout Hall; built a ventilation system over the barbecue pit at McBean Park; increased the percentage of the Rotary International Fund by 100 per cent; donated a portable color T. V. set to the Rotarian with the best attendance for the year (won by Louis Franceschi). The attendance was 98 per cent for the year. Good year, Eli!

You will recall what the "Kickout" ceremony for Eli was a "shortgun" wedding performed by Bishops Kellar and Jackson. It was the opinion of our club and his father, Peter, that the girl involved (imported from Yuba City) should have a legitimate husband. Fun!!

1971-1972

Robert Elkus - Forty-sixth President
Jerry Haines - Secretary

A statement from Bob's planning guide to our District Governor, quote: "As president of the Lincoln Rotary Club, I will attempt to increase membership and attendance and provide leadership to our club in its efforts to increase understanding with our fellow men." Those aims indicate the caliber of man he was.

Some of his projects to achieve his aims were: sponsored a Boy Scout Troop, entertained a group of business men from Brazil, and entertained the foreign students on International Day.

His most important project was boosting our percentage rating in the Paul Harris Rotary Foundation Fund to 1400 per cent. To accomplish this, Robert presented a check of \$1,000.00 to the District Governor for this Fund. The presentation was made in the name of Walter K. Jansen, our first President and District Governor. Rotary International honored Walter and our Club by naming him, "A Paul Harris Fellow," the highest honor that Rotary confers upon any of its dignitaries and is equivalent to the Congressional Medal of Honor. In token of the event Walter received a gold medallion and a plaque, suitably inscribed, which he proudly displays in his office.

Robert was an efficient presiding officer, "quick on the draw" in repartee and really enjoyed the banter of his fellow Rotarians.

Our community was saddened by his death on August 2, 1972.

ROTARY

1925-1972

It does not seem possible that we are celebrating the 47th birthday of the Rotary Club of Lincoln, and that I had the privilege of helping in the organization of the Club in the fall of 1925 and the Charter Presentation meeting held on January 6, 1926. Rotary has been a great experience for me during these years. It has given me the opportunity of meeting many Rotarians scattered far and wide and these friendships are not soon forgotten.

In my early years in Rotary I visited many clubs in order to acquaint myself with operations of different clubs and to find out what Rotary was all about and to bring that information back to my own club, to guide it in its infancy.

I have made a host of friends throughout Rotary from my visits to other clubs and this opportunity is presented to every member as was to me. Rotary does not mean much unless you become part of it. Fellowship is the great possibility coming out of Rotary, but you cannot accomplish this without working at it.

We have an excellent club, with a fine record of accomplishments in our community. Keep up the good work and let us all look forward to our 50th Anniversary which is not too far away.

/S/ Walter K. Jansen
Past President
Past District Governor

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL
Calvada District 519
Carson City, Nevada
28 November 1972

Mr. Wendell S. Bevers
P. O. Box 595
Lincoln, California 95648

Dear Wendell:

Today marks the 47th Anniversary of the date on which Rotary International President Donald A. Adams signed the charter for the Rotary Club of Lincoln, California. On behalf of President Roy D. Hickman and all the officers of Rotary International, including myself, I extend heartiest congratulations to the Rotary Club of Lincoln. Your members have an impressive record of service to your community, your state, your nation, and the world.

Rotarian Ed Robie represented District Governor Thomas B. Bridges and the Auburn Rotary Club in enlisting the enthusiasm and service of 20 Lincoln business and professional men during the fall of 1925, and then submitting the charter list for Rotary Club No. 2171 to Rotary International. Your club met as a provisional Rotary Club until the charter presentation the first week of January 1926.

You are particularly fortunate in that your charter president, W. K. Jansen, is still with you to participate in this 47th anniversary celebration. Yours was the 11th Rotary Club chartered in what is now part of Rotary District 2.

In just three years you will be beginning your second half century of service to the community of Lincoln, and it is certainly not too early to "take a new look" at the opportunities that are yours. This can be the year when you redouble your participation in providing for Lincoln young people and opportunity to participate in the District Y. E. S. Program and in the Rotary Foundation awards for outstanding people from your community. You have an enviable record in the provision of leadership for Rotary activities in District 519. I certainly hope that one of your outstanding Rotarians will have an opportunity to serve Rotary International as a District Governor, for your Walter Jansen is one of the finest gentlemen I have ever known.

I deeply regret my inability to attend your 47th Anniversary party, I am obligated to attend the Zone I institute of Rotary International. Please convey my sincere good wishes to the members of the Lincoln Rotary Club and particularly to your officers, Charlie Kellar, Jerry Haines, Francis Grey, Jarol Jansen, Gene Watts, Bill Williams, and Bob Elkus. You have as fine a group of Rotarians as there is anywhere in the world.

Sincerely yours,

Ernest L. Newton
District Governor

Our Club is still active in the affairs of the Community. Some of our later projects are: Establishing a high school scholarship fund of \$100.00, awarded annually; contributing generously to the Paul Harris Rotary International Foundation Fund and entertaining the 4-H Clubs, the members of the California Scholastic Federation and the high school athletic teams at our luncheons.

A Rotary Club's rating in Foundation Fund is on a percentage basis. When a club contributes \$10.00 per member, it is credited with 100 per cent. Our present rating is 1400 per cent which places us second in our district.

Our Club is small (38 members) but our budget is comparatively large. Income is derived from dues, initiation fees, fines, and raffles. Annual dues are \$35.00 and the initiation fee is \$20.00.

Submitted is a budget which is about average for our Club.

Lincoln Rotary Club
 FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR YEAR ENDING 6/30/72
 Balance, Bank of America 7/1/71

June 30, 1972

\$ 641.60

CASH RECEIVED

Membership Fees	\$ 40.00	
Membership Dues	1,350.00	
Meals	5,054.00	
Fines	241.09	
Community Fund	335.00	
From Sav. #8-562 for Park Project	827.08	
Rotary Foundation	1,180.00	
Boy Scouts	15.00	
Total Income		\$9,042.17
Gross Balance		\$9,683.77

DISBURSEMENTS

R. I. Dues	404.25
District 519 Dues	190.00
Rotary Foundation	1,120.00
(Includes Paul Harris Foundation)	
Meals	5,062.50
Kick-out BBQ	236.69
District Governor's wife	27.63
(Luncheon)	
Teacher's Luncheon	185.15
Presidential Classroom, LUHS	225.00
LUHS Yearbook	17.50
LUHS Scholarship	100.00
PTA Halloween Fun Night	30.24

A pleasant and comfortable meeting place, delicious food, good singing, and agreeable fellowship help to make a Rotary Club a success.

We have held our noonday luncheons in the Woman's Clubhouse. The women have prepared and served the luncheons, some of whom were: Emma Jansen, Ann Jansen, Anne Lee, Florence Bannister, Harriet Bayless, Florence Grey, Mary Goncalves, Laura Goy, Lena Saugstad Weaver, and Tena Pemberton.

At present Kathleen Schado prepares the luncheon and is assisted with the serving by Leonie Dorsey, Geneva Grey, Palmira Cardosa, Ellen Perry and Fern Wilson. Visiting Rotarians comment that our luncheons are the best in the district. When our club was organized in 1925, the luncheon cost 75 cents. It now costs \$2.50 which is an increase of 233 1/3 per cent!

Singing is an important and enjoyable part of a Rotary meeting, and we are considered to be a good singing Club. We have been fortunate in having such talented pianists as Milton Eifertsen, Carleton Hall, Maralon MacGregor Cornett, and Clifford Winkler who is our pianist at present. Richard "Dick" Lee is the song leader.

Lincoln Rotary Club

1972-1973

<u>Year Joined</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Classification</u>
1969	Berg, Evan	Education-Elementary
1967	Bervers, Wendell	Postal Service-Additional Active
1971	Bravos, Theodore	Furniture, Retail
1955	Carnesecca, John	Meats, Retail
1961	Clark, Samuel	Mortician
1932	Clinger, Raymond	Senior Active
1956	Dart, Robert	Postal Service
1963	Demas, Eli	Dry Goods, Retail Additional Active
1929	Demas, Peter	Dry Goods, Retail
1938	Dubin, Dr. Nathan	Surgeon
1939	Farnsworth, Frank	Senior Active
1965	Fowler, Robert	Nursery Grower
1951	Francheschi, Louis	Registered Beef-Polled Herefords
1959	Fuller, Albert	Drugs Retail
1946	Grey, Edward	Real Estate
1946	Grey, Francis	Insurance-Fire
1959	Griggs, Jack	Ceramics Manufacturing Additional Active
1940	Gulliford, Albert	Raw Clay Products
1969	Haines, Jerry	Banking
1971	Hillier, Harry	Municipal Administration
1957	Hoffman, Orrin	Education Administration

1969	Jackson, Harrison	Religion
1948	Jansen, Jarol "Jerry"	Feed Distributing
Charter	Jansen, Walter	Senior Active
1953	Jiminez, Robert	Police Service
1967	Kellar, Charles	Christianity
Charter	Lee, Richard A.	Senior Active
1965	Nicholau, Nicholas	Power and Light
1946	Perry, John	Ceramics Manufacturing
1956	Ragsdale, Dr. James	Dentistry
1955	Santini, Primo	Alcohol Beverages Retail
1947	Sergis, Dr. Cyrus	Physician
1969	Stewart, Coleman	General Law
1970	Suitan, Dr. Ernest	Cattle Breeding
1970	Valasek, Len	Education Primary Administration
1968	Watts, Eugene	Building Products Manufacturing
1965	Williams, Bill	Architectural Building Products
1942	Wilson, Joe	Senior Active
1946	Wyatt, Pershing	Hardware-Retail

Rotarians 1955-1971
Withdrawals and Deceased

1956	Lawrence Alcorn	Banking
1957	John Atterbury	Public Administration
1967	Frank Binford	Air Transportation
1958	Charles Burroughs	Nursery Growing
1961	* Howard Chapin	Christianity Protestant
1969	Richard Don	Municipal Administration
1967	* Robert Elkus	Education Secondary
1968	Robert Franck	Cattle Raising
1965	Chester Hughey	Broker Business Investment
1956	Lansford Kengle	Municipal Government
1956	Ross Knight	Cold Storage
1957	Arnold Lewis	Christianity Protestant
1947	* Dick Neville	Electrical Appliances
1964	Charles Reid	Automobile Retail
1965	Franklin Sands	Cleaning and Dyeing
1963	George Thomas	Insurance Life
1963	* Dr. Wesley Walters	Surgeon
1964	Jack Willoughby	Attorney
*Deceased		

Past Presidents and Secretaries

<u>Year</u>	<u>President</u>	<u>Secretaries</u>
1954-1955	Francis Grey	Omar Creer
1955-1956	John Perry	Omar Creer
1956-1957	Richard Neville	Omar Creer
1957-1958	Carleton Hall	Arnold Reese
1958-1959	Robert Schlundt	Arnold Reese
1959-1960	John Carnesecca	Jack Griggs
1960-1961	Louis Franceschi	Jack Griggs
1961-1962	Joe Wilson	Jack Griggs
1962-1963	Jack Griggs	Carlin Coppin
1963-1964	Primo Santini	Jack Griggs
1964-1965	Dr. James Ragsdale	Pershing Wyatt
1965-1966	Dr. Nathan Dubin	Jack Griggs
1966-1967	Robert Jiminez	Jack Griggs
1967-1968	Larry Alcorn	Jack Griggs
1968-1969	Orrin Hoffman	Jack Griggs
1969-1970	Bill Williams	Jack Griggs
1970-1971	Eli Demas	Jack Griggs
1971-1972	Robert Elkus	Jerry Haines

Vice-Presidents 1951-1972

Having a vice-president as one of the elected officers of our Club was suggested by Edward Grey. Those who have served are:

Pershing Wyatt	1951-1952
Carlin Coppin	1952-1953
Francis Grey	1953-1954
John Perry	1954-1955
Dick Neville	1955-1956
Carleton Hall	1956-1957
Robert Schlundt	1956-1957
John Carnesecca	1957-1958
Louis Franceschi	1958-1959
Joe Wilson	1960-1961
Jack Griggs	1961-1962
Primo Santini	1962-1963
Dr. James Ragsdale	1963-1964
Dr. Nathan Dubin	1964-1965
Robert Jiminez	1965-1966
Larry Alcorn	1966-1967
Orrin Hoffman	1967-1968
Bill Williams	1968-1969
Robert Radovich	1969-1970
Robert Elkus	1970-1971
Wendell Bevers	1971-1972

Acknowledgments

The year 1972 is the 67th anniversary of Rotary International and the 47th anniversary of the Lincoln Rotary Club. It has been an honor to have had the privilege of bringing the history of our club up to date. The first chapter of this history was written in 1954 at the request of Francis Grey.

All of our Rotarians and friends have been helpful in collecting the data for the chapter. Secretaries Jack Griggs and Jerry Haines have been especially helpful. Interesting articles concerning Rotary have been contributed by District governor Ernest L. Newton, Past District Governor, Walter K. Jansen and our president Wendell Bevers.

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Richard A. Lee