Rotary year: 1995-1996

# Kris Wyatt - President

Kris Wyatt has the distinction of being the first woman president of Lincoln Rotary.

The following are her comments (slightly edited):

My year's project never got off the ground. I think we started the idea of the backstops and dugouts for the high school, but then Mike Gadwa finished it during his year.

Being the first female president was incredible. We celebrated 70 years of Lincoln Rotary. We had a joint meeting with Rocklin with the GSE team. Mickey Mouse was my theme buddy, and he got stolen and returned to me at the kickout on a platter.

#### Additional comments:

One of my memories of that year was the "dugout" project. We had a good time being "engineers" and "builders." The joke that kept circulating as we were trying to install plumbing for the drinking fountain was that we had measured the pipe twice, cut it twice, and it was still too short. Some of us even got the opportunity to operate a "steam roller."

--George Dawson

Rotary Year: 1997-1998

# David Bonillo - President

David's year saw the beginning of a long running project, the "Band Stand/Gazebo" in McBean Park.

Question: Please summarize your year as president?

The following are his comments:

My presidency's project was the start of the many years of the Gazebo/band stand in the park... what a project! I think we had a lot of fun, I know I did!

When the District Governor came to our club, it was for dinner. We all decorated the club house and it went off really well, especially when I put in my "Summer Teeth" (some are here, some are there) when he was finishing his speech. It was great! He could not figure out why every one was laughing until his assistant noticed me and told him to look at me. The first thing he asked me was, "Where did you get those teeth? I need to get some."

The other thing was the District Conference in Reno. The last day they do a roll call and you tell them how many people are with your group. AND this happens to be on Mother's Day. Well, some of these clubs had the whole club with them others maybe half. So when you announce your name and club, your club goes crazy whooping it up. Well there was only 4 of us there...so when I announce my name and club, a little whoopee! But then I said, "I only have 3 members here with me, the rest are in Lincoln, putting on our first Homeless Mother's Day Brunch." You should have heard the O's & Awes, WOW. It was a fun time and I really enjoyed being president.

Historians note:

David has progressed to being our most entertaining "Fine Master." --George Dawson

# **Richard Wyatt**

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To: LINCOLN ROTARY George Dawson, Historian

From: Richard Wyatt, Past President

Date: March 15, 2010

## Presidential Year, Projects, etc 1998-1999

- Richard Wyatt, President, Ken Campbell, President Elect, Ken Rowley, Secretary, Cindy Solander, Treasurer, Jay Holland, Bulletin, David Bonillo, Past President, Jon Hirtz, Historian, Troy Reinche, Sergeant-at-Arms, Directors: Kris Wyatt, Steve Ambrose, Nancy Machado, Terrie Griggs, Gerald Langle, Roger Yohe.
- July 4th BBQ: Tri-Tip & Linguisa Sandwiches, Hot Dogs, Nachos, Chili, Corn, Beer, Sodas, Water.
- Continued selling bricks for McBean Park Bandstand Project.
- Incoming RYE Student: Virginie Vandenheede, Belgium: host families: Don & Phyllis Stewart, Mark & Nancy Machado.
- Outgoing RYE Student: Matt Stewart to Cochahamba, Bolivia.
- Club Bulletin: issued weekly at meetings by Jay Holland "News Call Me".
- Once monthly meetings held at Twelve Bridges Clubhouse.
- Continued Ken Campbell's Saturday "Treasure Pick-Up Days" 7:30AM Hwy65 at Wise Rd, Breakfast 9:00AM Kim's Wooden Spoon.
- September 1998: RI President James Lucy re-issued Rotary Club of Lincoln Certificate to replace original 1925 Certificate issued by RI President Donald Adams lost over the years.
- September 1998: Hosted Governor Tom Campton. RI Theme: "Follow Your Rotary Dream".
- Quiet Rotarian: awarded to Steve Ambrose
- September 1998: Bob Wassum representing District 5180 presented "Certificate of Organization" to Lincoln Rotary for new Interact Club.
- September 1998: Bob Wassum representing District 5180 recognized senior active members Edward Grey & Jerry Jansen, Jerry's father was Lincoln Rotary's first president in 1925.
- Christmas Party at Ken & Sandy Campbell's.
- March 1999: Speech Contest "Follow Your Community" for LHS Students.
- April 1999: Sponsor LHS "Every 15 Minutes".
- April 1999: Lunch at Lincoln High School Farm.
- April 1999: Area Level Speech Contest: Roseville Sierra View Country Club.
- April 1999: Sponsored LHS "Career Day & Trade Fair", Appreciation Certificate from Dave Butler, LHS Principal.
- May 1999: Lunch at Velocity Aviation Mark & Nancy Machado's new building at Lincoln Airport.
- May 1999: Sponsor LHS Annual Awards Dinner, \$500 Scholarship to Rachel Kimbrough, LHS Valedictorian.

COPIES TO: George Dawson

ATTACHMENTS: None

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Steve Ambrose - Lincoln Rotary Club President 2000 - 2001

President Elect - George Dawson

Past President - Ken Campbell

Treasurer - Carl Malotte

Secretary - Dorothy Voigt

Board of Directors – Kris Wyatt
David Bonillo
Dick McDaniel
Jeff Jones

During my term, the Club moved forward with the McBean Park Bandstand/Gazebo project. It was approved by the Board to purchase the bricks for all Lincoln Rotary Club Past Presidents that were no longer members in order to create a "Presidents Row".

A highlight of my year was the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dinner. We had a nice dinner at the McBean Park Pavilion and a program highlighting the history of our club. Many past presidents attended and we all lined up in order and gave a brief description of our year as president. It was an honor for me to be amongst such a distinguished group and their rich history with the City of Lincoln.

I appreciated the tremendous help of the board and officers, and the support of the Club. For me personally I enjoyed the mentoring that both Jerry Jansen and Ed Grey, Jr. gave me during my year. Growing up in Lincoln I had great admiration for both of these men and many others in the club.

#### **ROTARY YEAR 2001-02**

### **President George Dawson**

I inherited the perpetual and ongoing Band Stand Project. We were still trying to sell bricks, but it was not going very well. One of the problems seemed to be lack of exposure to the community at large. To address that we participated in the Chamber of Commerce's Business Expo at Lincoln Hills by having a Booth during the event.

One of the ongoing practices of the club had been to add on a \$100.00 fee to each member's annual bill in lieu of fundraising. My proposed project for the year was to raise money to provide Automatic Defibrillators for the Police and Fire Departments of Lincoln. However, money was scarce, and we abandoned that effort in order to concentrate on the Band Stand Project.

One of our newer members, Tom Kubicko suggested a Pasta Feed. We had our first Pasta Feed in April of 2002. We saw this as an effort to raise our visibility in the community, and get some community involvement in our efforts. Tickets were \$10.00, and children were allowed.

Our Christmas party was held in the Women's Club that year. One of our talented members, Jon Hirtz provided musical entertainment for the party. We started an outreach program to the new citizens in Lincoln Hills under the able leadership of Chuck Wing.

We were all shocked and deeply saddened by the events of September 11, 2001. Our club raised \$1392.99 which we sent to the Rotary Club of New York City to help with disaster relief efforts.

We also started a Membership Committee in an effort to recruit more members. We gained about 5 during the year. Last but not least we participated in the Lincoln High School Career Day, both by having a booth and helping set up and tear down.

It was a challenging and fun year. I will always appreciate that opportunity and the support I received from every one. My kick out was also very memorable. They put me on trial for thinking I was George Washington.

**Rotary Year: 2002-2003** 

## **Dorothy Voigt - President**

Dorothy's year saw the "Ground Breaking" for the Bandstand.

Question: Please summarize your year as president?

The following are her comments:

The ground breaking of the Bandstand was probably the biggest splash of my presidency because it was so long in coming. One my goals for the club during my presidency was to re-establish solvency which I did by reinstituting the normal Rotary attendance guidelines. Because of this action we not only were able to pay for our caterer from the meal fee intake (instead of dipping into our charitable fundraiser proceeds) but our weekly attendance (and membership) grew from 12-14 attendees to 50 members and a room full of attendees.

We had a fun Membership Contest with 4 teams that really brought the numbers of attending members up. Also, another way we achieved the increased membership was by moving the club meeting from Friday to its present Thursday. This caused a big furor. The aim was to allow younger business people whose businesses could not be left on Friday easily to join. This was especially true for store owners and bank managers.

A new interact club was started during my presidency. We painted the BarBQ area at McBean Park. Our club also won the "Outstanding Club" banner this year. Memory suggests that this was our first year to ride on the Rotary float in the Independence Day parade.

## Jerry Johnson's Year

- Obtained \$60,000 from the City "to complete" the Rotary Bandstand
- Obtained a District grant for \$10,000 to build a pedestrian bridge across the Auburn Ravine (unfortunately we could not build the bridge because the City Engineer thought that it would block flood flows)
- Conducted several tree planting projects in City parkways and open space areas
- Organized a clean-up day on the Auburn Ravine that pulled literally tons of debris from the creek bed
- Conducted another success Pasta Feed
- Held a Rubber Ducky Race on the Auburn Ravine as a fund raiser
- Began a program of donating a book to the Library's children collection in the name of each week's speaker
- Received a Presidential Citation at the District Conference for Club achievements during the year

Rotary Year: 2005 - 2006

### Dick McDaniel - President

Question: Please summarize your year as president?

The following are his comments:

We consolidated all records and other paraphernalia related to Lincoln Rotary Club under one roof. When we started we thought we knew where most of the stuff was. We discovered we were wrong. We found stuff in the kitchen at the Women's Club, at the homes of previous presidents and in closets and storage lockers of local businesses who had previously rented space to a Rotarian who'd moved and didn't take the Rotary stuff.

I tried to focus on creating an environment of trust and respect between the traditional Club members and those living in Lincoln Hills.

We hosted a delegation of Russian Bankers to orient them to the U.S. banking system. We also expanded our membership by adding some new members. We also initiated the process that led to creation of The Lincoln Rotary Foundation.

#### George

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Larry Whitaker.vcf My Year As President

George here are the Major accomplishment topics that I feel were accomplished under my watch.

1. Computerized the club administration

2. Establish the first annual District Interact Club Assembly

3. Established the relationship with Diversion Group

4. Sponsor the GSE team Lunch from Sweden

5. Received the District Award for "Club of **Excellences**"



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**Rotary Year: 2007-2008** 

# Bill Smith - President

Question: Please summarize your year as president?

The following is his response slightly edited by your friendly historian, George Dawson.

One of the things we accomplished was to establish a new fund raiser event. We called it "Casino Night," and held it at the Turkey Creek Golf Course. The net proceeds went to the Lighthouse.

The club also sponsored the second annual District Interact Conference, which was supported with funds and member participation in the "Battle of the Bands" with the at risk youth of Placer County. Additionally, some of our members provided counseling for some of the young people who attended the event. All in all it was deemed a very successful event.

The annual Pasta Feed which is the club's major fundraiser netted almost \$20,000.00. That was a record for our club. At the end of the year the club was presented with the District 5180 "Community Service Award," as well as the "Presidential Citation."

I had a great year and appreciate the cooperation of the club.

Bill Smith

**Rotary Year: 2008 – 2009** 

# Linda Stackpoole - President

Question: Please summarize your year as president?

The following are her comments:

The major fundraiser was the Pasta Feed. We raised \$18,000.00. The secondary fundraiser was the Cow Chip Bingo which raised a bit over \$6,000.00.

We gave two scholarships of \$1000.00 each to the Lincoln High School's outstanding boy and girl. We sponsored a Little league team, a Girls softball team, PAL programs, Diversion Group, Sober Grad Night, Clayfest, Polio Plus, and a Malaria nets program. We also painted the bleachers at the football field, and gave dictionaries to all local schools.