

President— Barry

Spoke Newsletter

Wednesday March 14, 2018

Attendance: 30 (67%) Attendance with make ups: 32 (71%)

Program Wednesday, March 21, 2018

Todd Ogden— Downtown Lincoln Association

Program arranged by Rachel Martin

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Kiersten Hill & Andrea Sutherland Holly—Big Brothers Big Sisters

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Our community-based program allows Bigs and your Little to share activities on their own schedule. Matches typically meet up on weekends or evenings for a couple of hours each week. We encourage free or low-cost activities like bike riding, board games, baking or just taking a walk around the Haymarket.

One of the most important pieces of the HBBBS program is that Bigs are able to provide their Littles with a chance to be inspired and try something new. Littles are able to explore new environments and learn skills that they may not have otherwise had an opportunity to experience.

Role models make an impact

Studies show that children who have role models are more likely to improve in school and in their relationships with family and friends, and less likely to skip school or use illegal drugs or alcohol. Students who are successful in school are less likely to drop out, abuse drugs, or commit crimes.

Each time Heartland Big Brothers Big Sisters pairs a child with a role model, we start something incredible: a one-to-one relationship built on trust and friendship that can blossom into a future of unlimited potential. And thanks to the first-ever nationwide impact study of a mentoring organization, we have the facts to prove it. Big Brothers Big Sisters believes that it must hold itself accountable to the families, children, and mentors enrolled in our program. We must hold ourselves accountable to the donors, partners, and advocates who fund our work. That is why a commitment to continuous learning, improvement, and research is at the heart of what we do.



A Rotary Thank You to Kiersten & Andrea for an interesting and very informative presentation in regard to Big Brothers Big Sisters in Lincoln, Nebraska.

*Lincoln East Rotary Club
Meetings at Valentino's—70th & Van Dorn
Noon Luncheon starting @ 11:45 a.m.*

March 14, 2018

Our commitment to measurement, analysis, and improvement is so core to who we are that we have developed a unique, proprietary method of tracking the interactions between Bigs and Littles. Known as the Agency Information Management system (or AIM), this performance management tool helps guide the decisions of our network of professionally trained staff members. Built to support Big Brothers Big Sisters, AIM provides the intelligence and data to continually improve our services to children.

What is a Big?

We're always looking for people eager to positively impact a child and improve their community at the same time. And, right now is no different. Big Brothers especially are in high demand. For a few hours, a couple times a month, you can give a Little the invaluable gift of your friendship. By simply changing their perspective of what the world can offer, you can literally start changing their life. Play a board game. Make fun crafts. Hit the playground together. Just as your options are unlimited, so is your Little's potential.

At HBBBS, we're always looking for more men to be mentors. We have boys ready and waiting to be matched with a role model. So tell the guys you know to sign up to become Bigs. They can do all the fun things they love to do already, like see movies, play video games, and go hiking, only now they'd get to enjoy it with a child who can truly benefit from it.

Potential Bigs will need to pass background checks and have a good driving record. Our staff will also ask you to provide contact information for three personal references and an employer reference (if you're employed). You will also have the opportunity to fill out a questionnaire before your interview so we can get an idea of your background, interests and what you are looking for in a match.

We're always looking for people eager to make a positive impact on a child and improve their community at the same time.

As a Couples Match through HBBBS, you and your spouse, significant other or close friend can both become Bigs to one Little Brother in our program. The three of you can do activities all together, and you also have the opportunity to spend time with the Little individually. This is a great option for busy people who would like to make an impact, but may not always have the ability to meet every week.

A Couples Match is a great opportunity to enjoy time with your spouse and still volunteer. Plus, the Little benefits from having two amazing role models.

Bowl For Kids' Sake is Heartland Big Brothers Big Sisters' signature fundraiser. Each year hundreds of supporters come together to have fun and raise money for Big Brothers Big Sisters as we change how children grow up! Bowl For Kids' Sake is the perfect way for individuals to make an impact on our community - it only takes a little bit of effort to raise the money that is vital to our program's success. We ask that each bowler raise a minimum of \$100 or their team raises at least \$500 to participate. As a "thank you" for your support and enthusiasm, Big Brothers Big Sisters hosts celebratory parties at Sun Valley Lanes. No bowling expertise is required, only the willingness to share in our heartfelt and sincere thanks for helping us transform our community. This year, Bowl for Kids' Sake - All-Stars will be a home run! Participants will go full-court press to reach their fundraising goals and excessively celebrate at the sports-themed bowling parties. Bowlers are invited to suit up in the uniforms of their favorite sports teams and the most spirited players will take home the gold. Now, get off the bench and get in to the Bowl for Kids' Sake game!



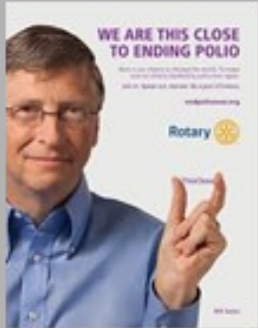


Anniversaries & Birthdays

Weeks of —March 15—21

Birthdays:

Blake Collingsworth—March 17
Joe Dappen—March 21
Gene Roth—March 23



Happy Dollars

Dick Cumming	\$ 1.00
Mary Oestmann Goldberg	\$ 1.00
Darrel Huenergardt	\$ 1.00
Charles Erickson	\$ 1.00
Steve Grosserode	\$ 5.00
Gene Roth	\$ 2.00
John Garrison	\$ 2.00
Ben Martin	\$ 2.00
Greg Schnasse	\$ 2.00
Blake Collingsworth	\$55.00
Barry Stelk	\$ 5.00
Wayne Casper	\$ 5.00
TOTAL	\$81.00



Greeter Duty

March Ed Stivers
April John Garrison

Make Ups

Dean Douglas Park Painting
Milt Schmidt Park Painting



Cashier Duty

We need volunteers for the following:

March—OPEN

Please contact Dick Cumming

Guests & Visitors

Merrilea Anderson Steve Grosserode
Kiersten Hill Speaker
Andrea Sutherland Holly Speaker

NOTICE

*If you need a receipt for donations made to the
Lincoln East Rotary Foundation, contact*

Lincoln East Rotary Club—(March Speaker Schedule)

March 21—Todd Ogden, Downtown Lincoln Association—Rachel Martin
March 28—Angela and Teresa, Clinic with a Heart—Rachel Martin

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