

**President—Dennis**

## Spoke Newsletter

Wednesday September 11, 2019

Attendance: 29 (62%)

Lincoln East Rotary Club

**Museum of American Speed —Mike Kelley, Events Coordinator**

Wednesday, September 18, 2019

Arranged by Andrea Ahrens and Sue Schuerman



Mike Kelly Tim Matthews

Mike Kelley, Events Coordinator, Museum of American Speed. Mike Kelley loves this place so much that he volunteers to walk around and tell people about it, "Today we have 130 cars, 600 engines, 350 pedal cars, 51 stringed instruments signed by some pretty cool folks like B.B. King and Willie Nelson, we have 600 lunch boxes, we have a carousel and we have more little cars than you can ever count. It's a cool place to be. During the summer months (May thru September,) the museum is open Monday thru Friday from noon until 4:30. And during the winter months (October thru April,) the museum is open on just Monday and Friday afternoons.

Founded in 1992 by "Speedy" Bill and Joyce Smith, the Speedway Motors Museum of American Speed is dedicated to preserving, interpreting and displaying physical items significant in racing and automotive history. The museum is a federally recognized 501 (c) (3) private foundation and currently encompasses more than 150,000 sq. ft. over three levels. The vast collection resulted from the Smiths' personal involvement in racing and hot rodding for more than six decades, and their lifelong passion for collecting and preserving historic automotive artifacts.

Millions of hours were spent, as Bill put it, "turning over rocks" and chasing countless leads to assemble a collection of this magnitude. As a result, museum visitors will witness a stunning array of history-making cars, engines, parts, toys and memorabilia. You'll see countless rare and one-of-a-kind items, all presented in beautiful displays and dioramas that will make you feel like you've taken a step back into the past!

Today, we are striving to foster innovation with younger generations by hosting educational and family friendly events to engage those in our local community. Through these our hope is to continue to fuel the passion for automotive history, innovation, and technical skills with our future generations to come.



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

**September 11, 2019**

Lincoln East Rotary Club  
***Mick McKinley, District Governor for 5650***

Wednesday, September 4, 2019  
Arranged by Dennis Duckworth



Wow, this Governor thing is getting real! Through the end of August I have made it to 23 clubs all across the district from Shenandoah in the east to Aurora in the West, Wayne in the North and Pawnee City in the South. I have to give a huge Thank You to all the clubs I have visited. Thank you for your hospitality, your fellowship, your openness to discuss your clubs successes and challenges and sharing your plans and vision for the future.

Being Governor can keep you busy but it is one of the most rewarding experiences I've had. We are doing amazing things in this District and around the world and I wish I could highlight all of them. We currently have at least 3 global grants in the hopper which may get funded this year and we are currently sponsoring a Global Scholar by the name of Haley Dunlop who is studying at the University of Edinburgh pursuing a Masters degree in Public health on her way to a medical degree. I would encourage all clubs to utilize our "Spotlight on Clubs" section of the District Website so we can share all the great things we are doing with one another and the public.

Reach out to Nicki Klein  
([exec@rotarydistrict5650.org](mailto:exec@rotarydistrict5650.org)) if you need help posting your stories.

As I have shared with the clubs I've visited, increasing our membership is RI President Mark Maloney's and our Districts highest priority this year. We started the Rotary year at 1,875 members in the District. As of August 30<sup>th</sup> we have added 15 new members in the district and stand at 1,890 members. Our Goal is to get to 1,950 members this year so we have a ways to go. My challenge to each club is to grow by a net 2 members, if we do that, we'll end the year at 1,957. Look for a club challenge coming soon!

Thank you to all Rotarians in the District for all you are doing. Keep up the great work you are doing and let's make 2019-2020 Rotary's greatest year yet.

### **Chuck's Corner (#7)**

Sorry about not having a note last week. On Saturday, I attended a meeting with a representative of Bread for the World and am pleased that they are focusing on nutrition. I told them that when I came to the conference not having had breakfast I was hungry, but I'm certainly not malnourished. On the other hand, a Zambian who has had a full plate or two of nsima, the corn-based staple, may not be hungry but if that is all he ate, he would be malnourished. This is absolutely true of children. We are on the same page as these folks. The representative sighted a book by writer Roger Thurow, entitled *The First Thousand Days*. This book promotes the idea that we have been talking about for years and that is children from the day of conception until 2 years of age need a balanced diet for their bodies and brains to reach maximum potential.

There are numerous diseases and problems identified around the world, but malnutrition during pregnancy and early childhood has been ignored. Thurow is determined to bring this problem to the front burner and so be it.

Bread for the World is a lobbying organization that encourages the US government to help fund nutrition projects around the world. I am going to support the organization and am wondering if Rotarians would want to join the group. Not with financial support, but with letter writing to our congressional representatives. I would like to hear from you folks and would like to discuss with the District Officers. Lets talk about it.

Chuck

***A Rotary Thank You to Mick McKinley for an excellent presentation on District 5650 and Goals for Rotary Year 2019—2020.***





## Anniversaries & Birthdays

Weeks of September 12-18

### Birthdays:

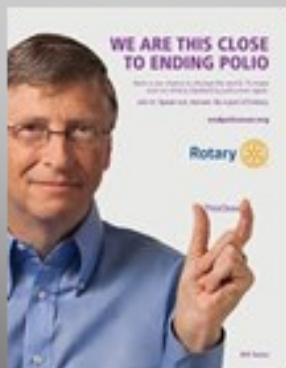
Jeanne Garvin — September 16

### Anniversaries

NONE



## Happy Dollars



*Chuck Erickson  
Darrel Huenergardt  
Greg Schnasse  
Lyle Schoen  
Wayne Casper  
Ozzie Gilbertson  
Dick Cummings  
Jeanne Garvin  
Jan McKinley  
Dennis Duckworth*

*Sue Schuerman  
Tom Mortimer  
Duane Tappe  
Dale Lloyd  
Dean Douglas  
Paul Horton  
Al Burdick  
Barry Stelk  
Clay Ehlers*



*Total*

*\$50.00*

*Happy Dollars—Total to Date: \$622.00*



### Cashier Duty

September—Wayne Casper

October—Duane Tappe

November—Gordon Bair

Contact Minnie Stephens

### Guests & Visitors

Mumba Precious Julius—Guest of Chuck Erickson

Mick McKinley—District Governor

Clay Ehlers—Assistant District Governor

Diana Tappe — Guest of Duane Tappe

Jan McKinley — Spouse of District Governor



### Greeter Duty

September 18—Sue Schuerman

September 25—Gordon Bair



### Rotary Labeling Party

Green's Plumbing, 4200 N 48th St

September 24, 2019 @ 6:30 p.m.

## Lincoln East Rotary Club—September /October Speaker Schedule

September 25—UINMC College of Nursing, Sue Schuelke

October 2— Boone McAfee, Director of Research, Nebraska Corn Board, arranged by Wayne Casper

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