

*President— Barry*

## Spoke Newsletter

Wednesday November 1 2017

Attendance: 29 (60%) Attendance with make ups: 33 (73%)

Program Wednesday, November 8, 2017

*District Governor, Tom Cardwell*

Program arranged by Barry Stelk

Program Wednesday, November 1, 2017

*David Smith & Katie Murtha: One Book One Lincoln*

Program arranged by Dick Cumming



**Katie Murtha** is a librarian at Bennett Martin Public Library. She has worked for Lincoln City Libraries in various roles since 2011. Katie is the program coordinator for the Library's One Book One Lincoln community reading program. **David Smith** is a coordinator in Assessment and Evaluation for Lincoln Public Schools. He is a former Secondary English Curriculum Specialist and Northeast High School teacher. David has been involved in One Book—One Lincoln since 2009, and he has chaired the committee for the past six years.

**One Book – One Lincoln** is a community reading project co-sponsored by Lincoln City Libraries. The program encourages all adults in Lincoln and Lancaster County to read and discuss the same book at the same time. The goal of the program is to encourage reading and dialogue by creating a community-wide reading and discus-

sion experience.

The idea of city-wide reading programs started in Seattle in 1998 with the program “If All Seattle Read the Same Book” initiated by the Washington Center for the Book, located at the Seattle Public Library. The Library of Congress’ **Center for the Book** reports that “One Book” programs have been introduced across the USA and around the world. Since 2015, nominations can be submitted year-round via our online form. The **One Book – One Lincoln** process begins in earnest in January each year, as the final round of nominations are sought from the reading public for titles to consider for that year’s project. In February, a selection committee of library workers and ordinary citizens whittles the list of between 100 and 200 titles down to a “shortlist” of 9 to 12 highly recommended titles, from which that committee also selects a group of three finalists. Those finalists are announced to the public (via the Lincoln Journal Star and the library’s web site and Facebook) in the spring, and the public is given the opportunity to vote of which they would like to see as the selected title for the year. In the fall, the winning title will be announced, along with the schedule of public book discussion opportunities, and descriptions of any special programming events (related to the book’s themes) being held either at the library or in other venues around Lincoln. Discussion groups and special events will then run throughout the fall.

*A Rotary Thank You to David & Katie for very informative presentation about One Book One Lincoln*

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

*November 1 2017*

## How can I participate?

**Get a copy of this year's winning title.** Check out a copy, in print, audio or downloadable formats, of ***A Gentleman in Moscow*** by Amor Towles at any of the Lincoln City Libraries or purchase your own copy at a local bookstore. This title is also available as a *Book Club in a Bag* version, for book clubs wishing to check out multiple copies at once!

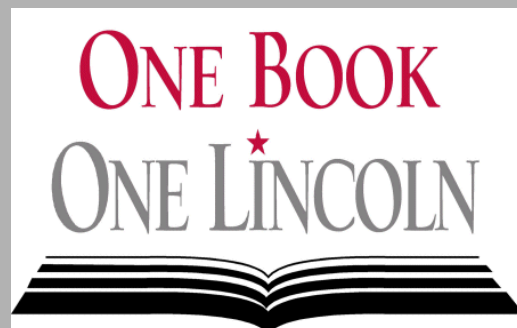
**Read!** Join your family, friends, co-workers, neighbors and fellow Lincolniters in reading the same books – together!

**Watch** for informational programs about this year's **One Book — One Lincoln**. You can now view the **One Book – One Lincoln** episode of City Focus on LNKTV (formerly 5 City TV) on both Channel 5 and their On Demand channels. Also embedded on this very page, above!

**Attend** our related **programs**.

Look at our **Resource Page** about ***A Gentleman in Moscow*** by Amor Towles, for links to further information on the themes and topics of this year's book. **Nominate for future years** — Don't forget...you can now nominate *year-round* for the next year's **One Book – One Lincoln** with our **online nomination form**.

Lincoln has enjoyed fifteen previous years of **One Book – One Lincoln** celebrations. In the fall of 2002, thousands of Lincoln residents read and discussed the Midwestern tale ***Plainsong***, by former Lincolnite Kent Haruf. For 2003, terrorism and operatic music combined as Ann Patchett's award-winning novel ***Bel Canto*** was selected for our second city-wide reading experience. In 2004, Leif Enger's dazzling debut novel ***Peace Like a River*** explored crime and miracles in Minnesota and South Dakota as our third choice. During the fall of 2005, Lincolniters went on a journey of friendship, discovery and redemption, exploring the culture and history of Afghanistan and its people, as we read and discussed Khaled Hosseini's debut novel ***The Kite Runner***. In 2006, for the first time, a non-fiction title was selected — Erik Larson's ***The Devil in the White City*** — an exploration of the heights and depths of humanity, through the simultaneous exploits of the creators of the miraculous 1893 World's Columbian Exposition in Chicago, and the murderous Dr. Henry H. Holmes, one of America's first serial killers, who preyed on the Exposition's attendees. In 2007, readers found themselves thrown back to the Dust Bowl years with Timothy Egan's ***The Worst Hard Time***, and learned about many of the individuals who survived this period in the heart of the devastation. In 2008, we returned to fiction with Diane Setterfield's ***The Thirteenth Tale***, an atmospheric visit to the world of Gothic literature. In 2009, readers followed a historic religious document in its travels through time and geography in the pages of ***People of the Book***, by Geraldine Brooks. And in 2010 through 2014, the general reading public was allowed to vote for their favorite among the finalists, settling on ***I Am a Man: Chief Standing Bear's Journey for Justice***, by Nebraska author Joe Starita in 2010, and the gripping contemporary novel ***Cutting for Stone*** in 2011. In 2012, the historical non-fiction title ***Destiny of the Republic*** was the selected title, and in 2013 readers took a walk across England in Rachel Joyce's novel ***The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry***. In 2014, M.L. Stedman's ***The Light Between Oceans*** captivated readers with a haunting exploration of the consequences of choices. In 2015 and 2016, a selection committee chose the winning titles. In 2015, issues of immigration and the sense of personal identity were explored with Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie's novel, ***Americanah***. And in 2016, the topics of aging and dying with dignity were explored by readers with the non-fiction title, ***Being Mortal***, by Atul Gawande.







### ***UNL Rotaract***

***Pizza Ranch - 8420 Lexington Ave - Lincoln, NE 68505***

***November 16, 2017***

***4:30 PM – 8:00 PM CST***

***Rotaract members will provide greeting and bussing services***

***All Tips and 10% of sales to benefit***

***Wheelchairs for Survivors of Polio in the Ivory Coast***

Joins us at the Pizza Ranch in Lincoln NE to help buy Wheelchairs for Polio Survivors. The buffet includes pizza, salad, drinks and dessert.

You can imagine with a full house, this could generate funds for several more wheelchairs. After delivering our first wheelchair to a survivor of Polio in the Ivory Coast, the UNL Rotaract Club members are hoping to raise funds for 10 or 20 new chairs to be delivered next summer. We already have funds donated for 6 new wheelchairs. These chairs will provide mobility for young adults who have never been able to afford such a "luxury."

Tickets are not needed to attend. They serve only as a reminder for your convenience. Come and meet Rotaract and Rotary members and enjoy a night out.

***Pizza Ranch is located North of Holdrege on 84th Street***



### ***Thanksgiving Basket***

***Proceeds to Lincoln City Mission***

***Make check payable to Lincoln East Rotary Foundation  
Basket donations on Wednesday, November 8th & 15th***

***Mike Carr—Chairman***



## Anniversaries & Birthdays

Week of —November 2—8

### Birthdays:

Gordon Bair—November 8

### Anniversaries

NONE



## Happy Dollars



Chuck Erickson	\$2.00
Paul Horton	\$3.00
Jason smith	\$1.00
Al Burdick	\$1.00
Barry Stelk	\$5.00



CASHIER  
TABLE



### Cashier Duty

November—Larry Fletcher

*We need volunteers for the following:*

*Month of January*

*Month of February*

*Please contact Dick Cumming*

### Make Ups

Blake Collingsworth

Dave Miller

Gordon Bair

Greg Schnasse

Another Meeting

Social

Board Meeting

Board Meeting



### Greeter Duty

November Gene Roth

December Dean Douglas

January Greg Schnasse

February Wayne Casper

### Guests & Visitors

Ruby James

David Smith

Katie Murtha

Alinda Stelk

Linda Cumming

Steve Grosserode

Speaker

Speaker

Barry Stelk

Dick Cumming

## Lincoln East Rotary Club November Speaker Schedule

November 8—District Governor, Tom Cardwell

November 15—Will Cover, program director of the Cornhusker Boy Scout Council

**NO MEETING—November 22**

November 29—Charles Erickson—Zambia Update

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