



# **Spoke Newsletter**

Wednesday November 15 2017

Attendance: 24 (53%) Attendance with make ups: 32 (71%)



# No Meeting Wednesday, November 22, 2017

Program Wednesday, November 29, 2017 Charles Erickson—Zambia Project Update

Program Wednesday, November 15, 2017
Will Cover, Program Director of the Cornhusker Boy Scout Council
Program arranged by Paul Horton



Will Cover is the Program Executive for the Cornhusker Council Boy Scouts of America. I am a person who believes in the power of connectivity and relationships. I also believe that the youth of today need as much now, as they ever did, a Program that builds them up, empowers them with self-confidence, a sense self- worth and connects them in a positive way to the generations before them. Before I begin I want you to ask yourself what you know or what you think you know about the Boy Scouts of America. Now, keep that on the sticky side of your mind as I speak because we are going to come back to it here in just a few moments. Now I need to give you just a little background information on me. You see I am truly a product of the program I represent. I wasa Cub Scout in Pack 220 Chartered by American Legion Post 237 in Weeping Water Nebraska, interestingly enough I am now the Post commander there. My first Cub Master was Mr. Ed Van Horn, and my first Den Mother was Mrs. Linda Rhodes. I remember their names because

they imprinted on me in a very positive way, in fact I can remember the name of every adult leader I had while I was a Scout. I became connected to them and learned to interact with them. I crossed over into Troop 220 and eventually earned my Eagle Scout. I say eventually because I did not have my Eagle Board of review until the night before my 18<sup>th</sup> Birthday. That is significant because age 18 signifies the end of Youth membership in the Boys Scouts. But Along the way I did so many things, learned to be a leader, a teacher, a friend. I learned so many skills that I would end up using as I progressed into my adulthood. I worked on Summer Camp Staffs, had amazing adventures made lifelong friends. After High School I enlisted in the US Navy and found the Skills and Leadership development learned in Scouts served me well, in fact I received advanced rank out of Boot camp because of my Eagle Scout Status.

A Rotary Thank You to Will Cover for his presentation on the Cornhusker Boy Scout Council and Boy Scouts of America. After my Honorable Discharge I applied for and was accepted into the University of Nebraska Lincoln, where I earned my degree in Theater. Since then I have worked as An Actor, Director, Designer, Stage Technician, Small Business owner and have enjoyed now a 6 year tenure with the Boys Scouts of America as a Scouting Professional. There was no point in the interim between earning my Eagle Scout and Becoming a Professional Scouter that I did not use my scouting skills or find myself in situation where I wasn't dealing with other individuals who had some sort of Scouting Background in fact during my time in Service and a 15 year career in the theatre and Film industry I was constantly working with individuals at the highest levels of responsibility who if they were not Eagle Scouts themselves least had some sort of Scouting background or connectivity to the Scouting movement. Case in Point while stationed at Naval Training Station Great lakes in Chicago one afternoon I was called into the office of the Chief who was in charge of our Bachelor Enlisted Quarters to review a request that I had made for something or other, Chief Sorensen had given the directive for me to report during my off hours and I was in casual civilian attire, wearing a State High School wrestling t-shirt that had my home town of Weeping Water's nameonit. He was somewhat taken aback and asked me if I was in fact from Weeping Water Nebraska, I answered in the affirmative surprised that he would know of a town that quite frankly most Nebraskans don't know of. He then asked me if I knew Ed Van Horn, "Of Course" I answered," Mr. Van Horn was my Cub Master." As it turns out ChiefSorensen had married Mr. Van Horn's Daughter, and needless to say any further special requests I made while a resident of the BEQ were approved without delay or further question. Small World Huh.

Now it may be that you have heard about some programs as I listed them that you are unaware of, mainly Ventures, Sea Scouts, and Explores. In a nutshell these programs exist for young men and women ages 14- 20 who wish to focus on one of the following areas. Venture Crews focus on high adventure activities and hobby interests in a co-ed environment. Examples of current venturing Crews in the Cornhusker Council are High Adventure Climbing and Repelling, model rocketry and Hobby developed. Additional programs and changes have occurred over the years to adapt the program to the youth of the day. These programs are Aviation, Shooting Sports and general high adventure backpacking, camping, and water activities. Explorer Postare for the same Coed Age group but with a focus on Career, examples include Police, Fire/EMS, Health Careers, Trade Skills and business andentrepreneurship. The Cornhusker Council Boy Scouts of America Serves 16 Counties. We maintain 2 lovely Properties used for the delivery of Scouting programs and also available for the general public/ corporations or other nonprofits and service clubs for meetings, retreats, team building or recreational use. Our Outdoor Education Center located on 40 acres just outside of Walton also houses our council offices, service center and Scout Shop. Camp Cornhusker sits on 480 acres 10miles south of Humboldt Nebraska is home to our Resident camp Facilities a year-round LEED Certified Conference

#### THE JAMBOREE'S PERMANENT HOME

In 2009, the BSA purchased 10,600 acres of property adjacent to West Virginia's New River Gorge National River area in order to create the Summit Bechtel Family National Scout Reserve. The Summit is the new home of achievement, adventure, and innovation in Scouting. With world-class facilities and a focus on outdoor action sports, the Summit welcomed Scouts to a whole new jamboree experience in summer 2013. 2017 is the next national jamboree and The Summit will also be hosting the 2019 World Jamboree.

### History of the Boy Scouts of America

The **Boy Scouts of America** (BSA) was inspired by and modeled on the Boy Scout Association, established by Baden-Powell in Britain in 1908. In the early 1900s, several youth organizations were active, and many became part of the BSA (see Scouting in the United States). The BSA was founded in 1910 and grew rapidly and became the largest youth organization in the United States. Early issues involved race, the "younger boy problem," and the "older boy problem." Troops initially followed local community policy on race. For younger boys, the Cubing program arose and for older boys, Rovering and Exploring programs were developed. Additional programs and changes have occurred over the years to adapt the program to the youth of the day.



# Thanksgiving Basket

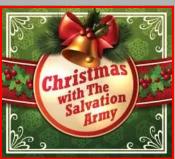
Total Basket Collection \$787.00-to Peoples City Mission
A Rotary Thank You to all members for their contributions
Mike Carr—Chairman



A Rotary thank you to the following members for placing of the flagpoles and raising the flags and lowering of the flags, taking down the flagpoles, and placing them in storage: Dennis Duckworth, John Garrison, Paul Horton, Duane Tappe and Barry Stelk:



### Christmas Basket—Salvation Army



Last year we collected over \$1000.00 for the people in need in Lincoln, Nebraska (I hope we can do as well this year) We pass the basket on November 29 and December 6. The check for the total amount will be taken to the Salvation Army on December 7. Make checks payable to Lincoln East Rotary Club Foundation. Thanks to all of you for remembering the people in need. John Garrison, Chairman.



### Younkers Project



A sincere Rotary Thank You to Ozzie Gilbertson, Chairman of the Younkers Fund Raising Project and to the members who purchased Coupon Books and also a special thank you to those who participated in the door sales during the Younkers Sales Days.

2017 total for both Spring and Fall Younkers project: \$4146.41



To all Lincoln East Rotarians and families: We bless this day in the fullness of good it already contains, in the many occasions it offers to listen deeply, *to be of service to others*, to express gratitude moment by moment and to keep our mind so filled with love, beauty and joy that no negativity can find even the tiniest crack in which to set foot. We bless this day in the infinite opportunities it gives us to love: to love and bless every human we meet



### **Anniversaries & Birthdays**

Weeks of —November 16—9

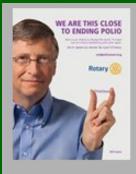
#### **Birthdays:**

Al Burdick—November 20

#### **Anniversaries**

None







### Happy Dollars

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Al Burdick	\$ 1.00
Nathan Rink	\$20.00
Dale Lloyd	\$ 1.00
Dennis Duckworth	\$ 1.00
Greg Schnasse	\$10.00
Dick Cumming	\$ 1.00
Lillie Larsen	\$ 1.00
William Cover (Speaker)	\$ 6.00
Wayne Casper	\$ 3.00
Barry Stelk	\$ 5.00







### **Cashier Duty**

November—Larry Fletcher
We need volunteers for the following:
Month of January
Month of February
Please contact Dick Cumming



## **Greeter Duty**

November Gene Roth
December Dean Douglas
January Greg Schnasse
February Wayne Casper

#### Make Ups

Deb Durre Concessions F.B. Dave Miller Social **Board Meeting** Dave Caudy Blake Collingsworth **Another Meeting** Dean Douglas Trail Cleanup Paul Horton Park Painting Chris Klingenberg Salute to Business Gene Roth Social



Ruby James Steve Grosserode William Cover Speaker



Lincoln East Rotary Club November/December Speaker/ Meeting Schedule NO MEETING—NOVEMBER 22

November 29—Charles Erickson—Zambia Update December 6—Peter McCormick—arranged by Charles Erickson

December 13—Lincoln East Rotary Club Christmas Party @ Hill Crest Country Club NO MEETINGS ON DECEMBER 20 & DECEMBER 27

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