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HAPPY DOLLARS (For Hunger Plus)

Bob Vrana, Dick Miller, Roger Vicroy, Dean Heermann, Mary Simmons, Dave Asper, Doris Heinemann, Ozzie Gilbertson, Carl Zeutzius and Nicki Klein.



President's Corner



Last week was a great week for our Rotary Club. We were lucky enough to have a visit from Anita Rieder from Rotary International. She gave a great presentation on the Rotary Foundation. As you know, our club is one of the top clubs in District 5650 for Foundation giving and we should be very proud of that. It is amazing to hear and see the stories of how our Foundation helps people all over the world not to mention locally. We will have some great stories to share in November which is Foundation Month. On Saturday; Clay, Sandy, Patrick and myself attended the Rotary Leadership Institute in Council Bluffs.

John and Nicki were presenters at this session. It is a great program and I'm proud to be a member of the first graduating class. It taught me more about Rotary and all the things we do to help promote world peace and help others across the world. I hope you take time to check out the redone Rotary website. There is a lot of inspiration information there.

Have a great week

Carl

CLUB SERVICE TEAMS

On Duty Clay Ehlers Joe Roberts Brad Carter



Scheduled for 10/26/07 Mike Fallesen Clay Ehlers

Visiting Rotarians and Guests

Rotarians— Jim Dyck Assistant District Governor, Past District Governor Doris Heineman and her husband Pete, Past District Governor Merle Jensen, Ozzie Gilbertson and Chuck Erickson from Lincoln East and Dick Miller who has transferred to Lincoln South from Arizona.

Guests— Anita Reider from Rotary International and our speaker for the day.

 $2007/2008\ Mottos\ \&\ Slogans$

Rotary International—Rotary Shares

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10/26/07 Connie Yori, UNL Women's basketball coach 11/2/07 Joyce Schmeeckle—Group Study Exchange Program 11/9/07 Ozzie Gilbertson— Zambia District Matching Grant Program 11/16/07 Dick Beal—The Polio Plus Campaign 11/23/07 No Meeting. Happy Thanksgiving!

Future LSR Programs

4/11 & District Conference—Lied Lodge in NE City

Events & Projects

October Birthdays J.P Lauterbach Brent Kasl

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Notes & Announcements

Trick or Treat for Hunger—Don't forget your food or money donations for the Trick or Treat for Hunger fool drive for the food bank going on during the month October. Please contact Tracey McLain, Elise White or Kelli Zavala if you have money or items to donate and you can't bring them to a meeting. They will be happy to pick them up. Collections will extend through Friday November 2nd. See the Flyer with details on page 4.

Trash Pickup DATE CHANGE—The trash pick up scheduled for this Saturday October 20th has been RESCHEDULED to Saturday October 27th at 9:00 am. Everyone will meet in the parking lot of Christ's Place church at 1111 Old Cheney Road. With enough volunteers, the pick up should only take about an hour. Sign up sheets will be at the next few meetings.

Youth Exchange Student— We are still looking for a 3rd host family for Audrey Focault from France. The time frame would be from April to June. Contact Tom Cardwell if you are interested.

Foundation Donation— Brad Carter's father donated 1 football ticket to the Oklahoma State game which was auctioned off for \$25 which was donated to the Foundation. Thanks Mr. Carter for your generosity.

Dictionary Project



Dave Hilsabeck delivering dictionaries to Lincoln Christian



Rotary is on the Web!

Rotary Intenational— www.rotary.org

District 5650— <u>www.rotarydistrict5650.org</u>

Lincoln South Rotary— www.LincolnSouthRotary.org

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2007-2008 Club Goals

- Grow membership to 54, focusing on not just adding members but adding future Rotarians.*
- 2. Achieve 100% sustaining membership in the Rotary Foundation.*
- 3. Increase membership participation in the two major fund raising activities to improve net income by 10%.
- Explore fundraising options for the club to consider the feasibility of adding a 3rd fundraiser.
- Hold a "Guest Day" in which every member will invite a guest and feature a prominent speaker.
- 6. Continue to participate or establish:*

Literacy or Education Program

Hunger or Health Related Program

Family of Rotary Events

Consider a water program

- 6. Achieve Presidential Citation Award.*
- * District 5650 compatible goals for 2007-2008.

PROGRAM

We were privileged on Friday to have

as our speaker, Anita Reider who is the annual giving officer for Zones 27 and 28. The sole purpose of the Rotary International Foundation is to serve Rotary clubs and their membership. The Rotary Foundation is unique in that it addresses issues both locally and internationally. It's mission is to enable

Rotarians to improve health conditions, support education and alleviate poverty throughout the world. It is very successful because it reaches beyond political and religious boundaries. It has been projected that it would require \$28 billion to end malnutrition, end illiteracy and immunize all children in the world against disease. Last year Rotary spent \$160 billion around the world for these purposes.

To put things in perspective Anita gave some examples of what \$100, \$1,000, \$25,000 and \$100,000 could do in remote areas of the world if it was spent for these causes. For example \$1,000 could supply seven toilets for a small village in Sri Lanka, \$25,000 could build 3 foot bridges in Ethiopia, and \$100,000 could buy 100 dairy cows for farmers to produce milk for orphanages in Romania.

Anita described how the Foundation works and how the funds get to the Rotary clubs. For example in the Annual Program Fund all donations are invested for 3 years before they are utilized for grants. The earnings on the funds are used for operations so that 100% of the donations are used for projects. One-half of the donations go to the World Fund and 1/2 go back to the District as District Designated funds. Clubs can then leverage their \$ with matching funds from

the District and the RI Foundation. For ex-

ample \$2,500 at the club level would be matched at 1.5 times from the District which adds another \$3,750 which RI matches 100% adding another \$3,750. The original \$2,500 is also matched 50% adding another \$1,250 for a total of \$11,250 to be used locally in the community.

Anita stressed that each member giving to the

Foundation every year is the key for Rotary to continue to do its work. There are a number of ways to give including giving \$100 per year as a sustaining member, becoming a Benefactor by stipulating a \$1,000 contribution in your will or becoming a Bequest Society member by designating a \$10,000 contribution in your will.

To close Anita shared a thought from Wilfrid Wilkinson our RI president. Sharing doesn't mean giving of your surplus but giving yourself selflessly for the good of others.



Nicki Klein presented Anita and Doris Heinemann with her documentation to become a member of the Bequest Society. Congratulations Nicki!

PLACES TO MAKE UP

Tuesday morning—Sunrise Rotary at International House of Pancakes at 4501 North 27th (27th and Superior Ave.) at 7:15 AM

Tuesday Noon— Lincoln #14-Nebraska Club at 13th & M

Wednesday 11:45 a.m.—Lincoln East at Valentinos at 70th & Van Dorn

