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MEETING OF JULY 13, 2007

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2007/2008 Mottos & Slogans

Rotary International-Rotary Shares

Wear your Rotary Pin with Pride!



One of the best- and easiest-ways we can help improve Rotary's image and visibility in our community is to wear the Lincoln South Rotary pin with pride. When the pin becomes a conversation piece, we can then tell others about what Rotary is and why they should consider joining our ranks.

CLUB SERVICE TEAMS

On Duty Brad Carter Dallas Nau



Scheduled for 07/20/07

Shahid Kamal Elise White Mike Fallesen

Visiting Rotarians and Guests

Rotarians—Bob Obst and Gary Jones from Club 14.

Guests— Dave Hisselbeck, guest of John Herdman and Sue Eldred, guest of Nicki Klein.

HAPPY DOLLARS (Vocational Books)

John Herdman, Chris Campbell, Nicki Klein, Dallas Nau, Bob Vrana, Dave Asper, Bob Obst and Bryan Block.



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Future LSR Programs

7/20/07 Maira Mogues & Florencia Sciutto, Youth Ex-

change Students from Argentina

7/27/07 Lincoln South Board Meeting— 10:45 am at the

Knolls

7/27/07 Joyce Halvorsen, Public Relations Director Com-

munity Blood Bank

8/3/07 Laurel Marsh, Executive Director ACLU- Free

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8/10/07 District Governor Cheryl Blue— Official Visit

Events & Projects

7/20/07 American Cancer Society Relay for Life

10/25/07 Club #14 Auction

Notes & Announcements

Nut Sales — Fire Sale on Nuts & Coffee—Rotary Tins 2 for \$10—Coffee \$4—Trail Mixes \$2. (New price on the Tins!)

Contact Brad Carter at 430-6223 or <u>bcarter@woodsbros.com</u> or purchase items at any LSR meeting.

Speaker Sign up—Vickie Williamson who is taking on the responsibility for speakers next year is asking each member to sign up to arrange for a speaker for 2 meetings during the year beginning in July 2007. If you have not signed up, please contact Vickie www.williamson@nebtitlelincoon.com to get a list of open dates. Vickie also needs to know the name of your speakers as soon as you get them lined up so we can put them in the newsletter.

Relay for Life—This Friday night is the Relay for Life. If you have signed up to help, thanks, if not please see Sandy Taylor. We will be selling Runza's, chips, water, lanyards for water bottles and knit flowers made and donated by Mary Williamson. You can sign up to either help with sales or walk in the relay. Everyone is welcome to come out. We will be there from 5pm to 11:00 pm.

Ambassadorial Scholar Selection Committee—Nikki Isemann reported that she is serving on the selection committee for the next Ambassadorial scholar selected by the District to be submitted to Rotary International. Thanks Nikki for your service.

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

QUESTIONS?
COMMENTS?
ARTICLES?

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2007-2008 Club Goals

- 1. 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%.
- 4. 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

Kevin Coskren from KLKN Channel 8 was our speaker for the day. Kevin has been with the station since 1999 and has been Chief Meteorologist since 2001. His topic was how to make a weather forecast. He brought along examples of several

computer models that he uses to forecast weather. The models are run twice daily and use mathematical formulas to predict weather based on how air and moisture move in the atmosphere. The predictions are based on initial conditions recorded at all levels of the atmosphere which are obtained with weather balloons launched by the National Weather Service twice per day. Channel 8 several different which predict models items such as tempera-

ture, dew point, humidity, wind direction and speed etc for certain hours of the day over several days. Channel 8 also accesses information from the storm prediction center which focuses only on predicting severe weather all over the US. Very rarely do they predict conditions that are high risk for tornados but the day of the Hallam tornado they issued a high risk warning.

The topography of the US plays a huge role in the weather patterns that we experience. When a weather system crosses the Rocky Mountains it picks up

velocity and if conditions are right it will pick up moisture coming up from the Gulf which is the perfect recipe for severe weather in the Midwest. June is normally the peak month in Nebraska for severe weather. Kevin also feels that the topography around Lincoln has an impact on the fact that Lincoln has only had 2 tornados in the last 55 years.

Even though technology has made weather forecasting much easier and more accurate, severe weather outbreaks require

experienced and knowledgeable meteorologists to interpret the data and make judgments about the strength and behavior of the weather patterns. Severe weather forms and moves so quickly that the models sometimes cannot predict quick enough to warn the public. That is where experience comes in.



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