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***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 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
Bob Vrana
Scott Delisi



**Scheduled for
9/14/07**

Mike Fallesen
Dick Wampler
Clay Ehlers
Dallas Nau

Visiting Rotarians and Guests

Rotarians— Lucy Buntain Comine from Club 14.

Guests— Tiffany Mullison our speaker.

HAPPY DOLLARS

Nikki Iseman, Nicki Klein, John Herdman, Joyce Michaelis, Dick Wampler, Bryan Block and Brent Kasl.



2007/2008 Mottos & Slogans

Rotary International— Rotary Shares

Future LSR Programs

- 9/14/07 Tony Benford— NU assistant basketball coach.
- 9/21/07 Larry Wayne, Deputy Director Nebraska Department of Corrections
- 9/28/07 Fernando Pages- "Building a Market Rate Affordable House".
- 10/5/07 Edward Polochick, Music Director Lincoln Symphony Orchestra

Events & Projects

- 10/5/07 Club #14 Auction
- 10/6/07 LSR Foundation wine tasting fundraiser at the home of the Schmееckles.
- 4/11 & 4/12/08 District Conference—Lied Lodge in NE City

Notes & Announcements

Speaker Sign up—There are still some open dates for speakers. Vickie Williamson is asking each member to sign up to arrange for a speaker for 2 meetings during the year. If you have not signed up, please contact Vickie vwilliamson@nebttitlelincoln.com. (An email was recently sent to all members with 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.

Club 14 Auction—Lincoln South will have a table at Club 14's annual auction held at Lincoln Station on October 5th. The theme is Festa Italiana. Please see Joe Roberts if you would like to purchase tickets. For those of you who have signed up, please make your checks payable to Lincoln South and then the club will write one check for all attendees. Cost is \$60 per person.

Red Cross Appreciation Game— Brad Carter announced that the Iowa State game on Saturday September 29th has been designated for the Red Cross football collections. We usually like to get about 35 volunteers. Spouses and older kids are also welcome. Brad will have sign up sheets at the next several meetings.

Dictionary Project—For the second year, the four Lincoln Rotary Clubs will distribute free dictionaries to Lincoln's 4th graders the week of Oct 15-19. We need your help putting the bookplates on 2400 books and sorting the books into boxes for each school. There will be an assembly party at Green's Furnace and Plumbing (4200 N. 48th Street) on Tuesday, Oct 2nd at 7pm which will include pizza, pop and cookies. Family members are also welcome. Our club needs at least 12 volunteers.

Then the week of Oct. 15-19 we will be distributing the free dictionaries to the schools to tie into Noah Webster's birthday which is Tuesday of that week. Volunteers will be provided with a map to the school and a script to follow. Sign up sheets will be available at several meetings for both events. Otherwise contact Clay Ehlers at clay.ehlers@kenexa.com to volunteer or ask questions.

Lincoln East Rotary Picnic—Lincoln East would like to invite us to their annual club shrimp picnic on September 19th at 6:00 pm at the Bethany Park shelter at Cotner and Vine Streets. Cost is \$9 for Adults and \$4 for kids 6-12 yrs. Kids under 6 are free. Contact Don Poysa at 310-1076 or dpoysa@hotmail.com if you would like to attend.

Lincoln South Foundation Wine Tasting— The annual wine tasting fundraiser will be held Saturday October 6th at 6:30 pm at the home of Joyce & Bill Schmееckle. Cost is \$25.00 per person with all proceeds to go to the foundation. [See page 4 for details.](#)



2007/2008 Mottos & Slogans

Rotary International— Rotary Shares

PROGRAM

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.*
5. *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.*

Tiffany Mullison with the Fresh Start Home was our speaker. The Fresh Start Home which opened its doors in March 1992 serves homeless women in Lincoln and strives to empower them to attain self sufficiency and overcome the many obstacles that lay in their path. Since it opened the home has served over 960 homeless women. The recently moved to their new location at 6433 Havelock Avenue in July 2007. They now have room for 24 women but currently only have beds for 16. The program is hard and there are lots of expectations of the women who stay there. The women can stay up to 1 year and are expected to follow strict guidelines. All have chores at the home which include cooking meals for the group and they are all expected to do community service. 70% of the women who come to the shelter have drug and alcohol problems. They are required to go through a treatment program before they come to the shelter. They are also not allowed to bring their children to the shelter so the women have to be really committed to change their lives to



stay there. It does not take much to become homeless. One event in a woman's life such as divorce, an illness or an injury can leave her homeless. The shelter helps them to get set up in their own place and become gainfully employed. All who come there are required to stay at least 3 months. 85% of those who actually stay at least 3 months succeed. The home follows up with the women for at least 2 years after they leave the shelter to make sure that they are able to keep their lives on track.

Average age of the women who come there is 36-38. Average stay is 140 days. The home has a staff of 8 who work at the shelter 24/7. It costs \$40 per night per bed to house the women. They now have a thrift store in their new location which takes donations of clothing etc. Many residents work in the Thrift store to gain job skills. Those residents who are working are required to pay 10% to themselves (which the home places in reserve for them) then to pay debts and then to pay rent up to \$233/month.

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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Lincoln South Rotary Foundation

Wine Tasting Event



Wine and Appetizers

Basket Auction

**Saturday, October 6, 2007
6:30 p.m.**

\$25.00 per person

**The Home of Joyce and Bill Schmeeckle
6601 Crooked Creek Drive
402.423.3547**

*RSVP by 9/28/07 to Joyce
402.525.5407 or joyce@schmeeckleresearch.com*

**Checks Payable to the
Lincoln South Rotary Foundation**



NEW MEMBER PROPOSAL

Diane Schulz has been submitted for membership to Lincoln South Rotary. Hearing no objections from the membership by the end of the seventh day following newsletter publication, the membership proposal process will continue in accordance with the standard procedures detailed below.

Diane Schulz
BryanLGH Medical Center
Management, Family Services
Sponsor—Sandy Taylor

Rotary International Standard Procedure for Membership Proposal:

- I . The prospective member's name is submitted to the board of directors
- II . The board ensures that the person is fully qualified and approves or disapproves of the proposal
 - Objections are to be submitted to the club secretary (or to any other Board Member in the event the Secretary is the proposer) by the deadline posted.
 - It will be appropriate to assume approval in the absence of objections by the posted deadline.
 - The proposer is notified by the club secretary of the Board's approval (or disapproval). UNTIL THIS APPROVAL IS GRANTED, PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS SHOULD NOT BE INFORMED THAT THEY HAVE BEEN PROPOSED FOR MEMBERSHIP
- III The prospective member's name is published to the club
 - If no objections are received by the deadline following the publication of the name, that person, upon payment of an admission fee (secured by the proposer) is a new Rotarian
- IV . The prospective member is informed of privileges and responsibilities of the club membership by proposer.
 - He or she is then asked to complete the membership application form and submit along with their dues payment.
- V . Any and all communications within these procedures may be in person, in writing, by phone, by fax, by email, or by any other physical or electronic means available to the Board Member.