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PRESIDENT'S CORNER



See you on Friday, bring a friend!

Sandy

It was good to know about Tiny Hands and that it actually originated here in NE. The human trafficking was terrifying and I know it goes on in the world but every once in a while you need to know that organizations like Tiny Hands help some of the victims. Don't you wish we all could?

CLUB SERVICE TEAMS

Scheduled for 2/20/09

On Duty

Pat Grewe
John Herdman
Scott Delisi



Shahid Kamal
Elise White
Pat Grewe

Visiting Rotarians and Guests

Rotarians—Gary Jones and Lucy Buntain Comine from Club 14.

Guests— Jessica Coulterman, guest of Joe Roberts and Paul Yates our speaker.

HAPPY DOLLARS (For Child Mortality)

Pat Grewe, Mary Simmons, Bob Vrana, Joe Roberts, Brad Carter, Nicki Klein, Joyce Schmeeckle, Ardel Harger, Scott Delisi, Tom Cardwell, Jane Krenke and Paul Yates.



February Birthdays

Nicki Klein
Dick Miller
Elise White
Dick Wampler



Future LSR Programs

- 2/19/09 Lincoln South Board Meeting 11:30 am at
- 2/20/09 The Nebraska Tractor Testing Lab
- 2/27/09 Troy McCain- "America's Pork"
- 3/6/09 Elise White on "Estate Planning in Nebraska"
- 3/13/09 TBD
- 3/20/09 Leo Jablonski Board Certified Medical Physicist- "The most cutting edge technology in radiation therapy is right here in Lincoln."
- 3/27/09 TBD
- 4/2/09 No Friday Meeting- Salute to Business on March 30th will count as regular meeting
- 4/24/09 GSE Team from Taiwan

Events & Projects

- FEB World Understanding Month
- 3/7/09 LSR Foundation Annual Chili Feed Fundraiser
- 3/30/09 Lincoln Rotary Clubs Annual Salute to Business (No Lincoln South Meeting on Friday April)

Incoming GSE Team—The following details have been finalized for the incoming GSE team from Taiwan. The 5 member team will be visiting Lincoln from April 20th –27th. Lincoln south has been asked to provide a host family for one team member. All Lincoln club members/guests will be invited to a welcome reception, tentatively planned for Monday April 20th. The team will be presenting to Lincoln South Rotary on Friday April 24th. Watch for bios on each team member in future newsletters.

Lincoln South Foundation Annual Chili Feed—Mark your calendars for Saturday March 7th for the annual Lincoln South Rotary Foundation Chili Feed fundraiser. It will be held at the home John & Nancy Herdman. Cost will be \$25/person. More details to follow.

Notes & Announcements

Nut Sales—The Lincoln South Nuts, Coffee and Chocolate sales are in full swing. All Club Members are asked to support this fundraiser. The remaining inventory is available at Club Meetings to be picked up. If each club member sells only 15 products, we can meet our goal. *See Flyer and Order Sheet in 12/5/08 newsletter.*

Polio Day—Shahid Kamal and Nicki Klein reported that in connection with the Bill Gates Polio Challenge Grant, the 4 Lincoln Clubs have designated March 14th as Polio Day in Lincoln to raise money for matching funds for the grant. Six collection points have been selected in Lincoln. Lincoln South will be manning stations at the Super Saver on 27th & Pine Lake Road from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm and the Super Saver at 27th & Cornhusker Highway from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm and volunteers are needed. Sign up sheets will be available at future meetings.

Salute to Business—Joe Roberts reported that Runza has been selected as the honoree for the annual Salute to Business to be held on Monday March 30th at the Cornhusker hotel. Lincoln South is again putting together a table of 10. Please contact Scott Delisi if you are interested in attending. Cost is \$25/person with checks payable to Lincoln South Rotary. LSR is also providing 4 volunteers to arrive at 11:15 to be ushers, greeters etc. Call Scott if you can help.

District Simplified Grant—Nicki Klein reported that the file cabinets that we purchased for Clinic with a Heart have arrived but need some assembly. Please let Nicki or Sandy know if you would be available on February 24th to help unpack the cabinets and install the casters, locks etc. The whole process should take less than 1 hour.

Rotary Leadership Institute—Sandy Taylor reported that the 2009 sessions of the Rotary leadership Institute are scheduled for May 30th and October 31st at Iowa Western community College in Council Bluffs. The Rotary Leadership Institute is a program designed by club Rotarians for club Rotarians. Its purpose is to enhance today's business, professional, and community leader's abilities to guide 21st century Rotary clubs in advancing the Object of Rotary. The institute offers a leadership course in three full day parts (Parts I, II, III). The courses are designed to provide Rotary knowledge and to develop leadership skills for voluntary organizations. Some examples of course sessions include "Rotary Beyond the Club", "The Rotary Foundation", "Membership Development and Retention", "Leadership", "Creating Hands On Service Projects", "Vocational Service", "International Service", "Analyzing a Rotary Club", "Creative Service" and other subjects.

Please contact Sandy if you have any interest in attending. Lincoln South Rotary will pay all fees.

See pages 4-6 for pictures of the wine tasting.

2008/2009 Mottos & Slogans

Rotary International— Make Dreams Real

2008-2009 Club Goals

1. *10% growth in membership AND President to bring in 1 new member for a total of 6 new members.*
2. *Achieve 100% sustaining membership in the Rotary Foundation.*
3. *Participate in Bill Gates matching campaign for \$1,000 every club for 3 yrs for Polio Plus.*
4. *Implement a Child Mortality Project.*
5. *Plan anniversary celebration for April 2009.*
6. *Continue to hold a "Guest Day" where every member invites a guest and prominent speaker is featured*
7. *Continue to participate or establish:*
Literacy or Education Program (Dictionary Project)
Zambia Project
Monthly Family of Rotary Events such as TGIR.
8. *Achieve Presidential Citation Award.*
9. *Begin implementation of the Club Leadership Plan.*

PROGRAM

Paul Yates with Tiny Hands International was our speaker. Tiny Hands was started by a man from Lincoln who saw a need for children's homes in Nepal. They have now expanded into Bangladesh and India. and have 8 children's homes so far. They also have programs to focus on street boys, and women's empowerment issues.



Their philosophy is not to force American ideas on the local area but to empower the local people to help them raise their children in their own culture. Street boys are young homeless boys who live on the street and survive by whatever means they can. The longer they are on the street, the harder it is to save them as they become so engrained in the street culture. Their life expectancy is very short in that environment. The women's empowerment programs focus mainly on the human and sex trafficking that is so prevalent in that part of the world. Primarily due to the extreme poverty and partially due to acceptance of the practice after so many years, young girls are routinely sold not only by traffickers who abduct them but also by parents, husbands and other family members. They have virtually become a commodity as the same girl can be sold again and again to different men. He told the story of one young girl who got preg-

nant, had an abortion and was back to work the next day. Over 1 million girls are sold world wide and can be as young as 6 to 9 years old. In fact some villages are all men and have virtually no women left as they have all been sold. Tiny Hands has begun setting up border monitoring stations to watch for trafficking across borders and try to report suspicious behavior to the authorities.

Each child in the homes is funded by an individual sponsor at \$50 per month which covers food clothing, education etc. Each administrator tries to find a benefactor which will pay all of the costs of the administrator. As a result, to date only 3% of each \$ collected goes to administrative costs.

For more information or to receive their newsletter go to:

www.tinyhandsinternational.org

**QUESTIONS?
COMMENTS?
ARTICLES?**

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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



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