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MEETING OF MARCH 13, 2009

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Sandy

Thank you Tracey for all your help! I heard the speaker was fantastic! Sorry to have missed it! Hope everyone got their daffodils! Don't forget about the TGIRF this FRIDAY! Great way to get to know your fellow Rotarians!

CLUB SERVICE TEAMS

Scheduled for 3/20/09

On Duty

Roger Vicroy
Nicki Klein
Brad Carter



Shahid Kamal
Elise White
Pat Grewe

Visiting Rotarians and Guests

Rotarians—Gary Jones from Club 14

Guests— Pat Heermann and Bernita Hartog, guests of Dean Heermann, Dr. Rose Sugget, guest of Nikki Isemann, Merdan Atdayev from Turkmenistan and a guest of Tom Cardwell and Olga Mun our speaker.

March Birthdays

Joyce Michaelis
Kelli Zavala
Ardel Herger
Sandy Taylor
Nikki Isemann
Bernie Poppe



HAPPY DOLLARS (For Child Mortality)

Brad Carter, Nicki Klein, Jane Krenke, Nikki Isemann, Bryan Block, Dave Hilsabeck, Jenny Cardwell, Dick Wampler, Dean Heermann, Scott Delisi, Kelli Zavala, Larry Jablonski, Craig Madson and Samip Patel.



Future LSR Programs

- 3/20/09 *Leo Jablonski Board Certified Medical Physicist— "The most cutting edge technology in radiation therapy is right here in Lincoln."*
- 3/26/09 *Board Meeting Bryan LGH East*
- 3/27/09 *Lamara Kadagidze on "Higher Education Reform in the Republic of Georgia"*
- 4/3/09 *No Friday Meeting- Salute to Business on March 30th will count as regular meeting*
- 4/17/09 *No meeting— 25th Anniv Party on 4/18 counts as a regular meeting.*
- 4/24/09 *GSE Team from Taiwan*
- 5/1/09 *No meeting— LSR meeting moved to the District Conference*
- 5/15/06 *Lincoln South golf outing at the Highlands (substitutes for the regular meeting.)*
- 5/22/09 *Annual Lincoln South Scholarship competition*

Events & Projects

- MARCH *Literacy Month*
- 3/30/09 *Lincoln Rotary Clubs Annual Salute to Business (No Lincoln South Meeting on Friday April 3rd)*
- 4/18/09 *Lincoln South 25 Year Anniversary Party*
- 5/1-5/2/09 *District conference Lincoln— Cornhusker Marriott*
- 5/8-5/9/09 *Relay for Life Garage Sale at the home of Bernie & Roberta Poppe*
- 5/15/09 *LSR Annual Golf Outing*

Notes & Announcements

Nut Sales—End of season discounts - all remaining products will be sold for \$2 off our original retail price.

Salute to Business—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 and has one seat left. 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.

Incoming GSE Team— The 5 member team from Taiwan will be visiting Lincoln from April 20th –27th. 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. Volunteers are still needed to join the Lincoln committee to assist with possibly a vocational visit or transportation. Contact Joe Roberts (jroberts@midfin.com - 434-8050) if you are interested. *See 2/20/09 newsletter for bios on the team.*

Rotary 104 - Governor's Challenge — all Rotary Club Members are encouraged to be active members of their Clubs, the District and Rotary International. New this year is a challenge issued by Governor Sharon. Club Members have an opportunity to earn points based on participation in a variety of Rotary activities. Rotary is 104 Years old this year and what a great way to celebrate - by being active Rotarians. Everyone earning 104 points or more will get a special Rotary Pin. There will also be a drawing for a special prize. Forms have been sent to all Club Members or can be located in the Rotary 104 book at the Club Check In table. Contact Nicki Klein (nicki.klein@tieronebank.com - 473-6422).

Relay for Life Garage Sale—Sandy Taylor reported that the garage sale fundraiser for the Relay for Life is scheduled for 5/8 and 5/9 at the home of Bernie & Roberta Poppe. *See page 4 for details.*

Golf Outing—Carl Zeutzius announced that the 9th Lincoln South golf outing is scheduled for Friday May 15th at the Highlands golf course. Shotgun start at 12:30 and dinner around 5:30 pm. Golf teams are needed as well as volunteers for the day of the event and items for door prizes and flag prizes. If you can't participate during the day, be sure to come out for the dinner which will take the place of our regular meeting for that Friday.

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 Valentinis at 70th & Van Dorn

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

Olga Mun an IREX Student from Kazakhstan who is studying at SCC was our speaker and told the club a little about her country and culture. Olga's father is Korean and her mother is Russian so she truly comes from a multi-cultural family. Kazakhstan has the 9th largest land area in the world. It is rich in natural resources as the country contains every element of the periodic table.



While the official language is Kazakh, most of the people there speak Russian. 55% of the population is Kazakh, 30% are Russians and Koreans and Germans are in the minority. As a result, international relations are extremely important to the country. The country is a member of the UN and is bordered by Russia and China. Since the country achieved independence in 1991, they have had one president who will probably govern the country for his entire lifetime.

Since its independence, the country has undergone many changes such as the location of the capital, the currency, the National Anthem and the educational system just to name a few. The country in its current form is young and feels

that it has a great future ahead. Consequently the leaders have a tendency to want all the change to occur at once which can be very difficult at times. One example is the educational system which is changing to an American system which requires everything to be taught in English even though many teachers may not speak English very well quite yet.

Olga has studied 4 languages, Kazakh, Russian, English and German. Most inhabitants speak at least 3 languages but use Russian the most. Many students also now study Chinese and go to China to study which is cheaper. In fact the Kazakh government sponsors a program which pays the cost for students to study abroad with the stipulation that they return to Kazakhstan for a minimum of 5 years. 1,500 students are currently studying in the US and England on this program.

Most of the bigger cities are multi-national while the rural areas are more Kazakh. There is a movement afloat however to revive the Kazakh language, traditions, religion etc.

**QUESTIONS?
COMMENTS?
ARTICLES?**

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LINCOLN SOUTH ROTARY RELAY FOR LIFE GARAGE SALE



DONE WITH SPRING CLEANING?
CLEAN OUT YOUR BASEMENT?
CLEAN OUT YOUR ATTIC?

MAY 8TH & 9TH, 8:00AM TO 3:00PM

At the home of Bernie and Roberta Poppe
6927 OLD POST PLACE

About ½ way between South Street and Van Dorn Street
just off 70th - turn West; 488-7133

(we will let you know when to bring items)

IF YOU NEED HELP TRANSPORTING CALL SANDY
TAYLOR!!!

**We can sell children's clothes, toys, baby supplies, books,
picture frames, VCR tapes and DVDs, Kitchen items, small
appliances, furniture, etc.**

**Look around your house for items that are just taking up
space.**

**If you have redecorated and changed colors, give us the
items that no longer go with your decorating color scheme
(pillows, curtains, drapes, tablecloths, pictures).**

**Have you received gifts that aren't the right style, color
for your taste?**

Give them to the garage sale!

Let's make this the
BIGGEST AND BEST Garage Sale ever !!!



NOTE FROM NICKI KLEIN—CHAIR OF DAFFODIL DAYS

Lincoln South Rotary has been selling daffodils for The American Cancer Society Daffodil Days as a club Community Service Project. Donations are down everywhere and that was also true for the daffodil sales - we were down 19% from last year but were still able to sell \$2,500 through our club. People like to buy from our club because of the special touch we add to the event. We wrap the flowers in tissue and tie them with a ribbon and deliver them. We are able to sell through the other Rotary Clubs in Lincoln which helps the campaign - but also helps the members of those clubs - since we deliver back to them and they don't have to pick the flowers up.

The American Cancer Society thanks our Rotary Club - the members who purchased daffodils and those who sold them. I want to give a special thank you to those that helped sort, assemble and deliver - Gene Swinton, Tracey McLain and Jane Krenke. Our club has been credited with helping keep this campaign successful



2008/2009 Mottos & Slogans

Rotary International— Make Dreams Real

CLINIC WITH A HEART

A few weeks back several Lincoln South members went to the Clinic With A Heart to assemble the locking cabinets that were purchased for them with our District Simplified Grant funds. The cabinets will help with their storage and dispensing of medicines. The cabinets are large - with 5 shelves each. They can be locked. They can organize their medicines in bins and the bins fit on the shelves. They also like the fact that they can have the back of the cabinet toward the clients so that they are not able to see what is in them - making for a more secure environment. We also provided bins, self-adhesive label holders and labels (printed with lines and our Rotary Logo).

There are different volunteer pharmacists on different nights - they have each been surprised to see the new cabinets - and they have been very thrilled. We got this note from Teresa Harms, Director of the Clinic the day after one of the volunteer pharmacists worked for the first time after the cabinets were in place:

I wish you could have heard the pharmacist who was volunteering last night. He was elated with the new cabinets - I might have seen a jig. I hadn't thought about all the time these will save them in just sorting through what we have each night. We had a donation and it took him a minute to figure out where to put it. He also liked that we could put the back of the cabinets to the patients and they can't see our stock. A little safer. Thank you again for this wonderful gift. Our closet also looks lovely now.

A HUGE thank you to Phil Maddern and Dick Wampler for their time, tools and talent to assemble the cabinets



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