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PRESIDENT'S CORNER



We are SO lucky to live in a community with such wonderful resources as the Northeast Family Center! Remember to put Lincoln South Foundation Oktoberfest on your calendar and feel free to bring friends and family. Don't forget to ASK people to become members of Lincoln South or at

least ask them to come to lunch with you!

Sandy

PS. See the flyer attached to the newsletter about our next Thank Goodness its Rotary Friday event.!

CLUB SERVICE TEAMS

Scheduled for 9/12/08

On Duty

Brad Carter
Dave Hilsabeck
Bryan Block
Joe Roberts



Dick Wampler
Clay Ehlers
Short Heinrichs
Dick Miller

Visiting Rotarians and Guests

Rotarians—Scott Larson, Don Kucera, DeEtta Vrana and Lucy Buntain Comine, all from Club 14.

Guests—Tonya Beckenhauer, our speaker.

HAPPY DOLLARS

Mary Simmons, Dave Asper,
Brad Carter, Nikki Iseman,
De Etta Vrana and Lucy Buntain Comine.



2008/2009 Mottos & Slogans

Rotary International– Make Dreams Real

**QUESTIONS?
COMMENTS?
ARTICLES?**

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Future LSR Programs

- 9/12/08 Rachel Anderson, Rotary Ambassadorial Scholar
- 9/19/08 Jack Huck, President SECC.— Recent Innovations at SECC.
- 9/26/08 Jeff Maul, Lincoln Convention & Visitors Bureau— Tourism in Lincoln & Associated Growth.

Events & Projects

- 9/20/08 LSR Foundation Oktoberfest/Chili/Bier Tasting Benefit at the home of Ardel Harger
- 10/10/08 Club #14 Auction

Club #14 Auction—Lincoln Rotary Club #14 is holding their annual auction on Friday, October 10, 2008. This will be at the Lincoln Station Great Hall starting at 5:30 PM. This year there will be a French Theme for the event. Lincoln South Rotary has again committed to purchase a table of 10 for the event. Tickets are \$60 per person payable in advance. Because there is limited seating and the tickets are very popular, we are asking for your reservations now. We will circulate a sign up sheet and envelope for checks at the club meetings the next couple of weeks but you can also make a reservation by contacting Joe Roberts - jroberts@midfin.com or 402-434-8050. As of Friday the 5th there were four spaces left.

Notes & Announcements

LSR Foundation Grants—LSR Foundation is taking applications for distributing funds due in a month. Announcement will be made at the September Oktoberfest as to the selection. If you have a project which you think would benefit from Rotary support use the application form and instructions attached to the August 8th newsletter email and submit the application to Sandy Taylor or Joyce Schmeeckle. Apps are due by 9/12/08.

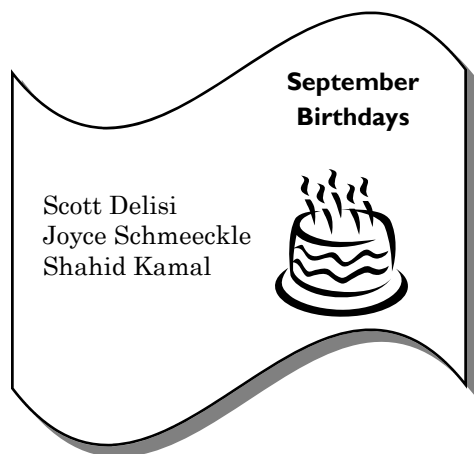
Lincoln South Rotary Foundation Oktoberfest/Bier Tasting Fundraiser—You do not want to miss this. Let's make this event our most successful Club Foundation fundraiser to date. The sign up sheet will be available at Friday meetings. Check your email invitation for all of the details. Now is the time to mark Saturday, September 20th (5 until 9 or so) on your calendar. **Invite guests!** This will be a perfect way to introduce potential members to our Club. Questions, contact Ardel (ardelh@hargercpa.com) or any LSR Foundation board member. Cost is \$25/person for members and \$15/person for each guest couple

Programs—Patrick Grewe who is in charge of programs this year is asking for volunteers to sign up for 1 or 2 weeks to provide the speaker for the day. Sign-up sheets will be available at each meeting

Piggy Bank for Spare Change—Sandy Taylor reported that we are starting a new fund raiser where members can empty their loose change each week into the Lincoln South Piggy Bank. The funds will be used for various projects that Lincoln South supports during the year. Get ready to empty your pockets every Friday!

Dictionary Project—Clay Ehlers reported that Lincoln South will once again participate with the other Lincoln Rotary Clubs in the Dictionary Project where we distribute dictionaries to all of the 4th graders in Lincoln Public Schools. There will be an Assembly party on September 3rd from 7 to 8 pm at Greens Plumbing where the dictionaries will be labeled and packaged for delivery. There will be a sign up sheet at the next several meetings.

Trick or Treat for Hunger—The time is fast approaching for the Trick or Treat for Hunger project. Next time you are grocery shopping, throw a few extra items in your cart for the Food Bank. More details to follow.



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

Tonya Beckenhauer, assistant director of the Northeast Family Center (NFC) was our speaker on Friday. The NFC is a non-profit organization committed to building strong families and vital neighborhoods by educating, supporting and advocating for the diverse children and families of the community. The

NFC focuses on 3 main areas: Early Childhood, Family Support and Youth Education.

In the Early Childhood area, they have an Early Learning Center which utilizes The Creative Curriculum for kids ages 6 wks to 5 years, an Academic Preschool Program serving children 3-5 yrs of age and 3 summer mini day camps for kids ages 3-5.

In the Family Support area they have several programs including the Parents as Teachers Program for parents with children from birth to 5, Young Parent Program for past and present teen parents, and free weekly food distribution program for qualifying families.

In the area of Youth Development, the most popular program by far is the Academy of Rock which offers music classes to elementary, middle and high school students. At the end of the program, the kids perform live shows at events around the community. There is

also a community learning center which is an after school program for kids who attend Brownell elementary.

Other programs include a Strengthening Families program where group leaders facilitate interaction among family members and an ADHD tutoring and mentoring program. They use a family centered

approach to all of their programs to try match services with family needs. In some cases that may be just a referral to another program. They are all inclusive and serve all family members of all ages. The NFC partners with agencies such as Big Brothers/Big Sisters, Lincoln Literacy council, LPS, University of Nebraska and others to best meet the needs of the community. One example of this is their food distribution program where they began partnering with United Methodist Church which had a similar program to create one program which is stronger and serves more people. Most services are funded with grants and are offered at no cost to the participants and some programs are fee based.

Even though the name of the organization implies that you have to live in Northeast Lincoln to use the programs, they offer their programs to the whole city of Lincoln and the surrounding area. Their many programs are offered at multiple sites around Lincoln by their 50+ staff members.



Rotary is on the Web!

Rotary International— www.rotary.org

District 5650— www.rotarydistrict5650.org

Lincoln South Rotary— www.LincolnSouthRotary.org

Nicki Klein Rotary Zambia Presentations

For those who missed Nicki Klein's presentation on her trip to Zambia, she will be presenting the information to the following clubs during September and October:

September 15	Monday	Broken Bow
September 16	Tuesday	Grand Island (Sunrise)
September 16	Tuesday	McCook (Noon)
October 13	Monday	Gothenburg (Noon)
October 14	Tuesday	Hastings Sunrise
October 13	Tuesday	Columbus (Noon)

Red Cross Appreciation Game Volunteers

The following people have volunteered to help with the Red Cross collections on Saturday September 27th. If for some reason you are unable to help, please let Brad Carter know as soon as possible.

Brad Carter	Jim Iseman	Bob Vrana
Linda Carter	Samip Patel	DeEtta Vrana
Short Heinrichs	Vickie Williamson	Dave Hilsabeck
Craig Madson	Bruce Williamson	Judy Krasomil
Joyce Michaelis	Dick Wampler	Tracy McLain
Maxine Rusnell	Phil Maddern	Terry Mayrose
Sally Sharlow	Joe Roberts	Neal Lyons
Nikki Iseman	Sheryl Roberts	Erica Lyons

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