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## PRESIDENT'S CORNER



Thanks Sandy for taking over the meeting for me while I was out of town last week. My first Friday as President and I already had to lean on Sandy for help. I was watching my son play baseball in unusually cool weather in Des Moines.

If you haven't already, please check out page 73 of your "Rotarian" magazine this month. You will recognize one of our very own member's name in print under District 5650. Way to go Nicki... Lincoln South is proud of you!!

Tracey

## CLUB SERVICE TEAMS

**Scheduled for 7/24/09**

**On Duty**  
Shahid Kamal  
Elise White  
Pat Grewe



Clay Ehlers  
Shahid Kamal

## Visiting Rotarians and Guests

*Rotarians*— Eugene Bruder of Chico California and Barb Tyler from Club 14.

*Guests*—Bernard and Joann McCoy who was our speaker for the day.

## HAPPY DOLLARS

Bernie Poppe, Scott Delisi, Jessica Kolterman, Nicki Klein, Dick Wampler, Nikki Isemann, Dick Miller, Jane Krenke, Sandy Taylor, Brad Carter, Cathy Schultz, Clay Ehlers and Pat Grewe.



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## 2009/2010 Mottos & Slogans

*Rotary International— The Future of Rotary  
is in Your Hands*

### Future LSR Programs

- 7/24/09 Nicki Klein- "Review of the 100th Rotary International Convention in Birmingham England"
- 7/31/09 Report from Group Study Exchange Team returning from Taiwan.
- 8/7/09 Tom Cardwell- Divine Child Foundation Orphanage- Republic of Georgia
- 8/14/09 Ingra Anderson, Resource Development Director, Easter Seals Nebraska- "Rotary & Easter Seals- Two Strong Organizations Whose Histories are Forever Linked"
- 8/21/09 District Governor Official Visit- Rich Rowland 2009-200 Rotary Year.
- 8/28/09 Michael Snodgrass, Executive Director, NeighborWorks Lincoln- "Understanding NeighborWorks Lincoln"

### Events & Projects

- 8/8/09 District Foundation Seminar
- 10/10/09 District Membership Seminar
- 10/24/09 Red Cross Appreciation game Collections. Nebraska vs Iowa State.
- 4/23 to 4/24/10 District Conference- Omaha Old Market Embassy Suites

#### THANKS!

Thanks to Chris Dietz who took notes for the newsletter this week

## Notes & Announcements

**Youth Exchange**—The club has decided to participate in the Youth Exchange again this year and host a student from Taiwan. Please be thinking of potential host families. (They do not need to be Rotarians.) Since she will be arriving in August there is an urgent need to find the first host family. Call Tom Cardwell if you can help.

**Speakers 2009/2010**—Patrick Grewe has agreed to organize the speaker calendar again next year. He needs everyone's help for speaker ideas and is asking that each member sign up for one or more weeks to arrange for the speaker. Sign up sheets will be available at the meetings

**Ambassadorial Scholar**—John Herdman reported to the club that Lincoln South is sponsoring Stephen Pifer Krumland as our Ambassadorial Scholar candidate. He is a UNL grad who has served with clinic with a Heart and as a St Elizabeth's ER and Burn Unit volunteer to prepare for his medical career. Stephan intends to pursue public health as a general practitioner after medical school. After an 8 month stint in Peru, Stephen knew his efforts would be spend better in an underdeveloped nation.

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COMMENTS?  
ARTICLES?

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## CHANGING OF THE GUARD

### 2009-2010 Club Goals

1. *Club Strength— Leave the club better than when I took office.*
2. *Club Growth— Attain and maintain membership of 50.*
3. *Support Polio Eradication.*
4. *Support critical project in one of 3 areas; Health & Hunger, Water or Literacy.*
5. *Achieve 100% sustaining membership in the Rotary Foundation.*
6. *HAVE FUN!*

Our speaker for the day was JoAnn McCoy. She is a graduate of the University of Arkansas in radio and television news. She is currently a realtor with Woods Brothers. She is very interested in educating people. She "gets a kick by talking to crowds."

Her topic was the \$8000 first time buyer tax credit. She stated that the purpose of the credit is to stimulate the economy. The deadline for application of the tax credit is December 1, 2009. The tax credit is only for first time homebuyers which are defined as anyone who has not owned a home in the last 3 years. There are certain income limits which apply to those who are eligible for the tax credit. If the property is sold within three years the \$8000 must be repaid.



The tax credit is a direct reduction of tax liability so it is much more powerful than a deduction.

She stated that the bill may be extended past the December 1st deadline.

The housing crisis led to the tax credit bill. Many homeowners couldn't afford their home and were foreclosed on and some walked away from their mortgage. She stated

that housing is a large and an important part of the economy. It requires the services of contractors, subcontractors, realtors, home improvement stores, and manufacturing companies.

Many areas are suffering due to the housing crisis and jobless rate. Current mortgage interest rates are below 6%. Mrs. McCoy stated that the market in Lincoln is improving.

Bernie Poppe and Clay Ehlers were recognized by Past President Sandy Taylor for their service in the 2008/2009 year. Clay Ehlers was Vocational Service Director and Bernie Poppe was membership chair. Bernie also was presented with Rotarian of the Year. Congratulations Bernie!



### 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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*Welcome to Lincoln South Rotary Jessica and Teresa !*



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*Welcome to Lincoln South Rotary Bob and Jim !*