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PRESIDENT'S CORNER



As we approach the end of July I notice summer beginning to wind down. On my evening bike rides the sun sets a bit earlier each day. Still the dog days of summer are upon us! What are they anyway? According to one authoritative source they are the "hottest most sultry days of summer" and occur from mid July through late August. The times vary according to who you believe; ancient Romans or the Old Farmer's almanac. In any case enjoy our remaining summer evenings and use this time to spend outside with family and friends.

In Rotary we are gearing up for an exciting new year.

The GSE Team from Pakistan is now arriving August 7th. Lincoln clubs are hosting team members from August 17th through Saturday the 21st. They are picked up early by Omaha clubs on the 21st. The Pakistani team is coming to our Rotary meeting on August 20th so be sure to attend that day!! It should be quite interesting. You may recall we hosted Shamsa Ali from Lahore Pakistan two years ago.

Our District Governor Rogor Carrell will be our guest speaker on August 27th. Governor Carrell is from the Omaha Suburban club. Let's make him feel welcome at our meeting with a big turnout.

We have the Foundation Seminar on August 28th this year. It will be held from 9-3:30 at the Knolls Country Club. The featured speaker will be Tom Osborn. District simplified grant checks will be awarded. Finally the Group Study Exchange team from Pakistan will be present. It should be a fun day. If you are interested in attending the club will pay for your registration.

See you at Rotary where we are making great things happen in Lincoln and around the world as we are building communities and bridging continents. Momoval Shekhvadramde megobrebs (see you soon friends!)

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HAPPY DOLLARS (For Health & Hunger)

Brad Carter, Joyce Schmeckle, John Herdman, Jessica Kolterman, Jenny Cardwell, Clay Ehlers, Robert Wesener, Patrick Grewe, Gene Swinton, John Wolter, Craig Madson and Nick Fanning.



CLUB SERVICE TEAM ON DUTY

Brad Carter
Nikki Isemann



7/30/10 Jim Linderholm, Chr Lincoln Area Work-

8/20/10 Group Study Exchange Team from Pakistan.

8/27/10 Lincoln South Board meeting— 10:45 AM
The Knolls

8/27/10 Rotary District 5650 Governor 2010-11
Roger Carrell

Events & Projects

8/6/10 Lincoln South Rotary Foundation Board
Meeting

8/28/10 District Foundation Seminar in Lincoln

Notes & Announcements

GSE Team from Pakistan— The Group Study Exchange Team from Pakistan will be in Lincoln from August 17-21 and will be presenting to our club on Friday August 20th. A host family is still needed for the Group Leader. See Tom Cardwell if you are interested.

Club Service Teams 2010/2011—There will no longer be designated club service teams for each Friday but a general pool of volunteers. Therefore everyone who signs up must be available to help at any meeting they are attending.

2010-2011 Officers & Board Pictures—After the District Governor visit on August 27th photos will be taken of the Officers and Board for the new year so please plan to attend.

Salvation Army Theatre Project—Tracey McLain reported that there will be a short organizational meeting prior to the meeting on 7/30 at 11:30 to organize volunteers for the Salvation Army Theatre Project. The meeting is for anyone interested in helping with the project.



Lincoln South Rotary Clubrunner Links:

Meeting & speaker information:

<http://www.clubrunner.ca/CPrg/Home/speakers.asp?cid=6040>

Calendar of Events:

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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 7:00 AM

Tuesday Noon— Lincoln #14-Nebraska Club at 13th & M.

Wednesday 11:45 a.m.—Lincoln East at Valentinos at 70th & Van Dorn



Visiting Rotarians and Guests

Rotarians— John Wolter, Don Kucera and Bill Schmeeckle from Club 14 and Robert Wesener from Australia.

Guests—John Woodrich, guest of Teresa Harms and Sara Teeten, guest of Clay Ehlers.

PROGRAM

2010-2011 Club Goals

1. *Club Strength— Leave the club better than when I took office.*
2. *Club Growth— Attain and maintain membership of 55.*
3. *Support Polio Eradication.*
4. *Support critical project in one of 3 areas; Health & Hunger, Water or Literacy.*
5. *Maintain 100% sustaining membership in the Rotary Foundation.*
6. *Achieve the Presidential Citation*
7. **HAVE FUN!**

Allen Beerman spoke to the club on Friday about the Big Red Sub Club. In the early 90's when the US Navy began building Trident Submarines, they named all but one of them after states. At the time ex Nebraska governor Jim Exon was in the Senate and Dick Cheney who was born in Nebraska was Secretary of Defense and through their influence Nebraska was one of the states chosen to name one of the subs.

The USS Nebraska was christened and commissioned in 1993 and 3,000 Nebraskans showed up for the ceremonies. Allen gave the sub a bronze Nebraska seal and had special license plates made with the number of the sub SSBN-739. They even got a spot on Good Morning America with all of the sailors lining the deck in their dress whites saying in unison "Good Morning America from the USS Nebraska"

About \$300,000 had been raised for the ceremonies and with the funds left over the Big Red Sub Club was formed. The club engages in many activities including providing assistance to crew members and their families while they are deployed, organizing 3 trips per year taking 24 Nebraskans to tour the sub and take a ride, sponsoring 3 trips per year for crew memberx to visit Nebraska and attend a Nebraska foot-

ball game and providing a gifts to the crew each year such as work-out equipment and a popcorn maker. The dining room is called the Cornhusker café and there is Nebraska memorabilia all over the interior of the sub. In fact due to the activities of the club, the USS Nebraska is one of the few subs that even takes visitors and gives tours. As a result the Defense Department uses it frequently for official tours. The club is organizing a tour in connection with the Nebraska Washington game this fall.



Anyone who wants to go on one of the tours needs to contact the club early as there is an approval process through the Department of Defense and the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

The club is a non profit organizations and obtains its funds through donations.

**QUESTIONS?
COMMENTS?
ARTICLES?**

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Rotary International— www.rotary.org
District 5650— www.rotarydistrict5650.org
Lincoln South Rotary—

<http://www.clubrunner.ca/CPrg/Home/homeS.asp?cid=6040>

MORE 2009/2010 AWARDS**Bryan Block- Membership****Clay Ehlers-Board Member****Bryan Block- Rotarian of the Year**

Visiting Rotarian

Robert Wesener was a GSE team leader from Australia who visited our District years ago and visited the club while back in Nebraska for a visit. He spoke briefly about the GSE program and about how it was responsible for many lasting friendships which he has with Rotarians both in Nebraska and Iowa. Any time he is in the states he always makes his way to Nebraska.

