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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Dear Lincoln South Members and Friends,



Thank you to everyone who came to our July 25th meeting to hear Jane Griffin, President, of The Groundwater Foundation speak to us on the topic of groundwater – what it is and what we can do to protect this finite resource.

Thank you to Nicki Klein, Lincoln South Rotary Executive Director, for coordinating the Strike Out for Polio with the Salt Dogs on Friday night. This joint event with Lincoln South, Lincoln #14, Lincoln East, Lincoln Sunrise, Seward, and Nebraska City Rotary Clubs helped

to raise \$1,200 to support Polio Plus. Congratulations to Lincoln South for selling the most tickets! It was great seeing everyone there even though Tom and I stayed inside the club house the entire time due to the heat. Every time we thought about heading to our seats we thought again and stayed inside making new friends through Rotary!

Please go to the Lincoln South Rotary's Facebook page (link below) to see pictures of Rotarians enjoying the game! If you weren't able to attend this year – make sure you set aside time next year and bring friends and your children and grandchildren. There is something for everyone and the great cause of helping to eradicate polio!

I invite all Rotarians and your guests to come to our meeting on Friday, August 1st when we have the pleasure of welcoming District 5650 Governor, Brian Moon, to hear his plans to Light Up Rotary this year! Charlie Guyer, Lincoln South Rotary's outbound youth exchange student, and her mother Betsy will also be joining us.

Don't forget that the Lincoln South Rotary board will meet beginning at 10:45 a.m. before the meeting. DG Brian Moon will be joining us for that as well.

Photos from Strike Out for Polio Event

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/56588934008/>

Thank you to Lincoln South Rotarians for all that you do to Light Up Rotary

Jenny Cardwell- President of Lincoln South Rotary

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Visiting Rotarians and Guests

Bill Schmeekle from Club #14 and Terry Kurtenbach, guest of Cheryl Brandenburg.

HAPPY DOLLARS (For Polio Plus)

Joyce Schmeekle, Dean Heermann, Don Anderson, Tracey McLain, Bob Vrana, Cheryl Brandenburg, Kelvin Kemp, Jenny Cardwell, Kay Wunderlich, Jessica Kolterman, Nicki Klein and Glen Friendt.



Future LSR Programs

- 8/01/14 Rotary District Governor Brian Moon.
- 8/8/14 Brian Christensen, President, Joe Christensen, Inc—How a Mom & Pop Shop Became a National Player
- 8/15/14 Ryan Spaulding, ED NCEE Labs—Who We Are and What We Do.
- 8/22/14 Jim Dutton, LES—Terry Bundy Generating Station
- 8/29/14 Jessica Kolterman

Events & Projects

- 7/25/14 Strike Out Polio with Lincoln SaltDogs—Haymarket Park 6-10 pm.
- 9/19/14 LSR Foundation Wine Tasting at the home of Tracey McClain.

Notes & Announcements

Strike Out Polio—Nicki Klein reported that Lincoln South Rotary sold the most tickets of any participating clubs to the Strike Out Polio event. Total \$ raised by all the clubs for Polio Plus will be in excess of \$1,200. (See page 4 for pictures of the event.)

Youth Exchange Student Hosted by Lincoln South Rotary— Jenny Cardwell reported that our club has agreed to host an inbound Youth Exchange Student from Taiwan. Her name is Peggy Chang and Clay Ehlers and his family have agreed to be one of the host families. We will also be sponsoring Charlie Guyer as an outbound student to France who will be visiting our club next week. Thanks to Tom Cardwell, Kiley Weichman and Clay Ehlers who have agreed to serve on the LSR Youth Exchange committee to help monitor and coordinate activities for the students.

LSR Foundation Wine Tasting— The date for the Annual Lincoln South Rotary wine tasting event has been set for Friday September 19th at the home of Tracey McClain. More details to follow.

International Membership Awards—Rotary International has started a new program to recognize members who sponsor new members to Rotary. Each sponsor receives a backer to their Rotary pin which is a different color depending on the number of new members sponsored. Cheryl Brandenburg and Joyce Schmeackle were both recognized for bringing in one new member this year. Also anyone who brings a guest to a meeting receives a keychain with the guest receiving one as well. Thanks for helping us grow our club!

**QUESTIONS?
COMMENTS?
ARTICLES?**

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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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**THE ROTARY FOUR-WAY TEST
OF THE THINGS WE THINK SAY OR DO:**

Is it the **TRUTH** ?

Is it **FAIR** to all concerned ?

Will it build **GOODWILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS** ?

Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned ?

PROGRAM

2014-2015 Club Goals

1. *Earn the Presidential Citation.*
2. *Attain & Maintain 55 total members.*
3. *Successfully utilize New Grant Program by submitting 1 District Grant and 1 Global Grant.*
4. *Increase \$ raised from Golf Tournament and Grocery Grab by 5% over prior year.*
5. *Increase Rotary Foundation giving to \$9,300 with 100% participation.*
6. *Continue to participate in End Polio Now giving at \$32/member level by using Happy \$ and participating in End Polio Now events.*
7. *Continue to have Club participation at District Level.*
8. *Host a Rotary Days event with other clubs in Lincoln.*
9. **HAVE FUN AS ROTARIANS IN SERVICE TOGETHER!**

Jane Griffin, President of the Groundwater Foundation was our speaker. The Groundwater Foundation was founded in 1985 to provide education and community-based action programs that creatively involve individuals, communities, public and private entities in groundwater conservation and protection.



It now works with communities all over the US. The US wastes the most water in the world. US citizens use 100 gal/day compared to Europe at 50 gal/day and other countries as low as 5 gal/day. While 70% of the earth is covered with water, only 1% of that water is useable and 99% of the useable water is groundwater so that is why it is so important. Nebraska is lucky to be one of 8 states over the High Plains Aquifer which lies under 112 million acres and is one of the world's largest aquifers. 2/3 of the water in the High Plains Aquifer (which includes the Ogallala Aquifer) is under Nebraska. Also the geo formations un-

der Eastern Nebraska allow really high recharge rates which represent the rates at which the ground water recharges after rains. The largest use of ground water in Nebraska is irrigation. The largest use of household water is for flushing toilets. Solutions to conserving ground water don't always require you to give things up but just be more conscientious about how you use water. Some of the potential threats to our groundwa-

ter include overuse, Pharmaceuticals, improperly managed wastewater treatment systems and nitrates resulting from farming practices in the 60's & 70's. The key is prevention which is much less expensive than clean up and remediation.

Some of the current projects of the Foundation include the annual Children's Groundwater Festival that is now held in all 50 states and the national Groundwater Guardian Program which supports and connects communities taking proactive, voluntary steps to protect groundwater.

It has been said that as conflicts over oil have dominated the 20th century, conflicts over water are expected to dominate the 21st century.



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



Rotary is on the Web!

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

Lincoln South Rotary—

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

STRIKE OUT FOR POLIO

