

The Sower

Lincoln South Rotary Club #21799 - Chartered April 30, 1984



WEEK OF DECEMBER 9, 2011

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PRESIDENT'S CORNER



The holidays are a time to reflect on all of the blessings we have in our lives, and I have to admit that I have been very blessed. Every time I look around a Rotary meeting I feel so grateful to count all of you as friends and be part of such an amazing organization. It has been said that to those who much is given, much is expected. I have been given so very much in my life, so much that I know I can never give back in equal. However, in Rotary, even though I am small, and what I can do is small, when we all combine our individual donations toward a larger purpose, we are able to do amazing

things. That is what Rotary does... it takes our individual talents, gifts, and ambitions, and turns them into a global force for doing good in the world. Although, even with this altruistic mission, I feel like I am rewarded with the friendships I have gained through Rotary in a greater proportion than what I could ever contribute. This holiday season, I want to thank you all for being Rotarians, and more importantly for being friends.

Happy Holidays,

Elise M. W. White President of Lincoln South Rotary

Visiting Rotarians and Guests

Rotarians—Bruce and Kim Remington of Club #14.

Guests—Alexandra Frohberg and Dave Dietz, guest of Chris Dietz and Matt Fuller, guest of Patrick Grewe

CLUB SERVICE TEAM

Brad Carter Chris Dietz Joyce Michaelis



HAPPY DOLLARS (For Child Mortality)

Joyce Michaelis, Dave Hilsabeck, Bryan Block, Phil Maddern, Bob Vrana, Bruce Remington, Dean Heermann, Cheryl Brandenburg, Jessica Kolterman, Brad Carter, Nick Cusick and Tom Cardwell.



Future LSR Programs

12/16/11 Marcia Matthies, Anglers of the Blue Moon– Developing a Handicapped Fishing Pier on Bowling Lake

^{12/23/11} NO MEETING- HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

- ^{12/30/11} NO MEETING- HAPPY NEW YEAR!
- 1/6/12 Rod Bates—NETV

Events & Projects

- 1/7/12 Membership Seminar
- 1/9/12 New member orientation—at 12 noon at Farm Bureau offices
- 1/17/12 Club 14 Annual Nebraskan of the Year Luncheon at Embassy Suites.
- 3/27/12 Annual Salute to Business at the Cornhusker Marriott.





Notes & Announcements

Nut Sales—The nut sales are in full swing. Sales kits have been put together which include a sample of each item that members can take to show what is available. Otherwise you can pick up what you need at each meeting or contact Brad Carter and arrange to get them delivered. This will be our only major fundraiser this year since the golf outing was cancelled. See page 4 for an order form with prices.

Football for Foundation—Dave Hilsabeck was the winner of the weekly football for foundation pick and chose to have \$20 contributed to the Lincoln South Foundation

Board Nominations—Ballots for nominations to the Board were provided at the meeting. Please vote for 2 of the 6 eligible Board members and return your ballot to Nicki Klein by 12/9/11.

Nebraskan of the Year—Harold Anderson of Omaha will be honored on 1/17/12 as Nebraskan of the Year. The luncheon will be held on 1/17/12 at the Embassy Suites. Tickets are \$25 per person. See Joe Roberts for tickets.

Foundation Drive The annual Dr. George Lytton Memorial Challenge 2011-12 RI Foundation Fund Drive is in full swing. The drive will run for the months of December and January with the goal of 100% participation at \$120 per member. Contributions can be made in a lump sum or using pre-authorized monthly bank withdrawals or credit card payments. The drive will conclude on January 27, 2012 with a drawing where the winner will receive an immediate Paul Harris fellow. Members must have contributed \$300 to be eligible for the drawing.

See pages 5 & 6 for pictures of the Holiday party.

Lincoln South Rotary Clubrunner Links:

Meeting & speaker information: http://www.clubrunner.ca/CPrg/Home/speakers.asp?cid=6040

Calendar of Events: http://www.clubrunner.ca/CPrg/Home/events.asp?cid=6040

2011-2012 Club Goals

- 1. Attain & Maintain 55 total members.
- 2. Increase number of female members & young professionals.
- 3. Hold periodic club assemblies.
- 4. Incorporate "New Generations" into current club service projects.
- 5. Maintain 100% sustaining membership in the Rotary Foundation.
- 6. Have a rewarding, unforgettable year!



PROGRAM

Our speaker, Nick Cusick was born in Fremont and has been a Lincoln resident since 1960. He is married to Ann, his wife of 39 years. Mr. Cusick is an entrepreneur, co founder and 50 % shareholder and CEO of IMSCORP which is a Lincoln based holding company that has manufacturing subsidiaries include Bison, Inc. SourceOne, Inc. and SignCo. The companies are manufacturers in sporting goods, sign equipment, job shop manufacturing, metal finishing and industrial automation. He serves on many civic boards and volunteers for many local organizations.

The topic of Healthcare Reform and Controlling Employer and Employee Healthcare Costs is an important facet to his organization. He believes that as healthcare stands today it is a broken system. There were over 250 authors to the Healthcare Reform bill. The purpose of healthcare is to be affordable and available. He stated that the Reform bill was a valiant attempt to avoid more problems in healthcare.

Mr. Cusick said that it is apparent that no one has really figured out how to fix the healthcare system in our country. The Supreme Court will hear arguments that 1.) the bill may or may not have the right legal ability to require employers to provide healthcare to employees and 2.) the technicality is the ability to separate from the bill in some way or another.

There are gaps in the Healthcare Bill that include tort reform which contributes to the huge costs of medical care, malpractice costs, and the ability to protect consumers from problems. Another gap is the ability to access records. Currently there are 17 different systems that hospitals and doctors use for medical records. If there was a better way to have the recordkeeping, there might be less duplication of services and duplications or over prescribed drugs.

He stated that we are need of reform for sure. Medical school seats for doctors are declining. Female applicants for medical school is up 50 per cent and a female doctor will probably only practice seven years. The supply of doctors is going down and the population is aging. So there will be more demand, less supply and the costs of medicine will go up.

"We need healthcare reform," according to Mr. Cusick. He stated that it needs to be affordable and available. But he cautioned against burdening employers with high healthcare costs that they cannot afford.

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— <u>www.rotary.org</u> District 5650—<u>www.rotarydistrict5650.org</u> Lincoln South Rotary— <u>http://www.clubrunner.ca/CPrg/Home/homeS.asp?cid=6040</u>

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HOLIDAY PARTY















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