

## ROTARY DISTRICT 5650 AWARDS - DISTRICT CONFERENCE AUGUST 12, 2017

Rotary District 5650 has a good recognition program - there are opportunities for all clubs to earn awards. And, there is a nice mix of objective and subjective awards.

Objective Awards are fully outlined - do the activities listed, points are given, and awards are earned.

All other awards are subjective - subject to selection by the District Governor.

Those selections are made after reviewing all of the nominations submitted by Clubs, Assistant Governors, and others.

## FOUNDATION GIVING AWARDS

The Rotary Foundation provides some recognition banners for Clubs a little later in the year.

But we would like to mention their accomplishments.

### HIGHEST IN TOTAL GIVING

*Omaha Suburban* **\$51,887.78**

### HIGHEST IN GIVING TO THE ANNUAL PROGRAM FUND

*Omaha Suburban* **\$47,447.50**

### PER CAPITA GIVING OVER \$100

<i>Bellevue Papillion</i>	<i>Omaha Morning</i>
<i>Council Bluffs</i>	<i>Omaha Northwest</i>
<i>Council Bluffs Centennial</i>	<i>Omaha Suburban</i>
<i>Crete</i>	<i>Omaha West</i>
<i>Fremont</i>	<i>Southwest Omaha Night</i>
<i>Lincoln</i>	<i>Wayne</i>
<i>Lincoln East</i>	<i>York</i>
<i>Lincoln South</i>	

### TOP 3 CLUBS IN PER CAPITA GIVING TO THE ROTARY FOUNDATION ANNUAL FUND

<i>#1 Per Capita</i>	<i>Council Bluffs Centennial</i>	<b>\$313.03</b>
<i>#2 Per Capita</i>	<i>Lincoln South</i>	<b>\$262.34</b>
<i>#3 Per Capita</i>	<i>Wayne</i>	<b>\$259.27</b>

## TOP 10 CLUBS

Objective awards - everyone knows what it takes to earn the award.

#1	<b><i>Lincoln South</i></b>
#2	<b><i>Wayne</i></b>
#3	<b><i>Council Bluffs Centennial</i></b>
#4	<b><i>Omaha Suburban</i></b>
#5	<b><i>Lincoln #14</i></b>
#6	<b><i>Ashland</i></b>
#7	<b><i>Lincoln East</i></b>
#8	<b><i>Omaha Downtown</i></b>
#9	<b><i>Omaha West</i></b>
#10	<b><i>Crete</i></b>
#10	<b><i>Glenwood</i></b>

## SUBJECTIVE AWARDS

Subjective Awards - selected by District Governor considering nominations submitted by Clubs, AGs and others

### VOCATIONAL SERVICE PROJECTS

#### ***Small Club***

#### ***Columbus Morning***

Columbus Morning worked with the Genoa U.S. Indian School Displays of Native artifacts. The project was threatened when the cabinet builder got ill; Columbus Morning worked with the local school shop and woodworking classes to take on the project

#### ***Medium Club***

#### ***Omaha Morning***

We have honored Omaha Morning for their work with The Hope Center. But this recognition is because of their work with the Center doing mock interviews to help prepare youth for the work world.

#### ***Large Club***

#### ***Lincoln 14***

Lincoln 14 has year-round projects with their adopted school - Everett Elementary. The school is located in the heart of a section of Lincoln populated by minorities, immigrants and refugees. The projects and mentoring provided by the Club and Members assists the school, students and teachers.

## YOUTH SERVICE PROJECTS

### ***Small Club***

### ***Falls City***

Falls City Honors Banquet - recognize and honor the top 10% of graduating seniors and their families two local high schools

### ***Medium Club***

### ***Wayne***

Wayne has been supporting the World Affairs Seminar by providing scholarships Scholarships for students to attend the event at Carroll University in Waukesha, WI; the program promotes peace, understanding, and recognizing future leaders and global citizens

### ***Large Club***

### ***Omaha Suburban and Omaha Rotaract***

Last year the Omaha Suburban Rotary club partnerred with the Omaha Rotaract Club on a project. They provided personal care packages for homeless youth in the area

## INTERNATIONAL SERVICE PROJECTS

### ***Small Club***

This is a tough category for small clubs and we did not have any projects recorded or submitted.

### ***Medium Club***

### ***Lincoln South***

Lincoln South member Tom Cardwell grabbed the opportunity to support a new program offered by Rotary - the Open World Program. After rallying the members, Lincoln South became the lead club which brought in guests from The Republic of Georgia. There were a number of meetings and activities in our District focusing on social issues.

### ***Large Club***

### ***Omaha Downtown***

Project Hypocrites supports pediatric heart care. Rotarians, Children's Hospital in Omaha and an anonymous donor work together to support the program. Often Rotarians travel to Belize to perform heart surgery if patients are too fragile to come to Children's Hospital.

## **COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECTS**

### ***Small Club***

### ***Ashland***

For Stirrup Days, the Ashland Rotary club supports three different events. This project supports the community, provides publicity for the club and is a fundraiser.

### ***Medium Club***

### ***Lincoln East***

This year Lincoln East used a District Grant to build and install a Life Jacket Loaner Station. Basically life jackets are placed in the station and can be used by swimmers and boaters. They are returned to the station to be used by others.

### ***Large Club***

### ***Omaha Downtown***

On the anniversary of the September 11 terrorist attack, the Omaha Downtown Rotary Club organizes an annual Flag Tribute. They partner with Exchange Club of Omaha, Irvington Fire Department, the Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts to place thousands of flags at Memorial Park.

## **OVERALL PROJECT AWARD**

### ***Omaha Suburban***

### ***Meal Packaging***

This project has gone on for a few years now.

Each year the club gets other Rotary Clubs to join in - sometimes repeat clubs sometimes new ones.

The project supports thousands of needy families.

Rotarians and family members including children as young as 5 work together.

Rotaract members and others in the community have helped as well.

## **OUTSTANDING CLUB AWARDS**

What are the projects of the club - how are they improving lives?

Do the clubs participate in district activities and support events and training?

Do they set goals that support the District and Rotary International?

Do they support initiatives of the District and Rotary International such as utilizing the Online Resources and RI Integration?

### ***Small Club***

### ***Council Bluffs Centennial***

Despite being a small club, Council Bluffs Centennial carries out multiple projects every year.

They have been able to stabilize their membership during the past year.

Again for their size, their financial commitment to The Rotary Foundation is vast.

In order to complete their grant project they had to go above and beyond to help the recipient settle some issues with property lines.

### ***Medium Club***

### ***Wayne***

The club increased their vocational visits

They started a new project with the senior center to help them bolster their lunch participation

The Club President included a regular Rotary educational piece at each meeting

The Club participated in the District Visioning program

They increased the emphasis on Foundation Giving in honor of the 100 Year Anniversary of The Rotary Foundation

### ***Large Club***

### ***Lincoln 14***

There has been a transition to a fresh, young approach to the club meetings and activities putting many newer and younger members in leadership positions.

With that the club has become more digital, using the online tools of Rotary including ClubRunner.

The Club participated in the District Visioning program

Lincoln 14 is the largest club in the district, yet ended up with a newt increase in members last year

## **INDIVIDUAL AWARDS**

### **ROTARY INTERNATIONAL VOCATIONAL SERVICE LEADERSHIP AWARD**

The Vocational Service Leadership Award recognizes Rotarians who have made a significant impact in advancing vocational service. District governors may select one candidate from their district each year.

***Carol Wood***

***Council Bluffs Noon***

Carol has dedicated 44 years to the Mission of Children's Square USA.

She has been an integral part of the organization as it transitioned the multiservice organization they are today.

She has been in Rotary since 1993.

During those years she has shared her passion and expertise to Rotary and the Rotary programs.

On the flip side, she shares Rotary with the staff and students that she serves.

### **ROTARY INTERNATIONAL ROTARIAN SPOUSE PARTNER AWARD**

The Rotarian Spouse/Partner Service Award of Rotary International recognizes spouses and partners of Rotarians who have demonstrated exemplary humanitarian service through Rotary.

At the most, 100 Rotarian/Spouse Partner Awards are given by Rotary International worldwide.

The District 5650 nomination was selected this year.

***Sheryl Roberts***

***Lincoln South Rotary***

***Spouse of Joe Roberts***

Sheryl is a great example of bringing family into Rotary.

The family has hosted Youth Exchange students.

Sheryl regularly volunteers with the Rotarians on projects such as delivering Dictionaries.

Sheryl has attended numerous International Conventions with Joe

In the early years of Lincoln South Rotary club fundraisers, Sheryl was one of the primary volunteers

### **DISTRICT LEADERSHIP AWARD**

***Jim Mastera***

***Lincoln #14***

### **OUTSTANDING DISTRICT CHAIR**

***Nicki Klein***

***Lincoln South***

### **OUTSTANDING CLUB PRESIDENT**

***Mark Stephens***

***Lincoln #14***

***Clay Ehlers***

***Lincoln South***

## **CADWALLADER AWARD**

*Curt Peters*

*Omaha Suburban*

The Cadwallader Award is presented by the Council of Governors - it is not an award managed through the District Awards Committee.