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Lincoln Rotary #14 meets every Tuesday at Noon, US Bank Building, Nebraska Club, 233 S. 13th St. 20th Floor.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14 — ANGIE MUHLEISEN, “THE AMERICAN TEENAGER”

Join us on Tuesday, as Angie Muhleisen, President and CEO of Union Bank & Trust, shares some interesting, surprising, and sometimes unsettling facts and observations about “The American Teenager”.

After growing up in Milford, NE, Angie attended the University of Nebraska, Nebraska Wesleyan University and studied abroad. In 1981, she completed her degree at Avila University in Kansas City, Missouri, graduating Cum Laude with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Business Administration. Angie began employment with Union Bank and Trust Company in 1981. In 1996 she became President of Union Bank and since 2003 she has served as President and Chief Executive Officer. Angie is involved in many charitable and civic organizations.

Editor's Note: I will be out of the office until late Friday, September 17, so your Propeller may be late next week. I expect to have limited access to email while I'm gone. If necessary, you can get a message to me by calling the office phone for instructions.



Angie Muhleisen

LAST WEEK

The goal of the auction this year is to raise funds to support two great organizations in our community, The Gathering Place and Madonna Rehabilitation Hospital, and support the work of Rotary International towards the eradication of Polio.

On Tuesday some key supporters and volunteers from The Gathering Place shared stories of the great work of the organization. Pastor Bill Steinbauer, Captain Michael Woolman, Rotarians Dean Settle and Roger Moody joined Executive Director Michael Ryan, as they talked about the vital role The Gathering Place plays in our community and to the neighborhood. The Gathering Place offers good food in a clean environment to families and individuals who come. Rotarians have been volunteering at the Gathering Place for many years and the experience is highly recommended. Michael Ryan asked each Rotarian to set a goal to volunteer at least once in the coming year.

Tiffany Verzal's daughter, Alexis, suffered traumatic brain injury when she was 18 months old when a babysitter shook her. Tiffany shared with Rotary the impact Madonna Rehabilitation Hospital has had on her family. She said that when they arrived, the baby was unable to move, swallow or even breathe on her own. Through rehabilitation, she is an active and inquisitive 3 year old who walks with the help of a walker and still attends physical therapy 3-4 times per week. The new Children's Rehabilitation Hospital at Madonna will be named after Alexis and was started with a lead gift from Larry the Cable Guy and his wife. The Rotary Auction will support a recovery room in the Hospital where children will slowly wake up from procedures in a calming environment. Tiffany shared that to watch your child come back from such injury means everything and the work of Madonna truly is changing and shaping their lives.

Club Assembly — Every great Rotary Club takes time to get input from their members, especially in a club of this size. On Tuesday, we wanted to find out how Rotary can meet your needs and how you can meet the needs of our club, community and world through Rotary? Members lined up at the microphones, stated their names and vocation, and in less than 30 seconds gave answers to: “What do you see in your Rotary Club of the future?” A summary of the comments appears on page 2.

CLUB BUSINESS

First Reading: Michael A. Renken
with NeighborWorks Lincoln
Community and Social Services/Administrator
Proposed by: **Steve Peregrine**

First Reading: Capt. Jeffrey B. Whiting
with UNL, Naval Reserve Officer Training Corps
Military/Navy-active
Proposed by: **Priscilla Grew**

Presiding:
Susan Stibal

Song Leader:
Barbara Zach

Cashier:
Maury Halstead

Reporter:
Wendy McCown

Greeters:
Nancy Bidrowski & Susan Stibal

Secretary:
Mike Lindberg

Program Host:
Mark McDonald

Special Music:
Kara Baxter

Sgt.-at-Arms Finemaster:
Rod Bates

Sgt.-at-Arms Set-up:
**Jim Preston, Cindy Miserez,
Scott Richardson & Sandi Fabry**

CALENDAR

A complete calendar is available on our website –
www.rotary14.org

September 14

- **Angie Muhleisen**, Union Bank & Trust, "The American Teenager" Linda Robinson Rutz Host
- TeamMates Minute, Kris Baack

September 16

- Board Meeting, 11:45 AM The Clark Enersen Partners, 1010 Lincoln Mall, #200

September 21

- 11:15 a.m., World Fellowship & Community Service Committee Meeting
- **John Maher**, Publisher, Lincoln Journal Star, Chan Tyrrell Host
- Red Badge to Blue Badge Ceremony

September 22, 23 & 27

- Serving at the Gathering Place, 4:45 pm, Contact Pam Manske, 730-4080, pam@primesites.org

September 23

- NEOS Meeting, Noon, Terrace Grille in the Cornhusker Marriott, Vocational Service, Business Networking Day; Boo at the Zoo; Literacy/Dictionary Project

September 28

- **Clayton Anderson**, Astronaut, "Spaceflight – the Long & Short of It", Allen Beermann Host
- High School Visitation

September 30

- Service Fund Grant Application Deadline

October 5

- **Jerome Barry**, Director, Independence Center, "Substance Abuse in Lincoln", Brian Wachman Host

October 8

- Community Service Auction, at Lincoln Station — "Destination Mediterraneo"

October 12

- **Curtis Tomasevicz**, 2010 Olympic Gold Medalist, Allen Beermann Host

October 19

- **Joe Starita**, Suzanne Sughroue Host

October 26

- **Business Networking Day**

Other Lincoln Club Meetings:

Lincoln Sunrise Rotary meets on Tuesdays at 7:00 a.m. at IHOP Restaurant at 4501 N. 27th St.

9/14 Lane Pierce, Eiseley Branch Library, "Adult Library Program"

Lincoln East Rotary meets on Wednesdays at 11:45 a.m. at Valentino's, 70th & Van Dorn

9/15 Ben Higgins, Senior Engineer, City of Lincoln, and New Member Celebration

Lincoln South Rotary meets on Fridays at Noon at The Knolls, 22nd & Old Cheney.

9/17 John Wood, Executive Director, Lincoln Airport, "Challenges and Opportunities for Air Service in Lincoln"

Visiting Rotarians and Guests:

Christie Wilcox from Overland Park, KS.

Michael Ryan, Capt. Michael Woolman, and Pastor Bill Steinbauer, guests of **Vi See**.

Tiffany Verzal, guest of **Suzanne Sughroue**.

Andy Erpelding, guest of **Joe Heim**.

Special Music by **Kara Baxter**, guest of **Barbara Zach**.

PRESIDENT'S INSPIRATION

Today's meeting will make you laugh, cry and leave inspired thinking of how you as a Rotarian are changing lives now and into the future. Today you will have the opportunity to give us your thoughts on the direction our club should take in the next 100 years.

— President Susan

CLUB ASSEMBLY COMMENTS

Membership — Increase diversity in the club to include gender, age, lifestyles, abilities, socio-economic, ethnic, and racial diversity. Revitalization happens by attracting new members not just young. Diversity, revitalization, renewal are the secrets of a great organization. Finding a place for everyone to harmoniously contribute...everyone finding his or her passions.

Technology — Use technology, such as pod casts or Skype, to link traveling Rotarians to live meetings; to help each Rotarian achieve their Rotary goals; to create a social network where Rotarians traveling abroad could easily connect with other Rotarians perhaps as a host.

Programs and Meetings — Make the work of Rotary so exciting, our programs and focus so intense that people don't want to miss a single meeting and can't wait to hear what's happening. Have every meeting be as inspirational as today and have opportunities to make this big of an impact each week. Don't be afraid to embrace difficult and controversial issues with our programs in a fair and equitable manner. Rotary is one of the few institutions that doesn't have a commercial, political or religious agenda and one of the best things we do is to bring people together to talk about issues without agendas.

Community Projects — Make as big of an impact locally as we do globally. Seek out a long-term project to do with the Hispanic business owners in Lincoln, or adopt a local cause or problem to help an organization solve. Create a Rotary Run to increase the funding for our community projects. Maintain and steward the great things we have. We have a \$1 Million plus endowment now...and the potential to create a \$10-20 Million dollar one in the future. Maintain the value of this extraordinary organization because it has momentum like none other and keep it going.

International Service — Celebrate polio eradication and be thinking about the next long-term problem we will tackle over the next 20 to 30 years. Maintain our global connections to Rotary Clubs around the world, and specifically maintain a working relationship with some club in another country.

General — Work more collaborative with other clubs in Lincoln and the surrounding areas. Think about the Four Way Test — as one member said...it's one of the reasons I joined Rotary and I use it in my everyday life. Find ways to be sure that when people talk about Rotary they don't think about Tuesday lunches, but rather the work of Rotary is so well known that we won't need our well-practiced elevator speech.

NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Fellowship Event — Join fellow Rotarians for an evening of camaraderie and conviviality over wine and dinner at Bread & Cup on Tuesday, September 28, starting at 6:00 p.m. The "special" for the evening is a 6-sample tasting of their featured wines for \$10. Choose from 5-6 whites and/or 5-6 reds. Dinner will be selected from the Bread & Cup weekly menu...most ingredients are locally grown/produced. Glenn and Janice Friendt are the maitre d's. To facilitate connection and conversation, the reservations are limited to 18. Reserve soon online at www.rotary14.org/fellowship or contact:

— Randy Hawthorne, 437-0111, randy.hawthorne@firespring.com

Auction News — Tiffany Verzal, speaking on behalf of Madonna, and the friends of Gathering Place made it poignantly clear at Tuesday's meeting that they are incredibly deserving as 2010 Rotary Auction community beneficiaries. Buying or selling raffle tickets is a very easy way to offer support. September 14 begins the conclusion phase of ticket sales with September 28 being our final due date for ticket stubs and money. Your efforts are truly appreciated, particularly by those who have yet to know the scope of Rotarian compassion.

We are still looking for volunteers to help at the Auction. Contact:

— Erin Pemberton, 474-1507, epemberton@wolfesnowden.com