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

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 15 — TOM LORENZ, PINNACLE BANK ARENA



Tom Lorenz

Join us on Tuesday, October 15, when Tom Lorenz, General Manager of SMG Lincoln, which manages the brand new Pinnacle Bank Arena will be with us to provide an update on the current events and those slated for the first year of the Arena's operation.

Tom has been involved with Pinnacle Bank Arena since its inception. He has worked closely with the building's architects on design and is in charge of the arena operations. Tom began his career in 1976 at Hilton Coliseum at Iowa State University and came to Lincoln in 1996 as assistant general manager of Pershing Auditorium. He became general manager of Pershing in 2000.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

This past Tuesday was a very "full" meeting. The Dictionary Project is off and running as I heard the labeling/boxing party was a huge success. Dictionary deliveries will be this week. The Business Networking Committee has assembled a great array of businesses for Rotarians to consider in lieu of an October 29 meeting. Be sure to sign up! Finally, we are in the home stretch of planning and putting the final touches on the Rotary gala "revel." The video produced by Jeff Raikes should be a hit with the crowd and help us tell one of the stories of our club's success.

The most "fulfilling" part of the meeting for me was the remarks shared by Superintendent of LPS, Steve Joel. Remember, education is one of the areas of focus for Rotary too. I am personally thrilled that Dr. Joel recognizes the role that high schools (and for that matter all of PK-12) play in helping kids become college and career ready. Given my regular day job at EducationQuest, I can tell you Nebraska presently ranks 10th in the nation in college-going rate. We used to be #18 just a few years ago. The delivery of the ACT to all juniors is a real gift to them. Plus, the revelation that 60 kids scored 22 or higher and demonstrated to themselves that they are college ready is an epiphany! Congratulations to LPS for being a leader in making a difference in the college going rates in Nebraska.

Finally, please help us make our most significant fundraiser "successful and fulfilling." Buy raffle tickets. Sell raffle tickets. Turn in the stubs and money. But most of all, buy a ticket to join us on one amazing night for Rotary Club #14.

— President Liz

CLUB BUSINESS

Second Reading: Valerie C. Hunt
with Bryan Foundation
Non-Profit/Development
Proposed by: **Kiersten Hill**

PERSONAL CONCERNS

Please keep **Jim and Margaret Griesen** in your thoughts. Margaret is recovering at home after a short hospitalization after suffering a minor stroke.

Also, **Msgr. Liam Barr** is recovering after undergoing a scheduled surgery.

Presiding: Liz Koop	Program Host: Jerry Sellentin	Music Coordinator: Barbara Zach	Guest Song Leader & Pianist: Edward Polochick	Special Music: Anton Miller	
Cashier & Registration: Kris Rutford & Pat O'Meara	Greeter: Mike Fardella	Acting Secretary: Kiersten Hill	Sgt.-at-Arms Set-up: Paul Durban & Greg Dynek		
<u>Birthday Books: Honoree</u>	<u>Book Title</u>	<u>Author</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Donor</u>	<u>Birthday</u>
Dr. Steve Joel	<i>A Gluten-Free Birthday for Me!</i>	Sue Fliess	Kooser	Jennifer Brinkman	26-Sep
Daniel Brinkman	<i>Just a Second: a Different Way to Look at Time</i>	Steve Jenkins	Kooser	Jennifer Brinkman	26-Sep

CALENDAR

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

- October 14 – 18
 - Dictionary Project – Delivering dictionaries to all 4th grade students in Lincoln
- October 15
 - **Tom Lorenz**, Pinnacle Bank Arena, Sharon Wherry Host
 - Last Day Nominations Accepted for Director
- October 17
 - Board Meeting, 11:30 AM-1:00 PM, EducationQuest Foundation, 1300 O St.
- October 21
 - NEOS Meeting, 7:30 AM, Courtyard by Marriott, 808 R St., International Service, The Rotary (Int'l) Foundation, "Every Rotarian, Every Year"
- October 22
 - **Dr. Fred Ohles**, President, Nebraska Wesleyan University, Jennifer Brinkman Host
 - Red Badge to Blue Badge Ceremony
- October 23
 - Serving at the Gathering Place, 4:45-6:00 pm, Contact Dean Settle, 402.202.7549, topcarf@aol.com
- October 24
 - World Polio Day
- October 25
 - 2013 Gala Celebration of the 25th Annual Auction, at Pinnacle Bank Arena
- October 26
 - Rotary Leadership Institute, 8 AM – 3:30 PM, Westminster Presbyterian Church
- October 29
 - **Business Networking Day** — Signup at Tuesday meetings or contact Deen Popoola, 402.570.7586, zpopoola2@gmail.com
- October 30
 - Serving at the Gathering Place, 4:45-6:00 pm, Contact Dean Settle, 402.202.7549, topcarf@aol.com
- November 5
 - **Bob Downey**, Capital Humane Society, Janet Danielson Host
- November 12
 - **Sara Kenny**, "Quilts of Valor for Wounded Warriors and the Nebraska 4-H Program", Tim Kenny Host

Other Lincoln Club Meetings:

- Lincoln Sunrise Rotary** meets on Tuesdays at 7:00 a.m. at IHOP Restaurant at 4501 N. 27th St. 10/15 Sydne Wirrick-Knox, Matt Talbot Kitchens
- Lincoln East Rotary** meets on Wednesdays at 11:45 a.m. at Valentino's, 70th & Van Dorn
- Lincoln South Rotary** meets on Fridays at Noon at The Knolls, 22nd & Old Cheney. 10/18 Larry Ruth, Director Subdistrict 4, Lower Platte South Natural Resource District

Visiting Rotarians and Guests:

- Glenn Friendt from Lincoln South.
- Jodi Finch, guest of Colby Angst.
- Connie Duncan, guest of Steve Joel.
- Perry Pirsch, guest of Mike Klockenga.
- Christina Usher, guest of Art Knox.
- Megan Clarke, guest of Bob Ravenscroft.
- Sara Hughes, guest of Susan Ugai.
- Robin McDannel and Michelle Bring, guests of Brian Wachman.

IT'S ROTARY GALA TIME!

October 25, 2013, 5:30 p.m.
 Pinnacle Bank Arena
 Cocktails at 5:30 p.m.,
 Gourmet Tapas Dining at 6:30 p.m.
 Festive Cocktail Attire

revel: a rotary gala



Gala Tickets — Now is the time to purchase your tickets to celebrate with Rotarians and other community leaders at our Rotary Gala at Pinnacle Bank Arena. Join us, and invite a friend, for an evening of glitz and giving, dedicated to furthering Rotary's guiding principle of Service Above Self. It will be an unforgettable evening! [Purchase Tickets Online](#) or contact:

— Mary Buckley, 402.796.2505, direx@inebraska.com



On Tuesday, Mike Zeleny announced that our club, in cooperation with our Lincoln Rotary Club #14 Foundation, has pledged \$15,000 per year over the next three years to the End Polio Now campaign. Proceeds from the Gala will be used to meet this pledge, and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation is matching all contributions to End Polio Now with a 2 to 1 commitment. In appreciation of our club's commitment, native Nebraskan and current CEO of the Gates Foundation, Jeff Raikes has recorded a special video to be shown at the Gala announcing this commitment to the greater Lincoln community. Rotarians at Tuesday's meeting were treated to a special advance showing. Thank you to everyone that has worked so hard to help make the Gala a success...and be sure to join us at the Pinnacle Bank Arena on October 25!

NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Business Networking Day — Signups have begun for Business Networking Day which will be held on Tuesday, Oct. 29. No meeting at the Nebraska Club! Instead, our hosts will be:

- Mike Wortman**, Lincoln High School
- Al Meder**, Pure & Secure
- Becki Roberts**, St. Monica's
- Sharon Wherry**, Kloefkorn Elementary School
- Kevin Wailes**, Lincoln Electric System
- Chan Tyrrell**, Tabitha Foundation
- Colby Angst**, Play Creative Design
- Cathy Beecham**, FUSE Coworking
- Jo Ann Emerson**, LUX Center for the Arts
- Margaret Berry**, Margaret Berry Art Studio
- Deen Popoola**, UNL-Dept. of Facilities Mgmt. & Planning
- Rene Monarez**, Boy Scouts of America/Cornhusker Council

Sign up next Tuesday or contact:

— Deen Popoola, 402.570.7586, zpopoola2@gmail.com

OUR ROTARY CLUB BY THE NUMBERS

267 — current number of Rotary Club #14 members							
Age Group	#	%	Yrs Member	#	%	Gender	# %
<30 yrs old	8	3%	< 1 year	29	11%	Female	83 31%
30-39	3	1%	1-2 yrs	33	12%	Male	184 69%
40-49	25	9%	3-5 yrs	38	14%		
50-59	47	18%	6-10 yrs	51	19%		
60-69	63	24%	11-15 yrs	34	13%		
70+	74	28%	16-25 yrs	53	20%		
Unknown	47	18%	26+ yrs	29	11%		
Average	57.59 Years		Average	11.05 Years			