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

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 9 — A “PUZZLING” ROTARY FELLOWSHIP DAY

Last year, the Fellowship committee held a Rotary “Speed Dating” event for their program which was lots of fun. In fact, Chuck Schroeder, current Club #14 Rotarian and a former member of the Oklahoma City Rotary Club, wrote at the time, “I thought yesterday’s ‘speed dating’ exercise was a great club program! And I’m not generally inclined to think those contrived ice breaker exercises are particularly enjoyable or valuable. But, I really did come away knowing three members of the club that I had only said “hi” to previously. It was fun, energizing and impactful. I hope others felt likewise. Other large clubs could benefit from it!”

So..if you were at last year’s event, you know how much fun we had. We promise twice the fun this year! Trust us — you won’t want to miss this meeting! Here is a little teaser about this year’s Fellowship program activity:

Sometimes it’s puzzling how little we know each other as Rotarians. Join the Fellowship Team on February 9 as we attempt to piece together this phenomenon. It’s sure to be a fun time connecting with fellow Rotarians and learning more about each other. There will be plenty of time to socialize as you participate in a fun activity. Can you guess what the activity will be?



“Speed Dating” at Rotary



PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

I’ve been thinking a little bit about RI President K. R. “Ravi” Ravindran’s theme for the 2015-16 Rotary Year: *Be a Gift to the World*. What better way can we live this theme than to give the gift of Rotary to someone else? Membership is more than just a committee in our club. It is really the responsibility of every member. If we want Rotary #14 and Rotary worldwide to continue to thrive with compassionate, ethical, business leaders who embody the motto of “Service Above Self”, then we all need to play our part in bringing others into Rotary. Imagine if everyone in our club would

commit to sponsoring just ONE new member in the next 5 months? Not only would our club experience tremendous growth, but we would also experience new energy and renewed commitment to our club and community.

Can you help us? Please reach out to a friend, colleague, family member or respected community leader. Invite them to attend a meeting, invite them to become a member. Help us grow our club with even more great leaders and “Be a Gift to Rotary”.

— President Kiersten

FEBRUARY IS PEACE AND CONFLICT PREVENTION/RESOLUTION MONTH IN THE WORLD OF ROTARY

From Rotary News, by Ryan Hyland

On 2 December, a terrorist attack killed 14 people and wounded more than 20 others in San Bernardino, California. Less than two months later, an event nearby focused on peace: the Rotary World Peace Conference. The two-day meeting on 15-16 January brought together experts from around the world to explore ideas and solutions to violence and conflict.

San Bernardino County official Janice Rutherford, a member of the Rotary Club of Fontana, California, told attendees at the opening general session that the conference couldn’t be timelier. “Now more than ever, we need to come together and create peace and reduce human suffering,” said Rutherford, who declared 15 January 2016 Rotary World Peace Day and a Day of Peace for San Bernardino County. “We appreciate your commitment to exploring these options and taking them back to your community and the rest of the world.”

Actress and humanitarian Sharon Stone urged conference attendees to find tolerance within themselves as a way to develop compassion and understanding for others. Noting that today’s technology makes it easy to learn about diverse cultures and beliefs, Stone encouraged Rotary members to embrace differences while learning about others’ work. “The more we understand the darkness of our enemies, the better we know what to do, how to respond and behave,” said Stone.



Actress and humanitarian Sharon Stone gives the peace sign after speaking.
Photo: Ryan Hyland

Read the complete story at: <https://www.rotary.org/myrotary/en/news-media/news-features/presidential-conference-explores-routes-peace>

CALENDAR

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

February 9

- A “Puzzling” Rotary Fellowship Day, Randy Hawthorne Host
- Celebrate February Birthdays
- TeamMates Minute, Valerie Hunt
- New Member Review Committee Meeting, 1 p.m. Cathy Beecham Chair

February 16

- FUSE Coworking, Cathy Beecham Host

February 17

- Salute To Business Committee Meeting, 7:30 a.m., Valentino’s Corporate Office, 2601 S. 70th St. (north of the restaurant), Julie Robinson Chair

February 18

- Social Event, 5:30 – 7:30 PM, Home of Liz & Ken Koop, 6600 Potomac Place, NEOS, Orientation & Activation Committee Host

February 19

- Lincoln Rotary Club #14 Foundation Board Meeting for Audit and Investment Report, Noon – 1:30 PM, Valentino’s, 70th & Van Dorn

February 20-21

- Rotary Youth Exchange Outbound Orientation, Grand Island

February 22

- Board Meeting, Noon-1:30 PM, Lincoln Community Foundation, 215 Centennial Mall South, 5th Floor

February 23

- Susan Stibal, President, Lincoln Rotary Club #14 Foundation
- World Understanding and Peace Day
- Rotary International’s 111th Birthday!

February 24

- Lincoln Rotary Club #14 Foundation Call Night, Mike Wortman Host

February 24-25

- Serving at the Gathering Place, 4:45-6:00 pm, Contact Stu Spero, 402.488.2538, sms@nebrwesleyan.edu

February 27

- Rotary Leadership Institute, 8:00 AM – 3:30 PM, Iowa City (Parts I and II only), www.rli-heartland.org

Other Lincoln Club Meetings:

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

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 Venue, 4111 Pioneer Woods Dr. #100, private dining room east of restaurant

2/12 Morgan Beck, Hudl, “What we do, Who we serve, How to recruit team members”

Lunch Passes Available

Have you noticed some Rotarians passing right by the cashier after scanning their badge? That’s because they have a lunch pass and you can have one too! Just bring a check on Tuesday, and that amount will be “pre-loaded” into your account so you too can breeze by the cashier. Invoices are available online, or you can even pay directly online using a credit/debit card, under the “My Rotary” section of our website:

<http://www.rotary14.org/members-login/lunch-pass.html>

NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TeamMates — At the recently held TeamMates Recognition Event, several community members were recognized for their dedication to serving the TeamMates Program. Fellow Club #14 Rotarian **Ruth Gerber** was one of several recognized with The Decade of Difference Award, which is presented to TeamMates mentors who have been matched with a mentee for 10 years. Ruth says: “It’s been an education, sometimes a challenge and generally a pleasure to hope I may have helped a few students along their way.” That is quite a commitment. Congratulations Ruth! Many young people could benefit from you sharing just one hour a week with them. Become a TeamMate, www.lincolnteammates.org or contact:

— Maury Halstead, TeamMates Chair, 402.435.5039, nel@windstream.net

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MENTORING PROGRAM

Together We Transform Lives

Remember the Lincoln Rotary Club #14 Challenge! — President Kiersten kicked off the 2015-16 Rotary year with a Challenge. Visit www.rotary14.org/myrotary if you’ve forgotten. One of the challenges related to answering the occasional Rotary Quiz in the Propeller. Send your answer to Mary to earn challenge points. So here’s another question: As of the printing of the most recent directory, according to their assigned classification, how many of our members were working in, or retired from, the field of “Education”?

February Birthdays — Since last week’s meeting was cancelled due to the snowstorm, we’ll celebrate birthdays this Tuesday. So, for all you February birthdays, listed in last week’s Propeller, join us at the birthday table this Tuesday for a special treat. All Rotarians are encouraged to participate in our “**Birthday Book**” program. Books are given to Lincoln school libraries, in honor of our weekly speakers, or in the name of someone you request. These books, selected and purchased by the schools with your \$20 donation, are “given” in recognition of the honoree near your birthday. Thank you!

Rotary Global Rewards — Special Offers Exclusively for Rotarians —

Rotary International would like to take this opportunity to remind you about Rotary Global Rewards, the member

benefit program featuring special offers that allow Rotarians to do a lot more for a lot less — no matter what you’re doing. Whether you’re working on your club’s community projects, enjoying a night out with friends or sharing your Rotary story with someone new, you can take advantage of discounts and special offers on airfare, hotels, vehicle rentals, and entertainment.

Would you like to offer discounts from your business to other Rotarians? Help build the program by adding special offers from your own company to the growing portfolio of Rotary Global Rewards. To learn more, visit www.Rotary.org/GlobalRewards. **The good you do comes back to you**

Attention Committee Chairs — Remember to report meeting and/or project attendance to Mary Buckley for makeup credit! It’s important not only for the individual Rotarian makeups, but also as a way to quantify the overall level of engagement and participation of our members. Thank you!

— Mary Buckley, 402.796.2505, direx@inebraska.com

Remembering Paul Harris — Paul Percy Harris, the founder of Rotary, passed away on January 27, 1947 at the age of 79 and is buried in Chicago. Paul Harris was a modest and humble man, a man of good humor. He always was willing to share the credit for the success of Rotary with others. It has been said that what he founded grew to encompass and change the world! What would he think today? The global accomplishments of Rotary International are remarkable! And, we are all part of this!



Be proud to be a Rotarian!

— from a club bulletin