



Rotary Club of Lincoln



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Top 5 reasons to support The Rotary Foundation

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By contributing to the Foundation, you advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through the improvement of health, the support of education, and the alleviation of poverty. There are many reasons to support The Rotary Foundation as there are ways to do good in the world. By contributing to the Foundation, you help support the Foundation's six areas of focus, which help to advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through the improvement of health, the support of education, and the alleviation of poverty. Here are a few ways your contributions are making change possible.

5. Fighting hunger

In Romania, orphans and sick children have eggs, milk, and meat because of a Foundation grant that benefits local farmers. The farmers are able to buy everything from animal feed to packaging materials. There is one stipulation: They must donate a portion of their products to children's hospitals, schools, and orphanages. In Alaska, USA, the Rotary Club of Anchorage East is also fighting hunger by distributing food to low-income families through a mobile food pantry. Projects such as

these help address the areas of focus of maternal and child health as well as economic and community development.

4. Reducing child mortality

The Rotary clubs of Jaala-Kandana, Western Province, Sri Lanka, and Madras Northwest, Tamil Nadu, India, are helping to reduce child mortality by providing improved sanitation facilities for 15 families in a small



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community in Sri Lanka. With a Rotary Foundation Matching Grant, the clubs have built 14 toilets, helping to prevent diarrhea and other diseases related to poor sanitation.

According to the World Health Organization, 1.8 million children die of diarrhea every year, making it the second leading cause of death among children under five. Proper sanitation can reduce the rate of child mortality in many communities by up to a third. Water and sanitation is the third area of focus.

3. Promoting peace and conflict resolution

Watching civil war tear apart his homeland of Côte d'Ivoire instilled in Rotary Peace Fellow Kouame Remi Oussou a passion to resolve conflict. He is now work

ing for the United Nations Development Programme in the Central African Republic, a country that weathered periodic internal fighting before a comprehensive peace accord took effect in 2007. Rotary Peace Fellows are leaders in promoting national and international cooperation, peace, and conflict resolution. Help support the Rotary Peace Centers. Peace and conflict prevention/resolution is the first area of focus. Read about four Rotary Peace Fellows and their visions for peace.

2. Basic education and literacy

Education helps rebuild lives, whether it's in small rural towns or in war-torn countries. For example, a literacy project sponsored by U.S. Rotarians in conjunction with the International Reading Association (IRA) is helping Sudanese refugees rebuild their communities by equipping them to teach future generations.

The Southern Sudan Teacher Training Initiative provides refugees of the country's decades-long civil war, who are known as the Lost Boys and Girls of Sudan, with teacher training materials, guidance, and support to help them teach students in kindergarten through eighth grade. "People returning from refugee camps to rebuild their lives in Duk County are hungry for books and school supplies," says John Dau, a Lost Boy, humanitarian, and founder of the John Dau Foundation.

1. Eradicating polio

Around the world, Rotarians are taking millions of steps in walkathons, diving into icy ocean waters, and participating in other fundraisers to help Rotary fulfill its promise to rid the world of polio. Si Burgher, of the Rotary Club of Bloomfield, Indiana, USA, raised almost \$1,600 by having his shaggy eyebrows shaved.

After 25 years of hard work, Rotary and its partners are on the brink of eradicating this tenacious disease, but a strong push is needed now to root it out once and for all. It is a window of opportunity of historic proportions. Since 1988, Rotary International and its partners in the Global Polio Eradication Initiative (GPEI) — the World Health Organization, UNICEF, and the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention — have worked to wipe polio from the face of the earth. A volunteer service organization of 1.2 million men and women, Rotary began immunizing children against polio in 1985 and became a spearheading partner in the GPEI three years later.

Rotary's main responsibilities are fundraising, advocacy, and volunteer recruitment. To date, Rotary has contributed more than US\$900 million to the polio eradication effort. With over 33,000 clubs in more than 200 countries and geographical areas, Rotary is able to reach out to national governments worldwide to generate crucial financial and technical support for polio eradication. Since 1995, the advocacy efforts of Rotary and its partners have helped raise more than \$8 billion from donor governments. Rotary clubs also provide "sweat equity" on the ground in polio-affected communities, which helps ensure that leaders at all levels remain focused on the eradication goal. Rotary club members have volunteered their time and personal resources to reach more than two billion children in 122 countries with the oral polio vaccine.

Thanks to Rotary and its partners, the world has seen polio cases plummet by more than 99%, preventing five million instances of child paralysis and 250,000 deaths. When Rotary began its eradication work, polio infected more than 350,000 children annually. In 2009, fewer than 1,700 cases were reported worldwide. But the polio cases represented by that final 1% are the most difficult and expensive to prevent. Challenges include geographic isolation, worker fatigue, armed conflict, and cultural barriers. That's why it's so important to generate the funding needed to End Polio Now. To fail is to invite a polio resurgence that would condemn millions of children to lifelong paralysis in the years ahead. **The bottom line is this: As long as polio threatens even one child anywhere in the world, all children - wherever they live - remain at risk.**



Who is this guy and what is he doing?

PPP - President Paul's Piece

My theme for my year as President is to improve our Fellowship within the club, this can be done in a number of ways all of which will need the support of the members in one way or another,

I have been pleased with the reception I have received with the disbanding of the Top Table which has released the officers of the club to sit with the membership at our regular Monday meetings. Having gone through 2 years as Vice President and President Elect I was mindful of the fact that I had lost out on the weekly chats with fellow Rotarians of the

Club over lunch, plus the fact that in this day and age it would reduce the formality that I believe we needed to address within our club.

My first duty as President was to attend the now annual Sekt and Seafood evening which once again was a huge success, not only from the Fellowship angle but also the profit from the event, which is most welcome. It was most strange to be involved in a joint event with the FFN Lincoln Section and be President of both organisations! For the information of those members who do not know what "FFN" stands for it is "Feucht Froehliche Neustadter" other than Alfred, I am not sure many of you will be any the wiser, if you ask him he will advise you of the translation. On the same evening the Youth Concert was once again a most successful event and thanks to Barry Dean for standing in for me, I am sure the Autumn Concert is being looked forward to by members when again with the help of the Lincolnshire Co-Op with their sponsorship a successful event is expected.



The President's Barbecue, which I hope will become an annual event, was enjoyed by 120 Rotarians and friends in the delightful garden of the Sub Deanery and I am pleased to be able to put into my charity account the profits from the day of almost £1500 which will be presented to Matt's Fund at the end of my year in office. We were lucky with the weather and it was really good to see that District Governor Terry and Immediate Past District Governor Len and their wives were able to be present to enjoy a barbecue cooked as it should be done by my eldest son Mark who is a Past President of Colonia, his younger brother Kevin who is a chef and my younger brother Chris. The lads were ably helped with the salads

by my wife Sue, Vice President's wife Wendy and President Elects wife Joy - truly a family affair - the Rotarian family and the Brewer family! "I would also like to thank both Richard Lucas and Malcolm Miller for the use of their tents which went a long way to setting the atmosphere of the afternoon".



The first occasion of my idea that we should have some evening meetings, as part of my wish to increase Fellowship and include our partners, will have taken place by the time you read these notes and I sincerely hope that it has been successful and a basis to arrange further events, At the moment I have a "Curry Evening" arranged for February in the St. Mary's Guildhall and I intend to have at least two further Monday evenings arranged before the end of my year as President, all I ask is that you make every effort to attend, you may well enjoy.

Finally I understand my change of Menu format has been generally accepted as being fair to all, however I am always open to comment. It is my intention to further modify the content for the winter, and helpful suggestions would be well received. I would also like to take this opportunity of thanking our members for their understanding in relation to the changes I have



brought in and trust that they will move our club forward to embrace the current attitudes of the Rotary movement.

Paul Brewer

The 2011 Sponsored Cycle Ride

Another year and another successful charity cycle ride in aid of British Heart Foundation.

The day started early for Vic Kinnin and Stephen Pope who pre-checked and signed posted the route, placing warning signs at the major road junctions. Following the H&S and route briefing by Vic and the traditional



group start photo call, twenty six riders enjoyed excellent weather and managed the usual country side route from Aisthorpe to Brampton and back. It was good to see the regulars such as the Coffey Mates, Peter & Audrey Manton and also welcome some new riders Helen, Steven, Andy & Jo.

Congratulations to Vic Kinnin and his helpers who organised a brilliant



event. The signage and instructions were easy to comply with although the requirement to follow the red arrows on the outward route did require a speed difficult to achieve on a bike.

A big thanks to riders and marshals, with special thanks to Sue & Steve for the half way refreshments, which, given the temperature, were most welcome and also to Bas & Jan for much needed refreshments at the end of the ride.

At this time the total raised for the BHF is not known, however, the Community Service Committee have resolved to organise another for 2011 and increase the numbers taking part.



New member Steve



New member Steve Hutchinson has trod the boards now for nearly 40 years, starting as a child on Yorkshire TV's 'Junior Showtime' and 'Stars on Sunday'. Working as Steve Barclay (unknown to millions) a zany comedy entertainer, Steve has enjoyed playing theatres nationwide with many of the top stars of show business including 'Danny La Rue' OBE, 'Sir Norman Wisdom', 'Roy Hudd', 'Rick Wakeman' and 'Katrina and the Waves'. Steve has been delighted to play the Swansea Grand, Bristol Hippodrome, Leeds City Varieties and even the world famous London Palladium.

It's been a hard life as a comedy entertainer working in the sunshine of the Caribbean and the Mediterranean cruising the world, entertaining passengers on the ocean wave delighting the cabaret audiences with his brand of stand-up comedy, zany impressions and music with some mean ukulele playing thrown in for good measure. Steve is also an accomplished pantomime dame and played his first pantomime dame at the Derngate theatre Northampton. Since then Steve has played various dames at the Theatre Royal Hanley, HFC Truro and other UK theatres. More recently Steve played Dame Widow Twankey to tremendous popular acclaim at the Lincoln Theatre Royal with 'Cannon and Ball'.

Steve has also formed his own production company 'BeatBoo Entertainments' and his cabaret package shows have proved very popular with audiences and managements in the UK offering top class entertainment with wide audience appeal, what is more they can be tailored to any clientele requirements. Steve also tours his own One Man Show - 'Barclay's Swinging Laughter Show' and 'Barclay's One Man Variety Show'.

Remember, remember the 1st of October, when your Club will need your HELP.

A Visitor from Lincoln (one of the many Lincolns on the other side of the 'pond')

The Rotary Club of Lincoln was pleased to welcome Rotarian Jim McKee from the Rotary Club of Lincoln, Nebraska, who gave a most informative and humorous talk about his home city. It was interesting to see how it went from a treeless 'hamlet' just before the American Civil War to the verdant thriving metropolis it is today.



Greetings to you Jim and to the **350 Rotarians** back home in your 'Rotary Club of Lincoln'.

Wanted a 'Citizen Cane' ?

Position available in July 2012

By the time the new Rotary Year starts in July 2012, your Newsletter Editor and PRO will have completed 5 years in both posts. He believes that it is time for new ideas and new blood in both posts and fresh challenges for himself.

So, if you've ever fancied yourself as 'Chief Reporter and Editor' please contact President Elect Alfred.

I will of course continue to have my camera to hand and be prepared to produce photos for the Newsletter and the Web Site.

Vic Kinnin

New Specs Case for Sainsbury's

President Elect Alfred has installed the new collection point at Sainsbury's. The Company's Staff are very helpful in supporting us this way. The donated spectacles are sorted and selected for usefulness and they are then sent to Vision Aid Overseas through DX Courier Service free of charge.



The lady pictured with Alfred is Tammy from Customer Services in the Sainsbury's Store.

Alfred sent copies of the photo and captions to Vision Aid Overseas and received the following reply:

Dear Alfred,

This is fantastic news – thank you very much for all your hard work on our behalf and I am delighted to hear that the recycling centre at Sainsbury's has been well received. I am copying our Communications Manager, Lucy Jenkins, into this message so that she has details if she wants to put something into one of her forthcoming publications. I'm also going to forward her the photos.

Thank you very much for your support and please send my best wishes to everyone at the Rotary Club of Lincoln.

*Yours sincerely,
Jeremy*

David Yabbacome - Study Leave

I don't need to tell you, but I shall still remind you, that Rotary is an unbelievably good thing. Two years ago I suffered a potentially calamitous mishap while out cycling. Through the months of recovery that have followed the sustained practical care, support, and real friendship of my fellow Rotarians continues to give real healing encouragement. I was deeply humbled to be presented with a Paul Harris Fellowship at our Club Christmas Lunch, especially because I feel it is those who have travelled alongside me who are more worthy of such an honour.

Having been in ordained ministry for getting on for thirty years I have been granted three months Extended Study Leave, beginning at August Bank Holiday. This will serve as a period for study, reflection, and renewal. And I am sufficiently recovered that Esther and I will be spending a good part of the Leave in Australia, where I'll be engaging with the Church and, I am delighted to say, with Rotary. Furthermore, you will be pleased to know that the Rotary element in the Study Leave has been affirmed by the Bishop. The theme of the Study Leave is Rediscovering Priesthood. I've known since the age of three years that I would be a Vicar, and I've spent the years since then trying to work out why and what that means! Rotary has been a significant part of that process, not least through my Father-in-Law, who was an enthusiastic and long-serving Rotarian, and himself, a Paul Harris Fellow.

We are to begin our travels firmly in Rotary, staying with Past President Pat and Ros Curbishley in Perth. We will go on to spend time in Melbourne, then Hobart. I am in process of exploring Rotary contacts and really looking forward to enjoying Rotary fellowship at its international best. Rotary provides secure, down to earth fellowship and real, genuine, friendship where members can be themselves, seeking in our imperfect way to serve the greater good. Our politicians would do well to look at Rotary to see a fine model of Big Society.

I will be privileged to take President Paul's greetings to Rotary in Australia, and I shall enjoy taking the opportunity of bringing Antipodean greetings back to the Rotary Club of Lincoln.

The Next Newsletter will be out in mid October containing images and news of 'The Water Centenary', plus you decide, please send contributions to Vic!

'Thank You Letters' Received



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14 July 2011

Copy for Bob Bennison

Dear Simon

First of all we would like to thank you and Bob Bennison for coming to watch the match against Gainsborough Boys in May and, of course, for the trophies purchased by The Rotary Club of Lincoln for the Lincoln Boys Representative team. It was great for the children to take away a memento of their year following their last game for Lincoln Boys.

Secondly, we would like to thank you for your continued support in the form of the £100 donation that we received last month. It is through kind donations like this that we are able to continue organising and managing the Lincoln Primary Schools Football Association as well as the Lincoln Boys Under 11's Representative Team. This continues to provide competitive school football across the city for children between the ages of nine and eleven and for the city to compete against other regional football association representative teams.

We would be extremely grateful if you could pass on our thanks to the Rotary Club of Lincoln and extend our invite to anyone who would like to come and watch a match at all next season.

Yours sincerely

Daniel Callaghan
Treasurer
Lincoln Primary Schools Football Association

Thanks from Cerebral Palsy Sport

"Thank you very much for helping to raise a brilliant £8188.90 in sponsorship for Cerebral Palsy Sport by taking part in this years Lincoln 10K, Buggy Push and schools races. Our target was £8000 and you made sure we reached it and some! If you still have sponsor money to send in, please do. It's never too late, and it would be great if you could help us reach £8500 or even £9k this year.

As a small charity that receives no government, lottery and sports governing body funding, the amount you have raised will go along way to making sure more children with cerebral palsy have the chance to participate in the sports activities that many of us take for granted".

Olympics 2012

The London 2012 Olympics are a unique opportunity for Rotary clubs and districts in RIBI to be part of the biggest sporting event these islands have seen for years. People are coming together, from all over the world, to celebrate the achievements and talents of their athletes. Let's help them enjoy the experi-

ence and tell them about Rotary. The RIBI Olympic Committee is there to support your ideas and help your club be part of the Olympic dream by supporting RIBI youth programmes and community events which are linked with the games. When the starting pistol is fired in July, Rotary clubs need to be ready for action.

Olympics, 27th July - 12th August

The Olympic Games and Paralympics are not just in London. Football games are kicking off at Hampden Park, Old Trafford, St. James' Park, the Millennium Stadium and City of Coventry Stadium. Sailing events are taking place at Weymouth and Portland

Paralympics, 29th August - 9th September 2012

The Paralympics have everyone of the edge of their seat as athletes go for gold. You could organise a special outing to a Paralympics event for disabled and able-bodied children from your area.

Wheelpower is working with Rotary clubs to provide 2012 sports wheelchair packages to give children with mobility problems the opportunity to participate in sport, some for the first time. Some Rotary clubs are already sponsoring a young athlete who is competing in the Paralympic Games.

UK Athletics have identified some Paralympic hopefuls who would like support to be able to compete. Do the organisers of a Paralympics event need help with transport and stewarding? You could lend a hand and help competitors have a safe and enjoyable day.

Torch relay

The Olympic Torch Relay route has been announced. The symbolic flame will be in Lincoln so find out where the flame will be and cheer on the inspirational people who are carrying it by going along. Perhaps the flame bearer is someone you know or nominated.

Kids to the Games

Clubs have the opportunity to purchase group organiser tickets and organise a Kids Out type event to take disabled and able-bodied youngsters to the Paralympic Games.



**Santa's Sleigh
in the City Square**

26 November 2011

**Santa will require
the assistance
of his 'helpers'**

***A 10 Pin Bowling "match"
v's
Bailgate***

will take place on
WEDNESDAY 2ND.NOVEMBER
At the Lincoln Superbowl
(Valentine Road)

Time to be finalised but probably 7pm.

Cost £10 per person
Only 20 places (Partners welcome)
First come first served!

The First Round of the District Quiz
will take place on **Tuesday 1st November**
at the **Assembly Halls** commencing at 7.30pm
We are the Host Club, please come and support

Dates for your Diary 2011 - 12

- 01 Oct** 'Lincoln Water 100' Celebration
- 11 Oct** Visit to the Palace of Westminster
- 01 Nov** District Quiz
- 02 Nov** Inter club Bowling Match
- TBN** Autumn Youth Concert
- 26 Nov** Santa's Seigh in City Square
- 12 Dec** 'Festival of Carols'
- 13, 14,**
- 15 Dec** Carol Singing
- 19 Dec** Club Christmas Lunch
- TBN** Age UK Xmas Party Transport
- 23 & 24 Dec** Santa Collections at Waitrose
- 25 Dec** New Life Church Transport
- 10 Feb 2012** Wine & Wisdom Evening
- 02 Mar** The 90th Charter Dinner Evening
- 05 Mar** 90th Charter Anniversary Lunch

Stewards' Rota Oct - Dec 2011

- 03 Oct** Richard Vigar & Malcolm Webb
- 10 Oct** Peter Wright & David Beer
- 17 Oct** Bob Bennison & Bas Blackburn
- 24 Oct** Brian Cardy & Denis Clarke
- 31 Oct** Simon Clarke & Terry Coffey
- 07 Nov** David Cox & Neil Curtis
- 14 Nov** Alan Dawkins & Barry Dean
- 21 Nov** Dick Denby & Len Drew
- 28 Nov** Diane Genders & Nigel Harrison
- 05 Dec** Terry Herrick & Peter Howard
- 12 Dec** John Hunt & John Hunter
- 19 Dec** Christmas Lunch (Stewards TBA)

If you cannot attend the meeting when you are nominated to be a steward, it is your responsibility to arrange for another member to do it for you; and please inform both the Secretary and the Senior Steward.

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