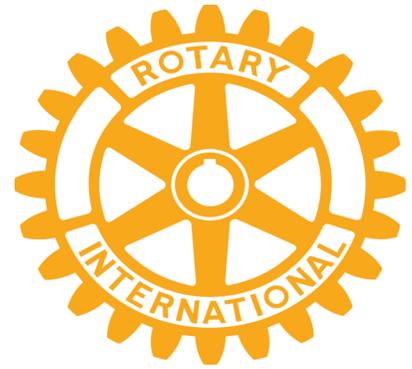


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Newsletter for the Rotary Club of
Council Bluffs Centennial

May 16, 2018

Upcoming Programs/ Greeters:

June 6, 2018: t/b/a
June 20, 2018: t/b/a

Birthdays/Anniversaries:

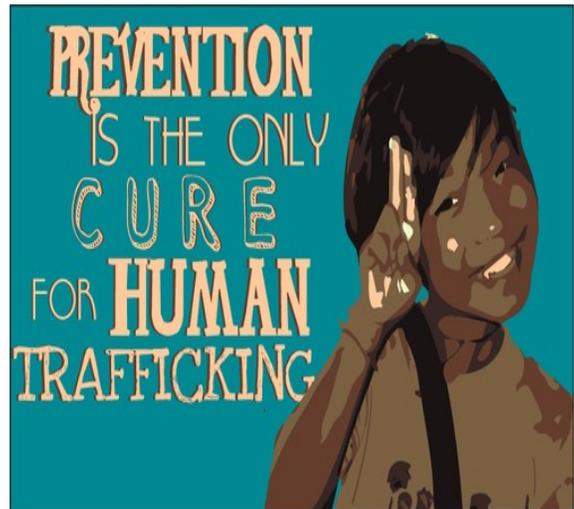
May 1: Jo & Larry Peters
May 5: Stephani Moon
May 15: Brian Moon
May 22: Brandon Morehead
May 23: Terri Dreismeier
May 23: Todd Lehan
May 27: Rick Stone
May 29: Erin McKee



HUMAN TRAFFICKING UPDATE

This morning, we had another presentation about our club's efforts in Human Trafficking.

John Focht, a detective with the Council Bluffs Police Department, spoke to the



club about his role in this process. John has been with the Council Bluffs Police Department for twenty one years. He has worked with the vice/narcotics unit for approximately fourteen years. As a vice officer, he has been involved in a number of different roles, including some undercover work. Within his duties, he works prostitution cases. His efforts in this field pairs him up with other local law enforcement officials as well as the FBI. John is deputized to assist the FBI in its efforts to combat Human Trafficking.

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John shared that prostitution cases are handled differently today than how these have been handled in the past. He shared that the focus now is figuring out if the prostitutes are doing this voluntarily. He shared that some individuals are doing this voluntarily however he shared many are not. Many females are being pulled into this system. They look at each girl they encounter individually to figure out why they are involved in these activities. Their goal now is to go after the pimps and those who are controlling these activities. As we have heard in the past, getting things to change is not easy. Active efforts have been underway to partner with members/businesses of the community. John explained that most of the time, the involuntary participants have nothing. Everything they rely upon is controlled by her pimp. So, breaking away is difficult. Partnerships are being created to give these individuals opportunities to make it on their own.

John shared that the coalition is working on creating educational opportunities for those in the system. In particular, he shared that work is underway to create a "John School". He indicated the purpose of the school would be to educate those arrested, i.e. Johns, as to what is really going on behind the scenes in the prostitution world. He shared there are different communities which already have these schools in place and he is hopeful something will become available in this area. It would be anticipated that those arrested, i.e. the Johns, would be required to attend this course as a condition of his sentence.

Thanks to Bob and Katie for having Detective Focht come and speak to our club.

CHANGE THE WORLD

“Change the World”. Bring your change to our meeting on June 6, 2018 to help with our club’s efforts in eradicating Polio. As you know, Rotary has been at the forefront of ending Polio worldwide and we keep getting closer to the finish line. Money raised by Rotary is matched by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation. So, bring your loose change to Rotary on June 6th. You can CHANGE the world.



Kickball: Save the date

It is that time of year to start planning for our club’s kickball tournament. In the next few weeks everything should be in place for registration, etc. This year’s event will again be held at the Council Bluffs Sports Complex, 2900 Richard Downing Drive. The event will be held on Saturday morning, August 25, 2018 from 9:00 a.m. to Noon. All proceeds will again be used to fund our club’s scholarship program for graduating high school seniors. If you are interested in helping out for this year’s event, please visit with Craig.



In the meantime, its not too early to start rounding up teams to compete.

Make Up Opportunities

Monday: North- Noon, Eppley Airport Conference Center;

Bellevue- Noon, D.J.’s Dugout, 2440 Cornhusker Road;

Millard-Noon, German American Society, 3717 S. 120th Street;

Tuesday: Morning- 7:00 a.m., Happy Hollow Club, 1701 S. 105th Street;

Northwest- Noon, Champions Run, 13800 Eagle Run Drive;

Southwest - 5:15 p.m. D.J.’s Dugout, 17666 Welch Plaza;

Wednesday: Downtown-Noon, Field Club, 3615 Woolworth Ave.;

Thursday: Suburban- Noon, Anthony’s 7220 F Street; Western Douglas County- 7:00 a.m. Elkhorn Common Ground Community Center, 1701 Veterans Dr.; Council Bluffs-Noon, Council Bluffs Senior Center;

Friday: West- Noon, Champions Run, 13800 Eagle Run Dr.

Online makeup: <http://www.rotaryclubone.org>