



SCOLBE Projects in Progress

Six clients have signed engagement letters with SCOLBE:

Nebraska Lutheran Outdoor Ministries—NLOM

Bill Kernan and George Wachtler are the SCOLBE advisors on this project with Bryan Stoltenberg as the advisor trainee. They are working with NLOM, the camping ministry of the Nebraska Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, on a business plan for 2012 and are training camp staff to develop business plans in the future.

Concordia Lutheran Schools of Omaha—CLSO

Clara Schrader is working with staff at CLSO to develop a volunteer training manual. This manual will be used to engage people in volunteer roles on behalf of CLSO. In addition, SCOLBE will have a “How To” Manual that could be

used by SCOLBE advisors as they work with ministries wanting and needing to develop or strengthen a volunteer process for their ministry.

Heartland Lutheran High School and Heartland Lutheran Foundation in Grand Island, NE

SCOLBE advisor Mike Milbourn helped high school leaders create a vision statement based on the school’s mission statement. This will be used in writing a strategic plan. Mark Blanke joined Milbourn in advising the Heartland Foundation Board on plans for a capital campaign.

Word of Life Lutheran Church in Lincoln, NE

SCOLBE will be assisting Word of Life in developing a Campaign Readiness Survey that will position them to have a capital campaign to build a new building. Roger Doehling, a member

of King of Kings Lutheran in Omaha has agreed to be the advisor on this project.

Faith Lutheran Church in Lincoln, NE

SCOLBE will identify Faith Lutheran’s vision and assist their leadership in developing a Living Strategic Plan to accomplish that vision. Advisors are needed for this project.

Additional Projects

SCOLBE is also in discussion with four other ministries about potential projects.



“Listen to Advice and accept instruction and in the end you will be wise.” Proverbs 19:20 NIV

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New Member Added to SCOLBE Board of Direc- tors

At the March 22, 2011 Board of Directors meeting, Raymond D. Duerfeldt of Darst & Associates, P.C. was elected to the board. Mr. Duerfeldt is a CPA with Darst and will be bringing his financial and accounting background to the board. Raymond and his wife Paulette attend Rejoice Lutheran Church in Omaha, NE. He has served as Chair of the Building Committee several times and served as Council Chair during the formative years of Rejoice Lutheran. They have three daughters and many grandchildren. Welcome, Mr. Duerfeldt.

Other Board of Directors News

Bill Biggs and Bill Kernen were re-elected to the Board of Directors with their terms expiring in 2015. Election of officers was as follows:

President: Bill Kernen

Vice-President: Bill Biggs

Secretary: Larry Novicki

Treasurer: Doug Durbin

The 2011 operating plan, budget and cash flow projections were adopted. The board also established an ad hoc committee for grant requests.

Advisory Recruitment Committee

Del Toebben, a SCOLBE board member, is the Chairman of the Advisory Recruitment Committee which has been meeting since February. Committee members are: Bob Bloeche of Hawkins Construction Co, Cecil Bykerk of Bykerk Consulting; Gail Hawkins of Tetrad Corporation; Brent Pohlman of Midwest Laboratories; Gaye Lynn Schaffart of Tenaska Marketing Ventures, Dennis Scheer of The Clark Enersen Partners. Lloyd Probasco, SCOLBE Executive Director serves as an advisory member. The committee's tasks include:

- Drawing up advisor forms
- Recruiting and training advisors
- Matching advisors with projects

**SCOLBE Advisors
Commit for One
Project at a Time
when it is
convenient for you
to complete
a project.**

What in the world is a PPT?

The SCOLBE Advisory Recruitment Committee has come up with the acronym PPT. The Project Profile Team or PPT consists of SCOLBE volunteers who work with a client to prepare a project profile and an engagement letter. This team would consist of approximately 3 members who would use their skills to assess the needs of the client and determine the scope and desired outcomes of the project. This would be done in 2 to 3 meetings. At least one of the PPT would have experience in preparing a project profile .



Volunteer Recognition

SCOLBE gives thanks for these volunteers who are serving as advisors on projects:

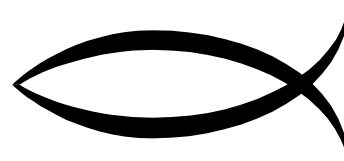
Marc Blanke
Roger Doehling
Bill Kernen
Michael Milbourn
Lloyd Probasco
Clara Schrader
Bryan Stoltenberg
George Wachtler

Gift of tax exempt status

Included in the 2011 SCOLBE Operating Plan is to grow unrestricted gifts to \$17,000. These gifts would be used to provide administrative support for SCOLBE. If you would like to honor the work that SCOLBE does, please contact Lloyd Probasco at

lprobasco@

windstream.net or 402-328-0370. SCOLBE received its tax exempt designation on July 21, 2010.



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Check out our web site to find the following information.

- 1) Testimonials
- 2) Areas of Expertise
- 3) Newsletters and Marketing brochures
- 4) Links to various organizations that SCOLBE has served.



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Christ Lutheran Church Mission Statement

Connecting people to Christ, and together, growing in His Word.



He told the group that he wanted this to be our plan. He provided the proper direction for everyone to gain ownership in the strategy."

Ed Bean Director of Biblical Finance, Christ Lutheran Church, Lincoln

SCOLBE Success Story:

Christ Lutheran Church, Lincoln

Financial gifts to a church are crucial to its survival and growth-and it's no different for Christ Lutheran Church in Lincoln, NE. When Church leaders were looking for a more effective way to promote and encourage gifts through its Foundation, they turned to SCOLBE for assistance.

The process started with a strategy-planning meeting with the Foundation Board, Director of Biblical Finance, Ed Bean, and a SCOLBE advisor.

"We divided those at the meeting into two groups and our advisor asked everyone to respond to a prepared questionnaire," Bean said. "Besides providing answers to basic questions, such as how our financials look and how the money is invested to provide income, our advisor had us think about what we wanted to do and what we could do."

The SCOLBE advisor's approach made all the difference, Bean said. The meeting bore several ideas, which the advisor gathered into a written plan-a month-by-month road map the Foundation can follow for the next two years. Action items include holding educational seminars targeting different age groups in the Congregation and publishing success stories in the Foundation magazine about people and programs that have benefited from financial gifts.

An Opportunity to Serve

There is a valuable opportunity to share your experience and skills you have accumulated as a business professional, and also serve your faith. The Service Corps of Lutheran Business Executives, known as SCOLBE, is a nonprofit organized to bring together volunteer advisors—people like you—to help congregations and ministries meet their business objectives.

Each ministry we assist has different needs in different administrative disciplines. To provide the best match of client and advisor, we first ask our volunteers to meet with us to discuss their role and confirm that the working dynamic will be an asset to everyone.

As a prospective SCOLBE advisor you'll complete an advisor registration skills form. The results will help SCOLBE see where your strengths are and how to help you make the most of them. In every case, we are looking for volunteers who have credibility in their community, the compassion to help others and effective communication skills. See the adjoining classified ad for SCOLBE needs and contact information.

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Name

Street address

City, state, and zip

Advisors Wanted:

Christian business professionals—working and retired, men and women—who wish to volunteer their experience and expertise to congregations and ministries in the local community

Skills Needed: Experience in business disciplines related to financial matters, short-and long-term planning, risk management, funding and resource management, information technology, governance, volunteer recruitment and retention, and communications and marketing

Compensation: The fulfillment in serving Him by helping others fulfill their mission

Benefits: Networking, fellowship and the satisfaction of serving as a valued mentor

Contact: SCOLBE, The Service Corps of Lutheran Business Executives
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