

NEIGHBORHOOD EXTRA

Lincoln Rotary Club member gets top award

Lincoln South Rotary Club member Jenny Cardwell was honored with Rotary International's highest honor — the Service Above Self Award.

While presenting the award, Rotary District 5650 Governor Tom Kerfoot said Cardwell's past efforts for projects led to her nomination.

As a past president of Lincoln South Rotary Club, Cardwell led projects that helped the club get recognized as an outstanding club by the Rotary District and Rotary International. She implemented special projects as requested by the Rotary International president to promote peace locally and internationally.

While working with the club's youth programs and through her family, she has shared an understanding and belief about service and peace and how working together can improve our world. She supported and coordinated specific events to promote peace and cooperation — Rotary Youth Leadership Awards, Rotary Days and Rotary Peace Forum.

Cardwell brought focus to the problem of human trafficking and coordinated a project to bring awareness and to provide support through personal care bags which contained a number of personal items.

Participating in Rotary Global Grants and other opportunities, she, along with her husband Tom, have been supportive of the issues faced by the internally displaced members of the Georgian community. She traveled there to help them and she hosted them in Lincoln.

Cardwell traveled to Poland to support the citizens of Ukraine who were displaced due to the Russian invasion. Stationed in a hotel in Poland, she helped them organize the volunteers and their work to help ensure more effective services to the displaced women and children.

To learn about Lincoln South Rotary Club, visit www.lincolnsouthrotary.org.