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## LEE'S SUMMIT ROTARY CLUB ENJOYS GUEST SPEAKERS FROM SCA INTERNATIONAL PROGRAM

(Lee's Summit, MO) - Several SCA representatives spoke to members of the Lee's Summit Rotary Club about the SCA international program. Secondary Principal Joe Hesman, International Program Director Kathy Tharp, international students Maria Andres (Spain), Sergio Dalazen (Brazil), Sean Park (South Korea), and Doris Li (China), along with SCA Global Connect officer Perry Worden and International Program Intern Abigail Woodall shared different aspects of the international program and the significant role it plays in equipping world changers.

Most of SCA's international students spend three to four years at SCA preparing to go on to American colleges and universities. During their time at SCA, they serve as Cadet Language Teachers in Mandarin, Spanish, and French classes and provide authentic language and rich culture to the courses.

American students are selected to be a "buddy" to an international student before they arrive in America, helping them assimilate into the SCA community. International Education Week, Global Connect Club, International Festival, and "countries of focus" in each elementary class are just a few ways that the world is opened up to all SCA students.

"Our students are training to be world changers by building friendships, working together, and learning from students from around the world," said International Program Director Kathy Tharp. "We are thankful for the opportunity to share our exceptional program with the Lee's Summit Rotary Club."



SCA International Program Director Kathy Tharp speaking at Lee's Summit Rotary Club.

Established in 1989, SCA is celebrating 26 years of providing excellent academics in a Christian environment to the Kansas City metro area. SCA is an independent, nondenominational Christian school serving 800 preschool through high school students. Located on a 36-acre campus, SCA holds dual accreditation through North Central Association and Association of Christian Schools International.