

RICHLAND **ROTARY REACTOR**

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November Speaker Schedule

28th – Fellowship at Tap & Barrel 112 Keene Road at 4:30pm.

Preliminaries

President Diahann Howard called the meeting to order. Julie directed the group in singing the Albuquerque Turkey. Travis led us through the Pledge of Allegiance, and Jan had the honor of giving the invocation.

Visiting Guests and Rotarians

We had one visiting Rotarian, Jeff Daniels from the Columbia Center chapter. Being that it is a holiday week, we had a number of family guests. Dave Larkin's wife Carol joined us, as did Chris Meyer's son Jackson (all the way from Kansas), and Jacki Wright's husband Steve.

Announcements

Larry Lowry announced that Danielle Kleist's daughter, baby Emma Patricia, was born on 11-15-2017. Larry, coincidentally or not, won the Baby Board by picking that date, and will have

a Paul Harris Fellow in his name. The Kleist family will be donating the other \$340 earned to Catholic Family Charities. Congrats again to Danielle.

50/50

Gary Scofield conducted the drawing. David Chevey-Reynaud held the winning ticket but pulled the blue chip. Dave Larkin held the second winning number.

Judge Jeanne Dillner

Judge Jeanne out a number of fines, including a large one to Daryl Johnson for missing so many meetings. He had a pretty good excuse, having



PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS

Judy Addis (2S)(B)	Stan Jones	Jon M. Putz (6S)	(R) Ruby
Steve Arneson (1R)	Roy Keck	Cindy Reents (1S)	(#R) Multiple Ruby
Jeremy Asmus (2S)	Scott Keller	Dick Richter (2S)	(S) Sapphire
Bob Best (2S)(B)	Shelley Kennedy	Robert Rivera	(#S) Multiple Sapphires
Tom Bock (1R)(B)	Phillip Koech	Gary Scofield (4S)(B)	
Gordon Bopp (1S)	Art D. Kohler (D)(B)	Anjan K. Sen (1S)	
Blaine Carr (6S)	Dave Larkin (D)	Chris Senske (1S)	
Thomas A. Cowan (4S)(B)	Pamela Larsen (4S)(B)	Rick Schulte	
Bob De Lorenzo (D)(B)	Bob D. Larson (4S)(B)	Bill R. Siefken (1R)	
Jeanne Dillner (2S)	Phil Lemley (2S)	Mike Sinclair	
Barbara French (D)	Tim Lewis (3S)	Mark Smith (5S)(B)	
Julie Funfar	Yosen Liu (1S)	Bob Tibbatts (1S)	
Linda Gilmore (2S)	Larry Lowry (3S)(B)	Sam R. Volpentest (2R)(B)	
Jan Griffin (1S)	Jerry J. McGuire (2S)(B)	Tom Watkins (D)(B)	
Pat Haggerty	Kathy Miller (6S)	Ken Williams (6S)	
Diahann Howard	Robert D. Nichols (1S)	Hal Williamson (DD)(B)	
Jan Jackson (2S)	Debbie Nogueras		
Larry D. Jecha	Greg Oberg (4S) (B)		(B) Benefactor
Darrel Johnsen (2S)	Thomas M. O'Brien (2S)		(D) Diamond PHF
			(DD) Dbl. Diamond PHF

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been in China for 12 days to build a church, and in Germany for an additional 10 days with family. David Chevey-Reynaud was found to be the Rotarian traveling the furthest for Thanksgiving, with his plans including a trip back home to Twisp.

Program

Today's first speaker was Ned Morris, from the Shelter Box Response Team. Mr. Morris walked the Rotarians through a thorough explanation of the NGO (non-governmental organization) that is ShelterBox.

ShelterBox provides resources to individuals and families displaced by natural disasters as well as man made conflicts. Right now, there are over 85 million displaced people in the world, 65 million of whom are displaced by man made conflicts.

ShelterBox started in 1999, when a Rotarian in England decided more should be done to those people affected by disasters. ShelterBox hit the world stage in 2004 when over 22,000 boxes were donated to the victims of the Tsunamis in the Philippines. After this event, ShelterBox became its own entity, rather than a wholly owned Rotarian organization.

Originally, shelter boxes (\$1,000) were simply that, large boxes filled with a standard set of items ranging from a tent, tools, tarps, and cooking sets, to hats, gloves, scarves, solar lighting, water purifiers, blankets, and mosquito nets. Over time, many of these items have been upgraded and advanced with new technology. The tents can now withstand 70 mph winds, the water purifiers have been simplified and provide a family of four enough potable water for an entire month, and the lights are solar powered and contain a number of functions.

Now, because each conflict is different, shelter boxes are packed with different items depending on the geographical location and nature of the event. Shelter Kits (\$50) often provide most of the necessities without any waste. Totem boxes are the name for the new, smaller footprint boxes. School Boxes are also provided, which include 50 individual packs for students, as well as additional material for the teacher (hand cranked radio, chalkboard paint, etc.).

Over 1 million people have been helped by the ShelterBox program so far. The organization would like to be helping 1 million people annually within the next five years. This is where individuals, and organizations like Rotary, can help with funding. The Richland Rotary program is currently donating the maximum of \$5,000/year, making us a Gold Member Hero. Please visit www.ShelterBoxUSA.org to find out more about becoming involved or donating.

Reminders

Next week's meeting (11/28/17) will be a fellowship meeting held at Tap & Barrel, located at 112 Keene Road at 4:30pm.

