



# Rotary Club of Centennial Colorado



Centennial, Colorado

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Steve Howery spoke today on “Securing and Protecting US Business Interests Abroad.” Steve is director of security for MWH an international engineering construction. They recently completed the third lock at the Panama Canal in that expansion. They have projects in Peru, Ethiopia, and the Kashmir region of Pakistan. He was saying he has to consider all threats, not just in the foreign countries, but also here in the US. Some of the threats that have to be considered are criminal, health, political, war, natural disasters, and terrorism. Steve mentioned they had to get a restraining order against a husband of one of their employees here in the United States. They have to be aware of the culture in the foreign countries, such as you don’t show the soles of your shoes in some countries or show the palm of your hand when hailing a taxi.

Steve was saying there is no one-size-fits-all solutions. Every local has different requirements. Knowledge is power. Security is driven by a rational assessment of risks and application of appropriate controls. They have to be knowledgeable of crisis management pre-event, during the event, and post event.

In some situations they provide their employees with burn computers and phones. The material on the devices is only what is necessary for the project they are working on. They know that in China, that as soon as they log onto the internet, the Chinese will be hacking their devices and getting information. They will then use it for their own purposes.

Having intelligence will keep you out of trouble.

When considering security, the following steps need to be followed:

1. What is the security policy,
2. What restrictions on in the local where they are going,
3. What is the assessment of the location,
4. What mitigation procedures are in place,
5. What monitoring exists,
6. What response plan exists, and
7. What recovery process exists.
8. He stated “global companies risk liability for breaching not only the laws of the countries in which they operate and in which their employees are nationals or permanent reside, but also those in those countries to which their employees travel on business or live as expatriates. Liability can arise under international law, civil codes, statutes, and common law and may result in civil or criminal penalties, including fines and imprisonment of company officers.”

**Next week’s meeting will be at the Embassy Suites**

Rotary Minute: Don Shattuck presented the Rotary minute with an update on polio. The number of paralytic polio cases has remained at 19 in the endemic countries for 8 weeks. Two weeks ago there were two cases of paralytic polio in Nigeria, the first cases there since July 2014. Last year Rotarian donated over \$34 million so the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation will match the 2:1 for an additional \$64 million Centennial Rotary was 141% of the goal set by the District Polio + committee.

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

SEPT 6—BEN ALLEN, ALLEN  
TECH ADVISING

SEPT 7—BOARD MEETING

SEPT 13—CLASSIFICATION  
TALKS: ANDREA TAGTOW,  
RYAN WIDEMON, ELLEN VAT-  
TEROTT

SEPT 17/18—CELTIC FESTIVAL

SEPT 20—NICOLE GARNEAU:  
DENVER MUSEUM OF NATURE  
AND SCIENCE

SEPT 24/25—CENTENNIAL  
CHALK ART

SEPT 27—JEFF HOLWELL,  
LONE TREE ECONOMIC DEV  
DR.

OCT 4—VICTOR MOSS, AU-  
THOR

OCT 5—BOARD MEETING

OCT 11—CLASSIFICATION  
TALKS: NATE ZIPPLE, CHRIS  
BANTOCK, LINDSEY ROBINSON

Red Wagon Ball for CASA. There are still some place let. Contact Randy Earnest if you are interested. The ball is on Sept 24.

Remember the food drive at King Soopers on Sept 10. Volunteers are needed. The shifts are 90 minutes.

Volunteers are needed for the Harvest Festival.

Congratulations to the club, but especially to Karen Berry and AlloSource for coming through this past week. 346 boxes of peaches have been sold—a new record. This will bring in approximately \$3,400 to the foundation. Volunteers are still needed on Saturday to help with distribution of the peaches. 8 AM on Saturday at Embassy Suites.

Guests: Randy and Beth Pote.

**Blue Marble.** The blue marble today was worth \$688. Anne could not find the blue marble.