

THE RAMPART REVIEW

The Kiwanis Club of the Rampart Range – Caroline Vulgamore, editor

Meetings every Tuesday, 7:30 am, Aspen Pointe Café, 1675 Garden of the Gods Rd. 80904

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GROUP DISCUSSION. Led by **Caroline Vulgamore**, “Fake News” generated concerns with Facebook and Google’s websites publishing misinformation to millions. Online media consumers need to become fact checkers, and question sources. We must stay well informed, read beyond shocking headlines, watch out for sensational photos, anonymous authors, bad grammar and excessive exclamation points. Sites like *World News Daily Report*, *Yes I’m Right*, and *ABCNews.com* sound official, claiming, “This is not a hoax.” We must watch our own bias and vulnerability when stories are partially true, but jump to false stories. **Burl Kreps** recalled **Orson Welles’** radio program “War of the Worlds” terrorizing millions. He likened interpreting news to approaching the Bible. Literal? Metaphor?

Belenda Cornelius stressed the importance of parental influence on young people’s beliefs. **Jack Cooley** reflected on the power of the Internet and how fake news sites tell truths as well as lies. **Al Ziegler** discussed *Buzzfeed* and how people today are less likely to believe the truth. **Harry Vulgamore** pointed out that with the KGB, Russia’s intelligence seems more centralized.

NEWS. Al officiated. Donations were for Silver Key. Jack and Al reported 68 BUG awards were given last week at Mesa Elementary with good parent turnout.

UPCOMING EVENTS

January 18: BUG assembly. Eagleside Elementary. 7:45 a.m. Belenda, Harry, Caroline.

January 19: Interclub. Pikes Peak Club. Southside Johnny’s. Noon. **John Anderson.** “Indian Prayer Trees.”

January 24: Program: “The Choking Game.” **Martha Garnett** and **Henry Suarez.**

January 31: **Board Meeting.**

March 3-5: RMD Mid-Winter Conference. Hilton Hotel. Fort Collins.

HAPPY DOLLARS

- Harry Vulgamore: For our speaker.
- Al Ziegler: For Caroline’s work.
- Jack Cooley: For today’s presentation.
- Burl Kreps: For our speaker and our “faithful few.”
- Caroline Vulgamore: For grandson’s progress at UCCS.

Next week’s prayer: **Burl Kreps**

QUOTE OF THE DAY: “Never answer an anonymous letter.” ...Yogi Berra



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