

THE RAMPART REVIEW

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

Meetings every Tuesday, 7:45 am, Aspen Pointe Café, 1675 Garden of the Gods Rd. 80904

President: Belenda Cornelius. Secretary: Al Ziegler. Treasurer: Rex Kramer. Directors: Rick Couch, Jack Cooley, Burl Kreps, Caroline Vulgamore, Harry Vulgamore. District Governor: Hayley Jean Suppes. Division 4 Lt. Governor: Harry Brandon, RMD Executive Administrator: Nancy Wichagen. International President: Jim Rochford.

May 1, 2018

PROGRAM: We learned of Kiwanis collaborations with the U.S. Army in helping youth. **Kate Redding**, of Weber Shandwick, was hired by KI to partner with Army officials in promoting community projects. “Why Army? Because we have shared values!” Based in Atlanta, Kate coordinates Army speakers’ bureaus around the USA. Assisted by Sergeant 1st Class **Nick Razzano** and Staff Sergeant **Blake Meyer**, Staff Sergeant **Mike Carlson** spoke about community support: “We’re not at war all the time.” “We’re very involved with the community.” From Toys for Tots, to homeless veterans, they offer support. He

promoted March 2 Success, a free, interactive, online program which improves student performance on standardized tests (ASVAB, SAT, ACT) while enhancing math, science, English and STEM skills. For college graduates, the Army offers \$65,000 in loan repayments for those who join, and \$50,000 for Army Reserves. Without a high school diploma or through failing the occupational/physical test (obesity a factor), Sgt. Razzano explained 71% of today’s youth don’t qualify for military service! Those with felony convictions are also ineligible. Sgt. Meyer is a top recruiter for high school students.



Kate Redding, Belenda and Sgt. Carlson

Thanks, Sgts. Carlson, Meyer and Razzano.

NEWS: Today’s donations were for Salvation Army. **Al Ziegler** announced the election of officers to be held next week. **Rick Couch** and Al are working with Soap Box Derby plans. Discussions ensued about having Key Club take advantage of Army offerings. The Army’s team building and critical thinking offerings were also mentioned.

UPCOMING EVENTS

May 8: Program: **Denise Montano**. Behavioral Health Hospital.

May 15: Program: **Patrice Carmody**. At the Table Colorado.

May 22: **Group Discussion.**

May 25: Program: BUG assembly. Mesa Elementary. 7:45 a.m.

May 29: **Board Meeting.**

June 1-9: Warrior Games. U.S. Air Force Academy.

June 3 & 9: Soap Box Derby events.

June 28-July 1: International Conference. Las Vegas.

August 8-11: District Conference. Greeley.

HAPPY DOLLARS

- **Al Ziegler:** Everyone here. A fascinating program.
- **Belenda Cornelius:** All of speakers being here; her husband was military; connections.
- **Rick Couch:** Thanks to each of you. (speakers)
- **Caroline Vulgamore:** For Harry—misses him; commitment of speakers.
- **Jack Cooley:** Interesting program; will explore with Key Club.

QUOTE OF THE DAY: “Outer beauty pleases the eye, Inner beauty captivates the heart.”
...Mandy Hale

PRAYER: May 8: Burl Kreps.



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