

# 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**

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**May 22, 2018**



*Delightful, committed young lady.*

*Dianne Reitan accepts our certificate while Belenda displays our new brochure.*

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**PROGRAM/DISCUSSION:** Welcome back Development Manager for Partners in Housing **Dianne Reitan** who summarized this transitional program that covers one year of free housing “with strings attached”—no addictions nor mental illness and the ability to work toward becoming self-sufficient. Started by Catholic Charities 27 years ago, the non-profit mostly helps single moms with kids, a less visible homeless group. Local rentals continue to rise, out of reach for those with low paying jobs. Dianne stressed the need to have compassion and respect for those “trying to make it,” and when they come from families that aren’t making it, it is “hard to break away” from attitudes and life styles. Two thirds of women they help have fled domestic violence. “Not an easy cycle to break.” They serve 60 families, but have seen their success rate drop with marijuana use, which affects motivation. This is their last year to receive HUD funding, so cash donations needed, along with pots and pans, clothing, and furniture. They’ll pick items up or we can drop them off at their office on the Myron Stratton campus at Lake and Nevada. Today’s donations were for Salvation Army.

## HAPPY DOLLARS

- **Harry Vulgamore:** Grandson's graduation from Colorado College yesterday. Has a job already.
- **Caroline Vulgamore:** Dianne's compassion and commitment—wow!
- **Rex Kramer:** Grandson's graduation from University of Arizona and applications to medical school.
- **Burl Kreps:** Road Scholars trip to Ozarks.
- **Jack Cooley:** Grandson's graduation from the University Missouri and job with General Mills.
- **Belenda Cornelius:** Having Dianne here; the support fro all of us.

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

**May 25:** BUG assembly. Mesa Elementary. 7:45 a.m. (arrive 7:30 am).

**May 29:** **Board Meeting.**

**May 31:** Salvation Army Volunteer & Donor Appreciation breakfast. RSVP. 636-5266 or [almascott@usw.salvationarmy.org](mailto:almascott@usw.salvationarmy.org).

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

**June 3 & 9:** Soap Box Derby events.

**June 5:** Program: **Rick Sauers.** Exec. Director. Western Museum of Mining & Industry.

**June 12:** Program: **John Spears.** Exec. Director. Pikes Peak Library District.

**June 18-30:** Belenda Cornelius on leave.

**June 25-29:** Rocky Mt. Youth Leadership Conference. UCCS.

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

**July 3:** **No meeting.**

**July 10:** Program: **Pam Dawson** and El Paso County Fair queen.

**August 8-11:** District Conference. Greeley.

**September 8:** What If Festival. Downtown Colorado Springs.

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**QUOTE OF THE DAY:** "I've learned that life is like a roll of toilet paper. The closer it gets to the end, the faster it goes.

...Andy Rooney

**PRAYER: May 29: Burl Kreps**



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