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Meeting Location: Petroleum Club

Tuesday – 11:45 a.m.

August 16, 2011

Greeters

Todd Brawley, Jean Lehr,
Marion Paden and New Members

Luncheon/Parking Ticket Sales

Cliff Branam

Attendance Scanning

Russ Harrison and Willa Johnson

Visiting Rotarians & Guests Registration

Barry Gangwer

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Zablatnik

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bereavement information.

Next Week's Program

August 30, 2011

OU-OSU BEDLAM

Bob Barry, MC

Chair of the Day

Dennis Shockley

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GARY JONES Oklahoma State Auditor & Inspector

Gary Jones is the Oklahoma State Auditor and Inspector. He is a graduate of Cameron University. Jones is a certified public accountant and a certified fraud examiner.

He is a former owner of a telecommunications company and has operated a cattle operation for thirty years in addition to his other ventures. Jones served as the Commanche County Commissioner for four years and served as Chairman and Executive Director of the Oklahoma Republican Party.



Invocation

Mike Kirschner



Introductions

Sue Reel



Chair-of-the Day

Mike Turpen

Mike Turpen is a native of Tulsa, Oklahoma. He earned his Bachelor of Science degree and Juris Doctor degree

from the University of Tulsa.

He served as Attorney General for the state of Oklahoma and also as the Muskogee County Attorney. He is a partner in the law firm of Riggs, Abney, Neal Turpen, Orbison and Lewis.

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REFLECTIONS



Miles Hall

“My Tribe”

The recent events in London England reminded me of the differences we still have in this world. I am not talking about rich verses

poor, or black verses white or others of color, or religious verses atheist, or even republican verses democrat. No my Tribe, as I like to call it, is made of all these people but with a couple of unique differences. When those in my Tribe are faced with disaster, as we have faced here in Oklahoma, we focus not on looting but protecting all who can not protect themselves, we care for ourselves and others and do not blame the world for the situations we find ourselves in, we run to a disaster or problem, head on. My Tribe believes in service above self. That’s because the people I associate with – My Tribe – consists not of Blacks, Whites, Gays, Hispanics or Asians, but of individuals who do not rape, murder, or steal. My Tribe consists of people who know that sometimes bad things happen, and that these are an opportunity to show ourselves what we are made of. My Tribe will go into burning and blown up buildings. My Tribe consists of organizers and self-starters, proud and self-reliant people who do not need to be told what to do in a crisis. My Tribe is not fearless; they are something better. They are courageous. My Tribe is honorable, and decent, and

kind, and inventive. My Tribe knows how to give orders, and how to follow them. My Tribe knows enough about how the world works to figure out ways to make things work.

There are some things my Tribe is not good at. My Tribe doesn’t make excuses. My Tribe will analyze failure and assign blame, but that is to make sure that we do better next time, and we never, ever waste valuable energy and time doing so while people are still in danger. My Tribe says, and in their heart completely believes that it’s the other guy that’s the hero. My Tribe does not and has never made someone else responsible for their own safety, and that of their loved ones. My Tribe does not depend on the government. My Tribe doesn’t see black and white skins. My Tribe only sees black and white hats, and the hat we choose to wear is the most personal decision we can make.

My Tribe thinks that while you are born into a Tribe, you do not have to stay there. Good people can join bad Tribes, and bad people can choose good ones. My Tribe thinks you choose your Tribe. That, more than anything, is what makes my Tribe unique.

Membership in my Tribe is not free. My fellow Tribe members have been the first person at accident scenes. They have crawled into overturned cars on major interstates, cars whose wheels were still spinning, and gone on hands and knees through broken glass to comfort strangers while others stood around outside and watched like it was some TV show.

My Tribe members simply do what millions and millions and millions of my fellow Americans do every day, in ways large and small. They step up to the plate, not because they want to be heroes, but because someone has to do it. These simple people donate their time, their

money, their food, their cars and their houses every single day, and ask or expect nothing in return.

Hurricanes and storms come. They have come for all of human history, and more will happen. Tyrants and cowards also come to steal or destroy what they cannot make themselves, and sadly it will happen again. It takes courage to fight oncoming storms. Courage isn’t free. It is taught, taught by certain tribes who have been around enough and seen enough incoming storms to know what one looks like. My Tribe will pray for the best but plan for the worst. What Tribe do you belong to?

August 9th Meeting



President Chuck Wiggin, guest speaker, Congressman James Lankford, and Past President Jim Daniel, Chair of the Day.

Chair of the Day, continued

He appears weekly on the Oklahoma City NBC affiliate KFOR’s Flashpoint with Turpen & Humphreys. Turpen has received numerous awards, honors and appointments. He was inducted into Oklahoma City National Memorial land Museum and the Oklahoma State Fair, Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education and Allied Arts.

He and wife, Susan, have three children.

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Alan Niemann

Happy Birthday

Allen Harris, 08/24, Hospitals & Health Care: Nursing Homes.

Tom McDaniel, 08/24, Senior Active formerly, Education: Private University Administration – OCU.

Activities & Interests: Chairing Maps III Citizens Advisory Board.

Tracy McDaniel, 08/24, Education: College Preparatory School – KIPP Reach College Preparatory. Activities & Interests: Matriculating KIPP students to and through college! Misc & Comments: Member of the Greater OKC Chamber of Commerce Board of Advisors and an OKC Metropolitan Library Commissioner.

Brandon Clark, 08/25, Telecommunications: Wireless Network Design – RF-IP, Inc.

Jan Peery, 08/25, Associations/Charitable Associations: YWCA – YWCA Oklahoma City. Misc & Comments: Thank everyone for the wonderful support for my son, Officer Chad Peery. You are wonderful!

Clarke Farmer, 08/27, Past Service – BancVue.

Miles Hall, 08/28, Sports & Recreation: Gun Range – H & H Gun Range Shooting Sports.



Oklahoma City Rotary Club Project History

OKC Rotary has been involved in 9 international projects over the last 5 years. These projects have involved diagnostic equipment for 3 children's hospitals in Hungary and Romania, equipment for a burn center in Hungary, separate Sudden Infant Death alarm device projects in Hungary and Romania, emergency room equipment for a hospital in Guatemala, skin cancer prevention equipment and supplies in Panama and replacement dialysis machine in the British Virgin Islands.

OKC Rotary members have personally contributed over \$34,630 to support these projects. That money has been augmented by District 5750 Designated Funds of \$25,688 which was matched by the Rotary International Foundation with an additional \$25,688. We partnered with 39 different Rotary Clubs to make this happen and the total cash outlay for these projects is over \$363,754 generating an ultimate value for the recipients of over \$1,000,000.

During President Clayton's term of office we have been involved in 3 projects. Over 20 of our members visited the Panama City Rotary Club in 2010 to establish a

partnership for projects in Panama. Our first project involves the Kuna Indian tribe and their need for skin cancer prevention supplies, education and treatment. OKC Rotary contributed \$4,900 toward a \$27,000 total project cost. The additional funds came from District 5750 Designated Funds, TRF funds and cash plus DDF from Panama.

In the second project, OKC Rotary joined 7 Rotary Clubs from California and Guatemala to support funding for emergency room equipment at Hospitalito Atitlan in the highlands of Guatemala. OKC Rotary used \$6,000 of DDF money to help fund the \$54,322 project and five Rotarians attended the dedication in February.

Several months ago, Bob Sullivan brought back information that the Road Town Rotary Club was looking for partners to help with funding a replacement dialysis machine at a hospital in the British Virgin Islands. This \$20,000 project has been approved and we are looking forward to an opportunity to attend a dedication in the Caribbean this fall. OKC Rotary contributed \$3,500 matched with \$2,563 DDF as our part of the project. The point here is that a relatively new member was aware OKC Rotary is looking for projects that involve partnering with other Rotary Clubs in worthwhile projects that change peoples

lives.

The World Community Service Committee is currently looking at an additional project in Panama and 3 projects in Romania and Bulgaria. We will be using money you contributed and tapping into District Designated Funds. OKC Rotary contributes over \$50,000 to the International Rotary Foundation and half of that comes back to the District to assist District 5750 clubs. Our goal is to use at least \$25,000 of those funds in addition to member contributions each year as we participate and sponsor in international projects.

So, when was the last time you had a life changing experience? Was it when you looked into a hospital room and knew you had helped provide the equipment that was saving a patient's life? Was it when you met a fellow Rotarian and realized you were joining others around the world to make a difference in someone's life? Why did you contribute your hard earned money to help fund these projects? What makes you tick? How many lives have you touched? How are you making a difference?

President Chuck will challenge each Club 29 member to become more involved. We are the third largest Club in the World and we should act like it.

 Daniel Medley

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Make-Ups

Bill Bowden 08/16 Coronado CA • Jim Daniel 08/10 West OKC • Andy Lasser 08/03 West OKC Joe McClendon 08/09 Video Makeup • Chip Oppenheim 08/02 Honolulu HI • Mark Schweighart 08/03 Edmond • Emily Stratton 07/26 Video Makeup

Oklahoma Rotarian to Serve as RI President



Ron Burton, a member of the Norman Rotary Club, has been elected President of Rotary International for 2013-2014. He served as Chairman of the Rotary International Convention recently

held in New Orleans. He has traveled extensively for Rotary since his retirement from the University of Oklahoma where he served as president of the University of Oklahoma Foundation, Inc.



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Regular Rotary Luncheon
Guests welcome
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Luncheon Menu

Choice of:

- Fruit Plate with Chicken Salad
- Cobb Salad
- or Small luncheon salad with ranch dressing
- Chicken with sun-dried tomato & cream cheese
- Vegetable

Luncheon Includes:


- Bistro Dessert
- Rolls and Butter
- Coffee or Tea

Attendance

August 9, 2011
Total Present & Makeup200
Average..... 39%

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Change for Teachers
The Change Collection will be divided this 2011-12 year... into two Causes
For this year, \$0.00 has been raised for our Teachers.



Club 29 Breakfast Meeting
meets every Thursday at 7:15 a.m.
Crowne Plaza (formerly NW Hilton Inn)
The meeting on Aug. 25th will be
Ross Plourde
Club Administration Group Chair