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Today's Program

Club Focus led by Club President Kyle Smith

Last week: ND Army National Guard recruiting

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SGT Joseph Kane, local recruiter for the ND Army National Guard, enjoys working with people from our community who are interested in joining the military. His perspective is that he offers a path to help them grow up, decide future careers and prepare for life. Kane is from Gillette, WY, son of a coal miner and a bank teller. He joined the Army in 2012 as an interrogator, thinking he'd be "like James



Bond," but that wasn't the case. As an interrogator, he learned the motivating reasons people do things and that knowledge has helped him in his recruiting position. He deployed to Kosovo in 2014, where he dealt with riots. He served at Fort Bliss, TX, then moved to Dickinson three years ago.

He said the NDARNG's goal is to recruit 300 each year to cover retirements and staffing needs. Recruiters have different goals; Kane's is 10 recruits and he achieved it in six months, but he's not stopping. He continues to work with several potential recruits.

Annual Flower Pot Auction coming May 7, just in time for Mothers Day! Proceeds will be used for Club projects. Come prepared to bid! Successful bidders can be billed.



Meet Rotarian Janelle Stoneking

Janelle Stoneking trained as a kindergarten teacher, but fell in love with ABLE in college and stayed for 27 years, now as director of training and development. In her 20s she was a foster parent. Janelle feels she makes a difference every



day. A mom of three, she's also a mixed media artist. She continues to make a difference by starting and chairing the board of the SW Art Gallery and Science Center and also chairing the Community Action Board. She joined Rotary to get away from her desk and eat a real lunch. She loves reading at Head Start and the Pancake Karnival because her mom had polio.

Today's Meeting:

Greeters: Rick Burwick & Ken Nelson Next meeting: Natashia Cushman & Megan Neuberger

Community Kindness: Cash donations for the 12th Annual Kids Health & Safety Fair on May 8. We collected \$235 last month for the Dickinson High School After Prom Party.

<u>Invocation</u>: May our actions reflect the values of service above self, and may we always strive to make a positive impact on the lives of those we serve. **AMEN**