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**Today!!
Your Greeters Are:**

Gaylon Baker & Don Bares

Next Week: Karen Boulden & Erv Bren

Birthdays Today

Glenice Hansen (1/20)
Brad Fong (1/21)



**Give Thanks Today: Lawrence Schilla
Next Week: Lloyd Schnaidt**

Father, we want to be better this year:

- put us to what you will,
- rank us with whom you will,
- let us be employed for you,
- let us have all things or let us have nothing,
- and at the end of the year help us to make You our bottom line.

Amen

~ invocation prepared by Dennis Cannon

**Program Chair:
Gaylon Baker**

Next month: Don Bares

Your Program Today:

Lexi Sebastian
Chamber of Commerce

Coming Up

January 27

Terri Thiel, Convention & Visitors Bureau

February 3

Ronnie Walker, DSU Multi Cultural Center

February 10: No Noon Meeting
Evening Valentine Party



February 17

Kevin Thompson, Assistant Governor
Rotary District 5580



**Rotarians worldwide
respond to Haitian quake**

The Rotary Foundation has established the **Haiti Earthquake Relief Fund** for U.S. Rotarians who want to donate toward recovery efforts after a powerful earthquake rocked Haiti on 12 January.

The Haitian Red Cross is estimating that more than 50,000 people are dead and millions more injured after the quake, the impoverished nation's strongest in 200 years, crumbled government buildings, hospitals, schools, and shantytowns. Most of the capital, Port-au-Prince, is in ruins.

A ShelterBox response team of two U.S. Rotarians and one from the United Kingdom has already mobilized to deliver 500 containers of supplies to the affected areas. Also, more than 100 Aquaboxes are being delivered to Haiti to provide safe water.

Read more about the response from Rotary clubs, worldwide relief efforts and ways you can help at www.rotary.org.

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Campfire Memories

Last Week:

Announcements:

- ⇒ **Loving Hugs:** Kari Shea reported that our club collected 85 stuffed animals for soldiers to distribute to children overseas.
- ⇒ **LaVonne Bullinger** thanked members who gave money for school supplies for Guatemalan children.
- ⇒ **Don Bares** reported the community projects committee distributed about 250 dictionaries to all third graders in Dickinson. Thank you notes were received from many students. **Erv Bren & Yvonne Kroll** were featured in a photo in the Dickinson Press.
- ⇒ **Don Bares** also reported that we will purchase 152 books for Head Start students and Rotarians will read to the students.
- ⇒ **The Fundraising Committee** will meet following the January 20th meeting.
- ⇒ **Attendance** as of December 31: 97 active members and 5 honorary. New member in December: Scott Frank. Terminations: Jeanne MacDonald, who moved to Bismarck.

Guests:



Visiting Rotarian **Chris Shelledy**, left, president of the Gillette, WY Energy Club, is pictured with his guest, potential member Zared Lefor, center, the new manager of the BW Insurance Agency in Dickinson, and President **Jason Hanson**.

- ⇒ **Gaylon Baker's** guest was proposed member Lexi Sebastian.

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Last Week: *Census by Lori Jordheim*



Lori Jordheim

In the year 2000, the U.S. Census showed 281 Million people in the United States, 642,200 in North Dakota, and 16,010 in Dickinson. In comparison, the first year of the census, 1790, had the U.S. population at 3.9 Million. Many people wonder why we need a census and what is done with the information gleaned.

The census numbers are used to draw the lines for legislative districts and disburse over \$400 Billion. These distributed dollars pay for roads, bridges, schools, public health services, and more. It is, therefore, vital to Southwestern North Dakota that the count be accurate.

The rule of thumb as to where someone should be counted is where he or she live and sleep for at least six months and one day of the year. Difficult population groups to count are snowbirds, university students, and the oil industry.

You will receive your form in the mail around mid-March. The form is only 10 questions and will take less than 10 minutes to complete. Forms need to be returned by April 1. If you only receive your mail at a Post Office Box you will be contacted in person. There will also be "Be Counted" sites around the county.

If you have questions, contact Lori at 225-5997 or email loricensus@starkdev.com.

*Submitted by: Linda Steve
 This week: Winnie DeLong
 Coming Up: Harvey Brock*

Brags & Fines:

Vicky Steiner bragged that our Rotarian legislators—Rich Wardner, Nancy Johnson & Frank Wald—helped bring more than \$8 million to Dickinson to expand the Stoxen Library and for the Theodore Roosevelt digital archives project.



Yvonne Kroll's guest was Jan Fields, right, who is helping plan the Valentine Party!

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