

Taos Milagro Rotary Club - Notes of Meeting

March 21, 2018

Blessing: Jay Wood

Guests: Tom Wolf from the Rotary Club of Tulsa; Deborah Binder of Biotecture Planet Earth, one of our speakers.

Presentation: Deborah Binder and our own Alix Henry presented about Biotecture Planet



Earth. See <http://www.biotectureplanetearth.com/what-we-do-2>. Alix is the president of this non-profit, and Deborah is the global PR and fundraising manager. “The purpose for which the organization is formed is for expanding the use of affordable, sustainable buildings and homes throughout the world and for educating the public about the architecture, construction and maintenance of those buildings and homes.”

Alix and Deborah showed images of and described past projects in Malawi, the Philippines, Haiti, Puerto Rico, the Six Nations Reservation near Toronto, Canada, and Nepal.

Earthship construction of homes, schools and community centers and disaster relief. Projects are pending on the Zuni reservation, in Puerto Rico and Nepal. They hope to partner with the Taos Pueblo to build a midwifery center.

The organization engages many volunteers and works on a shoestring budget. Only about 5% of expenses are devoted to operating costs; the rest is devoted to projects. They welcome tax-deductible donations.

Announcements:

- Bruce reminded us of the upcoming roof raising on his barn on May 5th. This will be a club social event.
- Lucille reminded us of the upcoming Big Brothers Big Sisters Bowl for Kids Sake and invited donations. Our club is entering two teams.

Good News:

- Lillian is just back from two very relaxing weeks of vacation in Thailand and Hong Kong.
- Leo announced that her daughter and son-in-law will be visiting Taos.
- Brice’s daughter was accepted to graduate school.
- Alix: “Happy Spring. Go cardinals.”

Drawing: Alix.

