



## ***THE SPOKES SPEAK - GEARED TO SERVICE***

### **Rotary Club of the North Fork Valley**

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Meeting Thursdays at Noon in the Paonia Town Hall

District 5470

Club 1180 - Chartered 12/20/22

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**LAST MEETING: November 1, 2018**

No Key Guest.

#### **Program: Ben Lehman on Burning Man**

Ben Lehman spoke about the “Burning Man Festival in Nevada” that he went to. This festival began in 1986 on the beach area of San Francisco.

4<sup>th</sup> time to go. In Nevada.

A short introduction to the community of Black Rock City.

Much more than a “Party in the Desert” A community sharing 10 common principles.

- Radical Inclusion – anyone can be a part of Burning Man.
- Gift Giving – Devoted to acts of gift giving.
- Decommodification – Unmediated by commercial sponsorships, transactions or advertising. Nothing is bought or sold.
- Radical Self-Reliance – everyone relies on his or her inner resources
- Radical Self-expression – No one other than the individual or collaborative group can determine the content.
- Communal Effort – Value creations of cooperation and collaboration.
- Civic Responsibility – Value civil service.
- Leaving No Trace – Leave the place better than we found it.
- Participation – Achieve being through doing.
- Immediacy – Immediate experience in many ways.

Happens on BLM land each year.

Recreational Logistics

The temperature is greater than 100 degrees during the day and less than 40 degrees during the night.

It took 3 days to get the camp put together.

Tens of thousands of people in different groups attend.

Lots of public art to explore.

Temple is the spiritual center of the city.

Art interacts with the natural scenery.

**UPCOMING MEETINGS:**

**12/6/18: Mike Ludlow – Oxbow Mining (Kevin Parks)**

**12/13/18: John Poulos – Arch Coal Co. (Jackie Parks)**

**12/20/18: DMEA Representative (Bain Weinberger)**

