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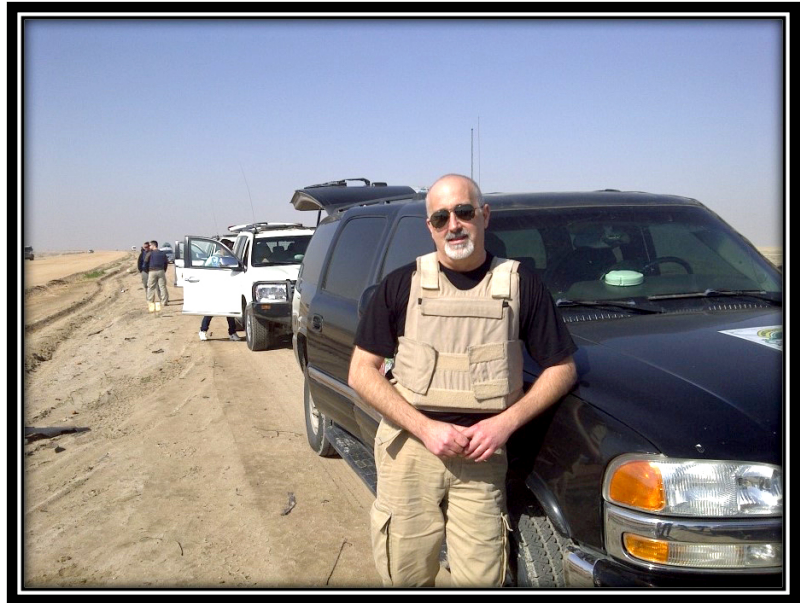
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October Meeting



Our speaker for October will be Howard Rickard. His interesting and diverse background promises a fascinating presentation.

Howard Rickard has more than 43 years of foreign and domestic experience in project management, design, assessment, and construction of facilities and infrastructure associated with national security. Over that time Mr. Rickard has been on-call for deployment with the Global Survey team for USA and international intelligence agencies for determination of in-field conditions prior to military or other agency deployments worldwide. That is the “night” job.

As for the “day” job, twenty-

five of those years were in direct support of the USA and Canadian research and development laboratories as the hired government agency representative performing and/or subcontracting project management, designer, constructor, and project oversight. In Canada, while employed by Fluor Corporation, Mr. Rickard served as the Engineering Manager and later the Project Manager for the \$17 million MMIR MDS Nordion Medical Isotope Separation Facilities project for Atomic Energy of Canada Ltd. (AECL) at the Chalk River site. This project teamed nuclear process design capabilities of Fluor and French based SGN. The facility was constructed by Fluor

Constructing of Canada to round out the total turnkey effort.

Working in the USA, Mr. Rickard served in technical lead and management roles over a variety of projects for the Department of Energy (DOE) including laboratory and production facility upgrades. Mr. Rickard has directed a wide range of facility and infrastructure projects which have included building modifications and additions, transportation systems, and new construction for educational, commercial and government facilities. Mr. Rickard has experience as a licensed architect responsible for design of facilities; a project manager responsible for quality, cost, and schedule for major design and construction projects including hazardous material abatement; a landlord operations manager for DOE responsible for plant infrastructure maintenance and operation; an office manager responsible for staffing and management of architects, engineers, crafts, and administrative support personnel; and a logistics manager arranging for procurement, transportation, food, medical care, and housing in support of military operations and FEMA disaster relief.

Mr. Rickard was the hired

Director of Capital Projects for the Richland School District in charge of managing the design and construction of five new or remodeled Richland schools including Richland High School, Hanford High School, White Bluffs Elementary School, Jason Lee Elementary School, and Enterprise Middle School with a total budget of \$120 Million.

Currently working at Tetra Tech Inc. Mr. Rickard is managing Homeland Security projects primarily involving border crossing facility improvements. All of these projects involve design and construction of new and renovated Border Patrol facilities to meet Homeland Security and Border Patrol requirements associated with main port buildings, primary and secondary commercial and non-commercial vehicle, rail, and seaport inspections, pedestrian crossing traffic, non-intrusive inspection facilities and monitoring systems, Inspector and Border Agent training facilities, traffic lanes, canopies, booths, vehicle tear down, personnel holding, and kennels. Mr. Rickard was also deployed to Iraq under the USAID program for reconstruction of Iman Ali Air Base and supported design of transformer and power pole fabrication facilities in Afghanistan.

Mr. Rickard is the Deputy Task Order Manager of Kazakhstan and Turkmenistan DICCE projects which are part of the Second Line of Defense program under DOE. These projects involve design and installation of radiation portal monitors for detection of nuclear material smuggling. Detection units are on both fixed and mobile platforms for flexible deployment along former Soviet Union country borders. Mr. Rickard is also the Project Manager for the Tetra Tech MIMDU (Mobile Illicit Materials Detection Unit) business unit which is developing prototype and production models of mobile integrated detection systems scanning for radioactive materials, weaponized chemicals, explosives, and illicit drugs. The first prototype model was delivered for marketing demonstrations and sales in 2017 and was produced in the fabrication shops of Shelby Supercar North America (SSC) under the direction of Mr. Rickard.

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Tuesday, Oct 18

Reservations by

Thursday, Oct 13 to

Bob Allen

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Last month's menu. This month's will be about the same, probably prime rib or tri-tip.

Menu

Sliced Prime Rib

in Au Jus

Baby Red Potatoes

Steamed Vegetable Medley

Tossed Salad

Pasta Salad

Warm Rolls

Chef choice dessert

Coffee, Decaf, Tea, Milk

Clover Island Inn

Clover Island

Kennewick

Social hour: 6:30

Dinner: 7:00

\$30 per person

*A reservation made
is a reservation paid*