



OBJECT OF ROTARY

The Object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise...

“Service above Self”

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THIS WEEK'S PROGRAM

Feb 25 - “The 2025 Governor's Art Show Kick-Off”

Inspiration: **Bob Eatman**

CALENDAR

FEBRUARY - Peacebuilding and Conflict Prevention Month

Mar 17 - St. Patrick's Day

Mar 21-23 - President-Elect Training Seminar (PETS) in Loveland

UPCOMING PROGRAM

Mar 4 - “Presenting This Year's Thompson Valley H.S. Exchange Student: Nora Ribbenhagen”

Inspiration: **Doug Mannering**



**HIGH
COUNTRY
PETS**

Life CELEBRATIONS

Birthdays • Feb 29 - **Doug Erion** • Mar 3 - **Bob Tello** | **Anniversaries** • None listed this week.

Rotary Club of Loveland

Tues 12 PM | Mountain View Presbyterian Church

Website www.LovelandRotary.org

Events Calendar <https://portal.clubrunner.ca/5257/Events>

Rotary Satellite Club of Loveland

1st Wednesdays at 6:00 PM

Earl's Coffee Shop, 1421 N. Denver Ave. Loveland

Details: www.facebook.com/RotarySatelliteGroupofLoveland

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Email: stephensongwen1@gmail.com

Rotary Satellite Club of Berthoud

2nd Wednesdays, 12:00 PM - Cornerstone Cafe

4th Wednesdays, 5:30 PM - City Star Brewery

Details: www.facebook.com/BerthoudSatellite

Email: BerthoudRotaryClub@gmail.com

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District 5440, Club 1113

Chartered in 1920 as Club 685

Feb 18, 2025
Presiding

Co-President (2024-2025)

Diane Lapierre

Pledge of
Allegiance
(Open) &
Four Way
Test (Close)



Sing-Along Songs

Gary Camp (keyboard)

"America: My Country 'Tis of Thee"
& "House of the Rising Sun"



Inspiration

Jim Epstein



international service

Donating Advice

Jon Kindschy treated us to a brief presentation on giving to the Rotary Foundation and the LRC Foundation in various ways and with the proper timing to reduce tax liability. See Jon's short slide deck, which will be attached to the Feb 25 *Spokesman TODAY* and Zoom link email.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Jon Kindschy (*Recognition*): After his remarks about *Tax-Advantaged Giving* (see left panel), Jon awarded **Doug Mannering** his Paul Harris +5. Yeah Doug!

Dixie Schmatz (*Interact*): Dixie introduced a trio from Mountain View H.S. Interact Club, who together described the work their club is doing, including their recent book drive for the *Books for Africa* organization.

From left to right, in the photo at right are Illyana Collins, Rebecca Napolitano, and Presley Stevenson (club president).



Jerry Westbrook (*Four Way Test Program*): Jerry, as is customary after a recent set of Four Way Test sessions at Riverview PK-8 School, shared some student reactions: • *What I liked best about the activity was... learning how to make a good decision.* • *I will be able to use the 4WT to deal with situations in my life.* • *I liked that everyone was able to have a conversation and not feel weird.*

Co-Pres Bob (*Wishing Good Health*): Bob related the good news that **Tom Carrigan** is doing well while he recovers from his recent cancer surgery. (*Rotary News*): Bob also announced the unwelcome news - Rotary's own response to it - about the funding freeze at Rotary's longtime partner, the USAID federal agency.



LAST WEEK'S PROGRAM

A Northern Colorado geneticist, Dr. Gary Hanning, who spent more than 30 years working with new

GENE EDITING (TWEAKING DNA)



strains of rice and barley for Anheuser-Busch, gave us a most intriguing lecture on genetic manipulation and the newest technology known as CRISPR. Some key points:

- Any given human trait (eye color, height, etc.) is always determined by *both* a particular gene(s) in our DNA *and* our environment (nutrition, lifestyle, etc.).
- CRISPR-based clinical trials are used to screen for and diagnose diseases. Many are going on today.