



# Rotary Club of Centennial Colorado



Centennial, Colorado

March 26, 2019

## ROTARY MINUTE



Don Shattuck presented the Rotary Minute. His presentation was Declaration of Rotarians in Businesses and Professions. The entire document is on p 3.

## WEB MINUTE

John Peterson presented a web minute on the new web site for our club. Today's presentation was on how to send club wide e-mails. Sign into the member area and this will take you to the Administration page. In the left column in the middle of the page is a link for Email Message Centre. Click on this and this will bring up the Club Communication page. On the right side is an orange link for Compose New Message. On the left side of this page is a button for Active and Honorary Members. Click on this button. Compose the e-mail and send it out.

## SPEAKER



Our speaker was Laury Bowman from Village Health Partnership. They are providing maternal and neonatal services in four regions of Ethiopia. Their mission is to prevent

maternal and neonatal death in childbirth and to treat and prevent gynecologic complications of childbirth. Ethiopia is the fourth poorest country in Africa.

The four regions where they are working are the Amhara Region in the West Gojam Zone, the Oromia Region in the Kellem and Western Wollega Zones, the Southern Nations in the Bench Maji Zone, and the Gamma Gofa Zone.

What VHP found is that healthcare facilities had no places for pregnant women to stay, most had no access to clean water or just water, latrines were dirty, open defecation was common, instruments were not being sterilized, hand-washing stations were empty even when present, and most lacked critical medical supplies.

In rural Ethiopia most women give birth at home, 1 in 10 die in the process, and 30-40 % experience gynecologic complications from childbirth. The World Health Organization suggests skilled birth assistance and emergency obstetric care at the time of delivery.

VHP is working in partnership with the Ethiopian government and on-the-ground NGOs. The pilot project is to provide 5 healthcare facilities which would consist of 1 district hospital and 4 health centers. The centers would have maternity waiting areas with kitchens, showers and latrines. They would also have fenced biohazard areas, placenta pits, and incinerators-things that we take for granted.

Phase I of the initiative is to build the four health centers. They are currently under construction and may be completed this next month. In Phase II, a water system is to be installed at the Bachuma Hospital. One point that was made during the presentation is that these places do not have clean water, they do not have water.

They are working with the Rotary club of Addis Ababa. They are looking for additional clubs to give support.

# 2018-2019 Club Officers

President—Tim Eunice  
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Secretary—Karen Berry  
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## Directors

Technology—John Peterson  
Membership Growth & Enrichment—Samantha Roe  
Rotary Foundation—John McCarty  
Communication—Jessica Sidener  
Millennial Satellite Club—Andrea Tagtow & Katie Guyon

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Apr 2—Joel Moser, MSI TEC, Beer Pouring Robots

Apr 9—Live Well Colorado

Apr 16—Raphael, 2018/2019 Exchange student

Apr 17—State of the City

Apr 20—Food Drive

Apr 23—Rotary Foundation Business Meeting

Apr 27—2019 District Conference

## CLUB BUSINESS

- Blessing bags were available for pick up. They will be brought to the meetings until no more are available.
- Samantha Johnston announced the April 23 meeting will be at Koeble Library.
- Samantha Roe stated the State of the City event is moving ahead.
- Anne West announced that Meals on Wheels volunteers are needed for April 5 and 12.
- The food drive on April 20 still needs some volunteers.

## TRAVEL GIFTS

- Catherine Henschen-Hauff brought back from Hawaii some coasters and a beer opener.
- Karen Berry brought back a cook book from Pie Town, NM. She also brought back a book from Winslow, AZ. The book is Route 66 Best Hints.

## BLUE MARBLE

No one won the blue marble.

## THIS DAY IN HISTORY

1953 Salk Announced Polio Vaccine

On March 26, 1953, American medical researcher Dr. Jonas Salk announces on a national radio show that he has successfully tested a vaccine against poliomyelitis, the virus that causes the crippling disease of polio. In 1952—an epidemic year for polio—there were 58,000 new cases reported in the United States, and more than 3,000 died from the disease. For promising eventually to eradicate the disease, which is known as “infant paralysis” because it mainly affects children, Dr. Salk was celebrated as the great doctor-benefactor of his time.

# DECLARATION OF ROTARIANS IN BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS



*As a Rotarian engaged in a business or profession, I am expected to:*

- 1) Consider my vocation to be another opportunity to serve;*
- 2) Be faithful to the letter and to the spirit of the ethical codes of my vocation, to the laws of my country, and to the moral standards of my community;*
- 3) Do all in my power to dignify my vocation and to promote the highest ethical standards in my chosen vocation;*
- 4) Be fair to my employer, employees, associates, competitors, customers, the public and all those with whom I have a business or professional relationship;*
- 5) Recognize the honor and respect due to all occupations which are useful to society;*
- 6) Offer my vocational talents: to provide opportunities for young people, to work for the relief of the special needs of others, and to improve the quality of life in my community;*
- 7) Adhere to honesty in my advertising and in all representations to the public concerning my business or profession;*
- 8) Neither seek from nor grant to a fellow Rotarian a privilege or advantage not normally accorded others in a business or professional relationship.*

