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President's Column

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Greetings Denver Mile Rotarians!

In preparing for our upcoming "business" meeting on September 2, Kaili has been working feverishly to close out the 2019-2020 year and work with our new accounting system, called Xero, for our current year. We have several thousands of dollars of outstanding Accounts Receivables (membership dues) from last year that we are trying to reconcile and collect. If you think you missed a payment or haven't paid your dues, please connect with Kaili in the next day or two, so he can wrap things up and get you all caught up. Kaili's phone number is 303-656-3968 and his email is Kaili.Purviance@gmail.com Thanks for your help on this.

I loved Gloria's presentation last week about the Denver YMCA. I had no idea of all of the things they do to help our community and the world. It reminded me of my youth and how much I used the Y and the tremendous impact it had in my small community in Iowa. I was on swim team for 5 years, went to dances once a month in Junior High and was active in High Y, which was a group for high school boys where we met weekly, did volunteer projects, sold concessions at our high school athletic events, and went skiing at Breckenridge our Senior Year. I have many fond memories from my experiences through the YMCA.

Joke of the week: Why are Saturday and Sunday so STRONG? Because all of the others are WEAK-Days!

Stay well and see you in person or on Zoom on Wednesday!

Brad Thompson

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Please note...being the DMHR President is an important job and we celebrate our past president, **Scott Smeester** for his great contributions to the lives of DMH Rotarians.
August 29 - Past President's Party - Saturday, 5-7pm - 1739 Forest Parkway - This is Tom Cella's home, but we will celebrate across the street in the huge grassy parkway; bring your own lawn chairs. Rain or shine - canopies will be set up.
Wear your mask and practice social distancing.
Menu consists of Santiago's burritos with individually wrapped servings of guacamole, chips, dessert, wine, and beer.
Please respond as soon as possible to the invitation sent you via e-mail.
A great big thank you to Betty Spier and Mary Walta for organizing this event.



Zoom Details and Meeting Schedule

ZOOM LINK

In addition to in-person meetings, we will have Zoom video conferencing available. The meeting "room" will open at 7:00 am, and the meeting will begin at 7:15.

To join the Zoom meeting, click on the following link:

<https://zoom.us/j/317120546?pwd=ZjZKeGMyNEFQU2pTSXErZUpUa0Z3UT09>

Meeting ID: 317 120 546

Password: DMHR2020

If you are participating via ZOOM next week and beyond, here's what you can expect:

7:00 - Dial into the call and chat amongst yourselves, mute and unmute yourselves to mix and mingle.

7:15 - Ding, Ding! Everyone mute. Brad will go live and call the meeting to order, announce guests, inspiration and pledge.

7:20 - Brad will mute his phone to prevent audio feedback, and all Zoom participants can unmute and chat amongst yourselves again. We will try to have some cameo appearances by our "in person" members, walk by, wave, and say hello via my computer with the audio on. We'll see if that works next week.

7:40 - Everyone mute yourselves; the meeting announcements/presentation will begin.

8:25 - Q&A

8:30 - 4 way test and end the meeting. Ding, Ding!

A word from your editor...

Dear fellow Rotarians,

Please note that **the correct date for the Rotary Book Club meeting is August 25** at 4:00pm. Life under the effects of the Coronavirus is not slowing down for the Denver Mile High Rotary Club...Have you responded to the invitation for the Past President's Party on August 29th? Have you responded to the Fundraising survey sent via Clubrunner by Tom Giordano and featured again in this newsletter on page 4? Have you made a point to get to know our newest members, Marcus Hanlon and most recently, Janine Kempfer? Have you made a donation to support our Woohoomanity Riders? Have you paid up your dues so the 2019-2020 Rotary year can be closed out? This club is a cluster of active people making this world a better place, please don't let it happen without your full participation!

Believing in the power of Rotary to improve the world...

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*The more you contribute to your Rotary Experience,
the more you benefit from your Rotary experience.
What are YOU contributing to Rotary?*



Denver Mile High Rotary Calendar of Events

August 19—Brittney “Bert” Woodrum - ShelterBox 14-er Project - Climbing Colorado’s 58 “Fourteeners” is a rite of passage for every aspiring mountaineer. Towering over 14,000 feet, these mountains rank as some of the tallest and most challenging in North America. Brittney “Bert” Woodrum has made it her mission to summit all 58 peaks with the iconic ShelterBox on her back to raise awareness and funding for ShelterBox. Her trek will take place July through September of 2020. **ZOOM Presentation**

August 24 - World Community Service Meeting - In person, please contact [Audrey Leavitt](#) for information.

August 25 - DMH Rotary Book Club. Contact Linda Sue Shirkey for details. Read Lady in the Lake by Laura Lippman.

August 26 - Kimba Langas, co-founder of [Free The Girls](#), likes to refer to herself as an “accidental abolitionist.” An Emmy-award winning producer and 20+year veteran of the television and video production industry, Kimba has always had a passion for storytelling. In early 2010, as a new mother and freelancer, the story of modern-day slavery and sex trafficking wasn’t even on her radar. When her friend Dave approached her as a partner for a new organization he wanted to form to empower survivors of sex trafficking, she was intrigued. Little did she know how the issue would grab her heart and never let go. **ZOOM Presentation**

August 29 - Virtual District 5450 Conference. See information on page 5 of this newsletter.

August 29 - Past President’s Party - Saturday, 5-7pm - Please see bottom of page one for details.

September 2 - DMHR Budget Overview - Past President Scott Smeester will recap how we ended his year as President, and President Brad Thompson will give an overview of where things are YTD.

September 8—DMHR Board meeting - 4-5pm - Watch the newsletter for meeting information.

September 9 - Dave Ventimiglia, CEO of The [Tipi Raisers](#). This organization is a 501(c)(3) that has been actively working to better the lives of the Lakota People of Pine Ridge Indian Reservation since 2009. Dave actually has been working with the Lakota People since 1990

September 12 - Woohoomanity Challenge [Use this link](#) to support DMHR riders. Details on page 5.

September 16 - Barbara McFarlane - A Mother’s Journey with an Autistic Son

September 17 - DMH Rotary Foundation Meeting. Contact [Tony Vaida](#) for details and phone connection info.

September 23 - Ann Tull, Carolyn Schrader and Elaine Love - The Rotary Foundation and DMHR Foundation - What are they, how does the magic work, and how have our club and projects benefitted?

September 30 - Steve O’Dorisio, Adams County Commissioner - Updates on development around DIA/DEN. Updates include the 2015 deal with Denver-Adams, Opportunity Zones, Colorado Air & Space Port, Aerotropolis Regional Transportation Authority, and more.

October 7 - Annual Message and Update from the Rotary District 5450 Governor; our very own, BOB KEMP!!!

October 13 - DMHR Board meeting - 4-5pm - Watch the newsletter for meeting information.

Weekly Inspirators, Greeters & Hosts

Date	Inspiration	Greeters	Host
August 19	Ted Hendryx	Kevin LeVezu and Susanne Lorenz	Jeff McAnallen
August 26	Constance Mortell	Carolyn Nobel and Annely Noble	Volunteer needed
Sept 2	Charlene Porter	Adams Price and Kaili Purviance	Carolyn Schrader
Sept 9	Linda Sue Shirkey	Roberta Simonton and Vass Sirpolaidis	Scott Smeester

Upcoming August Birthdays

August 10 - Tom Giordano
August 14 - Vass Sirpolaidis
August 17 - Ronnie Weiss
August 18 - Sarah Hite
August 21 - Brian Good
August 26 - Ann Tull
August 27 - Chris Wong

Make
sure
you
stretch
out
your
special
day!



Fundraising Survey

Tom Giordano is chairing fundraising activities this year, including Holiday Citrus Sales. Please complete the linked survey so that he can determine your interest in fundraising.

[Click here](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/XNN5GL9) or copy and paste this link into your browser:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/XNN5GL9>

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Mental Wellness Tip of the Week

Savor your
next meal



Mental Health Note brought to you
by Diane Messamore



District Announcements



Woohoomanity Challenge...what is it?

A Rotary wide bike ride for all levels of riders, and open to all individuals who would like to [register and ride](#).

Four of our DMH Rotary members are riding and they invite you to pledge your [support by clicking here](#).

Our DMHR Team consists of:

Melanie "Go Getter" Gentz,

Steve "Beat the Pack" Blazek,

Tom "Strides Ahead" Cella

and

Marty "Way Out in Front" Waters.

Go Team!

Donations in any and all amounts are greatly appreciated; **funds go directly to the DMHR Foundation!**

Your donation is the easy part, the riders have the difficult job, each will be riding 100 miles on September 12th!

For details, [click here](#).
To donate, [click here](#).

Upcoming District events - sign up now!

Tuesday, August 18 - 7:00 to 8:00 pm

Membership Webinar -

Everyone is encouraged to attend this free event

[Register Now!](#)

Saturday, August 29 - 9:00 to 11:45 am | 1:00 to 3:00 pm

2020 Virtual District Conference -

Only \$22 per person, with \$20 donated to End Polio

[Click Here](#) to see the Agenda, Speakers & to [Register Now!](#)

Sunday, November 1 - 12:00 noon to 1:00 pm

Virtual Lunch with Rotary International

President Holger Knaack & Polio Update

Save the Date! More information & registration available August 30

For more information, please contact:

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[Click here](#) for a link to the District 5450 home page where you can see the district calendar, other club activities, etc.

[Click here](#) to see and hear DG **Bob Kemp's** message for August.

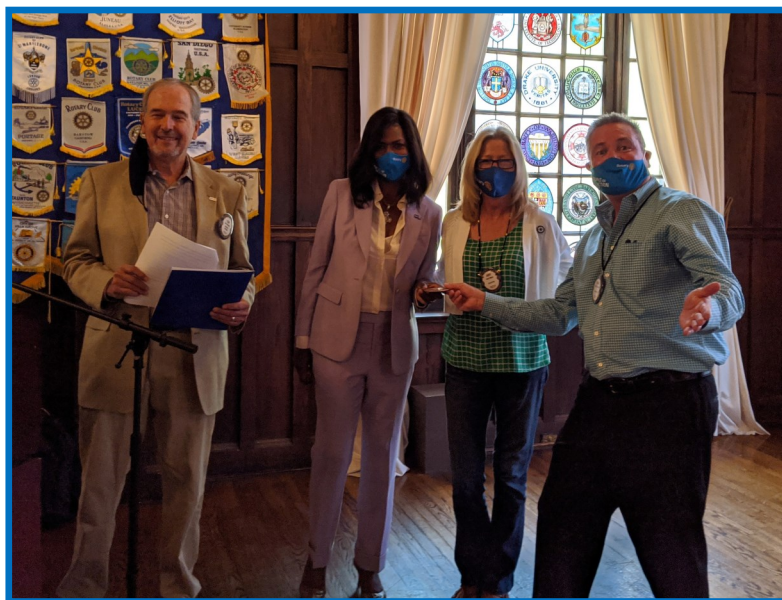
Need Rotary mask?

[Brad Thompson](#) is ordering more.

Please contact him if you would like one.

Cost - \$10.00 per mask, \$5 of which is donated to the DMH Rotary Foundation.

Member Contributions



Welcome new member,
Janine Kempfer,
inducted at the
August 12th meeting.

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Tom Gregory
Janine Kempfer
Amy Weed, Janine's sponsor
Brad Thompson

Photo provided by
Marcus Hanlon



Time sensitive **OPPORTUNITY!**

Our August 26th Rotary program features Kimba Langas, cofounder of [Free The Girls](#), a nonprofit organization that empowers women freed from sex trafficking to sustain and themselves and their families by establishing them in small businesses in which the women support themselves by selling donated brassieres. The bras are donated by individuals and by organizations such as Rotary.

Free the Girls accepts all bra shapes and sizes, colors and styles. They accept regular bras, sports bras, camisoles, and nursing/ maternity bras. Condition should be new or gently used, but folks shouldn't worry too much about that because FTG has partnerships to donate "too gently used" bras to a clothing recycler and sizes that won't work in the program to a couple women's prisons.

Please bring your contributions to the Sargent at Arms table at the Rotary breakfast meetings beginning August 12th, someone will be there to collect them. We will collect through August 26th.
THANK YOU!
Annely Noble

With the craziness of the upcoming election drawing near, I *had* to add this cartoon. **Annely Noble**





DMHR Year-At-A-Glance Calendar

JANUARY Write Valentine Cards for Seniors Mini-Dinner Fundraiser Rotary Awareness Month	FEBRUARY Craig Hospital Dinner New Member Orientation World Awareness Month	MARCH Mini-Dinner Fundraiser Literacy Month
APRIL Mile High Spring Swing RI Magazine Month	MAY Craig Hospital Dinner RYLA Interviews Promote International Convention Mth	JUNE River Rafting Rotary Fellowship Month
JULY Inner City Kids Hike/Rotary Peak RYLA Camp Literacy Month & New Rotary Year	AUGUST School Supplies Drive Past President's Party Membership and Extensions Month	SEPTEMBER Mini-Dinner Fundraiser New Member Orientation New Generations Month
OCTOBER 9 Health Fair Craig Hospital Dinner World Polio Day Event Vocational Service Month	NOVEMBER Write Holiday Cars for Active and Deployed Military Citrus Fundraiser Rotary Foundation Month	DECEMBER Holiday Party Toy Drive Family Month

DMHR Admin Information

DMHR Dues: Kaili Purviance, Treasurer — treasurerdmh@gmail.com — Thank you!

Please make out dues checks to *Rotary Club of Denver Mile High*

- **Mail** a check to the Tom Cella (Sargent at Arms) 1739 Forest Parkway, Denver CO 80220
- **Bring** a check to a Club meeting and give it to Tom Cella or Kaili Purviance, Treasurer
- **Pay by credit card**—Tom Cella will use the app “Square” to process your card

[Click here](#) or use the following link

<https://rotary-club-of-denver-mile-high.square.site/>

DMHR Foundation: c/o Tom Giordano — 303-263-5091 — Thank you!

Please make out contribution checks to:

Rotary Club of Denver Mile High Foundation or DMHR Foundation

- Hand to Tom Giordano at a meeting or
- Mail to: Tom Giordano at 7271 E. Wesley Ave., Denver, CO 80224
- Or... [please click here](#) to go directly to our secure online donation site.
You may make a one time donation or set up automatic monthly donations.

Contributions to DMHR Foundation

Giving Generously

For the

Greater Good

2020 - 2021

Individual Donors

Pat Gorman-Barry	Carolyn Nobel	Tony Vaida
Tom Cella	Annely Noble	Mary Walta
Melanie Gentz	Adams Price	Marty Waters
Tom Giordano	Chuck Rudolph	Ronnie Weiss
Tom Gregory	Roberta Simonton	Sonny Wiegand
Bob Kemp	Robin Springer	<i>Room for more, will it be you?</i>
Diane Messamore	Michael Tapp	<i>Or you?</i>
Constance Mortell	Ann Tull	<i>Or who?</i>



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