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President's Column

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Greetings Denver Mile Rotarians!

I hope this week's letter finds you all doing well and feeling great. I loved Brittany's presentation on her mission to summit all 58 of Colorado's 14ers this summer with a Shelter Box on her back. I wish I had half of her energy and will power! She really is a wonderful person with such a big and caring personality with a bright future filled with doing more good with humanity...true Rotarian fodder, I would say!

In speaking of doing more good, what ideas do we have for fundraising and projects in the months ahead? I know Tom Giordano sent out a survey last week, that he'll be reporting the feedback on at our club meeting on Wednesday. Keep your eyes and ears open for new ideas!

That's all for now. Keep moving, keep grooving, and keep staying 6 feet away from strangers!

Joke of the week: What do you call a bear with no teeth? A Gummy Bear! 😊

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

Brad Thompson

Last chance to sign up for the Past President's Party - August 29 - 5-7pm

If you no longer have the invitation, please call Betty Speir or Mary Walta.

The function will be across the street from Tom Cella's home (1739 Forest Parkway) but we will celebrate in the huge grassy parkway; bring your own lawn chairs.

Rain or shine - canopies will be set up. If you have one to lend please call Betty.

Wear your mask and practice social distancing.

Menu consists of Santiago's burritos with individually wrapped servings of guacamole, chips, dessert, wine, and beer.

A great big thank you to Betty Spier and Mary Walta for organizing this event.

Betty 303-489-0418 Mary 505-629-6376

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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=ZjZKeGM5NEFQU2pTSXErZUpUa0Z3UT09>

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,

New members, know that street sweeping on Sherman occurs on the first Wednesday of the month, please find parking on another street as the city happily issues tickets for offenders.

Beginning September, our newsletter will take on a new format. The month's first issue will be the full version with all pertinent information regarding every aspect of your DMHR club world, however subsequent issues in the month will be abbreviated versions. Each will have a link to the initial monthly newsletter for your convenient reference, but will have only the most important, new or necessary information not mentioned in the full version. We appreciate how busy Rotarians are, not only during the active working years but also in retirement because those are the kind of individuals Rotarians are! Please voice your opinions regarding your recommendations for our upcoming newsletter format change. Thank you!

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 24 - TODAY - World Community Service Meeting - In person or via Zoom, please contact [Audrey Leavitt](#) for information. **For Zoom information**, please see page 6 of this newsletter.

August 25 - TOMORROW - DMH Rotary Book Club. Contact Linda Sue Shirkey for details. Read [Lady in the Lake](#) by Laura Lippman. **For Zoom information**, please see page 6 of this newsletter.

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 26	Constance Mortell	Carolyn Nobel and Annelly 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
Sept 16	Betty Speir	Robin Springer and Michael Tapp	Tony Vaida

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



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>
 Tom Giordano
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Mental Wellness Tip of the Week
 Go for an early morning or early evening walk while the weather is cool.
 Denver Mile High
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Mental Wellness 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!

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.

You, too, can haiku! A haiku is a Japanese poem of 17 syllables. A proper haiku has three lines - one of five syllables, one of seven, and another of five, and traditionally deals with subjects of nature.





Member Contributions



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

It turns out that when asked who your favorite child is, you're supposed to pick one of your own. I know that now.



"I told him as an expert in the field I strongly recommend wearing it, but he just kept bringing up his 'rights.'"

Rotary WCS Committee Meeting

Time: Aug 24, 2020 04:00 PM Mountain Time (US and Canada)

Join **Zoom Meeting**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89700406418?pwd=YTBEdjVNUUx3RXRXtkg0cEhyYU1QZz09>

Meeting ID: 897 0040 6418

Passcode: 012857

Rotary Book Club

Time: Aug 25, 2020 04:00 PM Mountain Time (US and Canada)

Join **Zoom Meeting**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88409774786?pwd=Q25QOHR3NW15a2RMOC9CZWlwYXd0QT09>

Meeting ID: 884 0977 4786

Passcode: 615067



DMHR Year-At-A-Glance Calendar

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

DMHR Admin Information

Please note that Kaili, our treasurer, will invoice dues on the first of January, April, July, and October. He asks that you pay within 30 days after receiving your invoice for the quarter.

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, or
- **Pay by credit 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

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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	Room for more, will it be you?
Diane Messamore	Michael Tapp	Or you?
Constance Mortell	Ann Tull	Or who?



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