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Club



President's Column

Greetings Denver Mile High Rotarians!

Feb 8, 2021

I enjoyed learning more about the connection and similarities of Rotary and the Peace Corps last week. Tily and Charles did a great job. Thank you, Adams for taking the lead at the U Club, returning to our hybrid meeting format. Everything seemed to work out well.

Thank you, Betty Spier for taking the lead on the Valentine's Day cards for the patients at Craig Hospital as well. What a great way for us to stay connected to them and do something special, in lieu of providing the BBQ dinners, as we have done historically for them.

I also love the success we will realize with our upcoming wine and chocolate fundraiser. Great job on the ticket sales everyone. Thursday night will be fun! Lots of great things continue to happen with Denver Mile High Rotary! Keep up all of the great efforts everyone!

Joke of the Week: In which state does the Ohio river run? In a liquid state of course!

Be well and be safe,
Brad Thompson

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*****NEW ZOOM LINK*****

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

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81294791259?pwd=aXZsTXRiZzJLZEVLR1N2RFZ3bnBRdz09>

Meeting ID: 812 9479 1259 Passcode: 903839

Last week's Rotary Program...

Charlie Masilae Hunt



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Interesting Facts...

Attendance last week

52 Total membership

21 Zoom members attending

2 Zoom speakers attending

1 Guest attending at U-club

19 Member U-Club attendance

12 Members missing

Word from the Editor, District News and more

A word from your editor

Dear fellow Rotarians,

What would make the newsletter more attractive to you? What would entice you to read it every week? Shall I move pages around so that you must look for features? Shall I place new items in red boxes instead of blue? I always am open to suggestions and I especially am happy to place your photos in the newsletter. Where are you volunteering? Show us through photos. Have you visited a fellow Rotarian this week? Please, record it with a picture. The newsletter is only as interesting and alive as you help to make it!

The last word...have you read the February issue of *Rotary* (the magazine), yet?

Rotary was founded in Chicago, IL on February 23, 1905.
 Did you know that the week of the anniversary of Rotary's founding,
 23 February, shall be known as **World Understanding and Peace Week**?

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 to Rotary?

*The more you contribute to your Rotary Experience,
 the more you benefit from your Rotary Experience.*

What are YOU contributing



LAST CALL!
 Tasting is this week!

Wine and Chocolate Tasting
 Thursday Feb. 11th 6-8 PM
 Featuring

**Jon Schlegel, sommelier,
 and his company Attimo Winery**

[Please click here to sign up](#) and
 for additional details of the event.

**What are you doing for your
 Valentine's Day?
 Why not this?**



It is not too early...
 to consider being the newsletter editor! **Annely Noble** loves having this task, but as incoming PE, it is important for her to have a backup and then as President, to relinquish the role. Annely uses Publisher, part of Microsoft Office, a very intuitive program, and will always be available to help with questions. If you feel called to carry out this integral club duty, please contact [Annely](#) so you can begin to learn the ropes. 303-842-8725



Denver Mile High Rotary Calendar of Events

February 8 - 4:30 - TODAY - Rotary Book Group meets. Contact **Linda Sue Shirkey** to be put on the monthly Zoom distribution link. Today, click below to join the meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88096075595?pwd=Q1AzUIJOcUxNeWxLMFhBbUdMQUd6UT09>

February 9 - DMHR Board Meeting - 4-5 pm MST. [Click here](#) for the Zoom link for all DMHR board meetings.

February 10 - Julie Topeka and Doug Jackson share how Project Cure in Centennial is the world's largest distributor of donated medical relief. Project Cure routinely provides over \$50 million annually in donated medical equipment and supplies from six distribution centers in major U.S. cities and smaller collection centers around the country. With COVID-19, Project Cure pivoted to meet needs domestically.

February 11 - Volunteer for Metro Caring - [Click here](#) and see page 5 for details.

February 11 - Wine and Chocolate Tasting! - Early evening event - time will be available see page 5 for details. Jon Schlegel and his company Attimo Winery are on board. Jon will be the sommelier. Eventbrite signup link on pg 5.

February 17 - Rick Ergle presents "A Fresh Look at the Rotary Four-Way Test." Rick Ergle is a Rotarian and member of the Keystone Heights Rotary Club in Florida. In this day and age of "fake news" and political polarization, Rick will share an updated and refreshing look at the Rotary 4-Way Test.

February 23 - World Understanding and Peace Week. February 23 marks the day Rotary was founded.

February 24 - Debra Fine - Beyond Texting: The Fine Art of Small Talk and Big Talk. Author of the [Fine Art of Small Talk](#) and [The Fine Art of the Big Talk](#). Local Rotarian/author!

March 3 - DMHR Budget, LCS and WCS Projects Overview - Translation...how and what your club is doing.

March 10 - Ms. Maro Casparian, Director Community Engagement, Denver District Attorney's Office - Consumer Scams and Fraud: From Bad to Worse during COVID-19 and How to Protect Yourself.

March 17 - Larry Rykman, Founder and Editor, The Colorado Sun - Current State and Future of Print Journalism.

March - Post PETS Sessions, virtually via Zoom. March 19 beginning at noon, and March 20, 7:15am to about 3:00pm.

March 24 - Dr. Jim Bertz - Pediatric Cleft Palate Missions Around the World - Dr. James Bertz is a renowned Maxillofacial surgeon who has served on pediatric cleft palate missions around the world. A long-standing volunteer with Uplift, Jim has been on several trips to the Philippines and worked with Dr. Jamie Yrastorza, founder of Uplift and a fellow Rotarian from Wheat Ridge. Dr. Bertz practices in Scottsdale, AZ.

March 31 - Elizabeth Garner, State Demographer - Colorado's Changing Demographics and What That Portends for the Future.

April 7 - Speaker not yet identified—Any ideas, fellow Rotarians? Please contact [Brian Good](#), 303-994-6609.

April 14 - Speaker - Do you know anyone who would be a good candidate to share some good news?

Weekly Inspirators, Greeters & Hosts, etc.

Date	Inspiration	Greeters	Host
February 10	Audrey Leavitt	Kevin LeVezu and Susanne Lorenz	Jeff McAnallan
February 17	Diane Messamore	Constance Mortell and Carolyn Nobel	Annelly Noble
February 24	Josh Peck	Charlene Porter and Adams Price	OPEN SPOT




Mental Wellness Tip
 brought to you by a
 Golden High School Student

Mental Wellness
 Tip of the Week

**Value yourself and be happy
 with who you are.**

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Meeting Leader Calendar

Feb 10	Scott Smeester
Feb 17	Steve Blazek
Feb 24	Scott Smeester
Mar 3	Melanie Gentz
Mar 10	Steve Blazek
Mar 17	Melanie Gentz
Mar 24	TBD
Mar 31	Adams Price

February Birthdays

Patricia Barry	8-Feb
Robert Wiegand	11-Feb
Andrew Bell	13-Feb
Adams Price	25-Feb

The Rotary Book Group...
 Discussions begin at 4:30
 on the following day:

February 8, Monday - TODAY
Broken For You
 by Stephanie Kallos
Broken for You is the story of
 two women in self-imposed exile
 whose lives are transformed
 when their paths intersect.

Please welcome our
 newest member, **Roni**
 (pronounced like maca-
 roni) **Cella**, inducted
 at this past meeting.
 See the January 19th
 newsletter for
 Roni's biography.

Thank you, **Amy Weed**
 for providing the photo
 of Roni's induction.





District 5450 News

YOU CAN HELP! Castle Rock High

Noon member, Steve Baroch, is asking for donations of gently used Smart Phones, Laptops and Tablets for use in educational programs in Africa and on the Navajo Nation. Any of these USED DEVICES that are sitting at home or in your office will help.

[Click Here for more information](#)

Save the Date...September 25th 2nd Annual

Woohoomanity™ Challenge

Saddle up (on your bike)
and put in some training miles!
For more information contact

Pat McGuckin pat@mcguckins.net

District 5450 News

[Click here](#) for the February District News.

Highlights...

COLORADO WILDFIRE DISASTER RELIEF FUND: The fires may be out, but the need is still great. The Natural Disaster Response Committee is currently working with local Rotarians and contacts in Grand Lake and other effected areas to determine how best to distribute donated funds. It will take some time before needs assessments can be completed. [Donations can be made online](#) or you can mail a check to Rotary District 5450, Subject Line: Colorado Fires, 5103 Dvorak Circle, Frederick CO 80504. [Click Here to learn more](#) and see photos, or [click here to watch a short video on the fires.](#)

ROTARACT 5450 STEERING COMMITTEE LOOKING FOR GREEK

ALUMNI: Rotaract 5450 would like your help to get more young adults involved with Rotary and experience the "Rotary magic."
[READ MORE](#) if you can help!



The Conflict Center - Volunteer for February 11 and 12

The Conflict Center (TCC) is excited to bring the *In Your Element skill-building auction* back for its second year and we need your help to make it a success! Please e-mail [Ronnie Weiss](mailto:Ronnie.Weiss) to volunteer.

We need in-person volunteers in three areas as follows:

Party Pack Assembly - We need 3-5 folks for the following dates and times:

February 8, 9:00 am - noon

February 11, 9:00 am - noon

Packaging will be done at The Conflict Center following all COVID safety guidelines.

Party Pack Delivery - We need folks who can deliver the Party Packs, the same days as above, in the morning as packs are assembled and throughout the day.

Tech Support - We need a few people who are great at Zoom to assist with the following special virtual events

February 12, from 6:30-9:00 Friday evening

If you would like to participate as a bidder in the auction you can [click here](#) or use this link: <https://conflictcenter.org/in-your-element-2021/> to view and bid on the special virtual events and auction items.

Please contact me at ronnie.weiss@conflictcenter.org and let me know if you would like to volunteer for any of these opportunities. I look forward to hearing from you and working with you on this fun and creative event!

Thank you! **Ronnie Weiss**

**One of the greatest gifts you can give is your time, and,
as Albert Einstein once said, "Only a life lived for others is worth living"**

Service Above Self



PROJECT WORTHMORE

Project Worthmore - Volunteer for March 1st
and/or every first Monday of the month

Project Worthmore is a local non-profit that serves the refugee community in the Denver metro area by providing a dental clinic, language classes, providing food in their community, as well as other services.

They have established the **first Monday of every month as an opportunity for Rotary members to volunteer** to help with food packaging and/or contactless deliveries.

Where: Project Worthmore is located at 1666 Elmira Street, Aurora

What: They need a total of 8 volunteers - 3 to help with packaging and 5 to help with contactless deliveries.

When: The first Monday of every month.

10:30am - 12:30pm: Food Packaging. Three volunteers will work in a well-ventilated room to put together boxes of food for the refugee families.

12:30pm - 1:30pm: Deliver boxes of food to families within about a 3-mile radius of Project Worthmore.

Please call (303-778-0858), or e-mail [Robin Springer](mailto:Robin.Springer@projectworthmore.org) if you are interested in volunteering Monday, February 2nd. You can choose either activity (packaging or delivery or both).



[1139 Delaware Street, Denver 80204](https://www.9health.com/locations/1139-Delaware-Street-Denver-80204)

Volunteer dates TBD

9Health is looking volunteers for the 9Health vaccination sites. The timing is flexible, but preferably between 10am and 4pm. To volunteer, please call (610-805-7579), or e-mail [Audrey Leavitt](mailto:Audrey.Leavitt@9health.com).



METRO CARING
ENDING HUNGER AT ITS ROOT

To all members who volunteered for the Metro Caring Provisioning Project:
Thursday, February 11 is our next session.

TIME: 9:00am - 12:30pm

LOCATION: 5200 Smith Road Suite 130 - west side entrance.

You will be repackaging bulk food into portions appropriate for individuals and families for distribution through the Metro Caring Food Bank. All volunteers will receive introductory training before beginning work. Gloves will be provided, and appropriate social distancing will be maintained between individual workstations. Masks or face coverings are required to enter the facility. If possible, please wear your own mask or face-covering, but one will be provided if necessary. If you'd like to bring a spouse or other family member, please do!

Please contact [Robin Springer](mailto:Robin.Springer@metrocaringsf.org) for additional information. [Click here](#) for a February update from Metro Caring.



The Conflict Center Auction - Volunteer for February 11,

Beginning Friday, February 5th and ongoing through the week leading up to Valentine's Day, The Conflict Center will host its second annual **In Your Element skill-building auction**. TCC will be auctioning a number of exciting classes with skilled community members. We will give people the chance to get further in their element by participating virtually in four unique live experiences throughout the week. Please see the previous page of the newsletter for details regarding volunteering to help with this event. For more information about the auction, [click here](#).

DMHR Admin Information

DMHR Club Dues

Carolyn Schrader, Treasurer schrader407@gmail.com
 Please make out checks to: *Rotary Club of Denver Mile High*

- Mail a check to Carolyn Schrader at 407 Detroit St. Denver CO 80206
- Bring a check to a Club meeting and give it to Tom Cella or Carolyn
- Pay by credit card - [Click here](#) or use <https://rotary-club-of-denver-mile-high.square.site/>
- Pay by credit card using the link on your invoice
- If you would like to pay in a different way or have questions, contact Carolyn - schrader407@gmail.com

DMHR Foundation

Tom Giordano — 303-263-5091 — Thank you!
 Please make out contribution checks to:
Rotary Club of Denver Mile High Foundation or DMHR Foundation
 You may also use Zelle to pay your dues,
 like a check but nothing to mail. See page 2 or 4.

- 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.



DMHR Year-At-A-Glance Calendar

JANUARY Write Valentine Cards for seniors from your home and mail to the senior living facility of your choice. Rotary Awareness Month	FEBRUARY - See note below* Craig Hospital Card Writing Wine and Cheese Tasting New Member Orientation Peacebuilding and Conflict Prevention Month	MARCH Mini-Dinner Fundraiser - TBD Up-in-the-air Literacy Month
APRIL Mile High Spring Swing - TBD 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 Economic & Community Developmt Month Vocational Service Month	NOVEMBER Write Holiday Cards for Active and Deployed Military Citrus Fundraiser Rotary Foundation Month	DECEMBER Holiday Party Toy Drive Family Month

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Contributions to DMHR Foundation

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Bob Kemp	Robin Springer	<i>Room for more, will it be you?</i>
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