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President's Column:

February 12, 2019

Hi everyone,

Some weekends there are just more important things than Rotary. Paul and I spent last weekend with Madison, our grand-daughter who is a sophomore

at Colorado State University in Ft. Collins. Madison just finished a semester-at-sea and she had the most fabulous stories to tell. Classes during the traveling days, and a service project in each country that she visited. With free time to explore and have fun. It sounded a lot like a Rotary trip.

We also entertained Porter, my daughter's dog, who quickly became Madison's new best buddy. It was sure hard to think of Rotary with everything else going on.

You have all received revised flyers about the <u>Spring</u> <u>Swing Event</u>. It will be here soon so please invite your friends and associates who would enjoy Big Band Music and some great food, drink and fellowship.

One of the outstanding initiatives of Rotary is the opportunity for a non-Rotarian to become a Peace Fellow. There are two different programs, once for three months in Bangkok, the other for two years in one of six Universities worldwide. Detailed information is on the District Website: https://portal.clubrunner.ca/50085/sitepage/world-peacefellowships-1/welcome

Please share this with anyone who you think might be a good candidate. You can contact PDG Dan Clark at <u>danvclark@gmail.com</u> with questions.

Have a great week and I hope to see you all on Wednesday.

Carolyn





FAMILY OF ROTARY

We are thrilled to be able to continue meeting at the University Club, and appreciate the effort made by DMHR leadership and University Club administrators to work out the financial and staffing challenges involved with hosting a service organization during the changes in memberships for both organizations.

For the last ten years, long before any Rotarians arrive, Cindy Ramirez is at work - always on time, always smiling, and always helpful. She helps with everything we need, from setting up the tables, carrying out the coffee and hot water urns, bringing out food, replacing food, clearing dishes to responding to our myriad requests for assistance. She loves her job, and proudly talks about the addition of flags outside the building and the beautiful features that make the setting so special.

Cindy grew up in Lakewood and is a graduate of Bear Creek High School. She worked as a dental hygienist before switching to the hospitality industry. Her change of careers was her dental patients' loss and our gain.

Cindy Ramirez

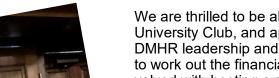
You may not have noticed that the food service team has shrunk considerably because she works hard to

provide us with the same high level of service. A big "THANK YOU!" to Cindy from the Family of Rotary.



Chuck Rudolph's energy, focus, intelligence and philanthropy is a gift to DMHR. When Chuck isn't organizing and staffing world community services projects throughout the world, he is fundraising for the club's foundation and volunteering with local community service projects. He also supports activities crucial to the club's infrastructure and seeks a few hours of your time helping staff the upcoming President-Elect Training (**PET**) on Friday, March 1 and Saturday, March 2. The time slot open is after 3:00 pm. Please let Chuck know if you can give a couple of hours to help staff PETS at the Denver Renaissance Hotel, 3801 Quebec Street. Denver 80207.

Chuck Rudolph





Denver Mile High Rotary Upcoming Programs

February 13th - Dan Bowdey—Exit Management— Dan is a business transition specialist. His passion is equipping and mentoring owners as they navigate events similar to those he has navigated in his 30+years as a business owner; such as growth from 7-to-8 figures, adding partners, changing-adding locations, mergers-acquisition, and planning their eventual succession/exit plan.

February 20th - Eva Doyle - The Reluctant Leader – Author

February 27th—Garett Reppenhagen US Army 1st Infantry Division OIF Veteran Rocky Mountain West Coordinator Vet Voice Foundation

March 6th - Tom Giordano—FDR and Polio

March 13th—Jayne Sanders—Your Hand Will Tell You

March 20th - Jen Landers - Colorado Young Leaders

March 27th - Jim Rohrer—What happened to SEARS





Weekly Inspirators, Greeters & Hosts

February 13th Inspiration - Carolyn Nobel **Greeters -** Diane Messamore and Alex Orkov Host - Karl Paulson

February 20th Inspiration - Charlene Porter Greeters - Adams Price and Kaili Purviance Host - Heidi Resetarits-Buckhout

February 27th Inspiration - Chuck Rudolph **Greeters -** Linda Sue Shirkey and Roberta Simonton Host - Vass Sirpolaidis

March 6th Inspiration - Scott Smeester Greeters - Betty Speir and Robin Springer Host - Michael Tapp

February Birthdays

February 8th - **Pat Gorman Barry** February 11th - **Sonny Wiegand** February 13th - **Andrew Bell** February 25th - **Adams Price**



Denver Mile High Rotary Calendar of Events

http://denvermilehigh.org/Events/Calendar

February 12th - Rotary Board meeting at 4:30p to join go to www.zoom.com and type in 720-219-8737

TWO FREE WEBINARS!

FACEBOOK 101 - Tues., Feb. 19 | 7:00 pm Register Now!

CLUBRUNNER BASICS - Thurs., Feb. 21 | 7:00 pm Register Now!

February 19th - Rotary Monthly *Happy Hour*! 5pm—7pm at the DAC (Denver Athletic Club on Glenarm)

March $1^{st} - 3^{rd} - PETS - Bob Kemp needs your help!$

March 16-17th - PeaceJam Youth Leadership Conference—<u>www.peacejam.org</u>

April 13th - Spring Fling Event – Get your tickets! SHARE – use the following link – <u>CLICK</u> <u>HERE</u> <u>Milehighspringswing.eventbrite.com</u>

Milehighspringswing.eventbrite.com Contact Brad Thompson for more details brad.thompson5280@gmail.com



April 27th - District Conference - **<u>REGISTER NOW</u>** - A one-day conference to inspire, connect and re-energize! Highlights include a focus on Mental Health, club projects, youth, and a Connections Cafe. *Only \$125 for the full conference, with special pricing for first time attendees and Rotaract*

June 22nd - Annual Rafting Trip - More details to come - Save the date Mile Hi Rafting – Contact Geoff Noble

This is a performance the Flatirons Jazz Orchestra did a few months ago for a local TV program called Denver Blues Roots.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kcUx8aDiYy0&feature=youtu.be



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A \$5 DONATION IS INCLUDED IN THE COST OF EACH TRIP. ALL PROCEDES GO TO SUPPORT THE WARRIORS ON CATARACT PROGRAM

SURE-SHOT - \$54 ADULTS, \$47 CHILD (13 AND UNDER)

Rafting on Clear Creek River's mountain water is an experience that's fun for the whole family. Get ready for some fun on our exciting 'Sure Shot' beginner-rafting trip. Begin with passing by the historic Charlie Taylor Water Wheel experiencing Class II rapids (ripples). While rafting through Historic Idaho Springs the Class III rapids of Castle Falls and Argo Holes test your newly developed rafting skills. Below town history and nature abound, with the occasional sighting of Retail Hawk, Deer, Fox, Bob Cat, Lynx, Elk, and Big Horn Sheep. Dizzy Lizzy, Power Line, Mountain Lion, and Box prepare us for the grand finale of Mr. Twister! The perfect beginner - starting with Class II water so you can practice, and then the Class III rapids. There is a 50 pound minimum for rafting to insure proper fit of the life jacket. Allow 3 hours for the trip.

BLAST (INTERMEDIATE HALF DAY) - \$62 ADULTS

Perhaps you've already been there and done that and are looking for something more. Most folks who paddle the Blast weren't expecting some of Colorado's most consistent whitewater, and come back for more! With five solid class IV rapids and more class three whitewater than we have space to mention, the Blast is waiting for those with good physical conditioning and an attitude for adventure. If you are active in your daily life the 'Blast' is the trip for you. Allow 3 hours for the trip. Minimum age 14.

KAMIKAZE (ADVANCED HALF DAY) - \$84 ADULTS

One of our former guests refers to this trip as "the best darn whitewater around!", and after braving the rapids of the Kamikaze trip you'll understand why. Add another two miles of continuous (and we aren't kidding!) class IV/III whitewater onto the Blast and you have an adventure that will bring you back over and over. If you're on your toes you might have time to enjoy the scenery of the Front Range before you dive into your next rapid. Previous experience and the ability to swim is highly recommended. Allow 3 hours for the trip. Minimum age 14.

Contact Melanie Gentz, Andrew Bell, Scott Smeester, or Geoff Noble at gtnoble@comcast.net

We can get a 10% rebate for a group that we book by March 1st

All rebates to be donated directly to the Colorado based non-profit program Warriors on Cataract

Contributions to DMHR Foundation

Contributions to the DMHR Foundation can be made by giving them to Tom Giordano at club meetings or by mailing checks directly to Tom Giordano 7271 East Wesley Avenue Denver, CO 80224

Checks should be made out the Rotary Club of Denver Mile High Foundation (although DMHR Foundation will work). For questions, contact Tom at 303-263-5091

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