



## President's Column:

February 18, 2020



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Hello again DMH Rotarians... you are the best.

Another week. Another chance to make a difference.

You know what I'm gonna say. Sell tickets. Recruit guests. Make decisions. Yeah... that's part of it. But remember that this (our club and otherwise) is all about serving people. That's the driver. We are here and doing what we love to do by helping other people. It's not about what we do. It's about what we do for others.

So do "those things" in the spirit of service. And as Bob Dylan says in Buckets of Rain:

Life is sad

Life is a bust

All ya can do is do what you must

You do what you must do and ya do it well

I'll do it for you

Honey baby, can't you tell?

Peace. Respect. Gratitude.

Scott



**DINE FOR DOLLARS**  
**THURSDAY, MARCH 19, 2020**  
**4 P.M. - 10 P.M.**

## **THE MELTING POT OF LITTLETON**

**\*30% OF YOUR BILL DONATED BACK TO:  
CEC EARLY COLLEGE OF DENVER (FOOD ONLY)**

\*Dining for dollars fundraising events are not valid with any other promotions,  
dip certificates or coupons.



**The Melting Pot**  
*a fondue restaurant*

As one of our Interact projects, one group of students is raising money for a Kindness Campaign. Please consider attending our Dine for Dollars Event and follow our page on facebook CEC Kindness Campaign @ceckindness

Dine for dollars on Thursday, March 19th at The Melting Pot of Littleton located at 2707 W. Main Street in Littleton from 11 A.M - 10 P.M. **30% of your bill** (food only) will be donated back to our school. Reserve your table at <https://www.meltingpot.com/littleton-co/reservations.aspx> or call (303) 794-5666.

## **DISTRICT 5450 CONFERENCE** **Westin Hotel, Westminster** **April 24-25, 2020**

Registration is now open! Bring your inner super hero to the party because **Together We Achieve More!**

Featuring our guest speaker Erik Weißenmayer, author of *No Barriers* and the first blind person to summit Mount Everest. **REGISTER NOW**

## Denver Mile High Rotary Calendar of Events

<http://denvermilehigh.org/Events/Calendar>

**February 19th** - Foundation Board Meeting—The purpose of the meeting is to decide the amount we can tell the Club board is available for WCS, LCS and RYLA for the Rotary year 2020-2021. If we hold to the same amount that was allocated last year, the Foundation may have to dip into reserves.

**April 18th** - Spring Swing 2020

June 6 - 10th, 2020 - Do you plan to attend the RI Convention in Honolulu? If so, **December 15th is the last day before registration costs increase!** Go to [www.riconvention.org](http://www.riconvention.org) to register.

**April 20th** - World Community Service Committee meeting

April 21st -

**May 17th** - Run in the Colfax for Shelter Box USA.

<https://www.runcolfax.org/>

Sign up for the relay, 10 miler, 1/2 Marathon, Marathon. Choose Shelter Box as your Charity Partner. If we get 20 runners we can have the Shelter Box Tent out at the event. It's up to you if you would like to raise money, this helps raise awareness.

**June 27th** - Rotary Rafting trip down Clear Creek

Please do Reference our Website  
[www.denvermilehigh.org](http://www.denvermilehigh.org)

**Carolyn Schrader has been adding content about Our Club's service projects. Carolyn would like info on other Club activities but need input from the members. Please contact Carolyn to offer information about club activities, etc.**

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## Denver Mile High Rotary Upcoming Programs

**February 19<sup>th</sup>** - Pavel Reppo – Fine Mind

**Feb 26<sup>th</sup>** - Nader Hashemi - Director of the Center for Middle East Studies and an Associate Professor of Middle East and Islamic Politics at the Josef Korbel School of International Studies at the University of Denver.

This is an exceptional opportunity to invite guests to the Club who have an interest in international affairs.

Nader Hashemi is the Director of the Center for Middle East Studies and an Associate Professor of Middle East and Islamic Politics at the Josef Korbel School of International Studies at the University of Denver. Nader is a leading expert on the Middle East. He is frequently interviewed by PBS, NPR, CNN, Al Jazeera, Pacifica Radio and the BBC. His writing has appeared in the New York Times, Newsweek, the Wall Street Journal, and [CNN.com](http://CNN.com). He is the author of Islam, Secularism and Liberal Democracy: Toward a Democratic Theory for Muslim Societies.

He also co-edited The People Reloaded: The Green Movement and the Struggle for Iran's Future, The Syria Dilemma and Sectarianization: Mapping the New Politics of the Middle East.

The topic of Nader's talk to Rotary will be: "How can we explain the ongoing turmoil and instability in the Middle East? Are the roots of the region's turmoil to be located in history, religion or politics, specifically Western interventions in this region?"

Ann Tull and I heard Nader speak about a month ago and were privileged to join him for lunch. He is incredibly knowledgeable and has such insights into the region.

**Our only request is that you let Tom Cella know by Monday February 24** how many guests will be joining us. You can call or email Tom: [tomcella1739@gmail.com](mailto:tomcella1739@gmail.com) or (303) 981-1222. We want to make sure to have enough breakfast and adequate tables and chairs.

## **Weekly Inspirators, Greeters & Hosts**

### **February 19th -**

Inspiration - **Sarah Hite**

Greeters - **Noreen Keleshian and Bob Kemp**

Host - **Audrey Leavitt**

### **February 26th -**

Inspiration - **Kevin LeVezu**

Greeters - **Susanne Lorenz and Jeff McAnallen**

Host - **Diane Messamore**

### **March 4th -**

Inspiration - **Constance Mortell**

Greeters - **Carolyn Nobel and Annely Noble**

Host - **Karl Paulson**

## **February Birthdays**

February 8th - Pat Gorman Barry

February 11th - Sonny Wiegand

February 13th - Andrew Bell

February 24th - Marvin Thomas

February 25th - Adams Price



## Joel Barbers trip to Zimbabwe report


Denver Mile High Rotary sponsored a District Grant for a water survey in Zimbabwe that was approved early in January. This grant was to fund the travel expenses of Joel Barber, an employee of LRE Water who volunteered to complete the survey. Our connection with LRE Water is the best: Carolyn Nobel is the Director of Operations for the organization. It was Carolyn who arranged for Joel, a hydrogeologist with an MS in hydrogeology from the Colorado School of Mines, to travel to Zimbabwe to complete a hydrogeological survey in a suburb of Harare. This survey was necessary to get approval for a \$100,000 Rotary Global Grant to repair and upgrade their water system.




We had been looking for a geologist to complete this study for over 18 months. Joel was in Harare for one week, and after two days he had tested the boreholes (wells), met with the local officials and the local Rotarians, and was developing a plan for getting this project done.

A huge thank you to Joel, who by all accounts from the Zimbabweans has done a great job, and to Carolyn, who facilitated Joel's participation in this extremely helpful survey.

Carolyn Schrader

**JOEL BARBER**  
PE, STAFF HYDROGEOLOGIST





Joel Barber is a member of LRE's Groundwater Team, and has over three years of experience in water resources engineering. He has a B.S. in geological engineering and M.S. in Hydrogeology from the Colorado School of Mines. His expertise includes groundwater and surface water engineering, vadose zone hydrology, geologic logging, geologic mapping, well installation and aquifer testing.

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## District Announcements

### **STATE OF THE STATE LUNCHEON & MENTAL HEALTH EXPO**

**Thursday, March 5 - Hyatt DTC**

Don't miss hearing Governor Polis and keynote speaker Linda Rosenberg, Columbia University Dept. of Psychiatry. [REGISTER NOW](#)

### **PEACE COMMITTEE WORKSHOP - LET'S TALK**

**Saturday, March 14 - Red Rocks Community College**

How can we foster conversations to bridge our divides? [CLICK HERE](#) for more information and to register.

### **LITERACY CONFERENCE 2020**

**Saturday, March 28 - University of Denver**

New Perspectives on Literacy & Basic Education for Colorado and the World. [REGISTER NOW](#)

### **DISTRICT CONFERENCE 2020**

**Friday-Saturday, April 24-25 - Westin Westminster**

Featuring our guest speaker Erik Weißenmayer, author of *No Barriers* and the first blind person to summit Mount Everest. [REGISTER NOW](#)

## Please invite your friends to the Spring Swing...

Mark your calendars, buy your tickets and plan join us for another great night of music, dancing, awesome food and beverages, as well has a ton of fantastic and fun people! Last year was a blast, as you know if you were there...and this year will even be better! Once again the big band music of the Flatirons Jazz Orchestra will be featured!

I know it's a few months out, but I wanted to let you know that tickets are now available with early-bird/discounted pricing for the Denver Mile High Rotary Club, 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Mile High Spring Swing event! You can find more details below and via the link provided.

<https://springswing2020.eventbrite.com>

Don't delay in taking advantage of our early bird pricing and I am looking forward to seeing you there!

Best regards,

**April 18th, 2020** - 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Mile High Spring Swing event! Date is set. Venue secured. Band is getting locked in. Catering should be good to go. Wheels are in motion. Discounted tickets are in the works

[CLICK HERE to](#) buy your tickets

\$85 from 1/1/2020 until 2/29/2020

\$100 from 3/1/2020 until April 18, 2020.



## 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

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Would you like to participate in the Colfax Marathon supporting Shelter Box on May 17th?

Think you could run one of these legs?? We need 11 more people to have a tent out at the event!

<https://www.runcolfax.org/races/marathon-relay/marathon-relay-leg-overview/>

**LEG 1:** URBAN RIVER - 6.5 MILES

**LEG 2:** NO GROANS AT SLOAN'S - 4.0 MILES

**LEG 3:** ECLECTIC MILE HIGH - 5.5 MILES

**LEG 4:** SCREAMING DOWNHILL - 4.1 MILES

**LEG 5:** DOWNTOWN RIVER TREK - 6.1 MILES

**We would love to get a few teams of 5 people to complete the full marathon.**

Amy Weed is Team Captain for one relay team!

## **JOIN THE ROTARY HALF-DAY RAFTING TRIPS WITH MILE HI RAFTING ON SATURDAY, JUNE 27<sup>TH</sup>**

**A \$5 DONATION IS INCLUDED IN THE COST OF EACH TRIP.**

**ALL PROCEEDS 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) - \$64 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, Brad Thompson or Geoff Noble at [gtnoble@comcast.net](mailto: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**



# MILE HIGH Spring Swing

*Music by The Flatirons Jazz Orchestra*

*Featuring Vocalist Deborah Stafford*

**APRIL 18, 2020**

**6:00 to 10:00 PM**

**INDUSTRY RiNO STATION  
3858 Walnut Street  
Denver, CO 80205**

*Snazzy Casual Attire*

**Catering by INDULGE Bistro + Wine Bar**

Proceeds Benefit Local, Regional, & Global Efforts Supported By **Rotary**  
Club of Denver Mile High



**Advance Ticket Purchase Only:  
<https://springswing2020.eventbrite.com>**



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