



President's Column:

February 19, 2019

Hi everyone,

I hope that your week is starting well. We spent time over the weekend working on our taxes...oh joy! We also entertained Camille, our granddaughter who attends DU, and her boyfriend. It is a delight to spend time with 20-year-olds and hear their plans for the future. What a privilege.

Speaking of young people, Tom Cella is trying to organize another visit to CEC, to meet with the Interact kids, and enjoy a great breakfast.

This week our meeting will be a Club Assembly, a fancy word for finding out more about each other, especially our newer members. It will be fun, but also a great opportunity to share your ideas about the Club and things that would make it better. For instance, we are looking for recommendations for off-site visits and unusual speakers. Bring your ideas on Wednesday.

See you Wednesday.

Carolyn

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~ Join Fellow Rotarians tonight, Tuesday, February 19th for Happy Hour at the Denver Athletic Club from 5p—7pm in the Pub.

FAMILY OF ROTARY



The Music Man is Brad Thompson's alter ego. Brad started playing trumpet in the 5th grade, and continued his play in symphony/concert bands, marching bands and jazz bands through his sophomore year at the University of Iowa. At age 19 he realized he needed to concentrate on his business studies and give his more talented music major classmates the stage.

He did not touch his horn again for 30 years. As a present for his 50th birthday, his wife, Amanda, hired the Flatiron Jazz Orchestra to play at his party. Brad asked to "sit in" with them for a couple of tunes, and the rest is history. He got hooked and started showing up at their practices. Soon they invited him to join the band. Brad has played the trumpet with them since 2015.



Flatiron Jazz Orchestra – Can you find Brad?



Amanda, Alec, Ander, Margaux and Brad Thompson

The Thompson Family. Brad and Amanda have three children, Ander 22, Margaux, 20, and Alec, 19. Ander is a graduate of West Point and in active service. Margaux is junior at Seattle University and has a double major of Digital Design and Spanish. Alec is a sophomore at Chapman University studying International Business and Film.

DMHR Spring Fling. Brad and his DMHR co-fundraisers – Anson and Scott (plus a cast of others!) have put a terrific Spring Fling Event that will feature music and dancing. [CLICK HERE](https://milehighspringswing.eventbrite.com) for tickets: Milehighspringswing.eventbrite.com. Please contact Brad for more details - brad.thompson5280@gmail.com



Condolences for Steve Blazik.

Steve flew to Iowa this week to attend funeral services for his father. Please express your condolences when you see him and sign the card we will pass around at this week's meeting. Steve joined DMHR in January and is looking forward to giving back to the community. His sponsors are Brad and Adams.



Rotary



Denver Mile High Rotary Upcoming Programs

February 20th - Club Assembly

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—In August 1921, Franklin Delano Roosevelt, aspiring politician, contracted polio. As a result, was paralyzed from his waist down for the remainder of his life. Tom Giordano discusses his overcoming his disability to become one our most consequential presidents, the impact of polio on his life and health, and how his illness led to the eventual development of vaccines to combat this crippling disease.

Tom Giordano, retired chemist and environmental professional, facilitates history classes at DU's OLLI Program. He recently taught a class on The Big Three, Churchill, Roosevelt, and Stalin.

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

March 20th - Jen Landers - Colorado Young Leaders

March 27th - Jim Rohrer—What happened to SEARS

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>

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 1st – 3rd – PETS – Bob Kemp needs your help!

March 16-17th - PeaceJam Youth Leadership Conference—www.peacejam.org

April 13th - Spring Fling Event – Get your tickets! SHARE – use the following link – [CLICK HERE](#)

Milehighspringswing.eventbrite.com

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

April 27th - District Conference - [REGISTER NOW](#)

- 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>

Weekly Inspirators, Greeters & Hosts

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 - Pat Gorman Barry

Greeters - Andrew Bell and Steven Blazek

Host - Bob Connaghan

March 13th

Inspiration - Greg Thielen

Greeters - Anson Thompson and Brad Thompson

Host - Ann Tull

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Spring Swing

Music by The Flatirons Jazz Orchestra

Featuring Vocalist Deborah Stafford

APRIL 13, 2019

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**
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PROMOTING THE MILE HIGH SPRING SWING EVENT

Explain what we do at Rotary, locally and globally. (no need to do this first step if you are visiting and promoting to another club; however, you should share some information about our club's projects over the years).

The MHSS is our BIG fund-raising event to help us raise more money for our foundation to help us do more good in the world.

What is the MHSS? It's going to be SO MUCH FUN! We have an amazing 18-piece big band called the Flatiron's Jazz Orchestra, there's going to be music, dancing (if you want to) great food catered by Indulge Bistro and Wine Bar, we have a variety of beverage sponsors and a ton of fun people to meet and get to know!

When is it? Saturday April 13, 2019. From 6 pm to 10 pm

Where is it? – 3858 Walnut St, Denver. It's a really cool new office building called Industry at RiNo Station. If you haven't seen it yet, you'll definitely want to check it out!

How many people are going to be there? We are shooting for 300+

Tickets are \$100 each. Here's a great offer that several businesses and individuals are taking advantage of: Buy 5 get one FREE! So, you get 6 tickets for \$500. Bring friends, colleagues or clients!

Where can I get my tickets today you ask? Go to: milehighspringswing.eventbrite.com

Don't delay...tickets are selling fast and we'd hate to have you miss out!

Pass out the fliers. Point out the Eventbrite link at the bottom of the page.

Any questions you can't answer, collect their name and number and send them to Brad Thompson at brad.thompson5280@gmail.com or 303-478-5729 and I will be happy to call them and answer them!

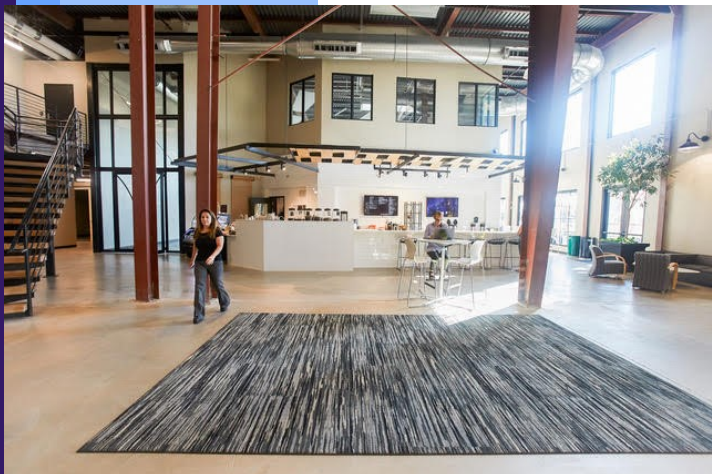
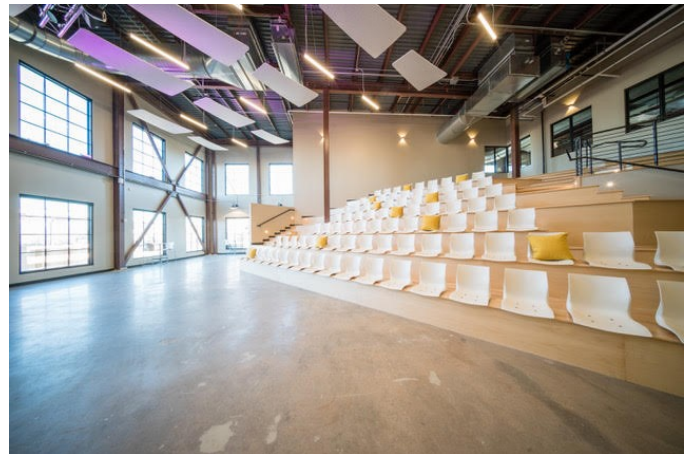
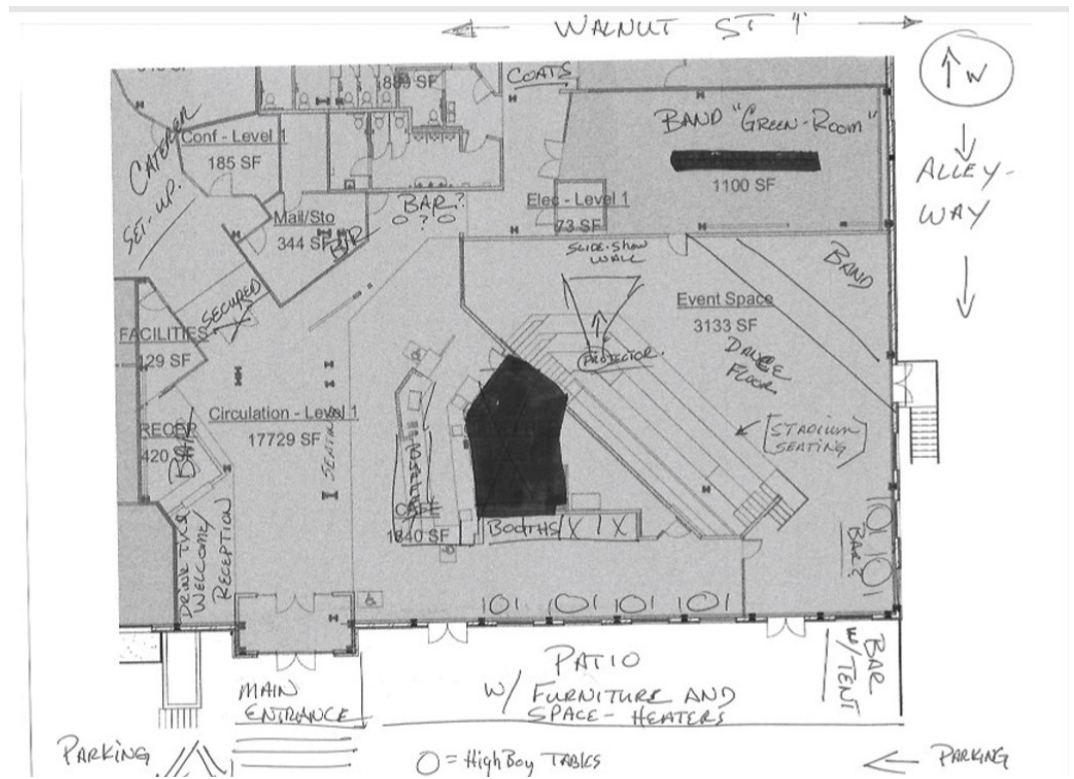
Remember....your enthusiasm will be contagious so be super excited whenever you are sharing information about the MHSS!

Thank you!

Take 20% off one ride to or from Industry at RiNo Station for Mile High Spring Swing!

<https://www.lyft.com/invite/MHSS19>





JOIN THE ROTARY HALF-DAY RAFTING TRIPS WITH MILE HI RAFTING ON SATURDAY, JUNE 22ND



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) - \$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

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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