



President's Column:

July 9, 2019



Hey everybody...

Welcome back from the holiday... I hope you had a great 4th of July! Our family makes an annual pilgrimage to the beautiful farmland of Iowa during the week of 4th of July. I love the peace and quiet and being away from the ridiculous fireworks where we live here, but the tradeoff is you don't take showers until the evening in Iowa because you are either sweaty all day or covered in bug spray.

As I mentioned during the passing of the gavel, I am really excited to be your president this year. I'm also a little nervous and anxious. Trying to get in the flow of this new role, while trying to maintain my other roles is a little overwhelming, but this too shall pass. I do appreciate your patience, help and suggestions as we get this going :-)

If you weren't at the last meeting, here are some of the initiatives I've made a priority during my tenure:

- Recruiting - goal is to get back to 60+

- Growing existing fundraisers - Spring Fling and Citrus Sales

- Leveraging the web and social media - increased engagement with our community

- PERA - get increased involvement from this relationship

- Technology - create a lasting infrastructure for the future

Contact me if you would like to contribute to these items if you're not already. We can use the help!

Also, please know that you can come to me with any concern or question you have, and I encourage you to do so. I am always open to suggestions and want to work with all of you to increase our ability to serve our local and world communities in the way that only Rotary can do!

Now for some business:

- Coming up is a Fellowship event: the Past President's Party. Let's honor Carolyn for her fabulous work this last year because she was awesome, right?! It will be towards the end of August; announcement to come.

- My first board meeting is this week: Tuesday at 4pm. If you can make it, please come or be on the call! Let me know if you need details.

- We're always on the hunt for good presentations so if you've seen any good talks or know good speakers, let somebody from the Programs Committee know about it please!

Thanks everybody... I hope to see you either at the board meeting or our regular Wednesday meeting!

Scott

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Denver Mile High Rotary Calendar of Events

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

July 16th - The first Local Community Service Committee meeting for the new Rotary year will be on Tuesday, July 16, 5pm at Michael Tapp's office located in the Wells Fargo Tower - 10th Floor. The call in phone number is 1-888-549-3557. The passcode for the call in # is 8636752.

Our discussion will begin the discussion on LCS projects for this year and our budget. As always, we are looking for projects that make a significant difference in the community and provide an opportunity to engage our members.

July 18th - Rotary Happy Hour—5 - 7pm—Wash Park Grill

<http://www.washparkgrille.com/>

Thursdays - \$2 Ladies Night All Night (and other happy hour specials)

Every Thursday Night 4pm - Close

\$2 Wine, \$2 Well, \$2 Domestic Draft, \$5 Ketel One Cosmos

August 20th / 4:00pm- World Community Service Committee Meeting

April 18th, 2020 - 2nd 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

\$75 until 12/31/19

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

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

Denver Mile High Rotary Upcoming Programs

July 10th - Debra Falkner - Debra will speak about the history of the Brown Palace

Since 1892 , The Brown Palace has been an integral part of Denver's history. The hotel has represented the very best the City has to offer its visitors.

Debra Faulkner , The Brown Palace's Historian, will offer a lively biography of The Brown Palace Hotel.

July 17th - Jay Arehart - Architectural Engineer working on his PhD at CU - Temple Buell Scholarship to Scotland to study low-carbon building - Our club sponsored him for the scholarship

July 24th - Rick Marsicek, Planning Manager for Denver Water—Our amount of Colorado River water is about to change. Should we worry?

The Colorado River produces half of the water that serves Denver Water's 1.4 million customers. It also supplies water to others throughout Colorado and six other states: Wyoming, New Mexico, Utah, Arizona, Nevada, and California.

The water of the Colorado River was divided among states in the 1922 Colorado River Compact. Earlier this year the states and federal government adopted Drought Contingency Plans that will modify water allocations if our current 19-year drought continues.

Rick Marsicek of Denver Water will give an overview of the Colorado River basin and the history of the Law of the River. He will speak to us about the current drought, the Drought Contingency Plans, and what this means for Denver Water customers.

July 31st - **Robert Mintz** - Cherry Creek Dental Mission 2019 Temple Buell Scholar—one of Cherry Creek Rotary club's dentists who have traveled the world providing dental care to those who otherwise have no access it. The dentists volunteer time and bring down their own equipment. This fall they are going to Honduras.

Weekly Inspirators, Greeters & Hosts

July 10th -

Inspiration - Brian Duran

Greeters - Alessandro Eichstaedt

Host - Debra Flick

Induction New Member - Sara Hanstad

July 17th -

Inspiration - Kevin Galloway

Greeters - Melanie Gentz and Tom Giordano

Host - Brian Good

July 24th -

Inspiration - Tom Gregory

Greeters - Ted Hendryx and Dan Himmelspace

Host - Sarah Hite

July 31st -

Inspiration - Noreen Kelesian

Greeters - Bob Kemp and Audrey Leavitt

Host - Kevin LeVezu

July Birthdays

July 4th - **Brad Thompson**

July 8th - **Dan Himelspace**

July 23rd - **Jared Beach**

July 24th - **Betty Speir**



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Shared from the 6/30/2019 The Denver Post eEdition

WHO, Rotary Clubs have made the world a healthier place

By Ved Nanda Columnist for The Denver Post



We shudder at the enormous loss of life caused throughout the ages by malaria, tuberculosis, polio, HIV/AIDS, Ebola, Zika, and other deadly communicable diseases, as well as cancer and heart disease, which are non-communicable. How to eradicate and combat them remains a major challenge to humanity. Of course, coordination and collaboration are essential to mount a successful worldwide campaign against them. This is the task undertaken by a U.N. specialized agency, the World Health Organization (WHO).

Established in 1948 with its objective as "the attainment by all people of the highest possible level of health," WHO undertook a mass tuberculosis inoculation drive in 1950 and launched the malaria eradication program in 1955, later changed to malaria control. Its signature success was in combating smallpox, which was declared eradicated in 1979 — a historical feat as the first disease eliminated by human effort. Two decades before that, when it initiated a global effort to conquer the disease, two million people were dying annually from smallpox.

WHO initiated the global program on HIV/AIDS in 1986 and two years later established the Global Polio Eradication initiative. In 2001, it formed the measles initiative, resulting in reducing global deaths from this disease 68 percent by 2007. To improve the resources available, the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria was created.

WHO actively influences the health policies of governments through programs that "integrate pro-poor, gender responsive and human rights-based approaches," and promotes a healthier environment focusing on prevention, health education and action. Along with the World Bank, it works with partner governments, civil society and development agencies to improve the health of people in developing countries.

With 194 member states and several others as observers, WHO has six regional offices and employs 8,500 people in 147 countries to carry out its mandate. It is financed by contributions from member states and outside donors, of which the United States is the largest, followed by Japan and Germany.

Polio is the next major target for complete eradication. One should not forget that in 1952 one of the worst polio epidemics in history happened in the U.S. when more than 57,000 children were stricken and thousands died. Today, polio is on the brink of extinction, as only three countries — Pakistan, Afghanistan, and Nigeria — are still afflicted with the disease. Just three decades ago in 1988, there were an estimated 350,000 new cases of polio in 125 countries. A vaccine developed by Jonas Salk in the 1950s has done miracles as just two drops protects a child from polio.

A major partner in this crusade has been Rotary International, which since 1988 has raised more than \$2 billion, in partnership with the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation and was instrumental in helping to found the Global Polio Eradication initiative. It must have been incredibly difficult for India to wipe out this disease with such heavy odds: high population density, inadequate sanitation system and low vaccination rates. But along with the Rotary Clubs and the help of two million vaccinators, the Indian government reached every child.

The Rotary Club of Denver has been a leader in this mission. A prominent member of the Rotary Club of Denver since 1969, Grant Wilkins, who recently passed away, was an important part of Rotary's eradication efforts. He had been struck in 1951. And a former student of mine, Robert Heiserman, another Rotarian, fell victim to polio as a child and died from a relapse in 2018. Now a sculpture commemorating the efforts to vaccinate all people against the polio virus, has been dedicated at the Anschutz Medical Campus in Aurora.

WHO's resources are inadequate to meet its mandate. U.N. Secretary-General António Guterres has called for a large scale reform and the current director general of WHO is now engaged in the task. Member States involved in setting the organization's priorities and resources need to give him the where-withal to do so.

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