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Hi everyone,

This week there are a lot of members absent, visiting Hamburg for the RI Convention, or other exploring European destinations. There will be lots of stories when everyone gets back to Colorado.

The travelers will miss a great presentation this week: Bruce Ward will talk about his work with Chuck Leavell, who presents an outstanding series of programs about American Forests on PBS.

We will have one last party/fundraiser on June 15 from 6pm to 10pm: Summer Soltice Party at the Himelspach's. This will be a great celebration of our accomplishments of the year, accompanied by food and tasty margaritas. In addition to music and fellowship, there will be a raffle with 50% of the proceeds going to the winner. You won't have to be present to win, although you'll miss all the fun. Tickets are \$35 for the event, and that includes one raffle ticket. Please bring your checks on Wednesday if you will be joining us. You can also register on line. Heidi has very gratiously jumped in to help with the marketing while most of the organizers are in Germany.

Also, don't forget the Rafting event on June 22. All funds raised will be donated to Warriers on Cataract, one of our long-time Club beneficiaries. As you might expect, Geoff Noble, the sponsor, is always looking for more participants. There is more information elsewhere in the newsletter. There are three levels of skill (from none to kamikaze) and family and friends are welcome. If you cannot attend, consider sponsoring an Interact student.

Finally, I am thrilled to let you know that I received today a copy of the Com-

munity Assessment that the Zimbabwe Rotarians completed last week. This is a critical piece for any Global Grant and we've been waiting to get the assessment done so we could move forward with a new Women's Empowerment Grant in Harare. I'll keep you all informed.

The Club is changing bank accounts and some financial processes, including



dues payments, effective July 1. You will be hearing more about that from Kaili, our incoming treasurer and Scott. A special thanks to Debra for helping to make this transition as easy as possible. You will be hearing a lot more about it in the next four weeks.

See you all Wednesday. Have a great week.

Carolyn





From the Assessment in a very poor community in the suburbs of Harare Zimbabwe.



Denver Mile High Rotary Calendar of Events

http://denvermilehigh.org/Events/Calendar

June 3rd—5th - Rotary International Convention - Hamberg, Germany

June 6 - Craig Hospital dinner

- 4:30 or 5:00 pm (depending on if you want a hospital tour)
- 3425 S Clarkson St,
- we will serve dinner from Brothers Barbeque
- park on the street or in 2 visitors lots
- meet in the lobby of Family Housing

June 15th - Summer Solstice Fundraising event, <u>click here</u> to buy tickets 6pm—9pm
The Himelspach's Residence
5285 E. 6th Ave
Denver, CO

June 22nd - Annual Rafting Trip - More details to come - Save the date Mile Hi Rafting – Contact Geoff Noble. Bring Friends, family, friends of friends. It is a great day on the river!!

July 8th - Rotary Peak Hike—starting at 9am to ring in Curt Harris' year as District Governor. All are invited and kazoos will be provided.

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

May 29th - Club Foundation presents—Service Projects funded by the Denver Mile High Rotary Foundation. Presented by Tom Giordano and Tony Viada

June 5th - Bruce Ward will talk about his work with Chuck Leavell, who presents an outstanding series of programs about American Forests on PBS.



June 12th - Sustainability of Agriculture Joyce Kelly - Joyce Kelly is executive director of the Colorado Pork Producers Council (CPPC) headquartered in Lucerne, Colorado. She joined the council in 2015 and is responsible for pork producer communications, education programs, pork promotion and community outreach. Joyce also represents Colorado pork producers at the state and national level.

With growing concerns about climate change and food safety, farmers continuously improve how they raise food and protect the environment.

This presentation, using pig farming as a case study, demonstrates how a commitment to doing things better has achieved <u>one the most significant evolutions</u> in food safety, nutrition and environmental stewardship in the last 55 years.

June 19th - Robert Mintz - Dental Mission

June 26th - Changing of the Guards

July 3rd - DARK no meeting

July 10th - Debra Falkner - Brown Palace





Weekly Inspirators, Greeters & Hosts

June 5th -

Inspiration - Michael Tapp
Greeters - Greg Thielen and Anson Thompson
Host - Brad Thompson

June 12th -

Inspiration - Ann Tull
Greeters - Tony Vaida and Mary Walta
Host - Bruce Ward

June 19th -

Inspiration - Amy Weed Greeters - Ronnie Weiss & Sonny Wiegand Host - Chris Wong

June 26th -

Inspiration - Pat Gorman Barry Greeters - Andrew Bell and Steven Blazek Host - Bob Connaghan

May Birthdays

May 10th - Robin Springer
May 11th - Tony Vaida
May 20th - Amy Weed
May 26 - Anson Thompson



DENVER MILE HIGH ROTARY CLUB

SUMMER SOLSTICE CELEBRATION

for the benefit of the Denver Mile High Rotary Foundation

June 15, 2019 | 6-10 PM
The Himelspach Residence
5285 E 6th Ave, Denver, CO 80220

Celebrate Summer with margs, music and fun while supporting local and global community service project!

\$35 Tickets include:

Dinner provided by Illegal Pete's

Margarita Bar
Ice Cream Station
1 ticket to 50/50 Chance to Win
Tickets available on Eventbrite or at Club Meetings



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 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

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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