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As we move into the 4th Quarter of the Rotary year -I am on the home stretch! Tomorrow you will vote on Adams nominations for his year! The new Rotary year will be here before we know it!

However we still have three months of this year!
There are so many events and functions in the next few months. I am looking forward to the District Conference with many of you. If you are still considering going, I strongly suggest looking into attending the District Conference for at least one day.

In June - The Rotary International Convention is in Atlanta. Rotary International will be commemorating The Rotary Foundation's centennial with a birthday party, book signing, and film festival." Also - Did you hear that Bill Gates will be in attendance? It was just announced that Bill Gates to address convention attendees. Should be a great time.

Tomorrow we will hear from our very own - Greg Smith,

he will be speaking
about PERA's funding status.

That is fantastic! It is going to be a great day and
every little bit that goes

On the calendar, this Saturday is Rotary Ski Day at Vail. There are a handful of members that plan to hit the slopes. I plan to be there and get a few more runs in before the ski season is officially over. Meet at the gondola at 9:30am at Vail.

There is no Food Bag Program this Friday at Bryan Webster as the students are still on Spring break. We will be back on April 7th.

There are also a few bike rides on the calendar - more to come - but save the dates of April 9th and May 13th. We will set up these rides as a fundraiser for the Denver Mile High Rotary Foundation.

Our next Happy Hour will be April 27th at Brio.

As Geoff Noble mentioned there are over 40 people signed up for the rafting trip on June 17th!

That is fantastic! It is going to be a great day and every little bit that goes toward Warriors on Cataract makes the fun day on the water a little more meaningful.

Enjoy the cool weather and see you tomorrow!

Melanie Denver Mile High Rotary





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Denver Mile High Rotary Upcoming Programs

March 29th — Greg Smith, PERA's Executive Director and Denver Mile High Rotary Club Past President, Greg Smith, will provide information on how economic and demographic changes are impacting the plan's funded status and what comes next — both this year and during the next legislative session.

April 5th — Bob Kemp will speak about his Rotary travels through Southern India.

April 12th - Tom Athenour will speak about The Two Games of Leadership



March Birthdays
2nd—Audrey Leavitt
3rd—Karl Paulson
8th—Michael Tapp
14th—Geoff Noble
16th—Kurt Bartley



Weekly Inspirators, Greeters & Hosts

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March 29th

Inspiration - Geoff Noble

Greeters - Sarah Hite and Noreen Keleshian

Host - Bob Kemp

Rotary Minute - Audrey Leavitt

April 5th

Inspiration - Jeff McAnallen

Greeters - Diane Messamore and Kevin

LeVezu

Host - Carolyn Nobel

Rotary Minute - Lawrence Mundy

April 12th

Inspiration - Jane Fisher

Greeters - Scott Smeester and Alex Orkow

Host - Bob Connaghan

Rotary Minute - Karl Paulson

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Denver Mile High Rotary Calendar

April 1st - Rotary Ski Day

April 2nd - Rotary Bike Ride (unofficial)

April 9th - Rotary Bike Ride (TBD)

April 28th—30th- District Conference - - Cheyenne Mountain

May 13th - Rotary Bike Ride (TBD)

June 10-14 Rotary International Convention—Atlanta

June 17th - Denver Mile High Rotary Rafting trip!



WHAT WOULD IT TAKE TO CHANGE THE WORLD?

ROTARY'S 12 MILLION MEMBERS
BELIEVE IT STARTS WITH A COMMITMENT TO

CEDVICE ARMY CELE

Mile High Rafting Trip

ROTARY HALF-DAY RAFTING TRIPS WITH MILE HI RAFTING ON SATURDAY, JUNE 17TH. A \$5 DONATION IS INCLUDED IN THE COST OF EACH TRIP. ALL PROCEDES GO TO SUPPORT THE WARRIORS ON CATARACT PROGRAM

SURE-SHOT - \$49 ADULTS, \$44 CHILD

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) - \$59 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) - \$79 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.



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We can get a 10% rebate for every rafter booked by March 1st 2017. All rebates to be donated directly to the Colorado based non-profit program Warriors on Cataract

Rotary's Week of Service

Please Join us for Rotary Service Week: March 25th -31st!!

We have the following opportunities to provide assistance to the Salvation Army that week:

March 25, Saturday -

Time of your choice. Volunteer at the Food Bank in the Red Shield's name. This is doubly beneficial as it supports both programs.

March 30, Thursday -

5:30PM (or later depending on individual work schedules) to 8:00PM

Reorganizing food pantry at Red Shield. Maximum 5 volunteers

March 30-31, Thursday and/or Friday -

10:30AM-1:30PM

Cooking lunch, really any day this week would be of great help, but especially Thursday and Friday as our program director will be away. We could use extra hands on Thursday and Friday during the camp programming as well.

To volunteer for any or all of the above activities, please contact Jessica Pearce at <u>Jessica.Pearce@usw.salvationarmy.org</u> to sign up.

CEC Students Receive Scholarships

"I wanted to pass along some great news! Three CEC students received the coveted Daniels Fund Scholarship (more information below). I am also please to announce that all three have been a part of Interact and attended RYLA. They were not as available this year as they are seniors but I firmly believe that your commitment to Interact helped these student be competitive in this honor. Thanks for all you do! Please pass along to other members.

We are thrilled proud to announce that Hugo Burciaga, Jerae Bustillos and Jonah Cortez have been awarded the Daniels Fund Scholarship! The Daniels Scholarship P...rogram provides a four-year annually-renewable college scholarship for graduating high school seniors who demonstrate exceptional character, leadership, and a commitment to serving their communities. This is a comprehensive college scholarship that pays toward the costs of tuition and fees, room and board, books and supplies, and miscellaneous educational expenses. It is a supplemental or "last dollar" scholarship, and therefore secondary to all other grants and scholarships awarded to the scholar. After considering the student's other scholarships, financial aid (federal, state, and institutional), and any work-study they accept, as well as their Expected Family Contribution (EFC), the Daniels Fund will pay toward the remaining costs of the scholar's education. The amount of the

scholarship is unique to each Daniels Scholar, and can vary from year to year. What is next for CEC's Daniels Fund Scholars? Jerae is looking at either the University of Oregon or Colorado State University majoring in either Political Science or Criminology. With cost no longer being a determining factor Hugo, a future Emergency Room doctor, is weighing all of his college options. Jonah has his eyes set on becoming a Colorado State University Ram majoring in Business Management.

Congratulations Hugo, Jerae and Jonah! Special thanks to Santo Alvarez, Stacey Hervey and David Mack for writing letters of recommendations for these students. Also to Erin Ulrich for the countless hours spent reviewing and editing essay for all our Daniels Fund applicants."

Stacey Hervey
Affiliate Professor of Criminal Justice



Rotary Book Club Meeting

The next Rotary Book Club meeting will be held Saturday, April 8 from 1:00-3:00 PM. It will be held at Bill Yeoman's home 1266 Fillmore St. The novel is *The Magic Strings of Frankie Presto* by Mitch Albom who wrote the acclaimed *Tuesday with Morrie*.

Redesign the Club Banner/Flag

Tom Cella is pursuing the possibility of re-designing/new art for our club banner / flag. Anyone interested should contact Tom. Cell: 303-981-1222

No Food Bags @ Bryant Webster - March 31

Students are on spring break. We will return on Friday, April 7.

