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Hello, everybody! We were dark week before last and I missed last week due to travel. Seems like quite a while since I have been there, so I am looking forward to Wednesday. I had to put on my investigative reporting hat (you know, the fedora with the press badge on it) to see how the meeting went last week, but it sounded like a great one. First off, many thanks to Melanie for running the meeting for me. Hope you are having a gas in Italy! Thank you also, Carolyn and everyone else who backed Melanie up. Carolyn tells me that Abbas' presentation was a good one and a little unique for a DG. Instead of the "rah-rah, give money" speech, it sounded to be more of a reflection on what Rotary can be, cast in the light of the Rotary response to the recent hurricanes in Texas, New Orleans/Florida and Puerto Rico, to name a few: Something of a metaphor of how Rotary stands in a unique position to be the conduit for getting very efficient and very effective help out to communities in

need, wherever they may be, whether it is in our own back yards or around the globe. Abbas is an interesting gentleman with a diverse background in overcoming adversity and forcing the positive to always shine through. I understand he made mention of the backpacks for kids program he put together for Afghani kids, for whom the schools were built, but the school supplies were unavailable. Abbas jumped in to remedy that problem and in very short order had more than 50,000 backpacks winging their way to kids in Afghanistan. Goes to show what can be done by a very few to great effect!

Speaking of great effect, serious progress on the fruit sales: 166 boxes so far! Robin has been on fugo in the sales department with more than a dozen boxes sold! She got the Cherry Creek club in the mix, so they are buying boxes, too. Way to go, Robin! Everybody keep up the great work. Those grapefruits are going to be might delicious for someone!

Some house keeping to be aware of: Don't forget to get Carolyn the payments for the fruit sales. Commits are one thing, but cash is king! Also, remember that we will be dark on the 22nd of November, the day before Turkey Day. You are welcome to show up at the Uclub that day, but it could prove to be a less than exciting meeting... I look forward to seeing you all on Wednesday!!

Adams



Denver Mile High Rotary Upcoming Programs

November 1st - Paula Davis is a former fellow with the Donnell-Kay Foundation, a small family foundation working, broadly, on the goal of improving public education in Colorado. Paula spent the bulk of her time focused on the ways that rising housing costs affect teachers and our education system, in Denver and across the country. She'll be speaking about Denver's affordable housing challenges with a particular eye toward their intersection with education.

November 8th - Gina Olberding is the Operations Manager for the Colorado Consortium for Prescription Drug Abuse Prevention. The Consortium was created in the Fall of 2013 to establish a coordinated, statewide response to this major public health problem. The Consortium's mission is to reduce prescription drug misuse and abuse in Colorado by developing policies, programs, and partnerships. Gina will address the prescription drug abuse epidemic facing Colorado.

November 15th - Steve Woods is a retired business consultant, with vast experience as a fund raiser in the non-profit world. Steve will provide us with a presentation on effective fundraising in today's world.

November Birthdays

17th - Chuck Rudolph

23rd - Diane Messamore

26th - Carolyn Schrader





Weekly Inspirators, Greeters & Hosts

November 1st

Inspiration - Lindsay Gerlach

Greeters - Tom Giordano and Tom Gregory

Host - Susan Henderson

Rotary Minute - Ted Hendryx

November 8th

Inspiration - Dan Himmelspach

Greeters - Sarah Hite and Noreen Keleshian

Host - Bob Kemp

Rotary Minute - David Kiefner

November 15th

Inspiration - Audrey Leavitt

Greeters - Kevin LeVezu and Jeff McAnallen

Host - Diane Messamore

Rotary Minute - Constance Mortell



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Gifts of Hope Fundraising Breakfast

November 8 @ 7:30 am - 9:00 am

Rotary Mental Health Initiative asks anyone interested in mental health issues to join a Rotary table at the Gifts of Hope Fundraising Breakfast sponsored by Mental Health Community of Denver. It will prove an inspirational morning with a world class mental health organization chartered by the City and County of Denver. For more information and to register (registration is free) see below. When registering, let them know you are a Rotarian and they will put you at one of the Rotary sponsored tables.

Join MHCD for a free 1-hour breakfast for building connections and learning about the innovative work of the Mental Health Center of Denver!

The Gifts of Hope Fundraising Breakfast inspires attendees to explore the ways in which we are embracing the future of well-being through innovation. We know that enriching lives and minds means finding creative solutions for a changing world. This necessarily involves fostering a community in which everyone can thrive. Join us as we discuss how the Mental Health Center of Denver is using technology and new approaches to improve well-being throughout Denver, both today and into the future.

For more information and to register, visit the webpage: www.mhcd.org/giftsofhope2017

You can also call Denver Mile High club members, Diane Messamore or Pat Gorman Barry, for information.

Denver Mile High Rotary Calendar

Be sure to check the calendar online for all events (meetings, happy hours, committee meetings)

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

Park Stewardship Dinner - 11/20

This year's Park Stewardship Dinner will be held on Monday, November 20, 2017 from 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm at the Denver Zoo, Norgren Hall. This dinner honors our amazing volunteers who contribute their time in helping beautify our Denver Parks and Trails year round. Our group will be getting recognized.

Please forward to other volunteers in your group **and RSVP by November 1st** to tina.myers@denvergov.org; or call [720.865.2434](tel:720.865.2434).

[Anson Thompson](#) is the contact for this event for Denver Mile High Rotary Club. Please also let him know if you will be attending.

Holiday Citrus Fruit

20lb gift boxes of fresh ruby red grapefruits and fresh navel oranges straight from the Rio Grande valley in Texas. The perfect gift for clients, friends and family! To top it off, proceeds from these gifts go to projects serving the Denver and global communities via Denver Mile High Rotary. A fantastic way to give twice!

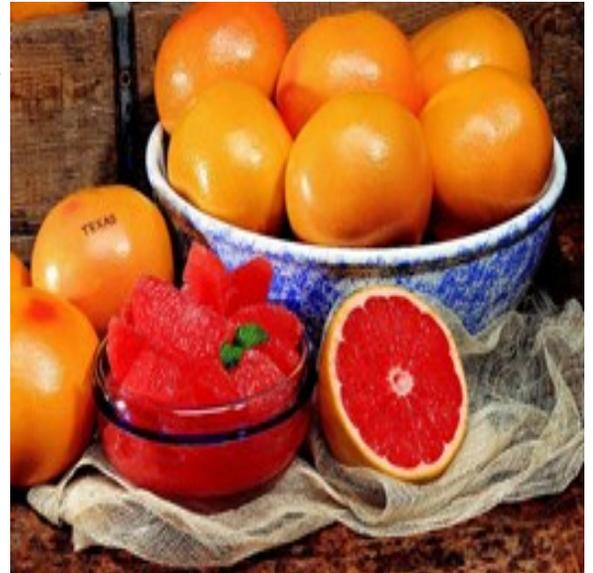
There are three choices of box:

20lbs Red Ruby Grapefruit

20lbs Navel Oranges

20lbs mix of Red Ruby Grapefruit and Navel Oranges.

Each box is \$30. Orders can be delivered to the EKS&H offices or picked up downtown. They will get to Denver the first week of December. Payments in advance for boxes go to Denver Mile High Rotary Foundation.



All proceeds of the sale (\$12 per box) go to projects in Denver, including:

- 9HealthFair
- Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA)
- Veterans Honor Flight
- Warriors on Cataract
- Outdoor activities for low-income kids
- Mental Health Awareness
- Food for Thought Program

Carolyn Schrader has sent out a sales tracking form that you can use to keep track of sales.

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