



#### **President's Column:**

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What a great weekend for those who joined together with the CEC Interactors to ly commit to volunteer-Hike Rotary Peak in the name of Rotary. Thank you to Bruce Ward and the who may not otherwise District 5450 Rotary Peak Committee for making this happen! About 45 people came together in fellowship and enjoyed the outdoors in the Colorado wind and hiked, built relationships, learned about our great outdoors and each other. There are too many names to thank that sales end this Wednescame together to make this happen so thanks to everyone for sharing knowledge, rides, thanks Choose Outdoors for lunch soon as possible. We for everyone, and just being there. Hope to go it again as we wait for that peak to gain it's official name of Rotary Peak.

More good news. While Harrington Elementary has sponse from the commubeen such a special part of nity. This is a great opour volunteering with Food For Thought the good news is we will continue this Friday, Sept 16th meeting in the fuat Bryant Webster Elementary. Each week, 8

Denver Mile High Rotarians and friends and famiing from 7:00 - 8:30am to The month is already flyfill food bags for children ends. If you have not yet that you do to make such volunteered, please day morning this school year to volunteer an hour world. and a half of your time.

As for the Healthcare Debate on the 21st, ticket day the 14th, so if you know anyone who would like to attend, please have them sign up as now have a total of 79 people already registered. Robin (and everyone helping her directly) has put a lot of work into making this happen and has had a wonderful reportunity to share Rotary and invite attendees to come back to another ture. Please do introduce yourself and wel-

come the community to our meeting.

ing by and we are in full swing. I cannot thank have food over the week- each of you enough for all wonderful things happen make some time on a Fri- in our club, our community, our lives and our

See you tomorrow,

Melanie

President

Denver Mile High Rotary





### **Denver Mile High Rotary Upcoming Programs**

**September 14<sup>th</sup>** - Andrew Romanoff from Mental Health Colorado will be our speaker. Mental Health Colorado is the state's leading advocate for the prevention, diagnosis, and treatment of mental health and substance use disorders. They are a nonprofit, nonpartisan organization and an affiliate of Mental Health America. Mr. Romanoff will be addressing the organization's efforts to learn more about local barriers to mental health care -- and the best ways to break them down with the mission to make Colorado a national leader in the prevention and treatment of mental health and substance use disorders. Mr. Romanoff served in the Colorado House of Representatives from 2001 to 2009 and as Speaker of the House from 2005 to 2009.

**September 21<sup>th</sup>** - Amendment 69 Debate on Colorado Universal Healthcare. See page 4 for more details and sign up information.

**September 28<sup>th</sup> -** Patsy Barnes will be presenting on Dementia.

#### September Birthdays



2nd—Greg Thielen 8th—Roberta Simonton 10th—Susan Kelly 27th—Jeff McAnallen





#### **Weekly Inspirators, Greeters & Hosts**

#### **September 14th**

**Inspiration - Greg Smith** 

**Greeters - Betty Speir and Robin Springer** 

**Host - Jeff Sprole** 

**Rotary Minute - Diane Wilson** 

#### **September 21st**

**Inspiration - Bruce Ward** 

**Greeters - Greg Thielen and Terry Tomsick** 

**Host - Ann Tull** 

**Rotary Minute - Tony Vaida** 

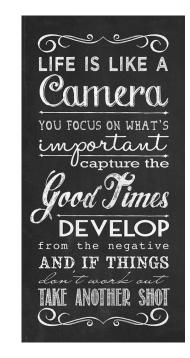
#### September 28th

**Inspiration - Michael Tapp** 

**Greeters - Sonny Wiegand & Chris Wong** 

**Host - Paul Anderson** 

**Vocational - Melanie Gentz** 







Wednesday September 21, 2016

# The Colorado Universal Healthcare Debate



Reserve tickets here: <u>Colorado Uni-</u> <u>versal Healthcare Debate</u>

Healthcare coverage today is not equitable, universally accessible or affordable. Costs continue to soar - so much so that nearly two-thirds, or 62%, of all bankruptcy filings in the United States in 2007 were due to illness or medical bills according to the American Journal of Medicine. While we'd like to think these numbers pertain only to the uninsured in

America, most of those in the study were well educated and middle class; 3/4 of those in the study had health insurance.

Industry experts agree: our current healthcare system unsustainable. Americans deserve other options, and a group in Colorado has rallied to get an issue on the ballot this November that could change the way Coloradans receive healthcare. Now, Amendment 69 could mean that all residents of the state will be covered by universal healthcare. But what is the cost and what does it mean for our future?

Colorado Treasurer, Walker Stapleton and NY Times Best Selling Healthcare Policy Author and Chairman of the Board of The Colorado Foundation for Universal Health Care, T.R. Reid will engage in an exciting and informative debate on Wednesday, September 21<sup>st</sup> at 7AM at the University Club in Denver, CO. Todd Breyfogle from the Aspen Institute, will moderate the event.

Advocates for the amendment claim that not only will the law give Coloradoans more options for sustainable healthcare, it will be a model for the rest of the country.

Denver Mile High Rotary is providing an opportunity for you to come and learn about the issue to help you make an informed decision on this important electoral resolution.

Seating is limited and reservations are required to secure your place. Registration closes Sept. 14th. Don't delay get your tickets now while they are still available.

 $PS \sim Even$  if you can't attend, do your friends a favor and pass this on to them so they can learn about this important resolution.

THE DETAILS: REGISTER HERE

When: September 21st 6:30--8:30 am

Doors Open @ 6:30 am for breakfast
Debate & Audience Q &A 7am - 8:30 am

Cost: \$ 25.00 Includes Full Breakfast Where: The University Club Denver

1673 Sherman Street Denver, CO 80203

Parking available on street. Multiple public parking lots also available within 1 block north on 18th & Sherman

# **Rotary is Everywhere We Go!**



Carolyn Shrader found this in the town of Sovana in Umbria, Italy. The Rotarauto Classic is a rally of antique cars.



#### **TRAINING**

Would you like more knowledge and training from Rotary. Our District hosts **District Learning and Leadership Development**—Plans and carries out, with the direction of the District Governor Elect, the District Assembly in the spring of each year; serves as a resource to club trainers, and assists in other District seminars, workshops, and conferences as requested.

#### The Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI) - Rocky Mountain Division

A training program dedicated to improving the Rotary knowledge and leadership skills of the future leaders of Rotary Clubs and Districts. <u>Click here to view the RLI Brochure.</u>

Don't be afraid to ask, there are resources out there. Become a better leader, member of Rotary of society.

http://www.rotary5450.org/SitePage/training

#### **100 Acts of Good**

To mark the Rotary Foundation centennial, we're encouraging members everywhere to do 100 acts of good throughout the year. Let others know by posting photos of yourself on social media, along with a brief description of the act, using #100actsofgood.

http://centennial.rotary.org/en/get-caught-act-doing-good

## **Invitation: DMHR Discussion Group**

Community Service or Toxic Charity? – How to maximize the value of DMHR Service Projects.

**Denver Mile High Rotary** provides countless hours as well as significant funds to improve the quality of life for people in communities — both locally as well as globally. But is the work we do optimal for the communities and people we serve? How do we know? How do we make the most positive change with our resources? Do we sacrifice long term benefit to our recipients in order to achieve short term, feel good benefits for those who serve?

We will strive to explore and perhaps answer these questions and more in the new ongoing **Service Discussion Group** being cochampioned by Bob Kemp and Paul Leidig.

This is a voluntary discussion group open to all members interested in helping our Club maximize the impact and sustainability of the service work we do - locally and around the globe. We plan to use a combination of videos and readings to precipitate group discussions which will be held every few months. All you need to do in order to participate is to watch a video or read something and come prepared to discuss the message, and it's applicability to our clubs work.

The first Service Discussion Group meeting will be hosted by the WCS committee at 5PM, September 26th at 5PM – at Blackbird Public House. Our initial discussion will focus on the film "**Poverty Inc.**". Prior to the meeting, please watch the film and come prepared to discuss it. The movie is available from many sources; please see the following link for more information. <a href="http://www.povertyinc.org/">http://www.povertyinc.org/</a>

As always please direct questions, comments and feedback to either Paul Leidig (leidigpa@gmail.com) or Bob Kemp (rkemp10453@aol.com).

We welcome your participation in this dialog!



# Tour of the American Museum of Western Art PLEASE MAKE YOUR RESERVATION

At our July 27 DMHR meeting, Kristin Fong, Educator of the American Museum of Western Art invited the club members and guests for a private tour. We have scheduled our visit for Wednesday November 2 at 3 pm. This will be our get together in lieu of our club meeting for that date.

After an approximate 1½ hour audio tour, we will adjourn to the Brown Palace's Ships Tavern which is just across the street from the Museum at 1727 Tremont Place for no-host libation and club provided snacks.

We have ample space (limited by audio devices) at 50 units but we need to get your reservation. Please bring a spouse or friend. This is also a great way to introduce new people to the club. Your sole cost at the Museum will be \$5 per audio set.

<u>Please also respond if you only expect to come to the Ship's Tavern, indicating "Ship's Tavern Only".</u>

A Evite invitation will be sent out to all members. Please reply to the invitation as it will make it easier to track responses. If you did not receive the evite, you can also follow the following web address:

http://www.evite.com/event/0249TMSGKK4PPECVCEPGLGS3JFGELY/activity? gid=006AQ6OB5WBWA4A7IEPGLGTA5W2DPU&utm\_campaign=view\_invitatio n button&utm medium=email&utm source=GUEST INVITE EVENT

The American Museum of Western Art provides access to one of the world's most comprehensive collections of Western art in one of the most unique settings in the country, the historic Navarre Building. The Collection is displayed in a salon style, which is in keeping with the Navarre's 19<sup>th</sup> Century origins and allows the Museum to exhibit a survey of Western art and history. The Museum's permanent exhibition (which includes over 300 paintings, drawings, and sculptures by more than 180 artists and spans nearly 200 years of American history) promotes the public's understanding and appreciation of art depicting the American West from the early 1800s through the present day.

WHAT WOULD IT TAKE TO CHANGE THE WORLD?

BELIEVE IT STARTS WITH A COMMITMENT TO

SERVICE ABOVE SELF

#### Continental Breakfast

The continental breakfast will be served every 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month.

## **Denver Mile High Rotary Calendar**

November 2nd - Tour of American Museum of Western Art. 3:00 to 4:30PM

January 7th - RI President's Dinner & Polio Fundraiser 5:30—8:30PM

### **Food for Thought Update:**

We will be supporting Food for Thought at Bryant Webster Elementary beginning on Friday, September 16. It is located at 3635 Quivas. Greg Thielen has updated Club Runner with sign-up details, times, and location.

### **King Soopers Cards**

Did you know the minute you load your King Soopers card our club gets a percentage of the money you add? You don't even need to spend it and our club gets a percentage! Use it for your daily coffee run. That's right, it's good at King Soopers' Starbucks too!

Sarah Hite has King Sooper's cards. It's an easy way to make money for our Club and make shopping easier for you! They also make great gifts.



# Pictures from Rotary Peak Hike September 11th 2016















#### Invitation to hear John Hewko on Oct. 6

We have a unique opportunity to hear from John Hewko, General Secretary and CEO of Rotary International, who will be in Denver on October 6, 2016 in conjunction with another speaking engagement. Here is John's bio for your information: <a href="https://www.rotary.org/myrotary/en/learning-reference/about-rotary/general-secretary">https://www.rotary.org/myrotary/en/learning-reference/about-rotary/general-secretary</a>

You are invited to attend either of the following meetings – space is limited so you must register no later than September 30:

#### Denver Southeast Rotary, 7:15 a.m. to 8:45 a.m.

Cherry Hills Country Club, 4125 S University Blvd., Cherry Hills Village, CO 80113

\$15 per person includes breakfast Contact John Wetherington to register for break-

fast: john.wetherington@att.net

#### Denver Rotary, 11:45 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Denver Athletic Club, 1325 Glenarm Place, Denver, CO 80204 \$25 per person includes lunch Click here to register for lunch: <a href="http://www.lsMyRotaryClub.org/Register/index.cfm?EventID=77309472">http://www.lsMyRotaryClub.org/Register/index.cfm?EventID=77309472</a>

I hope you will take advantage of this opportunity.

Yours in Rotary Service, Bill Downes William A. (Bill) Downes District Governor 2016-17 District 5450, Rotary

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## **DMHR Foundation Board**

The DMHR Foundation Board has allocated \$21,500 for club projects in the current Rotary year.

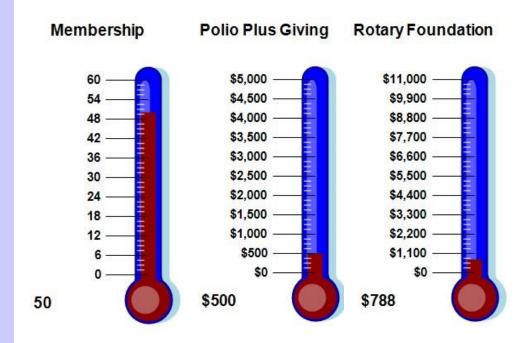
The next Foundation Board meeting will be at PERA on Tuesday, September 20th @ 7AM. Call in will be available

**Denver Mile High Rotary gifting Goals 2016—2017** to the Rotary International Foundation and Polio Plus campaign.

Year to date in 2015-2016 the Denver Mile High Club donated \$10,884 to the RI Foundation and \$5,614 to the Polio Plus fund.

I thought it would be fun to track our success this year on these goals that the district and Rotary International asks us to achieve!

# Progress as of September 13, 2016



# **LoDo Rotary Fundraiser**



Food and Beverage provided by:





**SEPT. 17, 2016** 

# 4PM-8PM LODO ROTARY FUNDRAISER

Night of Light Dinner and Music with LoDo Rotary



Location:
Home of Jeff and
Kathy Ambrose
3865 Chimayo
Road
Littleton, CO
80123
Cost: \$25 Perperson - more if
you want to
Benefit LoDo
Rotary

#### What LoDo Rotary Does:

- Serve Breakfast for atrisk youth
- Help provide Stoves for Residents of Vanuatu
- Support Ipoderac (Orphanage in Mexico)
- Provide RYLA Scholarships
- Clean up along the Platte River
- Work with Residences at the Barth Hotel
- Support Shelterbox

Come and Learn MORE about what LoDo Rotary does locally and internationally

#### **RSVP BY 9/14/2016**

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