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Denver Mile High Rotary where commitment and service rise above the mountain tops

President's Column:

Hope everyone enjoyed the long Labor Day weekend! We are gearing up for a busy month. Thanks to everyone for their participation and service. Everyone plays such an awesome role in this club making everything happen!

A little update on Ann Tull and her shoulder surgery - the surgery went well and she is in recovery and will be for about a month, please feel free to reach out to her on your own. Michele Ashby talked about how Rotary is everywhere while on her trip to Washington DC last month she saw a Paul Harris plaque in the ground. Bob Kemp is out exploring the Nation and Vancouver where he saw a big Rotary wheel in a park with a Prince Rupert emblem. "Prince Rupert is a port city in the province of British Columbia, Canada. Located on Kaien Island, Prince Rupert is the land, air, and water transportation hub of British Columbia's North Coast, and has a population of 12,508 people" Thanks Michele and Bob for sharing!

We are now into September -we have a great response on our meeting on the 21st of September. We only 21 members of the Denver Mile High Rotary Club, so if you haven't already, please RSVP, or let me know and I can help take note of your RSVP. Again, the debate will be between - Colorado Treasurer Walker Stapleton to Debate Chairman of the Board of the Colorado Foundation for Universal Healthcare, T.R. Reid Moderated by Todd Breyfogle of the Aspen Institute. This is great exposure for our club in our community.

If you are planning to volunteer at the Food for Thought Food Bag program - please contact Greg Thielen as some things have changed, and we will not be at Harrington this

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week. He will be in touch with you directly as well. More details to come.

Hope to see many of you this Sunday hiking Rotary Peak, myself, Bruce and other Rotarians will meet at 7am at the University Club and we will meet the other at the Top of Loveland Pass to hike Rotary Peak!!! Look forward to seeing you there.

Have a great weekend and

see you tomorrow,

Melanie

President

Denver Mile High Rotary



Denver Mile High Rotary Upcoming Programs

September 7th - Jon Kedrowski is an author, ski-mountaineer, and geographer. John summited all 55 of Colorado's 14ers and will discuss his adventures and his book, Sleeping on the Summits, Colorado Fourteener High Bivys. An accomplished mountaineer, Jon successfully climbed Mount Everest in 2012, and was featured in the Dateline NBC documentary, Into the Death Zone.

September 14th - 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 nation-al 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 21th - Amendment 69 Debate on Colorado Universal Healthcare. See page 4 for more details and sign up information.



September Birthdays

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





Weekly Inspirators, Greeters & Hosts

September 7th

Inspiration - Sara Schaffer Greeters - Carolyn Schrader and Linda Sue Shirkey Host - Roberta Simonton Rotary Minute - Vass Sirpolaidis

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





The Colorado Universal Healthcare Debate

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



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 21st 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 ~ *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!



Bob Kemp was surprised by this sign in Prince Rupert, British Columbia!





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</u> <u>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. <u>http://www.povertyinc.org/</u>

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 1 ½ 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</u> <u>"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 19th 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.

ROTARY S 12 MILLION MEMBERS BELIEVE IT STARTS WITH A COMMITMENT TO SERVICE ABOVE SELF

Continental Breakfast

The continental breakfast will be served every 2nd Wednesday of the month.

Denver Mile High Rotary Calendar

September 11 - Hike Rotary Peak! 8:30AM start. Contact Bruce Ward for more details bruceward1@gmail.com

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

Rotary Book Club



Would you like to join the Denver Mile High Rotary Book Club?

Our Rotary Book Club would be delighted to welcome new members from our Club. We'll be reading "Shop Class as Soulcraft: An Inquiry into the Value of Work" by Matthew B. Crawford. Called the "Sleeper hit of the publishing season," a philosopher/mechanic's wise (and sometimes funny) look at the challenges and pleasures of working with one's hands.

Our next meeting is Monday, September 12 at 7:00 p.m. at Tom Giordano's home

Contact Sarah Hite for more information schite2000@yahoo.com

King Soopers Cards

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.



http://www.endpolio.org/



Hike Rotary Peak–September 11th 2016

Here's your chance to be part of Colorado Rocky Mountain history. Join us on Loveland Pass Sunday, September 11. (Yes 9/11) to celebrate our public lands and demonstrate your support for the naming of Rotary Peak. Car pooling from the University Club at 7:00 am or meet on Loveland Pass at 8:30 am. About two miles each way of high elevation ridge hiking, Dress for any type of weather-layers-bring water and lunch. Thanks to every one who has helped get us this far, <u>Finn Bjørn Knudsen</u>, Jim Brook, Rick Clark and so many more! Contact <u>Bruce Ward</u> for more details <u>bruceward1@gmail.com</u>



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: <u>https://www.rotary.org/myrotary/en/learning-</u> reference/about-rotary/general-secretary

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 breakfast: 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: <u>http://www.IsMyRotaryClub.org/Register/</u> <u>index.cfm?EventID=77309472</u>*

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 August 16, 2016

Membership

50



Rotary International



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

RSVP to: Traci Schauermann 303-887-8921 traci.oliver@gmail.com