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ZOOM LINK

The Zoom meeting "room" will open at 7:00 am, and the meeting will begin at 7:15.

Join Zoom Meeting

https://
us02web.zoom.us/
j/81294791259?
pwd=aXZsTXRiZzJLZEVLR1
N2RFZ3bnBRdz09

Meeting ID: 812 9479 1259 Passcode: 903839



President's Column

Dear Rotary Colleagues

11 December 2023

This Week

Seasons greetings. We hope you are doing well, enjoying get togethers and finding quiet time to recharge. At this halfway point of the Rotary year and end of the calendar year, it is a good opportunity to check how we are doing. In light of that: **Where we have done well** – fundraising efforts, fellowship events, and identifying community projects for volunteer participation. **Where we might get stronger** – membership recruitment (an all-club responsibility), submitting District grant proposals to maximize receipt of matching funds, and having members participate in the volunteer engagements.

"What constitutes an ideal club member involvement?" I was asked this question by a recent prospect trying to understand our club's expectations for members. Here's what I offered – see what you think: 1) attend at least a couple club meetings a month (zoom counts), 2) participate in one or more service activities per month involving a couple of hours, 3) serve on a club committee, 4) contribute financially to our local global impact fund (Club Foundation) and the Rotary Foundation fund, as one's budget allows, 5) enjoy hanging out with other club members and joining our social activities.

Still thinking about an end of year contribution to Rotary? see the message and links on page 2 from Noreen.

Last Week

We visited the African Community Center (ACC) on Wednesday for our monthly offsite and learned about the array of services provided by this organization serving 300 families a year with primary resettlement including a warehouse of house furnishing donations (only available for their clients). <u>Click here to see attached presentation</u>.

Next Few Weeks

I will be headed to Thailand to catch up with our daughter's family over the holiday break. No meetings until January when we reconvene at the Elks Club for an offsite. Next newsletter will be published the first week of January. A couple of feedback requests will be sent out for your input during this interval. Please complete and return to help inform our community engagement direction.

We are also working on scheduling another tree canvassing campaign (door to door distribution of leaflets explaining how to get low cost / no cost trees) working with The Park People. This will likely be January 27 in the AM in a different Denver west side neighborhood from our last effort Oct 14. More to come.

Appreciations

The ACC warehouse crew of Tom Gregory, Dan Hall, and Jim Strong – sorting about 300 coats, hats, and gloves that will be distributed to newcomers.

One of Us

No guest of honor featured this week. We still have a dozen to share and are also sending out the bio form to those who had not yet completed their responses. This is a fun way to get to know our club partners.



Weekly Inspirators, Greeters & Hosts, etc.

Date	Inspiration	Greeters	Host
13 Dec	Linda Sue Shirkey	Roberta Simonton & Vass Sirpolaidi	Scott Smeester
20 Dec	DARK	DARK	DARK
27 Dec	DARK	DARK	DARK

Denver Mile High Rotary Calendar of Events

- Dec 11 Local Community Service (LCS) meeting 4:00 Zoom Please contact Tom Cella for details.
- **Dec 18** World Community Service (WCS) Mtg 4:00 Zoom Please contact <u>Audrey Leavitt</u> for further information.
- Dec 31 Final day to get IRS credit for donations to Rotary.
- Jan 1 Next newsletter
- Jan 3 Off-site meeting at Elk's Lodge #17 2475 W. 26th Ave, Denver, CO 80211 this is the location at which our 2023 "sock hop" dance was held.
- **Jan 10 Meeting at the U Club** Anthony Martineau, Development Director of Covered Colorado fighting human trafficking.
- Jan 18 DMHR Foundation Mtg 0730am Please contact Mary Walta for more information.
- Jan 27 Leaflet distribution in Denver with The Park People location, time and additional details available later.

Year End Opportunity to Share

The calendar year-end is fast approaching. For those who want to make tax deductible contributions to our Rotary Club of Denver Mile High Foundation or to The Rotary Foundation before December 31, here's how to do it.

Donate to the Rotary Club of Denver Mile High Foundation"

We support two online giving platforms. You may donate using PayPal through <u>our website</u> at (<u>click here</u> or) https://www.denvermilehigh.org/Page/support-the-foundation.

We are also an approved charity at <u>Coloradogives.org</u> and donations can be processed at <u>https://www.coloradogives.org/organization/Denver-Mile-High-Rotary-Foundation.</u>

You can also give cash or checks to Noreen at our December 13th meeting or mail a check to:

Denver Mile High Rotary Foundation

P.O. Box 101471

Denver, CO 80250

Donate to The Rotary Foundation of Rotary International

You can give cash or a check, payable to The Rotary Foundation, to **Noreen at our December 13 meeting**. She can also process a credit card payment for you.

You may also log into your "My Rotary" account at <u>rotary.org</u> and make an online donation of any amount. Don't forget that you can set up a monthly deduction through Rotary.

Thank you for your support of the significant humanitarian work done through these two Foundations!







Editor's 2 Cents Worth

A word from your editor

Dear fellow Rotarians...

This newsletter is published later than usual because I took advantage of an opportunity to be with my children an grandchildren instead of staying on schedule, and I know you understand that choice. This is the final newsletter of 2023, and I thank you for all the picture and information contributions, (Marty, Noreen, Pat G-B, Debra, and others). The newsletter is only as good as the information you give me, so, bring it on!

I wish you each a wonderful holiday season enjoying family, friends, partners, and your fellow Rotary members.

See you Wednesday (12/13) at the U Club. Annely Noble, Past Pres 2022-23 Annely.noble@comcast.net 303-842-8725 The more you contribute to your Rotary Experience, the more you benefit from your Rotary Experience. What are YOU contributing to Rotary?



We met and learned about the ACC (African Community Center) at The Art Gym, which is where the ACC warehouse is located in the basement. Volunteers who stayed to sort over 300 coats, jackets, hats, mittens, gloves and scarves included (L—>R)

Jim Strong, Dan Hall and Tom Gregory.

Thank you, guys, for working for the rest of us who could not.

DMHR Dues information

Please pay quarterly dues on or before the following dates:
July 15; October 15; January 15;
April 15
Deliver a check to Carolyn at a meeting, or mail to:

Denver Mile High Rotary PO Box 101471 Denver CO 80250

For more info, <u>click here to log in</u> to the DMHR website, then click on "member resources."



December Birthdays

3 Dec - Noreen Keleshian

4 Dec - Tom Gregory

9 Dec - Ann Lockhart

13 Dec - Tom Cella

16 Dec - Bob Kemp



When is your birthday?

Curtis Roni Brian G. Dan Hall Janine Nic W. Please update your Clubrunner info.





DMHR Party Time!

The annual holiday party was a huge success and showed the closeness of our Rotary family...we enjoy each other's company.

Leaving these photos in the newsletter one more week should make you smile in the thought that you are part of an organization of friendship, fellowship, community and global service! Happy New Year to all!









Photos by Pat and Marty









DMHR Service Above Self







Thank you to Pat G-B and Marty for these lovely photos!





