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ZOOM LINK

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

[Click here to join the Zoom Meeting](#)

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President's Column

Dear Rotary Colleagues

9/18/23

This Week

2 days until the **DMHR Peace Walk** this Wednesday (& Bike Ride, Saturday). **Details for the walk will be sent separately to those registered.** It is not too late to sign up and join approximately 35 fellow Rotarians and guests.

We are at **\$6500** towards our goal of \$10,000. **30%** of our members have donated or solicited donations. A huge thanks for your contributions.

For those in the **70% "still pondering category,"** given the importance of this primary club fundraiser which replenishes our annual project fund, please demonstrate your alignment with and for our club and service mission. Even a contribution of \$10 serves as a gesture of support for our project activities. While we can always provide service regardless of the project fund status, adequate funding allows us to amplify our impact locally as well as support international projects carried out by other Rotarians. We are planning to zoom / live stream the walk for members who want to join in that mode.

Last Week

Thanks to Amanda for a comprehensive review of the Denver area real estate market status. This lady knows what she is talking about.

Coming up

For our October 4th offsite, we will be heading to Project C.U.R.E., a Rotary founded non-profit organization that provides new and used medical equipment to areas of need internationally. As part of our visit, you will have the opportunity to stay and provide service in their warehouse for a morning shift ending at noon. For those interested in the volunteer service [please go to this link](#) and sign-up on their site.

Appreciations

- Another round of thanks to the Village Exchange crew last week for a productive outing: The Tom Trifecta (Cella, Giordano, and Gregory), Walt, Jim, and Dan H.

One of Us

See if you can guess this week's member. *Answer at bottom of next page.* As an eastside parochial child had the nuns in awe with their academic performance and angelic like behavior. Joan Didion on Netflix was a favorite watch. Enjoys traveling and has "been everywhere" but would like to get back to Ireland for an encore visit. The Colorado mountains are always an attraction. Seasons 52 is a favorite eating spot. Worked at Colorado Women's College in food service once upon a time. Favorite Rotary project has been working with youth who are inspired to serve others. Also supports the fields of health delivery (nursing) and sociology.

Club Calendar

Sept 17 - Rockies vs Giants at Coor's Field 1:10pm [Click here for tickets](#)
Sept 18 - 4:00pm World Community Service Meeting - Contact [Audrey Leavitt](#) for details
Sept 19 - 4:00pm DMHR Fundraising Committee - Contact [Marcus Hanlon](#) for details
Sept 20 - 7am - [City Park Peace Walk](#) (fundraiser part 1) This is our meeting this week, sign up now.
Sept 21 - 7:30am - DMHR Foundation Board Meeting.
Sept 21 - Deadline for Convergence signup - see below left.
Sept 23 - [Cycling to Serve Bike Ride](#) (fundraiser part 2) Please donate now
Sept 26 - LCS - SOS painting day (see Marty if interested)
Sept 28 - Reading for Peace Training (See details on page 4 of this newsletter)
Sept 28 - 4:30 - Book club meets at Sarah Hite's home - see below on this page for details.
Sept 30 - [District Convergence](#) formerly known as the District Conference - Register below left.
Oct 4 - Offsite Project CURE. 10377 E. Geddes Ave, Centennial, CO 80112 USA (303-802-1944)
Volunteer service post meeting sign-up <http://denmilehighrotary.projectcure.volunteerhub.com/>
Oct 14 - LCS Service Project - Tree Distribution Day with The Park People for SW Denver Area
Oct 21 - WASH Symposium—See page 5 for details.
Dec 10 - Save the Date for the DMHR Holiday Party! Details following soon

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Date	Inspiration	Greeters	Host
Sept 20	Amanda Biffle	Curtis Brown and Sharon Cella	Tom Cella
Sept 27	Bob Connaghan	Alessandro Eichstaedt and Debra Flick	Walter Flor
Oct 4	Off-site Mtg	10377 E. Geddes Ave, Centennial 80112	Project C.U.R.E.
Oct 11			

News Worth Knowing

DISTRICT CONVERGENCE!
REGISTER BY MIDNIGHT Sept 21!!!
[Registration is open - Click here](#)

Front Range Community College
Saturday - September 30 - 9:00am-4:00pm
 Where diverse perspectives will gather
 to meet and share interests, goals and ideas
 for SERVICE PROJECTS.
ATTEND | LEARN | GET INSPIRED

KEYNOTE SPEAKER:
[RI Director Dan Himelspace](#)
 (Denver Mile High)
\$50 per person
includes lunch and all sessions

September Birthdays

4 - Amanda Biffle
 8 - Roberta Simonton
 22 - Prez Marty Waters



Book Club is reading...

The Day the World Came to Town -
9/11 in Gander, Newfoundland
 By Jim DeFede

Meeting at Sarah Hite's home
 on **Thursday - September 28th at 4:30 pm**
 648 Humboldt, Denver 80218

Please bring a beverage or snack to share.
 If you would like book recommendations from
 fellow DMHR members, please see page 5.

One of Us! Pat Gorman-Barry



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Join the Denver Mile High Rotary Peace Walk

See page 5 of this newsletter for info on how to join our Denver Mile High Rotary walk and how to donate to the cause. [Please register now.](#)



Human Centered Design

WASH Symposium

Featuring Georgie Badiel-Liberty
October 21, 2023 - 7:15am—1:45pm
CSU SPUR Hydro Bldg
Live and Virtual (Zoom)

**First 40 students who register attend for free.
Please consider having our Interactor students
attend this event in order to broaden their
world views.**

[Click here for WASH Symposium details.](#)
[Register now by clicking here.](#)

Book recommendations from fellow DMHR Readers

[Midnight at the Bright Ideas Bookstore](#)
by Matthew J. Sullivan, former employee
of the Tattered Cover Bookstore

[Mad Honey](#)
by Jodi Picoult and Jennifer Finney Boylan
[Everything You Want Me to Be](#)
By Mindy Mejia



Cycling to Serve

[Click here](#) for details on this important fundraiser!

This used to be our annual Woohoomanity biking fundraiser...and it still can be.

[Marty Waters](#), [Melanie Gentz](#),
[Dan Hall](#), [Robin Springer](#), and [Debra Flick](#)
are riding this year,
[please donate!](#)



To donate online to the riders, [click here](#),
or **for greater impact**, you can
write a check directly to and mail to:

Denver Mile High Rotary Foundation
PO Box 101471
Denver CO 80250



You also can bring a check to a Club meeting and deliver it to Noreen, DMHR Foundation Treasurer.

[Click here for](#) our group's **CURE volunteer** site on the web.

1. New volunteers - please create a profile.
2. Read/approve the annual waiver of liability.
3. Minimum age is 14; those under 18 must **print a copy of the waiver and bring the PRINTED form in order to volunteer**. This waiver will remain on file throughout 2023.
4. Sign up for the event by clicking on the date/time for your group.

Denver Century Ride Fundraising Opportunity Course Marshal Paid Volunteer Positions

As part of the fundraising program for our DMHR, we have arranged for our members to act as course marshals for the Denver Century Ride on Saturday, Sept 23rd. Each participating member receives \$50 for monitoring a location on the ride course (25/50/85/100 mile). The purpose is to keep riders safe from traffic and to assure that they follow the correct course route. [Please click here](#) to sign up for the times and locations available. Locations and times are **first come, first served**.

Contact [Annely Noble](#) (M 303-842-8725) as soon as possible to secure your preferred location, or register directly on this [Google sheet](#).

There will be a short meeting this week to hand out whistles, vests and provide detailed information.



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Reading for Peace

One of our heartwarming volunteer opportunities is with **The Conflict Center's Reading for Peace** program. Volunteers visit local elementary schools and read to small groups of children, spending about 30 minutes with each class. The books are carefully selected to positively reflect problem-solving, inclusivity and accepting differences, kindness and peacemaking, and we discuss these topics with the students as we read. Reading is scheduled for several **Thursdays** throughout the school year. As an added bonus, Noreen Keleshian is a reader, so you know you will have fun! **The training is scheduled for September 28. For more information, contact:**
Noreen 303-746-6700 or noreenkeleshian@gmail.com or
Ronnie 303-718-3279 or ronnie.weiss@conflictcenter.org

Editor's Letter...

Dear fellow Rotarians,

September is a very busy month as seen by all the notices in the newsletter. **Next month you will not see info** on supporting the Peace Walk or the Bike Ride, the Maui Fire Fund or Reading for Peace training event, or the District Convergence, Dynamic Dinners, or the course marshal support request! September is our major fundraising month and *I would like to ask for your BIG PUSH to finish September with a successful drive. Please note that we are in desperate need of course marshals to keep our riders safe. [Click here to volunteer](#) or see me for more information; our club will be paid for your service but you must register. Thank you, all.*

Service above self,
Annely

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Past President 2022-23

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, click here.](#)

SEPTEMBER

Peace Walk - 9/20/23
Cycling to Serve - 9/23/23
District Convergence - 9/30/23

Maui Fire relief Fund

Thanks to donations by members of our Denver Mile High Rotary Club, the Maui Relief Fund is now \$1,475. The DMHR Foundation has pledged \$1,000, so the total is now \$2,475. **THANK YOU DMHR Members!**

Diversity, Equity, Inclusion and Belonging DEI&B



A new initiative is being developed which is called **Dynamic Dinners**. All are invited to attend. The events occur in town and include a vegetarian dinner and beverages (NA). This initiative is to develop intentional and authentic relationships with each other, both with those you don't know and those who you've known for a while. For details, please click on the dates below. Please contact Ryan Fila for more information: ryan@ryanfila.com

[Sept 21](#)

[Sept 22](#)



Please sponsor our Rotary Peace Walk in City Park

Dear Family and Friends,

On Wednesday, September 20, 2023, the Denver Mile High Rotary Club and I will be taking a **Peace Walk in Denver's City Park**. The walk will begin at 7:00 AM starting at the Bandshell on Ferril Lake, the middle of the park. I invite you to join. During the park tour, we will cover 3 miles, with an option to stop after a quarter mile, depending on your availability.

The walk is **free** and is designed to be fun and educational. Based on a theme of "5 Easy Pieces" you will experience:

1. **Peace Activists** – learn about five legends of non-violent change at the MLK monument
2. **Peace among People** – East High's Wall of Peace, the art of respecting cultural differences, a student created two block long street mural
3. **Peace of Mind** - enjoy the urban oases and learn a bit about its nature within
4. **Pieces of History** – find out how City Park came to be
5. **Pieces of Rotary** - learn some of the diverse ways our club contributes to community wellbeing with local and global projects

Our portfolio of ongoing club projects from this past year includes: working in local food banks, planting trees in Denver parks and neighborhoods, supporting Afghan refugees resettling in the U.S., providing humanitarian war relief to Ukrainians, supporting health care delivery in other countries, providing vocational training in Zimbabwe, helping establish a food storage system in Nepal, attending to the mental health needs of local youth as well as people in Uganda, providing health screens for local citizens, and supporting recovering veterans. This year, we will continue to work in many of the same areas and expand efforts to address homelessness in our community.

Please consider joining our walk as a participant and/or being a sponsoring donor.

To **Register for the walk**: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/denver-mile-high-rotary-peace-walk-tickets-688950157467?aff=oddtcreator>

To Donate by check:

Mail a check to: Denver Mile High Rotary Foundation
P.O. Box 101471,
Denver, CO 80250

Write "DMHR Ride / Peace Walk Event" on the memo line, and my name as your contact
If you would like a Tax Receipt, include a return address or email.

To Donate online:

Use the QR code to be directed to the participant page
Click the blue Donate button to make an easy and secure online donation.



Thanks for considering this request
Your name

A note from our Ukrainian Rotary partners... shown as written in e-mail to Marty. Your DMHR Foundation dollars at work internationally.

Dear Marty and all,

Thanks again for your understanding and participation in this very needed (for families with children) project. We didn't present still more 10 medical children kits in Mykolaiv Region for refugees from Kahovka flood zone because the offensive has begun there and there is still no possibility to go through the military ban to a certain territory in the south to hand over 10 more children's boxes to the territory communities where IDPs from Kherson live. But in 2 weeks Rotarians from RC Mykolaiv will definitely do it.

For now I am attaching a photo of the children first-aid kits that were received at the RC Mykolaiv humanitarian warehouse (the club logo is visible on the wall behind).

Regarding the financial documents, if you need it about the sale of currency 8400\$, I will ask the head of our D2232 Financial Committee of this Rotary year to do it (I add Yuriy Melnyk and current DG Myron Uhryn to our correspondent).

Payment for 34 variants of medicines in UAH was according to the invoices, which I add, we bought 100 sets. The balance on the D2232 account covered transportation by Nova Poshta inside Ukraine. And 100 actual boxes, the cost of printing booklets and stickers on the boxes was paid by my native RC Cherkasy from our bank account as we received part of the funds from Australian Rotarians who were also in Melbourne at the Ukraine Session and financially supported this project.

We will be grateful to all our foreign partners for continuing to support children's humanitarian aid programs during the war in Ukraine.

Kindly yours in Rotary and friendship,
Olha

