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### ZOOM LINK

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

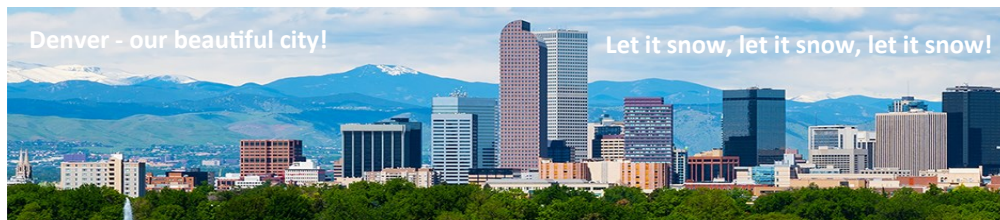
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Let it snow, let it snow, let it snow!



## President's Column

Dear Rotary Colleagues,

5 February 2024

### Upcoming

This week Wed, Feb 7th, we connect for an **all club Zoom meeting** (please use the link on the bottom left of this newsletter) beginning at 7:10 with the following agenda—

**7:15 Remembering Chuck Rudolph**, ~20—25 minutes of sharing brief stories, character snapshots, tributes. Chuck's son Mark will also join. We encourage members who knew Chuck to write down some thoughts in advance, send to Marty who will collate for the good of the group and for the family;

**7:40— Local Community Services**, Tom Cella and friends will provide an overview on local projects and volunteer activities to inspire and inform;

**8:05—Diversity, Equity, Inclusion and Belonging**—Debra Flick will help us reflect on how the club is doing in the DEIB arena.

### One of Us - In Honor of Chuck Rudolph "Renaissance Man"

by Pat Barry

Chuck's accomplishments as a dedicated Rotarian and leader of numerous global water, sanitation, and health projects fly under the radar because he quietly raises money, writes grants and recruits volunteers for projects. He also is a prime recruiter of new members for DMHR.

Chuck is reluctant to talk about these and his many other talents. However, club members who have traveled with him have learned about his remarkable life on the fishing treks he hosts to raise funds for DMHR or on the humanitarian projects he champions. Chuck is California born and raised, where he grew up on the Southern coast and earned three degrees at Stanford. A life-long fisherman, he set the bar high when he was skin diving (!!) and caught an Ulua, a member of the Pompano family. ([see pictures on pg 4](#))

His love of water was not limited to fishing for West Coast lobster, abalone and Ulua. Chuck also dedicated ten years to surfing and skin diving. When he was drafted in the early nineteen sixties, he signed up for the Navy and received a commission and training in finding and detonating explosives throughout U.S.A. Pacific Territories. This allowed him to live at the famed surfing village in Makaha, Hawaii, which (at that time) was the surfing capitol of the world. It was a young man's dream. He said, "When the surf was up I surfed, when the surf wasn't up, I could dive."

Chuck modestly does not want to talk about his talents as a surfer and diver, but reading between the lines indicates that his younger self's extreme thrill level was quenched by diving to detonate bombs and surfing. At the time, Makaha was renowned for having some of the highest waves in the world and hosted the International Surfing Championships. If you google "Makaha Surfing sixties," you will find videos and stories of the amazing events that took place during his residence there.

However, Chuck is quick to point out that he was not in the league of extreme surfers, but was "adequate." This may be why he was able to commit to a serious relationship with Charla and leave Makaha and embark on a life as a beloved husband, father and successful business entrepreneur.

A few years after Chuck left, Makaha surfer Greg Noll set a record -- still unbroken -- for riding "The Biggest Wave Ever Ridden." It is our good fortune that Chuck never looked back and chose to channel his enormous talents to service above self.

Please see photos on next page!



Date	Inspirator	Greeters	Host
7 Feb	<b>Zoom Call</b> - use link on pg 1	No Inspirators, greeters, hosts	
14 Feb	Tom Giordano	Brian Good & Tom Gregory	Dan Hall
21 Feb	<b>Beginning 2/21, we will have</b>	<b>only an inspirator and one</b>	<b>Host/greeter combination</b>

**When is your  
birthday?**

Curtis Roni Brian G.  
Janine Nic W.

**Please update your  
Clubrunner info**



**February Birthdays**

6 Feb - Jim Strong  
8 Feb - Pat Gorman Barry  
11 Feb - Sonny Wiegand  
25 Feb - Adams Price

**DMHR Book Club**

All Welcome!  
Thursday, Feb 29th,  
4:30pm  
at Sarah Hite's home  
648 Humboldt Street  
Denver 80218  
We will discuss  
Starter Villain  
by John Scalzi

**DMHR Calendar**

**Feb 5 - Project Worthmore - 1030am-noon** - Volunteer food packing - [Click here for location](#)

**Feb 7 - All Zoom meeting (No off-site)** please use the zoom link on page 1 of this newsletter.

Meeting Focus — Rembering Chuck Rudolph, LCS, and DEIB activities.

**Feb 13 - DMHR Board meeting 4:00pm-** Contact Marty Waters for details.

**Feb 14 - Speaker Steve Holloway, Colorado Health Service Corps** || Service: **Village Exchange - 0930am-1130am** - Volunteer food packing. [Click here for location.](#)

**Feb 21 - Speaker Adrian Miller** || Service: **Village Exchange - 0930am-1130am** - Volunteer food packing.

**Feb 28 - Speaker Scott Burt HPFID**

**Mar 6 - Off-site Denver Indian Center (pending confirmation)**

**Mar 21 - 7:30am - Foundation Board Meeting** - Contact Mary Walta for more information.

**A word from your editor**

Dear fellow Rotarians,

Wow, Marty did a fantastic job on publishing the newsletter...thank you so much, Marty, you're hired!

This is the week Geoff and I are spending with our son and his adorable children...I'll be fully immersed in order to make up for lost time when I am in Colorado and Gavin and his family are in South Carolina.

In whatever you do, be fully immersed, make every moment count, and make memories for the future.

See you in person on Valentine's Day!

Annelly Noble, Past Pres 2022-23

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the more you benefit from your Rotary Experience.*

*What are YOU contributing to Rotary?*

**One of us... Chuck Rudolph**

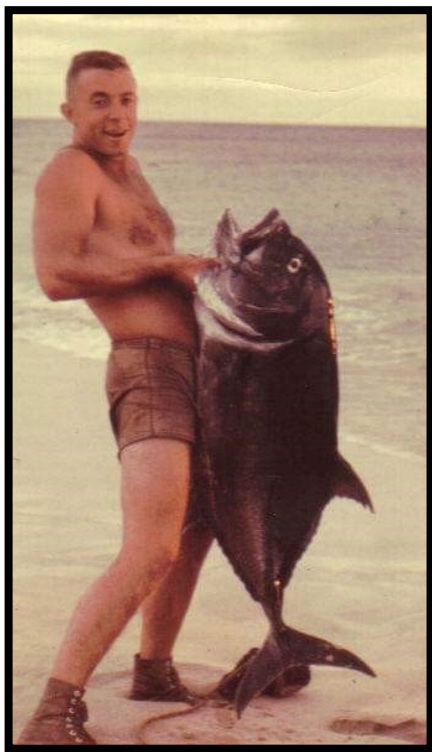


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Our 5th Wed January Happy Hour took place at noon at East High with the Young Rotary club and teacher/sponsor Aimee Arens. 12 from DMHR and 16 from East shared pizza and volunteer experiences, from the perspective of both clubs. Possible joint projects were discussed including Senior home visits, environment and trees, and elevating public awareness of the East High Peace Wall which incorporates several cultural and interest groups at the school. A memorial plaque was suggested. The East High students who helped with the tree canvassing this past Saturday were also recognized. DMHR members commented we should do similar get togethers with our other Young Rotary clubs at CEC and Aurora Central.





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### **DEI&B Feature of the Month -**

*Information submitted by Debra Flick, Chair of DMHR DEI&B Committee  
DEI&B is Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Belonging*

### **Lessons in art and in life.**

From Van Gogh's The Starry Night, to Da Vinci's Mona Lisa, Texas-based artist Tomas Bustos is reimagining the world's most iconic works of art by sculpting it to scale for the blind and visually impaired to experience.

[Click here to see](#) the visual work of art!

There is an ad prior to the actual video; the video is only 3 min 11 sec.