

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

# President's Column: 'Light Up Rotary'

#### **Exciting! Exciting! Exciting!**

Last Friday morning the Denver Mile High Rotary Club showed up STRONG! If I counted correctly,

Rotary Club of Denver Mile High

I say we had 20 members and guests present. The weather was perfect. The coffee was great and the pastries were plentiful. Thank you Greg Thielen for coordinating our participation and

providing the sustenance.

It was amazing how quickly we, along with another 20 volunteers from VISA, filled over 1200 bags with food for kids to pick up that afternoon and

take home for the weekend. Now the invitation is there for DMHR to engage more regularly and specifically at Harrington Elementary beginning on March 27.

Food For Thought is expanding and needs volunteers. In conversation with several DMHR members I have tentatively agreed to begin supporting the Harrington Elementary expansion with 6 volunteers weekly. I have also asked Bob Kemp to carry this banner to the Local Community Service Committee meeting this week as we make plans for the coming year. Our participation at Harrington would commit us thru the end of the school year which is likely early June.



I have confirmed with Jeff Sprole that we should be able to use our new website in signing up to vol-

unteer. It would be great to have 2-3 DMHR Club

volunteers commit for the first 3-4 weeks for continuity. I will be one of those volunteers. In addition, we hope that the sign-up can easily manage the 6 weekly volunteers without

> much organization. The ideal would be for everyone to be trying to sign-up at least once a month. These are ideas for the moment and we will learn more as we engage thru early June

Harrington Elementary is at 2401 E 37th Ave, Denver, CO 80205. The March 17, 2015

beauty of this site is that Food For Thought is having the food delivered directly to Harrington. The volunteers will gather in the cafeteria and begin the process at 7am and very easily done and out the door by 8:30am. More details to follow as we learn more about this unfolding opportunity for Denver Mile High Rotary to engage in Service Above Self with a regular outreach. YES! I am excited!

Light Up Rotary!

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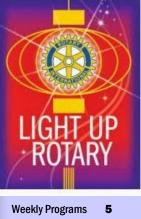
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Greeters, Hosts, **7** Inpirators

Denver Mile High









### March 8th - Michael Tapp

March 14th - Geoff Noble

**March 16th - Kurt Bartley** 

### **Register for the Membership Engagement Webinar** Membership Engagement: The Key to Retention - A Membership Matters! Webinar

25 March 2015

Join us on Wednesday, 25 March 2015, at 10:00 am CDT/Chicago time (UTC-5) for the fourth installment of the Membership Matters! webinar series. This webinar, Membership Engagement: The Key to Retention, will discuss why Rotarians leave their clubs and Rotary and how to address their reasons for doing so. You may be surprised by just how easy it can be to help a member re-engage with Rotary. Our panelists will offer insights on how to engage members along with case studies and best practices. Register to attend the webinar:

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About the panelists: Past District Governor Yeşim Yöney - Yeşim Yöney (Rotary Club of Cesme, Turkey) has been a Rotary member for over 20 years and has served in several key positions, including assistant Rotary coordinator. Yöney has invaluable ideas for engaging Rotary members, women, and younger professionals. Past District Governor Jeremy Hurst - Jeremy Hurst (Rotary Club of Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands) has 27 years of experience in Rotary and has shown his leadership in a variety of club and district roles, including club president and district conference chair (twice). He is currently serving as an assistant Rotary coordinator. Jeremy is an active and passionate leader with

wonderful insights and stories to share.

# **DENVER MILE HIGH ROTARY FOUNDATION 2015 SPONSORS**

DMHR relies on its foundation to fund its service projects. The funding is accomplished by fund raisers and sponsors. Starting this year, 2015, Sponsors will be celebrated the entire year at all events plus the weekly meetings. This is a change from the past practice of Sponsoring a specific event. Sponsorships, business and personal, will be for the calendar year. This aligns the sponsorship dollars to the business and tax year. Being a sponsor is easy simply talk to Roberta or Robin. Our Foundation goal is \$25,000 for the year. We are off to a great start.

Let's give a big shout out to Sonny Wiegand and Tom Gregory for kicking off the year as our first Business Sponsors for the DMHR 2015 service projects. Thank you to Michael Tapp and Roberta Simonton for launching this years Personal Sponsorship.

#### Give what you can when you can.

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All funds from Sponsors goes to the Denver Mile High Rotary Foundation in support of our service projects.



Suite 5500 DENVER, CO 80202 <u>Get directions</u>

Phone: (303) 446-5692 Email: <u>Thomas E Gregory</u> **Personal Sponsors** 

**Michael Tapp**...DMHR member since 2000, Chairman Local Community Service

Roberta Simonton....DMHR member since 2009

## Continental Breakfast

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

## **Denver Mile High Rotary Calendar**

**March 17th -** WCS Committee meeting 5PM- 6 PM in Room 127 of the Daniels Fund, 101 Monroe S

**March 18th** - Foundation Board will meet at 8:30 am, immediately after the Club Meeting. The meeting will adjourn not later than 9:00 am. The meeting will be held at the University Club in a room to be announced. Telephone call-in will NOT be available.



**March 19th** - Local Community Service Local Community Service Committee has set an In Person meeting on Thursday, March 19<sup>th</sup>, at 4:30 pm at Michael Tapp's office in the Wells Fargo Building at 1701 Sherman, 10<sup>th</sup> Floor (just across from the U-Club). Usually, there is plenty of available on street parking by 4:30 in the afternoon. This is a change to the time that was announced at the meeting the other day, due to a conflict with the DMHR Foundation Board meeting. We will be discussing the strategic plan for our Local Community Service Projects. Everyone who is interested in this topic is welcome to attend.

March 28th — Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI)

**April 17th -** Building Bridges signature fund raising event called Circles of Change

May 1 - 3rd ~ Rotary District Conference ~ Keystone Lodge and Spa

June 6-9th - Rotary International Convention

July 11th - Denver Mile High Rotary Fellowship cycling ride.



Save the Date July 11, 2015

Denver Mile High Rotary Fellowship Cycling Ride. \$30 donation to mental health initiatives approx. 30 mile Ride, Fellowship, Family, Fun - There will also be a fun 5 Mile ride!! SFIF

WHAT WOULD IT TAKE TO CHANGE THE WORLD?

ELIEVE IT STARTS WITH A COMMITMENT

## **Denver Mile High Rotary Upcoming**

**Programs** 

March 18 - Carolyn and Jim Nobel have been planning a trip of a lifetime - an "around the world" family adventure that many of us would love to make. Hearing how these two are turning a dream into reality will be fun and interesting.

March 25 Nancy McCamey from the Scientific, Cultural Facilities District will be our guest speaker. The District makes a huge impact on the economy and quality of life for all Coloradoans. Nancy will talk with us about the District's great work and their plans for the future.

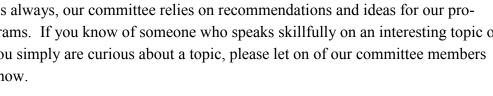
April 1st - We have rescheduled this program from March 18. We will have a speaker from the Holocaust Awareness Institute at the University of Denver join us. The goal of the Institute is to enable Holocaust survivors to tell their story. As the number of survivors of this world nightmare continue to decline, it's a unique opportunity for us to learn what happened and how it affected the lives of so many innocent people.

### Additional programs will include:

Attorney General Cynthia Coffman

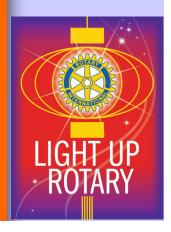
Dick Life, Honor Flight of Colorado

As always, our committee relies on recommendations and ideas for our programs. If you know of someone who speaks skillfully on an interesting topic or you simply are curious about a topic, please let on of our committee members know











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On February 4th, 2015, **Building Bridges** presented to the Denver Mile High Rotary Club.

We would like for you to save-the-date for our April 17th Circles of Change event.

Many people asked what they could do to support us, and coming to this event and bringing a friend would be an amazing gift to the organization.

It is an inspiring and uplifting event, hosted by our spectacular participants, and honoring three incredible change-makers who will tell us their personal stories.

Building Bridges would also like to share— Jeanette (one of the participants who spoke with me last week) was accepted to speak at Denver TedEx Youth conference.

BuildingbridgesShift.org

If there are ten (10) Rotarians and spouses who would be interested in attending, we can get a table for ten for \$350 as a "Community Partner". Please contact Geoff Noble if you are interested. gtnoble@comcast.net 10<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL

CIRCLES OF CHANGE

-Luncheon

APRIL 17 2015

11:30am

SEAWELL GRAND BALLROOM

Denver Center for the Performing Arts

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Honorees to be revealed soon at BuildingBridgesShift.org

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### Weekly Inspirators, Greeters & Hosts

#### March 18th

Inspiration - Geoff Noble

Greeters - Karl Paulson and Chuck Rudolph Host - Carolyn Schrader Rotary Minute - Melanie Gentz

#### March 25th -

Inspiration - Jeff Sprole Greeters - Robin Springer and Michael Tapp Host - Greg Thielen Rotary Minute - Ann Tull



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