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## President's Column: 'Light Up Rotary'

Denver Mile High Rotary

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signed up for the July 11th <u>Rotary Ride ~ Fellow-</u> <u>ship Event ~ Denver Mile</u> <u>High Rotary</u>. Our 2016-17

What an exciting time! I just

Rotary Club of Denver Mile High

President, Melanie Gentz, has launched this first time Fellowship/Fundraising Rotary Ride. I suspect our 2015-16 President, Bob Kemp, will be participating in some fashion as our 2014 -15 President, yours truly, has already set the pace as the first one to sign-up. If nothing else, check out the website. Melanie has done a great job and she has included a DMHR pullout!

Great News! Lockeed Martin Mars Mission Division has asked Denver Mile High to select a Rotarian to be a member of the Mars Mission crew which is scheduled to be launched in 2018.

On Wednesday, we will nominate one of our lucky members to begin training immediately.

This is a partnership between NASA and Rotary to take Rotary's membership drive to the stars! Be sure to attend the Der Wednesday to nominate and ry site. vote!!

OKAY! It has launched, the new website for Denver Mile High Rotary. Check it out at http:// portal.clubrunner.ca/6873. Congratulations to Jeff Sprole, Adams Price and Melanie Gentz for working thru the challenges to get us up and running! If you would like to sing-up for the Harrington Elementary Food For Thought Weekly Outreach on Friday mornings, you will need to use your District 5450 login. If you do not have a District 5450 login, go to http:// www.crsadmin.com/Gen/ PasswordRecovery.aspx? aid=50085 to select your Club and enter your email to retrieve your login name and/or reset your password. Since our site is now on the Clubrunner platform, your

login name/password will be the same for both the District 5450 website and March 31, 2015

the Denver Mile High Rotary site.

Our debut participation with Food For Thought was last Friday morning at Harrington Elementary. Bob Kemp, Greg Thielen, Jeff McAnallen, Robin Springer, Betty Spiers, Greg Smith and yours truly inaugurated our commitment to serve 475 elementary students each week by providing them a bag of food for their family for the weekend. Come join us! We need eight (8) Denver Mile High Rotarians each week in order to complete the task and depart by 8:30 a.m. We arrive at 7:00 a.m. and start the assembly shortly thereafter. CONGRATULA-**TIONS Denver Mile High** Rotary for your commitment to Light Up Rotary at Harrington Elementary! Sign-up a friend, neighbor, or prospective Rotarian.









March 8th - Michael Tapp March 14th - Geoff Noble March 16th - Kurt Bartley April 11th - Kim Gardner April 13th - Greg Smith

Check out the New Denver Mile High Rotary Web Page ~ http://portal.clubrunner.ca/6873



# **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.

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## **Denver Mile High Rotary Upcoming**

## Programs

**April 1st -** Kurt will share a video by a Rotarian from Australia, Michael McQueen. He is a 4-time bestselling author and social researcher. Michael has helped hundred of clubs and districts around the world attract and engage younger members. He is known for his humorous and practical presentations. Mr. McQueen is a past RI Convention plenary speaker.

**April 8th** - Professor Winston Grady-Willis, Professor and Chair of African-American Studies at Metropolitan State University Denver, will be our guest speaker. He will speak on "social privilege" in America today.

**April 15th** - Our guest speaker will be Jim Kirchheimer, Sr. Vice President of Economic Development for the Downtown Denver Partnership. Jim will talk with us about the amazing growth and economic development of the Downtown Denver area since the beginning of the economic recovery.



**April 22nd** - Dick Life from Honor Flight of Northern Colorado will speak with us about the heartwarming work his organization does for our veterans.

April 29th - We will have a Muslim student talk to us when we are the CEC

**May 6th** - Fellowship/Charter Day is May 6 (Diane and Linda Sue are coordinating.)

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## BELIEVE IT STARTS WITH A COMMITMENT SERVICE ABOVE SELF

It is time for RYLA and Young RYLA again. Please think of young people you know who would be good representatives of our club at one of the camps this year.

Rotary Youth Leadership Award, RYLA, and Young Rotary Youth Leadership Award, Young RYLA, applications are due by April 30th. The applications must be filled out on line at <u>www.rmryla.org</u>

RYLA is for students who will be Juniors or Seniors next school year. Students have to stay for the entire time. The dates for the camps are

RYLA 1: Sunday, July 19 - Friday, July 24, 2015. OR RYLA 2: SATURDAY, July 25 - THURSDAY, July 30, 2015

Young RYLA is for students who will be in 8th grade next year. Again the students have to stay for the entire time. The dates are:

Young RYLA Camp 1 will be from Sunday, July 26 - Friday, July 31, 2015. OR Young RYLA Camp 2 will be from Sunday, August 2 - Friday, August 7, 2015

After applications close, interviews will be conducted in early May to select the winners of the awards for both camps.

If a Rotarian's child attends the Rotarian will need to reimburse the club for \$450 attendance fee. All other students are paid for by our foundation.

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## Continental Breakfast

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

## **Denver Mile High Rotary Calendar**

**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!!

We are getting closer to the details, and would like to join other clubs in our fellowship and share cycling with each other while supporting mental health initiatives.

Click HERE To register ~ <u>Rotary Ride ~ Fellowship</u> <u>Event ~ Denver Mile High Rotary</u>.



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

11:30 am

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

#### April 1st -

Inspiration - Linda Sue Shirkey

Greeters - Roberta Simonton and Vass Sirpalaidis Host - Greg Smith Rotary Minute - Betty Speir

#### April 8th -

Inspiration - Tony Vaida Greeters - Sonny Wiegand and Chris Wong Host - Paul Anderson Rotary Minute - Pat Gorman Barry

#### April 15th -

Inspiration - Brandon Blankenship Greeters - Betsy Boudreau and Kim Gardner Host - Don Garretson Rotary Minute -

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