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Have you sent in your Foundation contributions this Rotary year?

### District Governor's Message by Ken Small, 2015-2016 District 5440 Governor

The District 5440 Conference was a great success this year. Thank you all Rotarians and guests for coming up to Jackson Hole and the spectacular Jackson Lake Lodge. The Rotary Roundup 2016 was opened by the Grand Teton National Park Superintendent, David Vela, and closed by Rotary International Past President Ray Klinginsmith. Along the way we heard from two Rotarians that are real Gifts to the World. Paul Vogelheim talked about the acquisition of land (a private donation) and development of water and sanitation facilities for the Center for the Secret of Peace. Chris Coats talked about the creation of Trailblazers which has funded and constructed over 750 water wells in addition to three schools in Laos. Both initiatives were inspired and supported by Rotarians. District 5440 Rotarian Dr. Bob Tello gave a keynote on the Rotary polio program and the future of polio. Dr Tello then followed the keynote with a breakout session on immunizations and vaccinations that are important in the world.

Many thank you's are owed to the District Conference Committee chaired by Soctt Daily and Jim Wunsch. Steve Robinson pulled together a spectacular program in a world class setting. There are many names to add to the list besides all the chairs. For those that worked on the Conference, thank you for all you did.

A thank you to all in the District. Joan and I have had a wonderful year visiting Rotarians throughout District 5440. We logged over 17,000 miles between August 2 and December 2 during which we "officially" visited all 54 clubs in the District. During the year, you, the Rotarians of the District increased our membership more than any other District of the 13 Districts in our Zone. The many new hands that joined us along with the Rotarians with long standing contributed more to The Rotary Foundation than our goal. Rotarians in the District evolved and organized solid programs for Rotaract and Interact. The Cowboy Country Rotary Youth Exchange drew a word of appreciation from RI Past President Ray Klinginsmith for the size and vitality of the youth exchange program. Our District Grants Committee managed the most limited district grant budget in recent years with an effective management style that spent out the budget and successfully accounted for all the grant money from both the District and Global Grants from The Rotary Foundation. Our indispensable Executive Secretary, Kellie Tovar, was ever present and helpful. District Trainer Phyllis Abt has done a great job organizing our assemblies and our part of PETS. It has been a very good year for Rotary in our District.

Next year we will see even more energy and successes under the leadership of incoming District Governor Barbara Redder. She will be encouraging all of us to do more with greater energy and interest. Please give her all the support you can and she will do the same for our clubs and individual Rotarians.

Thank you all Rotarians in District 5440, this year has been a great ride for Joan and I. Best wishes for the future.

Yours in Rotary,

DG Ken

## **ROTARY FELLOWSHIPS**

The month of June is when Rotary focuses attention on its many fellowships. Also occurring in June is the Rotary International Convention. Frequently, there is an intersection of the fellowships and the RI during the convention. An example is that the Rotary International Yachting Fellowship is meeting May 31, 2016 in Seoul during the Rotary International Convention which is in Seoul from May 28 to June 1, 2016. In fact the International Skiing Fellowship of Rotarians are coming the Jackson Hole in February 2017. Sixty two separate fellowships are listed in the directory of fellowships. They range from 4 X 4 vehicle fans to yachting. Among the list is a Beer fellowship, Convention goers, Canoeing, Flying, Jazz, and the list goes on. These groups are great networks for learning about skills, many nationalities, and different cultures that still are interested in common activities. How about Magic?

Take the opportunity to associate with Rotarians with a particular recreational interest. Friendships and social activities do not have to be restricted to the organized fellowships. The biggest source of friendship and mutual enjoyment of activities is through club projects, social events, and meetings. Rotarians can have a lot of fun through Rotary.



Local Big Thompson Interactors will be spending ALL day, starting at 9am, at the **Promenade Shops at Centerra in Loveland, CO** raising awareness and funds for shelterBOX. They will provide glitter tattoos and balloon animals for a donation. This is an international project for the Big Thompson Interact Club. Please help us reach our goal of \$5,000! -make checks payable to: Loveland Rotary Foundation w/Interact shelterbox a



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INTERACT CLUB

SATURDAY, PUTTING **JUNE 25, 2016** CONTEST 11:30 - 1:00 Estes Park 18 Hole Golf Course 1:30 pm Shotgun Start. \$100 per golfer or \$65 per golfer with Annual 7 day pass Includes: Includes Golf Green Fees, Golf Cart, Goodie Bag & Awards Ceremony with Appetizers and Drawing for Merchant Gift Certificates at the Hangar Restaurant after the Tournament. Thank you to our Sponsors: NAMED SCHOLARSHIP: The Stanley Hotel Prizes for Closest to the Pin, Accurate Drive Low Team Scores, Longest Putt, and Putting contest. Entry forms may be picked up at the Estes Park Golf Course or on-line at GOLD: University of Colorado Health **BEVERAGE CART: Bank of Colorado** www.rotaryclubofestespark.org. For more information, contact Bruce Carmichael at 303-946-6329.

7th ANNUAL ROTARY PARTY Saturday, July 23, 2016 • 5-11 p.m. Individual tickets - \$100
ed table for 8 with sponsor recogniti imited to the first 250 paid ticket hol
NO tickets available at the party. ion - \$1,000 Event Includes: Live Salsa Band • Open Bar • Cat tered Dinne

SILVER: Jay Harroff/Prudential, Safeway, and Ron & Vivian Gordon

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# 2016 ROTARY ROUND-UP IN JACKSON, WY

All photos are available to view on our District website



# 2016 ROTARY ROUND-UP IN JACKSON, WY





Featured speakers inspired the attendees at this year's conference where they heard from David Vela (top left), Superintendent of the Park, Chris Coates (top right) of the Trailblazers Foundation and Dr. Bob Tello (above) on polio. Saturday evening ended with Featured speaker RI Trustees Chair Ray Klinginsmith (below).



## 2016 ROTARY ROUND-UP IN JACKSON, WY







The Saturday evening banquet proved to be spectacular. Rotarians Dodie Lang, Carolyn Cooke, Kellie & Mark Tovar enjoyed the evening fellowship together as the youth exchange students presented "Love in any Language" to the crowd. Rotarian Phyllis Abt was honored as the 2016 District 5440 Rotarian of the Year while DG Ken handed over the reins of the district to DGE Barb Redder. Following the ceremonies the Jackson Hole Jazz Band delighted the crowd while fellow Rotarian Eric Weedin picked up his trumpet and joined in.





### CLUB FUNDRAISERS

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### THE 5TH ANNUAL Rotary Fellowship Golf Tournament

Discover the beauty of Highland Hills Golf Course and experience the Par 71, 18-hole championship golf course that features tree lined fairways, rolling hills, and challenging greens. This traditional golf course was opened in 1959 and designed by Frank Hummel. Join us for spectacular views, unsurpassed service, and an amazing course that golfers of all skill levels will enjoy.





#### FRIDAY, JUNE 17 COLLINDALE GOLF COURSE

TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE CHECK-IN: 11:30 AM SHOTGUN START: 1:00 PM COCKTAIL PARTY: 5:30-7:30 PM

## **GRAND DOOR PRIZE** Golf Getaway to Monterey, CA





CHEYENNE SUNRISE ROTARY GOLF TOURNAMENT JUNE 24, 2016 CHEYENNE COUNTRY CLUB

GOLFERS NEEDED! \$90 INCLUDES CART, COLF (ON A BEAUTIFUL COURSE) AND LUNCH SINGLES OR TEAMS ARE WELCOME ALL LEVELS OF GOLFERS PLAY!

> HOLE AND LUNCH SPONSORS! \$150 PER HOLE OR \$500 FOR LUNCH

PROCEEDS GO TO: SUNRISE ROTARY ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP AT LCCC, FOSTER GRANDPARENTS, ASSIST CHEYENNE ROTARACT CLUB AND THE SUNRISE ROTARY FOUNDATION.

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HELP US LOOK TO THE FUTURE AND CONTINUE TO BE A ROTARIAN "GIFT TO THE WORLD."

