



Rotary International District 5450 2025 Conference

Celebration of Life



BRYAN BAUM

July 22, 1958 – May 29, 2025

LONGMONT ROTARY CLUB

Club President 1997-1998

District Assistant Governor 1998-2002

Paul Harris Fellow +1

Bequest Society +2

41 years in Rotary

Bryan loved Rotary, championed membership and bell ringing. His deep belief in the Rotary Four-Way Test-especially the question "Will it build goodwill and better friendships?"-guided his actions both personally and professionally. He was Mayor of Longmont from 2009-2011.



ROBERT (BOB) BROOM

December 4, 1937 – April 15, 2025

AURORA ROTARY CLUB

Paul Harris Fellow +2
20 years in Rotary

Bob was a leader in the Aurora community and served as role of City Manager, Aurora City Council and RTD Board of Directors. He gave to the city he loved and volunteered often – including the Salvation Army bell ringing. He is missed by our club.



GERALD (JERRY) BUCHHOLZ

June 5, 1939 – November 24, 2024

LONGMONT ROTARY CLUB

Club Treasurer for many, many years

Paul Harris Fellow +3

27 years in Rotary

Jerry was an excellent accountant. In addition to supporting Rotary, he was also an active supporter of multiple charitable organizations including Lutheran Hour Ministries, Concordia Seminary, and Orphan Grain Train.



JOE BUTLER

1929 – 2025

LONGMONT ROTARY CLUB

Sargeant at Arms for many, many years

Paul Harris Fellow +2

25 years in Rotary

Joe was a dedicated servant.



PHIL CALDERBANK

April 30, 1953 – May 25, 2025

HIGHLANDS RANCH ROTARY CLUB

Club Secretary 2019-2023

International Service Committee

Paul Harris Fellow

8 years in Rotary

Phil was very involved in international services, traveling to Costa Rica to teach baccalaureate students business studies, and organizing the HRRC Sister club the Atlantis Rotary Club in South Africa. World Denver was very dear to his heart – he loved judging the children's projects and was heavily involved in keeping the organization viable.



ROBERT CARRUTHERS

July 13, 1934 – October 26, 2024

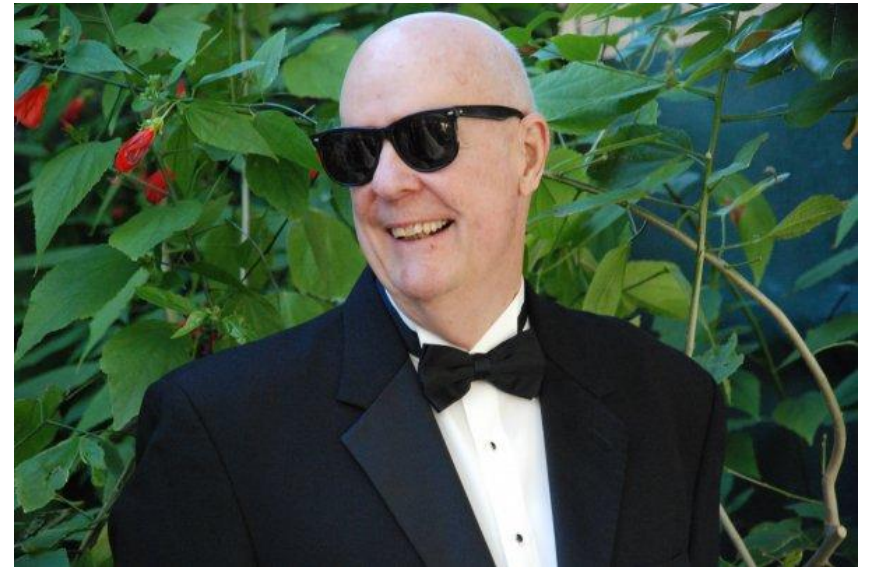
BOULDER FLATIRONS ROTARY CLUB

Club Secretary (Coal Creek RC) 1996-1997

Paul Harris Fellow +3

31 years in Rotary

Bob was a proud veteran (U.S. Army) and a loyal member of the Boulder Flatirons Club (and the Coal Creek Club before that) who declared at every meeting that he was “Happy to Be Here.”



CHRIS CUNNINGHAM

March 3, 1960 – February 11, 2025

AURORA GATEWAY ROTARY CLUB

Club President 2020-2021

Club Treasurer 2015-2025

Aurora Gateway Rotarian of the Year 2015

Paul Harris Fellow +3

17 years in Rotary

**Chris Cunningham Presidential Scholarship awarded through
Aurora Public Schools Foundation (Named Memorial) 2025**

Chris was a person who did not understand the meaning of no; he took on any challenge and responded to every request without fail.



BILL EDWARDS

1939 – 2024

ARVADA ROTARY CLUB

Arvada Rotarian of the Year 1997-1998

Community Service Chair

Paul Harris Fellow +1

40 years in Rotary

Bill's "lightbulb" idea helped to initiate the club's signature Flower Power project at the Garden & Home Show, which won an environmental award. He served as announcer during the Harvest Festival parade and promoted the sale of the club's rubber duckies.



BILL GRIPMAN

1928 – 2024

PARKER ROTARY CLUB

Parker Rotarian of the Year 1999-2000

International Service Chair

Membership Committee

28 years in Rotary

Bill served as chair of the International Committee that started a trade school in Cambodia. He visited twice to ensure all students were getting what they needed, including uniforms and school supplies. He participated in more local projects than could ever be listed and was proud of the fact that he brought in, what he called, some of the "heroes" of our club.



EARL HASZ

September 16, 1938 – December 29, 2024

HIGHLANDS RANCH SUNRISE ROTARY CLUB

Charter Club President 2014

Paul Harris Fellow +8

Major Donor +3

Bequest Society +2

30 years in Rotary

Earl was always willing to take part in service projects and be involved in the administration of his Rotary clubs.



CHRISTINE HOYT

1951 – 2024

HIGHLANDS RANCH ROTARY CLUB

Club President 1997-1998

District World Community Service Chair 1998-1999

Paul Harris Fellow +1

34 years in Rotary

Christine's passion for international service led her to champion international projects and attend many Rotary International Conventions, spending many hours in the House of Friendship.



RICHARD (RICH) IRVIN

September 19, 1946 – December 9, 2024

BOULDER ROTARY CLUB

**Residential Scholarship Committee
World Community Service Committee
7 years in Rotary**

In his personal and professional life, Rich lived Rotary's 4-Way Test, believing in the importance of fairness along with respect in all he did.



AL JOHNSON

1938 – 2025

PARKER ROTARY CLUB

Club President 2006-2007

Paul Harris +5

Bequest Society +2

29 years in Rotary



ROBERT (BOB) JONES

April 26, 1939 – March 6, 2025

MOUNTAIN FOOTHILLS ROTARY CLUB

Charter Member of Club

Fundraising Chair

Paul Harris Fellow +2

25 years in Rotary

As a charter member of our club, Bob started our major fundraiser (golf tournament at Hiwan Country Club) which continues to this day.



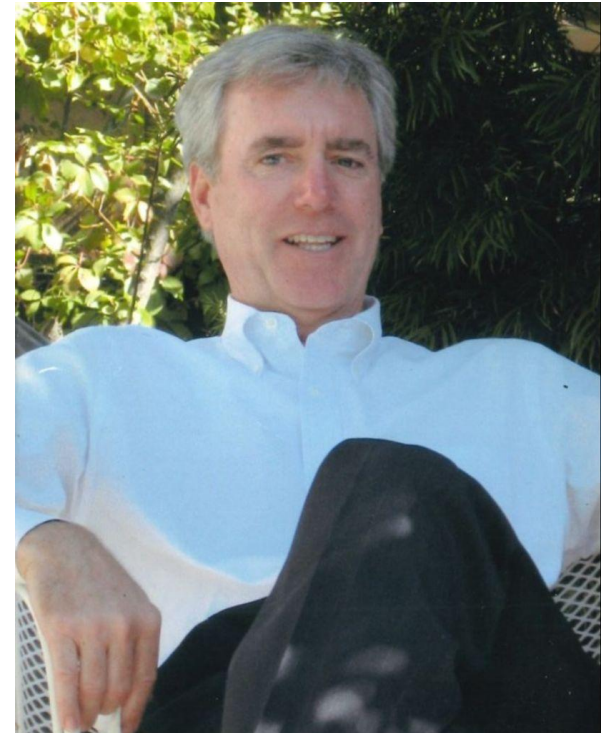
THOMAS MCHUGH

April 23, 1957 – April 4, 2025

HIGHLANDS RANCH ROTARY CLUB

Paul Harris Fellow +8
30 years in Rotary

Tom was the friendliest, interested man you will ever meet. Beyond his activities and outgoing style, Tom was a family man first; deeply dedicated to his immediate and extended family.



PDG MIKE OLDHAM

November 27, 1938 – November 26, 2024

PARKER ROTARY CLUB

District Governor 2009-2010
District Polio Committee 2009-2024
Paul Harris +6
Major Donor +4
Bequest Society +1
26 years in Rotary

Mike was a truly dedicated Rotarian in every sense and was a valuable mentor to many in the district. A great leader, Rotarian and friend, Mike was always cheerful, never negative – always willing to jump in and help.



DEANN OLSON

1938 – 2024

PARKER ROTARY CLUB

Paul Harris Fellow +2
8 years in Rotary

Deann shared her huge welcoming smile with the community at countless volunteer opportunities with Rotary, from soliciting food for the Parker Task Force at local grocery stores to welcoming guests at events such as State of the Town and Parker Uncorked.



STANLEY PATRILLA

October 7, 1928 – January 20, 2025

HIGHLANDS RANCH ROTARY CLUB

Club President 1985-1986

45 years in Rotary

Stan was a charter member and the club's first president. He was instrumental in the formation of the Highlands Ranch Rotary Club.



ALAN RICE

July 27, 1937 – December 15, 2024

BRIGHTON ROTARY CLUB

**Paul Harris Fellow +4
44 years in Rotary**

Alan enjoyed camping, reading, and exploring history- especially that of his beloved Summit County. He will be remembered for his deep love of learning, his compassionate care for animals, his devotion to family and community, and his enduring connection to the land and history that shaped his life.



SANDY ROTHMAN

July 26, 1944 – April 3, 2025

AURORA GATEWAY ROTARY CLUB

Special Projects Chair –

The Little Free Food Pantry 2017-2025

Aurora Gateway Rotarian of the Year 2018

Paul Harris Fellow +2

10 years in Rotary

The Sandy Rothman Little Free Food Pantry (Named Memorial)

Sandy was the perfect example of someone with the “Rotary Heart” – generous, benevolent and kind.



PDG JACK RUMMEL

August 17, 1939 – March 10, 2025

BOULDER ROTARY CLUB

District Governor 1995-1996

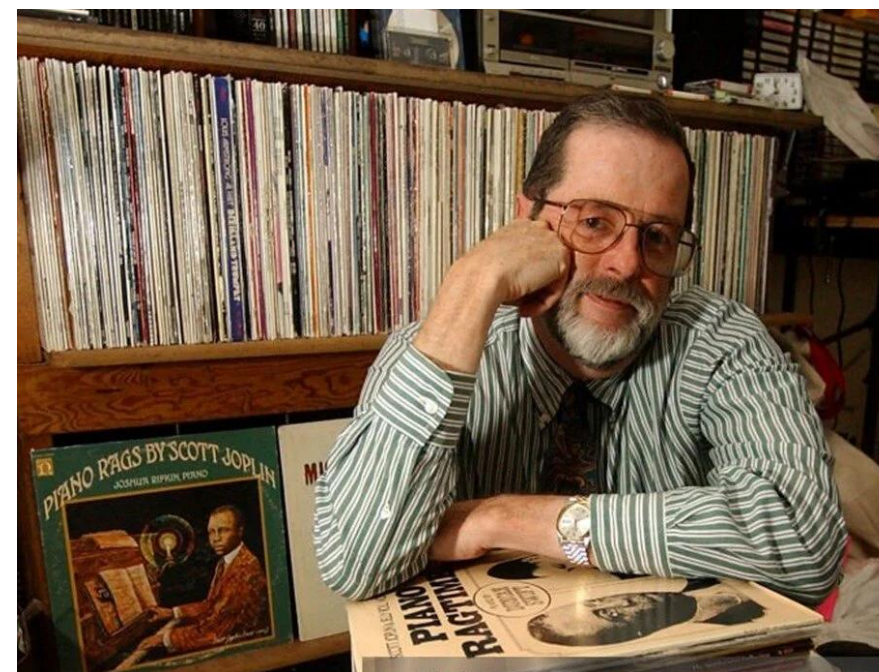
Boulder Rotarian of the Year 1981-1982

Paul Harris +4

TRF Global Service to Humanity Alumni Service Award

53 years in Rotary

Jack's service to Rotary extended beyond his leadership positions to hosting six exchange students, leading Group Study Exchanges twice, and sharing his Ragtime and Bluegrass music as he played the piano and banjo, much to the delight of club members and guests.



ELFI SMITH

1938 – 2024

LITTLETON ROTARY CLUB

Paul Harris Fellow +1
34 years in Rotary

Elfi will be remembered as a positive, energetic, and determined woman who lit up any room she entered. Her lifelong passion for travel, languages and culture was inspired by Hans Christian Andersen's words "To Travel is to Live."



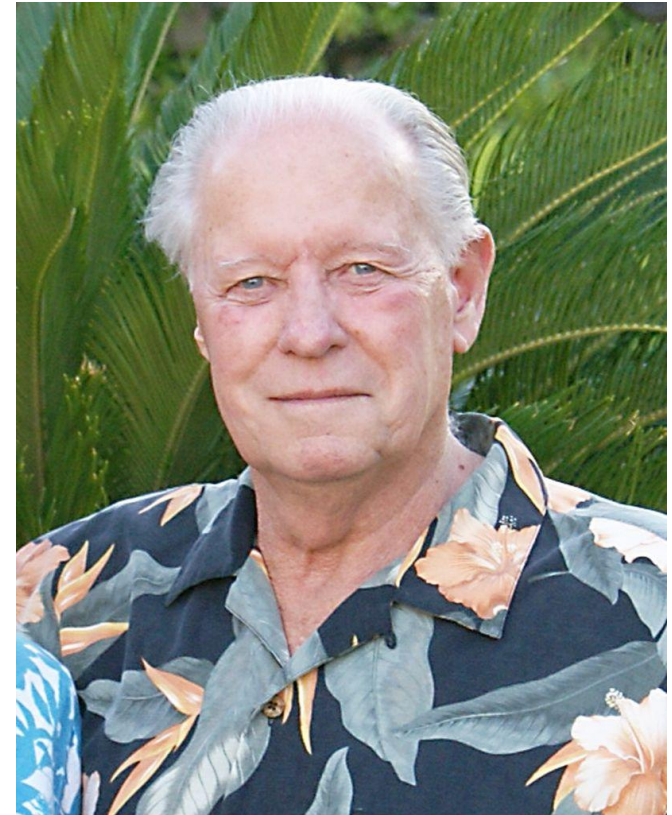
TIM SPARKS

July 10, 1940 – December 16, 2024

HIGHLANDS RANCH ROTARY CLUB

**Paul Harris Fellow
25 years in Rotary**

Tim was involved with the Non-Commissioned Officers Association (NCOA) relationship with our club and was always willing to help with many of our Rotary service projects.



BRUCE STAHLMAN

1957 – 2025

LITTLETON ROTARY CLUB

Paul Harris Fellow +1
18 years in Rotary

Bruce was the embodiment of resilience. He turned personal tragedy into a powerful testament of strength, grace, and gratitude. He was The City of Littleton's former Mayor Pro Tem, council member, and planning commission member. If you ever spoke with Bruce, you'll remember his warm smile and his generosity with time.



GENE STRAUB

1933 – 2025

LITTLETON ROTARY CLUB

Club President 1965-1966

Paul Harris Fellow

65 years in Rotary



MICHAEL TATMEN

September 24, 1934 – July 17, 2025

LONGMONT TWIN PEAKS ROTARY CLUB

Paul Harris Fellow +1
53 years in Rotary

Mike was a dedicated community leader and deeply committed to service above self, truly embodying a servant's heart. Mike will be remembered for his warmth, smile, dedication, humor and unshakeable integrity.



PDG CHARLES TUTOR

1935 – 2024

CASTLE PINES ROTARY CLUB

District 5470 Governor 2002-2003
38 years in Rotary

Throughout his career and into retirement, Charles's enthusiasm for volunteering never waned. He received the Hal Yale Service Above Self Award from the Gunnison Rotary Club in 2023. Charles and his wife Joan cherished travel, and their Rotary involvement opened doors to Paris, Barcelona and Brisbane, Australia.



NORM UNION

January 4, 1941 – February 5, 2025

COMMERCE CITY ROTARY CLUB

Paul Harris Fellow +5
30 years in Rotary

Norm was very community minded and volunteered his time endlessly. He was the founding father of the Commerce City Historical Society and active in The Colorado State Grange. Norm loved spending time at the Casino and eating great food.



LOU WAGNER

December 4, 1940 – June 7, 2025

SUMMIT COUNTY ROTARY CLUB

Club President 1996-1997

District Assistant Governor 1997-2000

Paul Harris Fellow +8

Bequest Society +1

30 years in Rotary

Lou was a motivator, taking his club to a new level of fund raising and supporting members to take leadership positions they didn't know they had the ability to do, as well as being a leader himself.



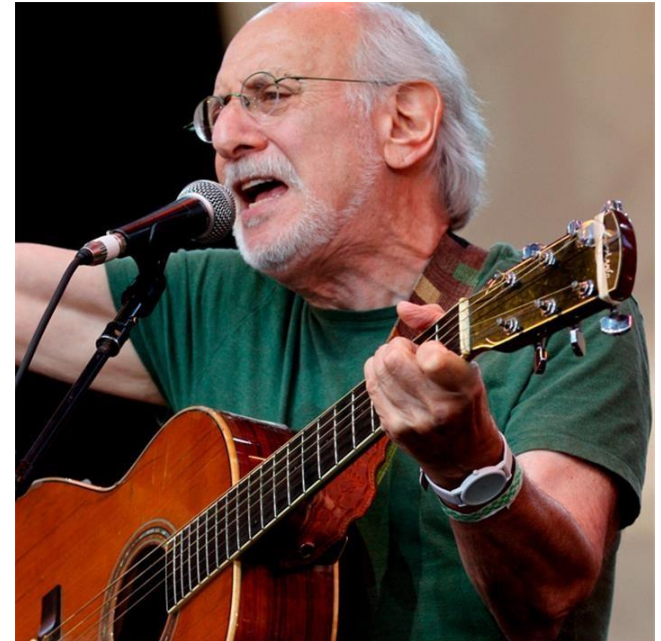
PETER YARROW

1938 – 2025

DENVER SOUTHEAST ROTARY CLUB

9 years in Rotary

Peter was a singer-songwriter and guitarist with the legendary folk music trio Peter, Paul and Mary, known for their song "Puff the Magic Dragon." He continued to be active in civil rights, and was instrumental in establishing Operation Respect, to combat school bullying.





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**Thank you for helping to honor
these past Rotarians.**