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Taking Paul Harris to Heart

by Marge Mercurio (Rotary Club of Mead), rotarymarge@gmail.com

It was a party, a meeting, a celebration, a breakfast, a reunion and so much more! It was a local action making a global statement. It was on the cusp of World Understanding Month.

applauded -- bringing the club total to 30 members.

The celebration included District Governor Mike, Mead Rotary club members, spouses, grandchildren, friends, Mead High School



(Some of) Mead Rotary's Paul Harris Fellows: Left to right: DG Mike K, Terry Enright, Dale Rademacher (President), Dan Dean, Monica Baldwin, Cindy Vaughan, Marge Mercurio, Linda Martin, Marni Graham, Terri Hatch, Mike LeFever, Jeanette Harris, Don Gourley.
Missing Fellows: Art Harris, Butch Sekich, Carol Davis, Lori Hughes, Carol Enright

Thirteen Mead Rotarians received Paul Harris Fellows in January at the Mead Town Hall. This group joins four other Mead Rotarians who have received one or more Paul Harris Fellows. It's known and understood that the money given to Rotary International (RI) is returned to the community in the form of grants. The Mead Rotary club is especially aware of this process because they have written and received grants for their water and sanitation projects in Nicaragua. Money given to RI comes back in the form of clean water, polio drops, education, literacy, peace resolution and community development and so much more.

But, why stop at 13 Paul Harris Fellows when you can also induct two new club members? Excitement was in the air as the individuals were inducted, welcomed and

Interact students, visiting members from Carbon Valley Rotary and Longmont Rotary, Assistant Governor Rose Chamberlain, District Office Manager Bev Mendel and no doubt the spirit of Paul Harris.

The money donated to Rotary International is nothing until it is paired with dedicated people who have the desire to make a difference. Mead Rotarians make a difference. In 1934, Arch Klumph the mastermind behind the Paul Harris Fellow said, "Money alone does little good. Individual service is helpless without money. The two together can be a Godsend to civilization."

The Mead Rotary club helps pair money with members, service, giving and fellowship. It's a thing of beauty -- just like the gathering in the Mead Town Hall!

A Message from your Governor

by District Governor

Mike Klingbiel

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in so many regions. But the second part of Rotary's mission tells us how we can reach this ambitious goal: through improving health, supporting education, and alleviating poverty. Today, 6000 diverse Foundation grant projects are addressing

those issues.

Rotarians are digging wells in Guatemala, providing clean water in Africa to those in need, equipping schools in Afghanistan, helping with dental needs, and funding microcredit programs throughout the world. Foundation is setting the stage for peace by making life more stable for people in need. As Rotarians, we promote international understanding and enjoy international friendships. Those friendships take root every time an Ambassadorial Scholar meets his or her host family or a District welcomes a Group Study Exchange team.

Relationships and trust are established when our youth

exchange students spend time with Rotarians here and abroad. Such life-changing experiences broaden our perspectives and sharpen our interest in the world. Through Rotary and its Foundation, we foster personal relationships that transcend borders and form a foundation for peace. February – World Understanding Month– focuses our attention on international understanding, goodwill, and peace. By supporting our Foundation and participating in its programs, we Rotarians are finding ways to achieve these important goals and making the world a better place for all.

Mike

FEBRUARY is Rotary World Understanding Month...

February is Rotary World Understanding month. The mission of the Rotary Foundation asks Rotarians to advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace throughout the world. Our theme this year "Peace Through Service" is a great example for all Rotarians to follow. We are all given opportunities within our clubs to help make a difference in the world by moving one step closer to peace--and we must all do our part. That being said, it is a tall order in a world where ethnic conflict, terrorist attacks, and civil strife fueled by hate threaten stability

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ACT NOW: 2014 World Peace Fellowship Application



Rotary Peace Fellows are leaders promoting national and international cooperation, peace, and the successful resolution of conflict throughout their lives, in their careers, and through service activities. Fellows can earn either a master's degree in international relations, public administration, sustainable development, peace studies, conflict resolution, or a related field, or a professional development certificate in peace and conflict resolution.

The 2014 World Peace Fellowship Application is now available on the Rotary Foundation website

<http://www.rotary.org/en/StudentsAndYouth/EducationalPrograms/RotaryCentersForInternationalStudies/Pages/ridefault.aspx>

Annual END POLIO NOW PUSH

Lets Celebrate Rotary's 106th Anniversary, February 23, 2013

The week of February 24th, take 10 minutes out of your schedule to participate in the following activity.

Use 5 minutes in your Club meeting to share some *PolioPlus* thoughts.

Then ask all attending your Club meeting to donate to Rotary's Polio Eradication effort.

To Donate \$5, simply text 90999 on your smart phone and type :polio" in the message line.

(Then reply to the immediate confirmation text, YES, to complete the donation.)

Lastly, ask for a show of hands of all who donated that day and count the hands. The club that has the highest % of attendees who donate will be announced at the April District Conference in Vail.



Preserve Planet Earth, Rotary District 5450

Visualize peace through environmentally conscious actions in harmony with local community resources to avoid depletion of natural resources and culture.

We Want To Know ...

Is your club working on a project that is building community resources, focusing on creating healthy ecosystems, or helping to avoid depletion of natural resources and local culture? If so, the District Preserve Planet Earth Committee would love to hear about it!

In addition, we are trying to build up a database of Rotary Clubs that have an active Preserve Planet Earth Committee. If your club members are active in preserving planet earth, please let us know!

Please contact Abigale and Amir at 5450ppe@gmail.com.

The End of Polio: How Soon?

by Carl Tinstman, (Boulder Rotary Club), carltinstman@aol.com

The “almost final” numbers* on global polio cases in the year 2012 are extremely encouraging:

- a total of only 222 cases in the entire world, the lowest number in history!
- only 3 endemic countries remaining (Pakistan, Afghanistan and Nigeria)
- complete confidence expressed by the WHO Executive Board in mid-January, as to the feasibility of finishing polio once and for all, in the near term.

This writer, with fifteen years’ experience battling polio all over the world, believes the end could come in 2013 (and will come this year in Pakistan and Afghanistan). And even with the unexpected events which always occur in polio eradication, the end will come globally for sure by 2014.

But let’s not underestimate the challenges!

In Pakistan, in December of 2012, some nine polio workers were deliberately targeted and assassinated because they were working to eradicate the disease in Karachi and in Peshawar, hotbeds of anti-Government activity and anti-Western sentiment. These fallen heroes, one of whom was a 17 year old school girl, were among the 200,000 health volunteers on the frontlines of battling polio in the country. In two of the tribal agencies of Pakistan, on the border with Afghanistan, where Taliban elements of both Afghanistan and Pakistan find refuge, polio campaigns have been suspended by tribal leaders demanding the cessation of drone attacks.

But have the Pakistani polio fighters given up? No way. They are now

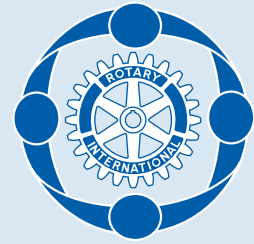
concentrating their efforts in the few remaining places in the country where the wild virus is circulating, and vaccination teams are now accompanied by armed guards as they go house to house in villages to finish the job.

In Afghanistan, in 2012 they had only 37 cases (compared to 80 in 2011), and most of these in the southern provinces of Helmand and Kandahar, areas of high insecurity. A renewed effort is underway to engage local communities and ensure accountability of local government officials in 2013. If cross-border reinfection from Pakistan can be halted, Afghanistan will surely succeed as well in 2013.

In Nigeria, the situation is more critical: while virtually all Nigerian cases in 2012 (121 compared to 67 the previous year) were in the North of Nigeria, this is precisely the area where Boko Haram (thought to be Al Qaida affiliated) holds sway and endangers the lives of polio workers in these highly populated states of the North. The potential for spread outside Nigeria was illustrated in November 2012 when a single polio case was reported in neighboring Niger (its first since 2011). Currently a West Africa - wide effort is underway to pre-empt the spread of polio out from Nigeria.

So the end is in sight. The day when Rotarians all over the world can celebrate the success of the cause they founded in 1985 is near. And this is the moment when our collective resolve must not fail.

* WHO data as of 29 Jan 2013



Rotary Fellowships...it's for what you like to do!

A Rotary Fellowship is a place to go and play! If you like to hike, quilt, dance, kayak, brew beer or even fly airplanes there is probably a Fellowship for you. If there isn't one – you can start one!

Rotary Fellowships are autonomous international groups of Rotarians, Rotarian spouses and Rotaractors who join together to explore, meet new friends, make new friends, and do something fun!

To get involved take a look at the list of existing Fellowships and prepare to be amazed! This link takes you to the entire list with links next to almost every group's website. But, wait (you say...) where is the basket weaving group? <http://www.rotary.org/fellowships>

Ahh--the beauty is there is a way to begin a Basket Weaving Fellowship. Go to the Rotary Fellowship page and find out more. <http://www.rotary.org/fellowships>

Join a Fellowship - the Wine Enthusiast, Cycling 2 Serve, and Travel, Fellowships are alive, and well in our district. Become a District 5450 Fellowship Champion, (or start a new one). Have fun...promote Rotary... promote peace!

District 5450 has appointed Sam Pottinger (Boulder Rotary) to coordinate this effort through the District Family of Rotary Committee. Sam can help - pottingers@comcast.net 303.719.9093

Coal Creek Rotary Club: Climbing for a Cause

by Brian Wilcomb, Past President (Coal Creek Rotary Club) bjwcpa55@yahoo.com

On January 17, Coal Creek Rotary Club of Louisville/Lafayette was presented with an award for Colorado's 2012 Outstanding Service Organization by the American Diabetes Association.

Every summer club members and friends climb a Colorado fourteenner to raise money for scholarships to send local needy diabetic kids to summer camp. The club has raised over \$30,000 for Camp Colorado



since its first Climbing for Campers event in 2007.

The ADA is just one project the Coal Creek Rotary raises money for. They also raise funds for high school scholarships, Clinica Campesina Family Health Services in Lafayette,

Sister Carmen Community Center, WOW! Children's Museum and even volunteer for international projects, among others, Wilcomb said.

If you have questions or want to know more, contact Brian Wilcomb (bjwcpa55@yahoo.com) for more information.



Coal Creek Rotary Club in action: 2009 Mt. LaPlata



Coal Creek Rotary Club in action: 2010 Mt. Bierstadt



Coal Creek Rotary Club in action: 2011 Mt. Evans



Coal Creek Rotary Club in action: 2012-Mt. Sherman

Microcredit :A Powerful Tool to Reduce Poverty

by Mike Hayes, (Westminster 7:10), hmichaelhayes@comcast.net

One of the great ways to help those in developing countries work their way out of poverty is to provide them with small loans to start, maintain, or grow a small business. The Rotary Foundation (TRF) has long supported this approach with Matching Grants. Our district, 5450, has been one of the most active in the Rotary world in applying for Matching Grants, with particular emphasis on helping poor people in Guatemala but also in the Philippines, Honduras, El Salvador, and Malawi. In addition to matching grants, many clubs have also directly funded microfinance institutions.

Our district's most recent Matching Grant involved the Rotary Club of Guatemala Norte and Friendship Bridge and provided \$50,482 in loan funds to be loaned to poor women in the Sumpango area of Guatemala. The lead club was Westminster 7:10 and the grant was supported by Boulder Valley, Brighton Early, Commerce City, Denver Cherry Creek, Denver Stapleton, Denver Tech Center, Evergreen, Littleton, Parker, Westminster and also the Colorado Springs club.

The effort has been a great success. As of the end of 2012, 171 women had borrowed funds from Rotary through Friendship Bridge; four women are currently in their 4th loan cycle; 32 are in their 3rd loan cycle; 43 are in their 2nd loan cycle; and 92 are in their 1st loan cycle ladies. Nine new loan groups were formed throughout the year. To date funds from the grant have provided over \$102,000 in loans.

The borrowers have seen improvement in their financial circumstances, have been able to infuse capital into their businesses, and have benefited from the non-formal educational lessons that occur at every loan repayment

meeting—that have focused on business management, children's education, women's rights and self-esteem. The microloans provide self-sufficiency, income generation and consistent cash flow for the women who become income-generators and gain respect from their families and communities.

Our district's Microcredit Committee encourages clubs and Rotarians to support similar efforts in developing countries. Contact Mike Hayes, Chair of the Microcredit Committee for more information at hmichaelhayes@comcast.net.



Las Flores Trust Bank, signing contract

Cowboys and Chili

by Treva Klingbiel

As the spouse of the District Governor I've had the opportunity to attend many elegant dinners and beautiful cocktail parties. Getting dressed up and enjoying great food and fellowship is always fun, but this past month Mike and I got to experience partying in true Colorado style.

January is National Stock Show month in Denver and one of the perks of being District Governor is attending the Rodeo on Rotary Appreciation Night and riding on the horse drawn hitch during halftime. The Rotary Club of Denver provided us with seats right behind the chutes where we could see the cowboys preparing for their 8 seconds on a bucking bronco. I'm a city girl born and bred in the South, and this was a true treat for me. You see, my dad was a fan of cowboy westerns and I've seen every John Wayne movie ever made—some more than twice. Then to top it off, we got to attend Mountain Foothills' Annual Chili Cook-Off this past weekend. What a fun event! Club members bring their best chili and tasters vote for their favorites with

dollars that go towards one of the Club's projects, Crutches for Africa. The event was held on a Saturday afternoon and many Rotarians brought their families. Mike and I brought our daughter, Ashley. Past District Governor Russ Gleason and his wife Marilyn were there and recounted how their now grown daughter was once asked how long she had been in Rotary and she responded "since I was about nine". Russ and Marilyn made it a point to include her from a young age in as many Rotary events and fundraisers as possible. My husband often says that it was attending and working alongside his grandfather and dad on Rotary projects as a young boy that helped instill his commitment to service.

Both of these events offered Rotarians a chance to support great causes and to introduce their children to the Family of Rotary. John Wayne is famous for saying "a man's got to have a code, a creed to live by". Well Rotarians do—it's "Service Above Self" and while not every Rotarian can be a cowboy, every cowboy can be a Rotarian!

Spotlight on District 5450 Assistant Governors

Jo Kirkenaer, Niwot, Area 6 AG

I am a Charter Member of the Rotary Club of Niwot. I serve as an Assistant Governor in Area 6, which includes the Boulder, Boulder Flatirons Niwot Clubs. I was President of the Niwot club in 2009 - 2010.

When our AG, Ted Manning had to slow down for health reasons, DG Karen asked if I could step in and fill his shoes as an AG. I was just wrapping up my Presidency of the Niwot club, and when a DG asks, you don't often say 'No'. It was a great opportunity to learn more about the District and the great clubs and people here.

However, my Rotary 'career' began back in the Western New York town of Williamson in 1981. I was asked to join the club, and before I knew it, after serving as Treasurer, I found myself as President of the club when our PE left town unexpectedly.

When my employer transferred me to the Greater Boston Area, I contacted the local Rotary Club of Acton-Boxborough, and when economic conditions forced the PE to move, our current President asked me to step in, but we ended up sharing the Rotary year.

In the meantime one of the PDGs felt the District needed to do a better job getting the word out to the community about all the great things Rotarians in the District were doing. We formed the 'Toot Your Own Horn' committee, and trained clubs on PR, and I truly began to understand to whole complexity of the Rotary machine, and met many great people. The Rotary Club of Acton also honored me with a Paul Harris Fellowship after serving as the club newsletter editor for four years and taking the District 'Best Newsletter' award three years in a row.



Corporate downsizing brought a move to Carlsbad, CA in North San Diego County, and I was warmly welcomed by the local Rotary Club, an evening club, and one of the very few in the District. I like to think of this club as "... a drinking club with a community service problem."

District 5340 had also established their Leadership and Development Academy, and after an 8-month study and lots of reading and writing as homework assignments, I graduated in 2005. In 2006 - 2007 I ended up serving as President, and had my first exposure to a Multi-District PETS in Los Angeles. It truly was an eye-opening experience. It was at this PETS I first learned about Shelterbox. During my Presidency in the Carlsbad club my fellow Rotarian and DGE asked me to help him, and run his District Assembly for him. It so happened that an AG had resigned and my friend had a slot to fill, and it is very hard when a DG(E) and Rotary friend asks, to say 'No'.

Again the job market forced a move, and we found ourselves in Colorado. I visited first with Rotary Clubs in Longmont, and they pointed the way to Niwot, and the rest is history.

My wife, Myra, and I are looking forward to attending the International Convention in Lisbon, Portugal in June with about 16,000 (so far) of our closest Rotary friends.

I am sure some PDGs might disagree with me, but being an AG in our District is really one of the absolute best jobs around. I would encourage all Rotarians to "get involved", and to the AGs, enjoy all the people you meet in your clubs and around the District, don't take yourself too seriously and just have fun!

Keep Those Stories Coming

Your stories about District 5450 related activities are welcome and appreciated.

The March deadline for submissions is Sunday, March 3. Articles need to be 400-450 words in length. Include photos, captions and copy by March 3, 2013 to rotarymarge@gmail.com.

If you have questions about stories and events, contact Marge Mercurio at 303-827-5212

District 5450 American Indian Committee

Did you know that District 5450 has an American Indian Committee?

Did you know Rotary helped more than 573 children receive a new Christmas gift from this committee?

Do you want to know more?

The committee works closely with the Denver Indian Center, Inc (DICI) and serves a diverse group of tribes, the majority of which represent the Southwest and the Northern and Southern Plains. Most are seeking economic stability, education and security for their families. The center is a highly sought after location for the community to gather for powwows and various other activities held at the facility throughout the year.

The American Indian Committee mission statement focuses on building strong communities. It states:

"We will work through our clubs and with the American Indians in our communities, alongside other interested organizations, government entities, and individuals, to make available to American Indians opportunities for education (literacy, facilities, technology, mentoring, good health (immunizations, medical care, food), employment, financial stability and peace and happiness that is available to all in this great country. *We will endeavor to invite American Indians to become members of Rotary International by joining existing clubs, or forming new ones reflecting the diversity of our communities.*"

Holiday Toys

Most recently Rotary helped to support the DICI at Christmas and per director Jay Grimm, "we served 573 children at our Holiday Toy Giveaway. Each received a brand new wrapped gift and other toys and goods like blankets and stuffed animals."

Project Playground

Previously many clubs came together for a project to revitalize the DICI's playground.

Within moments of the completed playground, children filled the area with laughter, excitement and movement testing out each and every new item.

Save the Date

Celebrate Thirty Years of Service and Culture at the Denver Art Museum on

March 1, 2013. Call Jay Grimm at 303-936-2688 or go to denverindiancenter.org for more information. Information can be found on District 5450 Bits & Bites Blog at rotarypr5450.wordpress.com.

Building strong community is a common mission and purpose for Rotary and the American Indian. If you have interest in more information or would like to join the committee, call Joe Paul at 303-861-7147 x111 (day) 720-341-0390 (evenings) or Mickie Cameron 303-883-9145.



The community gathers to help rejuvenate a worn-out playground.



A nice new playground built by the community to benefit one and all!

An Uncommon Gathering

by Kim DeCoste, (Denver Southeast)



**Join your fellow Rotarians and experience the
2013 District 5450 Conference, April 26-28, 2013!**



A gathering of Rotarians may not seem all that special. We know that devoted Rotarians all over the world meet every week over meals to build the bonds of trust and friendship that are the foundation for the extraordinary work they do. This year, however, we have the privilege of hosting an extraordinary District Conference in Vail, Colorado on April 26, 27 & 28. It is certainly not to be missed.

Following President Sakuji Tanaka's theme of "Peace Through Service", the District has planned a fascinating line of speakers who represent many perspectives, which will certainly appeal to everyone. From international diplomats to homegrown business and political leaders, we expect not only to hear great stories and ideas but also to connect in meaningful ways to these extraordinary leaders and to gain valuable knowledge, insight and inspiration to help strengthen our conviction to our Rotary journey.

Speaker Highlights include:

Andrei Danilenko, Rotary International Presidential Representative will join us. He is the Chairman of the Public Council under the Ministry of Agriculture in Russia under Vladimir Putin and the founder of Rotary in Russia. We are honored that he will join us from such a great distance to speak about the work he and others are doing there to spread Rotary's message. From its inception under his guidance Rotary now has 79 clubs across the country.

Discussing leadership, we will be

featuring **Lloyd Lewan**, Partner of Lewan & Associates. Lewan is always in demand for his leadership advice and business advice and he will be there to talk about the strategy of grooming leaders.

Gatherings of Rotarians may be commonplace but there is nothing common about the phenomenal line up we have planned for the District Conference this year.

There are more speakers lined up than we can share here. For details and to register please go to www.rotary5450.org.

This not-to-be-missed event will sell out soon. We hope to see you in Vail!

To inspire us to action we are delighted to welcome **Margarita Hewko**, journalist and speaker. Ms. Hewko, spouse of John Hewko, Rotary International General Secretary will speak about "Rotary Making a Difference in the World". She also has extensive experience in fundraising and communications to share.

Rotary Ambassadorial Scholar turned winemaker, **Ben Parsons**, brings his

story and will explain how his wine, Infinite Monkey Theorem, helps him build partnerships.

The **Ambassadors Panel** this year is not to be missed. Featuring Ambassador Chris Hill, who served in Macedonia, Poland, Korea and Iraq and currently serving as the Dean of the Korbel School at the University of Denver, Ambassador Craig Stapleton who served in France and the Czech Republic (and father of DSE Rotarian Walker Stapleton, Colorado State Treasurer), Ambassador Richard Celeste who served in India and recently retired as the President of Colorado College after also serving as Peace Corps Director and Governor of Ohio, this year's panel brings real perspective on "Peace Through Service".

And not to miss on Friday evening, **Dr. Kevin Fitzgerald** (hilarious veterinarian who practices in Aurora and is frequently featured on Animal Planet) and Denver South East Rotary Past President, **Debra Fine**, author of The Fine Art of Small Talk will host an Academy Awards Style evening that promises to bring laughter and good cheer.

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~Conference Highlights~



Lloyd Lewan
Nationally Known Business Leader
"Leadership for the 21st Century"



Debra Fine
Well known Author and Speaker
"The Fine Art of Building
Rotary Relationships"



Margarita Hewko
Renowned Journalist and Partner of
RI Secretary John Hewko
"Rotary Is Making A Difference In The World"



Ben Parsons
Ambassadorial Scholar and Vintner
"The Infinite Monkey Theorem"

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS CONFIRMED TO DATE - MORE TO COME

THE SITE

Nestled at the base of Vail Mountain, 150 yards from the gondola, the Vail Marriott Mountain Hotel and Spa is the perfect location for a Rotary conference – offering outstanding hospitality and facilities in one of the world's premier recreation destinations. Located in the newly redeveloped Lions head Village, the Vail Marriott offers luxuriously appointed rooms **for the whole family to enjoy**.

Recreation and activities include indoor and outdoor pools, hot tub, Jacuzzi and whirlpool, walking paths, a fully equipped fitness facility and the Golden Top Spa. **Area attractions for the whole family include hiking, biking, fine dining, shopping and visiting the many local unique sights including the Vail Nature Center, Betty Ford Alpine Gardens, and Gerald Ford Amphitheater.**

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

July 1st 2012 through November 30th 2012, a \$50 per person registration deposit will guarantee your attendance, balance billed Dec 31st 2012. \$250 Early Rotarian Registration \$250 Early Partner Registration. All meals (2 dinners, 1 lunch and 2 breakfasts) are included.

Registration Dec 1, 2012 through April 23, 2013 \$295 Late Rotarian Registration \$275 Late Partner Registration

Full refund through April 15th for cancellation

Conference registration must be done online only, and it's simple—go to <http://www.clubrunner.ca/portal/Home.aspx?accountid=50085> and click on the District Conference link under **UPCOMING EVENTS**

HOTEL RESERVATIONS

Contact the Vail Marriott Mountain Resort and Spa on the toll-free number 1-800-648-0720 for reservations. Identify yourself as a District 5450 Rotary Conference 2013 participant to obtain the **SPECIAL RATE OF ONLY \$109 PER NIGHT (LOWEST RATE IN 5 YEARS)**. What a great opportunity for a fun family getaway weekend

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Rotary District 5450

Rotary District 5450 - Annual Giving to The Rotary Foundation - Annual Programs Fund (APF) , Polio Plus Challenge, Permanent Fund- for the period July 1, 2012 - January 31, 2013 (Preliminary)

	No. of Members	APF Goal Amount	APF Goal % Achieved	APF Per Capita	--Annual Programs Fund--	--Other Giving (including Polio Plus)--	--Permanent Fund--	--YTD Total TRF Giving--
					YTD	YTD	YTD	
Arvada	40	\$4,100.00	44%	\$45.50	\$1,820.00	\$1,221.00	\$0.00	\$3,041.00
Arvada Sunrise	34	\$11,000.00	21%	\$68.09	\$2,315.06	\$3,000.00	\$0.00	\$5,315.06
Aurora	82	\$6,750.00	134%	\$110.67	\$9,075.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$9,075.00
Aurora Fitzsimons	14	\$2,125.00	83%	\$126.07	\$1,765.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,765.00
Aurora Gateway	42	\$4,000.00	75%	\$71.05	\$2,984.00	\$3,260.00	\$0.00	\$6,244.00
Aurora Southlands	27	\$2,500.00	102%	\$94.07	\$2,540.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,540.00
Boulder	272	\$45,375.00	38%	\$63.98	\$17,402.50	\$4,300.00	\$5,000.00	\$26,702.50
Boulder Flatirons	32	\$3,100.00	54%	\$51.88	\$1,660.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,660.00
Boulder Valley	62	\$6,000.00	90%	\$87.42	\$5,420.00	\$1,850.00	\$500,250.00	\$507,520.00
Breckenridge-Mountain	22	\$1,150.00	149%	\$77.95	\$1,715.00	\$2,000.00	\$0.00	\$3,715.00
Brighton	31	\$3,500.00	0%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Brighton Early	10	\$2,500.00	81%	\$202.46	\$2,024.63	\$147.00	\$0.00	\$2,171.63
Broomfield	77	\$8,100.00	30%	\$31.95	\$2,460.00	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$3,460.00
Broomfield Crossing	11	\$1,250.00	0%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Brush	21	\$2,200.00	21%	\$22.38	\$470.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$470.00
Carbon Valley	15	\$1,600.00	50%	\$53.33	\$800.00	\$300.00	\$0.00	\$1,100.00
Castle Pines	31	\$3,800.00	22%	\$27.42	\$850.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$850.00
Castle Rock	36	\$4,750.00	0%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Castle Rock High Noon	20	\$2,200.00	0%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Centennial	41	\$4,000.00	76%	\$73.78	\$3,025.00	\$272.00	\$0.00	\$3,297.00
Clear Creek County	10	\$500.00	10%	\$5.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$100.00
Coal Creek	38	\$4,000.00	33%	\$34.74	\$1,320.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,320.00
Commerce City	38	\$4,500.00	105%	\$124.26	\$4,722.00	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$4,772.00
Conifer	34	\$3,300.00	86%	\$83.82	\$2,850.00	\$60.00	\$100.00	\$3,010.00
Denver	287	\$60,000.00	50%	\$103.88	\$29,813.25	\$6,975.00	\$0.00	\$36,788.25
Denver Cherry Creek	27	\$2,500.00	0%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Denver Lodo	22	\$2,700.00	11%	\$13.64	\$300.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$300.00
Denver Metro North	15	\$1,000.00	0%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Denver Mile High	70	\$14,000.00	83%	\$166.43	\$11,650.25	\$3,150.00	\$0.00	\$14,800.25
Denver Sky High	20	\$2,500.00	17%	\$21.75	\$435.00	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$485.00
Denver Southeast	114	\$19,980.00	70%	\$122.89	\$14,009.50	\$1,100.00	\$0.00	\$15,109.50
Denver Stapleton	14	\$3,000.00	99%	\$212.50	\$2,975.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,975.00
Denver Tech Center	25	\$5,000.00	53%	\$105.54	\$2,638.38	\$376.00	\$0.00	\$3,014.38
Denver West	19	\$950.00	84%	\$42.11	\$800.00	\$18.75	\$0.00	\$818.75
E-Club One	65	\$7,000.00	128%	\$137.42	\$8,932.00	\$2,000.00	\$0.00	\$10,932.00
Englewood	40	\$4,100.00	84%	\$86.25	\$3,450.00	\$3,377.00	\$0.00	\$6,827.00
Erie	10	\$600.00	63%	\$38.00	\$380.00	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,380.00
Evergreen	107	\$11,000.00	60%	\$61.20	\$6,548.38	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$7,548.38
Five Points Cul Dist	24	\$1,250.00	8%	\$4.17	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$100.00
Fort Morgan	28	\$3,100.00	37%	\$41.46	\$1,161.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,161.00
GilpinCty Peak to Peak	20	\$1,800.00	20%	\$18.25	\$365.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$365.00
Golden	57	\$11,400.00	58%	\$115.93	\$6,608.27	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$6,708.27
Granby	28	\$2,600.00	4%	\$3.57	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$100.00
Grand Lake	17	\$3,000.00	75%	\$131.76	\$2,240.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,240.00

Rotary District 5450

Rotary District 5450 - Annual Giving to The Rotary Foundation - Annual Programs Fund (APF) , Polio Plus Challenge, Permanent Fund- for the period July 1, 2012 - January 31, 2013 (Preliminary)

	No. of Members	APF Goal Amount	APF Goal % Achieved	APF Per Capita	--Annual Programs Fund-- YTD	--Other Giving (including Polio Plus)-- YTD	--Permanent Fund-- YTD	--YTD Total TRF Giving --
Highlands Ranch	54	\$5,500.00	76%	\$77.04	\$4,160.00	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$4,210.00
Kremmling	12	\$1,000.00	50%	\$41.67	\$500.00	\$250.00	\$0.00	\$750.00
Lakewood	26	\$3,000.00	38%	\$44.17	\$1,148.31	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$2,148.31
Lakewood Foothills	29	\$250.00	800%	\$68.97	\$2,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,000.00
Littleton	83	\$4,350.00	120%	\$62.65	\$5,199.82	\$7,688.00	\$492.00	\$13,379.82
Littleton Sunrise	10	\$1,100.00	50%	\$54.50	\$545.00	\$558.47	\$0.00	\$1,103.47
Longmont	147	\$15,000.00	45%	\$46.16	\$6,785.00	\$475.00	\$0.00	\$7,260.00
Longmont Saint Vrain	16	\$1,900.00	69%	\$81.56	\$1,305.00	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$2,305.00
Longmont Twin Peaks	76	\$7,500.00	45%	\$44.34	\$3,370.00	\$2,000.00	\$0.00	\$5,370.00
Mead	28	\$3,000.00	164%	\$175.55	\$4,915.31	\$3,475.00	\$0.00	\$8,390.31
Mountain Foothills	44	\$4,000.00	59%	\$53.18	\$2,340.00	\$480.00	\$0.00	\$2,820.00
Niwot	30	\$3,500.00	187%	\$218.03	\$6,541.00	\$1,062.25	\$0.00	\$7,603.25
Northglenn-Thornton	27	\$3,000.00	29%	\$32.41	\$875.00	\$225.00	-\$500.00	\$600.00
Parker	63	\$10,800.00	38%	\$65.71	\$4,140.00	\$3,775.00	\$0.00	\$7,915.00
Parker-ChryCrkVal	37	\$3,500.00	65%	\$61.11	\$2,261.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,261.00
Smoky Hill	36	\$10,800.00	92%	\$276.98	\$9,971.13	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$9,971.13
South Jefferson County	15	\$1,500.00	0%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Summit County	113	\$11,000.00	158%	\$153.84	\$17,384.14	\$2,050.00	\$0.00	\$19,434.14
University Hills	86	\$11,000.00	28%	\$36.34	\$3,125.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,125.00
Westminster	55	\$10,200.00	35%	\$65.82	\$3,620.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,620.00
Westminster 7:10	37	\$5,320.00	43%	\$62.38	\$2,308.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,308.00
Wheat Ridge	31	\$2,325.00	40%	\$29.84	\$925.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$925.00
Winter Park	26	\$3,100.00	81%	\$97.12	\$2,525.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,525.00
Wray	16	\$900.00	224%	\$126.25	\$2,020.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,020.00
	3,146	\$413,325.00	59.45%	\$78.11	\$245,737.93	\$60,745.47	\$505,342.00	\$811,825.40

District 5450 Summary

District Annual Giving Goal(sum of all club goals):	\$413,325.00
Total of Annual Giving for Period:	\$245,737.93
Annual Giving Goal % Achieved for Period:	59.45%
Total PolioPlus Challenge/Other Giving for Period:	\$60,745.47
(Total Polio Plus Giving YTD is \$21,455.00 and is included in the above amount.)	
Total Permanent Fund Giving for Period:	\$505,342.00
Total Giving to TRF for Period:	\$811,825.40

Amounts reflect contributions processed by TRF through 02/01/2013 and are preliminary.

Questions or concerns can be directed to Kevin W. O'Connell, D5450 Annual Giving Chair
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Doing, Doing, Done!

By Debi Bush, D5450 Membership Chair (Rotary Club of Denver Cherry Creek) membership@rotary5450.org

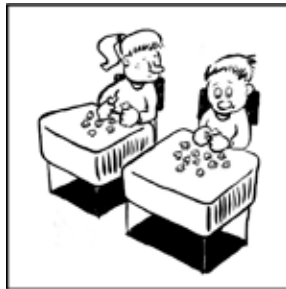
In honor of February and President's Day, I thought I'd share one of Thomas Jefferson's quotes. "Don't talk about what you have done or what you are going to do." And, to quote an iconic sports company's motto — Just Do It!

It's too easy to postpone or procrastinate engaging in membership activities with your current members and in attracting new vibrant members. The challenges I have in my business are oftentimes mirrored with my Rotary membership responsibilities. At a recent IT marketing conference in Nashville I was inspired by the content of the sessions and peer success stories and reminded of what I can work on to take my business to the next level. An ongoing personal struggle is discipline in focusing on the right activities during my billable time. Our marketing leader said "There is no money in doing, only money in done."

It is no different for all of us as Rotarians and especially when it comes to getting things done in the membership arena. What can each of us and our clubs do to take membership to the next level?

Thomas Jefferson also penned "He who knows best knows how little he knows." People ask me why I watch webinars, listen to teleseminars, attend quarterly marketing conferences and go back for reinforcement of sales training. One good reason is because I appreciate the business talent that exists outside of my CMIT Denver office and recognize my need (and desire) to learn new things and have "old" things be reinforced. There is a plethora of wise individuals that are made available to me through the groups to which I belong. I would be foolish not to take advantage of these quality people who have demonstrated success in all areas of business and in motivating people to

do their best. These masters, if you will, believe wholeheartedly in what Jefferson wrote that learning is a continual and necessary process and you learn by doing over and over again.



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Being part of Rotary at the club and district levels positions me to leverage experience and skillsets from others instead of going it on my own and always starting from scratch. Our fellow Rotarians who have become trusted friends are part of the reason why we all stay in Rotary for the long haul. I have always valued relationships and connecting which makes me a better person in business and in life and this flows over into being in membership.

The support and encouragement I receive from my club and colleagues in D5450 gives me the extra boost that I need at times to push me to get the job done. As Mary Poppins once said "Half done is well begun." So, just do one or several activities to boost membership and keep Rotary relevant to all. That's engagement and retention at its best. I challenge each reader of this article to create, develop and nurture relationships in your communities that will make your club more visible, attractive and energetic. We are not in this world or alone on an island. With the help of technology we have the luxury of reaching out quickly to prospective and current ones. I agree that technology can be frustrating to learn and use (e.g. conference calls or webinars); however and for the most part, technology should be looked at as a benefit and a tool for connectivity and productivity. Do it and do it now and you'll be happier for having done so.

As the old AT&T's slogan said "Reach out, reach out and touch someone!"



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