



Rotary Club of
Denver Mile High

Service Above Self



Denver Mile High Rotary Newsletter

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

"Executive Overview"



Rotating with Joey (31)

AGAIN, a couple of **WE ARE NOT AT THE UCLUB Breakfasts** coming up!!!!

- On February 15th, we will be at HISTORY Colorado
- On March 14th, we will be at The Interact Club at CEC - THIS CHANGED FROM THE 7TH

In Governor Jim Halderman's January District Newsletter, he announced that Rotary District 5450 will have a booth at this year's Garden and Home Show (instead of the Stock Show). Show management has given our district a complimentary booth. I am asking Rotary Clubs in the district to assist in manning the booth during the nine days of the show – Saturday, February 11 through Sunday, February 19. Weekday hours are from noon to 8 p.m. Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Sundays from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Two-hour shifts are recommended. More to come from Diane.

- <http://gardeningcolorado.com/garden/colorado-garden-home-show>.

ONE MORE TIME.....So, Gang now is the time to 'block out' the second week of June for our Golf Shoot Out. I am asking you all to do one thing... PARTICIPATE..

PARTICIPATE BY VOLUNTEERING AND PARTICIPATE BY FINDING OR BEING SPONSORS. We already have a car from EMICH Volkswagen. So, remember Denver

Mile High uses the funds raised to support Local and World Community Service Projects.

I am in the process of getting shirts (you buy) for the Shoot Out too.

It is (almost) February; so, don't forget Rita is planning a Chili Cook Off Fun(d) Raiser. It will be fun and a great way to raise fun(ds). More to come from Rita. Get your TUMMS!!!

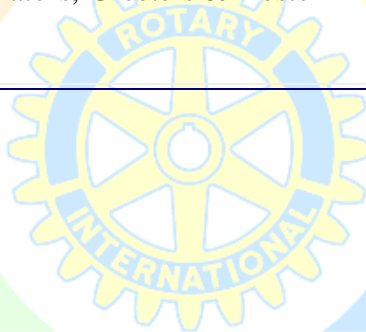
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What's in the Announcements?:

- Rotary Foundation Future Vision – March 17th
- Club 31 has scheduled Mayor Hancock – March 15th
- Rotary Leadership Institute
- 103 Annual Rotary International Convention information

In this week's Newsletter you will find the following standard information:

- A list of future Programs/Speakers
- A calendar of future service project, committee meetings, events, and fellowship activities
- Weekly duty assignments for Inspirators, Greeters & Hosts



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January 31st, 2012

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Programs

February 1st – Dr. Mike Cummings, Professor of Political Science at UC-Denver. He will speak on the topic, "Beyond Political Correctness", a topic that is the subject of a book that he has written.

Political activists and ideologues who engage in “political correctness”— an ideological narrowing, intolerance, and silencing of dissent—pay a serious price. By wearing PC blinders, they shrink their horizons, avoid self-examination, and stunt their own personal and political growth. A telling example of what they miss involves values and their vital link to the Good Society. According to the PC Right, our social problems are caused by the bad apples among us, which need to be culled out of society. According to the PC Left, the problem is not the bad choices of irresponsible individuals; rather, “the system made them do it.” By faulting the individual and the system, respectively, the PC Right and Left offer partial truths, but they miss the key role played by our culture of shared values, which exaggerates the importance of “winning” and “losing.” By contrast, the practical road to the Good Society leads in a similar direction as the Rotarian Four-Way Test.

Vocational - Susan Fisher

February 8th - Victoria Eastburn, Associate Director of Education for the Clyfford Still Museum

Denver Mile High Calendar

February 4th - Rotary Leadership Institute

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March 15 - Mayor Hancock - Club 31

March 17th – Future Vision Training

April 27 – 29th – District Conference – Black Hawk

May 6 – 9th - 2012 RI Convention in Bangkok, Thailand

will join us and present an overview of the Museum and Clyfford Still's works.

Clyfford Still is considered one of the most important artists of the 20th Century, he was among the first generation of Abstract Expressionists. The Still Estates donated 2400 Still pieces to Denver in 2004 and 2005 and the Denver Art Museum has just opened a fine new museum to show his many works. Prior to joining the Still Museum, Ms. Eastburn was Museum Educator at the San Francisco Museum of Modern Art.

February 15th - History Colorado Offsite visit - New Museum Intro

March 14th - The Interact Club at CEC

ROTARY IS ABOUT YOUTH!



December: Family Month

This week's Rotary Foundation Thought is about ...

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— *Rotarian Cecelia Babkirk*

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Weekly Inspirators, Greeters & Hosts

February 1st -

Inspiration - **Rory Donaldson**
Greeters - **Bob Dormer and Carrie Eckstein**
Host - **Bill Elfenbein**
Rotary Minute - **Jane Fisher**

February 8th -

Inspiration - **Terry Fiske**
Greeters - **Don Garretson and Melanie Gentz**
Host - **Blair Gifford**
Rotary Minute - **Tom Giordano**

February 15th -

Inspiration - **Janny Fuller**
Greeters - **Brian Good and Tom Gregory**
Host - **Breck Grover**
Rotary Minute - **Susan Henderson**

February 22nd -

Inspiration - **Dan Himelspach**
Greeters - **Sarah Hite and Bill Jensen**
Host - **Tonya Kaye**
Rotary Minute - **Noreen Keleshian**

February 29th -

Inspiration - **Dan Howard**
Greeters - **James King and Susan Kirkpatrick**
Host - **Marion Leggett**
Rotary Minute - **Rita Lenz**

February Birthdays



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



**Family
of
Rotary**

Subject: Jeff Update - Jan 24 Hello,

Jeff was released from the hospital today and is at home. He seems to be doing much better and has had a pretty good day.

He'll be at home for a least a month, and can't drive for another two weeks. He still has to do his walking everyday, which will either be accomplished by making lots of laps around the house, or heading outside for a winter walk.

We're both looking forward to Jeff's sister Betsy's arrival this Friday - which will allow for a "changing of the guard". I'm turning over the car keys and the nurse's cap.

Jeff enjoys your emails and comments, thanks for your support!

Lynn

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*** * * ANNOUNCEMENTS * * ***

SAVE THE DATE – Rotary Foundation Future Vision Training March 17th – 20121

Learn About Future Vision at this first District Wide Training

Saturday, March 17th - 8:30 am to 4:00 pm

There will be a charge for this event - more details will follow soon.

Experienced, dynamic and knowledgeable Rotarian leaders will present Foundation Future Vision Training, soup to nuts. These are Rotarians from Pilot Districts that are now operating under Future Vision.

Preliminary topics include:

- Future Vision Overview
- Creating a District Organization and Policies
- Club Training and DDF Allocation
- District Grants versus Global Grants
- Scholarship Changes and Opportunities under Future Vision
- Transitioning Group Study Exchange into Vocational Training Teams
- Major challenges: Planning ahead, collaboration of clubs and the development of a District Spending Plan

Location

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Englewood, CO 80112
Close to Dry Creek Road and I25**

To: Joseph Pahl, Rotary Club of Denver Mile High

To: All District 5450 Rotarians

From: District Governor Jim Halderman

Our 2012 District Conference is scheduled for April 27-29 at the Ameristar Resort Hotel in Black Hawk. It promises to be a very entertaining conference, with a top-notch program at a very attractive

site. Information on the conference is available on the District website www.rotary5450.org, and also on the attached flyer. I invite and encourage each of you to make plans now to attend.

The hotel is holding 100 rooms for us at a special conference rate of \$149 (plus taxes) per night. It is strongly recommended that you make your room reservations early, as the 100 rooms will go quickly, after which the rate may increase. And please note that the hotel often fills up on weekends.

So there are two steps to take as soon as practical:

Step 1: Contact Ameristar at 720-946-4100 to make your room reservation. Indicate you are attending the Rotary District 5450 Conference on April 27-29. Our group code is GCRCD12.

Step 2: Register for the Conference on the District website. And please note that the Conference registration fee is the lowest in recent memory!

Please enjoy the company of your fellow Rotarians to celebrate all that is Rotary at the 2012 District 5450 Conference.

I very much look forward to seeing you there!



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District Governor
Jim Halderman
and the
Rotary Club of Golden
invite you to the
2012 Rotary
District 5450 Conference



Celebrate all that is Rotary
Hear renowned speakers on important topics
Enjoy the company of fellow Rotarians
Experience a world-class resort hotel
Recognize club and individual achievements

April 27-29, 2012
Ameristar Resort Hotel
Black Hawk, Colorado

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Mayor Hancock--March 15

To all Rotary Club Presidents of Denver City/County Clubs:

Club 31 has scheduled Mayor Hancock to make a presentation, sort of a State of Denver address, at our regularly scheduled luncheon meeting on March 15 at the Denver Athletic Club. The Mayor has asked that we invite Rotarians from all clubs within the City and County of Denver. His objective is to pay his full respects to all Denver Rotary clubs even though his schedule will not permit speaking to all of the clubs. He would like us to make this an annual arrangement; assuming that becomes the case, we will probably try to move future such programs to a time that would be outside or a normal election cycle, i.e., late summer.

In any event, we are quite happy to honor his request and of course welcome the opportunity to collaborate with you on this program. Whether or not your club elects to "go dark" that week is obviously your choice, but Club 31 would encourage you to do so in an effort to maximize the attendance at this event as a measure of respect for the Mayor.

Any of your members who attend will be charged \$22, our normal meal cost, and they will be able to park in the DAC garage for \$5, or on the street. We will provide more details closer to the meeting date, but in order to manage attendance, we will set up an online registration.

Please confirm that your club will be able to participate in this program, at your earliest convenience. If you are able to provide an estimate of attendees from your club, that would be great!

Thanks!

Seth

Seth L. Patterson

Rotary Club of Denver

President, 2011-2012

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Rotary Leadership Institute

Hello Presidents,

It is time again for another Rotary Leadership Institute on **February 4**. We have space available for participants in Course 1. I need your help to announce the Institute and encourage one or two of your members to

sign up with me at briggs129@comcast.net

This is a great way to educate your new members, potential future leaders, committee chairs etc in all things Rotary. You know how helpful PETS was to you - well this is even more in-depth and everyone who has participated has been thrilled with what they have learned and the connections they have made with other Rotarians.

So, Please share the information from the attached brochure and use your influence to encourage participation.

Thanks so much,

Karen Briggs, Chair
Rotary Leadership Institute
303-919-0819



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ROCKY MOUNTAIN DIVISION

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COURSES 1, 2 AND 3 SCHEDULED ON

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SEPTEMBER 17, 2011

NOVEMBER 5, 2011

FEBRUARY 4, 2012

MARCH 10, 2012

8:00 A.M. – 3:30 P.M.

RED ROCKS COMMUNITY COLLEGE

13300 W. 6TH AVE

LAKEWOOD, CO 80228

Why Do We Need a Leadership Institute? Rotary needs a constant influx of leadership as club officers, etc. change every year. It is difficult at the club level to learn enough about the exciting world of Rotary. Furthermore, leadership skills in a voluntary organization are often different from business leadership skills. It is important that club leaders have every opportunity for education because the success or failure of our clubs depends in large part on the quality of their leaders.

Institute Fees: The fee for each course is \$40. This covers breakfast, lunch, and course materials.

How Do I Sign Up for the Leadership Institute? It's easy. All you have to do is email Karen Briggs, RLI Chair at briggs129@comcast.net Include your Name, Club, and Telephone number. Or call 303-919-0819. Bring cash or a check for \$40 made out to District 5450 to the class.

Once you are registered you will receive additional information via email.

Information is also at Rotary5450.org Click on Training (under Site Pages) then click Leadership Institute.

Join us for the 103rd annual RI Convention, 6-9 May 2012,

in Bangkok, Thailand, Land of a Thousand Smiles!

Why does the RI Convention in Bangkok promise to be the experience of a lifetime?

Value! Thai government support allows RI to offer the lowest registration fee in years at 160 USD for Rotarians and guests. And the cost of food, lodging, and transportation is very reasonable.

Register online through Member Access!

Inspiration! Exemplary speakers such as Nobel Laureate, founder of the Grameen Bank, microcredit

pioneer, and social business innovator, Dr. Muhammad Yunus and the 2004 Young Australian of the Year, co-founder and past director of the Oaktree Foundation, and co-Founder and current CEO of the Global Poverty Project, Hugh Evans.

Fellowship! The HOC (Host Organization Committee) will create a garden of exotic flowers within the House of Friendship that will also feature computer cafes, Thai cuisine and entertainment, and more. Also, expect a very special Host Hospitality "Kitchen of the World" Night on Monday, 7 May, in the Land of a Thousand Smiles and it will be! With 6,000 seats, 285 international food stations, 10 cooking demonstration areas, and 10,000 samples, this promises to be a night to remember at the IMPACT Center. Through the generous support of the Thai government, tickets for this event are 10 USD, a fraction of the actual cost.

Check out the HOC ticket special offered through the HOC website -- Buy ten tickets and get one free. Then, take a look at other Host Events and tours!

Entertainment! Enjoy the multicultural entertainment planned for the plenaries including international acts from Thailand, India, Bulgaria, and the United Kingdom!

Information! Download the tentative breakout session schedule.

Register for the convention and reserve your hotel online or by submitting forms by fax or mail. The hotel form includes an updated map and newly added hotels.

Please note: Flooding is restricted to some areas of Bangkok near the Chao Praya River. According to Dr. Anond Snidvongs, the worst of the crisis is over. RI will continue to monitor the situation and provide updates on rotary.org if conditions should change.

Whether planning an exotic adventure or returning to a favorite destination, you can be sure that your trip to Bangkok will be special this year — because of the warm reception you'll receive at the RI Convention,

6-9 May 2012.

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