



GOLDEN NUGGETS

Of the
ROTARY CLUB OF GOLDEN, COLORADO

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IMPORTANT REMINDERS

1. Don't forget that we will have an **Off Site meeting on Tuesday, April 26th**. We will meet at the **Jeffco Good News Breakfast** event, beginning at 6:59 am. at the Jefferson County Fairgrounds. See News Items in this issue for the details. We will meet again at Rolling Hills CC on May 3rd.

2. **Stuffing Session** for the assembly of the registration packages for the District Conference. We'll meet at Guaranty Bank, where **Eileen Schurmann** holds forth, immediately after the Good News Breakfast, today at about 9:00 am. The planning committee needs all the help it can get, so come for as much or as little time as you have. See News Items in this issue for details.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Today, April 26 – Off-Site meeting at the Jeffco Good News Breakfast, at 6:59 am. Jeffco Fairgrounds in Golden. This is a regular weekly meeting of Golden Rotary. See the News Item in this issue for the details.

Also Today, April 26 – “Stuffing Session” for assembling the program packages for the District Conference, immediately following the Good News Breakfast, at about 9:00 am, at Guaranty Bank, which is just west of the Jeffco Fairgrounds, off West Colfax Avenue. See News Items for details.

April 29 – May 1 - District 5450 Annual Conference, **hosted by Golden Rotary**, at the Antlers Hilton Hotel in Colorado Springs.

May 3 – A Day of Celebration, back at Rolling Hills, to celebrate the successful completion of the District 5450 Conference.

May 10 – Eliane Marquez, our Brazilian exchange student, will give us a presentation on her country and her experiences this year at Golden High School and in Colorado.

May 12 – Board Meeting, 7:30 am. at Guaranty Bank. All members are welcome. Do advise Prez Sam or VP Eileen if you plan to attend.

May 13 – 14 – The Institute for Leadership, sponsored by District 5450. See the story in this issue for the details of this well attended program.

May 17 – TBA

May 24 – Club Assembly day.

May 31 – Dark Day, after the Memorial Day holiday.

And Planning Ahead – Save the dates for upcoming Rotary events. Don't forget to block out two very important dates a bit further into the future. The annual **Golden Rotary Golf Tourney** will take place on Friday, June 10th. The Centennial celebration **Rotary International Convention** will be held in Chicago, June 18 – 22, 2005. See Jan Zehr for trip planning information.

DISTRICT CONFERENCE IN THE HOME STRETCH

The **District 5450 Conference**, at the Antlers Hilton Hotel in Colorado Springs, is at last upon us, with opening day scheduled for this coming Friday, April 29th.

As everyone in the Western world is by now no doubt aware, Golden Rotary is the host club of this year's event. As the home club of District Governor **Diane Kessel**, members of our Club will be actively involved throughout the Conference in a multitude of tasks.

The conference kicks off on Friday morning with a golf tournament at Pine Creek Golf Club, with an 8:30 am tee time. The event, organized by **Tom Hughes** and **Jim Malone**, has attracted an excellent turnout of Rotarians.

The conference meetings begin on Friday afternoon at 1:00 pm, with the first plenary session and the business meeting. The Friday dinner will include an awards program. Back by popular demand will be “**Rotary – The Musical**”, a District 5450 creation that was first performed to a very enthusiastic audience at the Rotary Centennial birthday party event in Denver on February 26th. The critically acclaimed **Hazel Miller Band** will provide the balance of the entertainment for the evening.

A full slate of activities on Saturday begins with a continental breakfast followed by the morning plenary session that will include a celebration of life of the Rotarians who have died during the past year. The high school exchange students and the GSE teams will make other presentations.

The lunch program will include entertainment by the Skyline Chorus, 2nd place international champions, and which includes none other than our own DG **Diane Kessel**. The afternoon sessions include our keynote speaker **Dan Schmelzer** with greetings from Africa and a series of breakout sessions.

Scott Halford, our keynote speaker who will talk about the legacy we all bring to the world by being Rotarians, will follow the evening dinner. Entertainment for the evening will be provided by **Chris Daniels and the Kings**, another Colorado creation that brings us a rockin’ blend of swing, R&B, rock and blues. It should be a memorable evening.

The Sunday morning session will involve, among other events, a presentation by **Kenny Garrett**. Kenny is now a student at Harvard Law School and had been involved in a number of Rotary programs, such as RYLA, and as an Ambassadorial scholar in Scotland.

The conference promises to be an outstanding event. Even if you can’t attend the entire conference, plan to join the group for at least a meal and to participate in some aspect of the event. You won’t be disappointed and you will gain a greater appreciation for what an outstanding organization we all belong to in Rotary.

We’ll see you there.

LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE REPEATS

In October 2004 District 5450 offered a leadership training program that was very well received by District Rotarians. The event was so popular that it is being repeated so those Rotarians who missed the first presentation can take advantage of the opportunity.

President **Sam Allen** has advised club members that the two-day event is being repeated on **Friday and Saturday, May 13 & 14, 2005**. The sessions will be held at the Rocky Mountain Employers’ Council, at 1799 Pennsylvania Street, in downtown Denver.

Billed as “RYLA for Rotarians,” the Institute mission statement emphasizes that it is designed to provide Rotarians with a powerful program that will further develop their leadership potential in a way that will benefit their community, family and business endeavors.

DG Diane Kessel recently announced the program to district Rotarians. She urged all members to consider attending the event to develop leadership skills for the 21st Century. Diane emphasized that this will not be a typical workshop. It will be a practical, interactive journey designed to provide participants with the tools they need for personal and professional leadership transformation. It is aimed at both the head and the heart and moves beyond skills to character and beyond theory to action.

Some of the testimonials from the first session included comments such as: “A true quality program ... much needed. It can only have positive result”, and “I am now beginning to understand the benefits of Service Above Self.”

The program cost is only \$ 100. Information and an application are included in a flyer that has been distributed at recent club meetings, or you can get a copy from Les Jones or George Mitchell. You can also obtain further information about this exciting opportunity by calling **Liz Anderson** at the District office at (303) 477-0654, or call the Workshop Chairperson, **Stuart Thomas** at (303) 809-9713.

NOMINATIONS NEEDED

Golden Rotary annually makes two significant awards to recognize exemplary service to the community and the club. The Service Above Self award and the Rotarian of the Year award are presented at the annual banquet that is held near the end of the Rotary year, at the end of June each year.

This is the time to start thinking about persons in our club and community who would be worthy of such recognition. President **Sam Allen** will call for these nominations shortly, so it would be wise to have your nominations ready to go at that time.

SERVICE ABOVE SELF AWARD - Golden Rotary selects a person or persons who have provided outstanding service to the citizens of greater Golden for the annual Service Above Self award. Individuals selected will have demonstrated the principle of Service Above Self through actions taken to better the community of Golden. More details on the award, and a listing of previous winners, can be found in your Member Handbook.

A Service Above Self award includes a plaque and a contribution in the amount of \$1,000 to a Golden area charity designated by the recipient.

Because this is a community service award, an invitation for nominations is being distributed widely in Golden, including through the local newspapers. However, Golden Rotarians also are encouraged to nominate deserving candidates.

The nominations must be in writing, specifying the name, address, and affiliation of the nominee(s) and should describe the specific contributions deserving of the award. Nominations will be submitted to President Sam for forwarding to the Awards Committee.

ROTARIAN OF THE YEAR AWARD – The club also honors a member who has particularly distinguished herself or himself in service to the club and to the community. We encourage you to thoughtfully consider the merits of your fellow members and take a moment to propose one -- or more -- who have earned your respect.

The qualifications for the award require only that the candidate must be an active member in good standing of the Rotary Club of Golden. In making the nomination it is important to describe the candidate's contributions to the Rotary Club of Golden and to the Golden community. It is also helpful to the selection committee to provide examples of how the person follows the 4-Way Test.

Your nominations can be submitted to President Sam for forwarding to the Awards committee.

NEWS ITEMS

GOOD NEWS BREAKFAST TODAY – The annual Good News Breakfast will be held today, **April 26th**, at 6:59 am, at the Jeffco Fairgrounds. The event will be a regular Golden Rotary meeting, taking place **Off Site**, rather than at our usual gathering place at Rolling Hills CC.

Hard working Sgt at Arms **Les Jones** will have our badge box on hand so that we'll each have our Rotary badge so that we can emphasize Golden Rotary and it's service to the community.

This event will be a regular Golden Rotary weekly meeting. The club will pay for the meal. Just check in with Les at the registration table to get your name on the list and pick up your badge.

As most people know, the Fairgrounds are located just west of Indiana off the 6th Avenue South Service Road. It's in the same location as our very successful Peach Sale delivery site last summer.

STUFFING SESSION SET - Immediately after the Good News Breakfast this morning we'll have a stuffing session to assemble the registration packages for the District Conference that will be held this coming weekend in Colorado Springs.

The session will be held at Guaranty Bank, **Eileen Schurmann's** business location, right after the completion of the Breakfast event that is estimated to be finished a bit before 9:00 am. The bank is located at 16800 West Colfax Avenue, at the intersection of West 6th Avenue and West Colfax Avenue, just west of the Jeffco Fairgrounds. For those who may not have been there before, go west on 6th Ave. from Indiana, to

the next intersection, and bear left onto Colfax Ave., and then turn left at the next signal, as if you were going to the Home Depot store.

The project is estimated to take a couple of hours. The committee can use all the help it can get, so come and spend as much or as little time as you may have. There will be the usual great Rotary camaraderie and some refreshments to tempt your palate.

GOLF TOURNEY FLYERS AVAILABLE –

The promotional flyers for the 4th Annual International Classic golf tournament are now available for distribution to your friends, relatives, neighbors, business associates and any others who might relish an enjoyable June afternoon on the links. The event will be held, as you will recall, on **Friday, June 10, 2005** at the Fossil Trace Golf Club in Golden.

Last year's event was a real winner and attracted an almost completely filled slate of eager golfers. So it behooves all of us to get our foursomes lined up now so we won't be disappointed by a sold out course. See **Les Jones** on Tuesday mornings or contact Head Golf Director **Eileen Schurmann** for copies of the flyer.

GET YOUR CARDS AND POSTERS – Dana

Moran reminded us at a recent meeting that the note cards commissioned by Golden Rotary are available at a new, reduced price of \$ 5.00 per package. The card package consists of six cards, three each of the Golden Visitors Center and the Golden Visitors Park. Golden artist **Gene Youngman** painted the two scenes. Posters of the Visitors Center are also available for a price of \$ 5.00 each.

CHECK IT OUT – Esteemed editarian Dana

Moran has been hard at work producing the District 5450 newsletter each month. The recent March issue has all sorts of good stuff about what goes on in our district that you will want to be sure to review. You can access this issue and any back issues of the District newsletter. You can do so on the district website at www.rotary5450.org. They are just a click away.

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