



# GOLDEN NUGGETS

Of the  
**ROTARY CLUB OF GOLDEN, COLORADO**

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## IMPORTANT REMINDER

Don't forget that we will have a **Dark Day on Tuesday, September 6th**. It is the day after Labor Day and Rolling Hills will be closed. We will meet again at Rolling Hills CC on September 13<sup>th</sup>.

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**Today, August 23** – George Mitchell, our globe trotting editor, will regale us with observations and images of his recent visit to the game parks in Tanzania in East Africa.

**August 30** – Club Assembly, with our annual DG visit, with District 5450 **DG Norris Hermsmeyer**. Don't miss this important event.  
**September 1** – Summer Picnic, approx. 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm with residents of the Canyon Gate Apartments in Golden. A Community Service Committee event. See Committee Corner in this issue.

**September 6** – **DARK DAY** (It's the day after Labor Day)

**September 6** – Orientation Program, 2:15 pm., Bell Middle School Mentoring Program. See article in this issue for details.

**September 8** – **Board Meeting** – 7:30 am. at Guaranty Bank. All members are welcome. Do advise Prez Eileen if you plan to attend.

**September 13** – Susan Ulrich of the US Army and Bruce Hastings of the US Fish and Wildlife Service will describe the transformation of the area that used to be the Rocky Mountain Arsenal and is now a wildlife refuge.

**September 13** – Kick Off program, 2:05 pm., Bell Middle School Mentoring program. See article in this issue.

**September 20** – TBA

**September 27** – Club Assembly.

## MENTORING PROGRAM TO LAUNCH

Many members will remember the pilot mentoring program that was conducted this past spring at Bell Middle School in Golden. The program was originally described to our club by Bell teacher **Alvina Mabry** at our April 5<sup>th</sup> meeting and described in the April 12<sup>th</sup> issue of the Golden Nuggets.

The program proved to be so successful that the Bell faculty would like to expand the program for this coming school year. Some additional information is provided in this article in the hopes that a number of Golden Rotarians will feel moved to want to contribute their time and effort to this important program.

The program will be conducted under the auspices of the Vocational Service committee in Golden Rotary. The chair of that committee, **Judy Orr**, will be the principal contact at Rotary. Facilitators at Bell will continue to be **Alvina Mabry** and **Audrey Welch**, the School Psychologist.

**Program** – This school-based mentoring program, piloted last spring, will continue to focus on relationship building for students that are considered to be "at risk." We believe that the primary power of mentoring lies in the opportunity for a middle school student to develop a relationship with a caring adult. This person would be someone who can spend time with them listening and caring about them on an individual basis. We see the adult as becoming a positive role model. The program also endeavors to improve students' self-esteem, and provide learning opportunities for them to develop study and organizational skills.

**Schedule** - A brief orientation session will be held on **Tuesday, September 6<sup>th</sup>** at Bell from

2:15 – 3:00 p.m., to discuss the program and to answer any questions.

The regular weekly meetings will be held at Bell Middle School **each Tuesday from 2:05 – 3:00pm, starting on September 13<sup>th</sup>**. It is very important that mentors commit to meeting with the same 1 or 2 students each week. It is suggested that mentors work in teams of two, because we understand that it might be difficult for one person to commit to *each and every* Tuesday.

**Activities** – Facilitators will provide an activity/discussion guide for mentors each week detailing various strategies to encourage and build relationships. These guides will focus primarily on such activities as getting acquainted, playing games, and talking about personal interests. Other aspects will emphasize doing homework, discussing ways to help the student become more successful in school, possible career choices, and whatever other topics seem pertinent to each student and their mentors.

Light snacks will be provided immediately after school. Facilitators will be present each week to monitor how well relationships are progressing, and offer guidance if needed. The school can also provide academic support such as some tutoring. However, the adult mentor will primarily focus on helping the student develop organizational and study skills.

Most teachers are available after school on Tuesdays, so it is possible for students to be directed by a mentor to go “check with a teacher” for clarification of an assignment or other specific assistance.

**Your help is needed.** It is an important program that can have significant payoffs in future years if it is successful in helping these “at risk” students become more capable in school and in life.

If you, or any of your adult family members, would be interested in serving students and the community in this way, and/or would like more information, please contact **Judy Orr** (303-526-2156) or **Alvina Mabry** at her home (303-278-2198). Also think in terms of any friends, neighbors and business associates who might find such a program to be an interesting and

rewarding avenue of community service and bring it to their attention.

## **TWO PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS**

President **Eileen Schurmann** is pleased to report to us again, and so soon after her last communication on this topic, that our club has received applications for membership from two additional prospective members. The Board of Directors approved these applications at the meeting of August 11<sup>th</sup>, 2005, pending this item in the Golden Nuggets newsletter and an email notice to all members. She asks that any comments members may have on these applications should be submitted to her not later than August 22, 2005.

Information on each of these applicants is as follows.

**Zonia Bowers** is associated with the Wells Fargo Bank in Golden as a Private Banker, having recently joined the bank here. She and her husband Larry live in Centennial. She has been active over the years as a community involvement volunteer. She has attended several meetings of our club and will qualify shortly. **Bob Short** sponsors Zonia.

**Harry Cuddie** is the Chief Geophysicist with Trace Energy Services in Denver. He and his wife Lynne live in Applewood, just down the street from Rolling Hills CC. Harry is an experienced Rotarian, having belonged to the Denver South East club for several years. He has been active with that club in a number of their projects and programs. Harry has attended several meetings of Golden Rotary and will qualify shortly. **George Mitchell** sponsors Harry.

## **COMMITTEE CORNER – Community Service**

The committee is beginning to plan its programs for the coming year. There are three programs currently underway in which Golden Rotarians may want to consider involvement and support.

**Christian Action Guild**– The Guild is currently seeking financial contributions or in kind donations to help support their School Supply Drive. This program helps provide school

supplies to individual students who may be from low-income families and who need this support.

**Canyon Gate Picnic** – The committee is planning the annual End of Summer picnic with the residents of Canyon Gate Apartments on Eighth Street in Golden. The event is scheduled for Thursday, September 1<sup>st</sup> from 1 to 4 pm. To participate catch the sign up sheet that will be available at the meetings today or on August 30<sup>th</sup>, or call **Dick Key**, chair at (303) 277-2817.

**Read to Me Program** - The committee is continuing, for the third year, this program that is held at Pleasant View Elementary School, near Golden. This successful program has been very helpful to students at the school who have needed assistance in developing their reading skills. As soon as the schedule is firmed up with the school, information will be made available to club members.

Thanks for your help on our programs. We'll look forward to your continuing involvement.

Dick Key, Chair

## **COMMITTEE CORNER – Vocational Service**

The committee has been active this summer with several programs underway.

**RYLA** – The Camp was held from July 31 through Aug. 5, in Estes Park at the YMCA of the Rockies. It was reported to have been a great success. Golden Rotary sponsored four young people from Golden.

**Young RYLA** – This camp was also held from August 1 through Aug. 5<sup>th</sup>. **Sherin Buhler**, this year's Chair, and **Judy Orr** attended one day of the program. Golden Rotary also sponsored four students to this program. Judy noted that, for future reference, everyone is encouraged to attend for some part of a day of camp since the students really appreciate Rotary member interest and involvement.

**GHS Scholarship Awards - Jack Galland** arranged for the three winners of this year's scholarships to attend our meeting on August 2<sup>nd</sup>. Golden High students **Nick DeMoulin, Ryan Ford** and **Emily Kolm** visited with us to speak about their plans for the coming year.

**Four Way Test Program - Jessica Reed** will chair this program for 2005 – 2006.

**Mentoring Program at Bell - Judy Orr** reported that the mentoring program at Bell Middle School will be conducted during the school year on Tuesdays, from 2 pm – 4 pm. She noted that, if Rotarians wish to be involved, it will be very important to make a firm commitment to attend all of the meetings. The students' personal situations are such that they need someone they can count on. The committee voiced concern over making that kind of commitment. Judy suggested a partnering approach and will confer with teacher **Alvina Mabry** about this possibility. See the story in this issue of the Nuggets for more of the details.

**Vocational Service Month** – This is an October program. **Russ Sindt** and **Stan Dempsey** are working on an offsite meeting for our Club at the new Young AmeriTowne facility in Belmar.

**Ethics in Business Awards Luncheon - Bob Short** will chair this committee that will focus on the west Denver area. He has already started preliminary work by lining up Western Slope wineries and talking to other service organizations and the City of Golden to work together on this very large project. There will need to be a lot of planning and coordination of all involved so the committee decided, at Bob's suggestion, to make this a planning year and have the actual Ethics in Business Awards Luncheon next year.

All the best, Judy Orr, Chair

## **THE YEAR IN REVIEW – Part II**

In the August 9<sup>th</sup> issue of the Nuggets we kicked off a review, put together by Past President **Sam Allen**, of the many activities and programs organized and conducted by Golden Rotary and its many energetic members during the just completed Rotary year.

In this issue we continue that review, which is a very impressive line up of services we've contributed to our community and our world.

Congratulations to all our members for your commitment and involvement.

## Community Service

- Members were involved with the “Read-To-Me” Program at Pleasant View Elementary School.
- We supported book purchase at Pleasant View Elementary (\$100).
- We supported the Canyon Gate Apartments (for Low Income Seniors) with several programs, including a fall BBQ picnic, the Christmas cookie bake, the Christmas Colorado Shares food baskets and certificates, and the Easter Baskets that were assembled and delivered (approx \$1,000).
- We delivered Fresh Flowers from the Denver Home and Garden Show to Canyon Gate and area nursing homes in conjunction with Arvada Rotary Club.
- We conducted monthly Adopt-A-Street clean ups along South Golden Road.
- We provided Colorado Shares Christmas Food Baskets to qualified recipients designated by Christian Action Guild (\$4,200 Club and member donation).
- We did Christmas Bell Ringing for the Salvation Army.
- We supported the Peak-to-Peak Rotary’s Centennial literacy project (\$200).
- We helped fund Foothills Art Center “Sculpture Garden” (\$1,000 donation).
- We supported the Jefferson County Foster Parent recognition dinner (\$500 donation).
- The club supported the Christian Action Guild with cash and clothing. (cash donations of approx. \$3,000 from Happy Dollars and Holiday Ornament exchange proceeds and with the back to school clothing/supplies drive of \$350).
- We supported Chelsea’s of London Christmas Shopping night to help Hunger Plus (\$ 200).
- The club purchased “Bronco Buster’s Holiday” bronze statue to be placed at Fossil Trace Golf Club in memory of **Adele Emerson-Darrow** (\$1,400).
- We commissioned artwork and produced note cards of the Golden Visitor’s Center.
- A donation to the Golden Visitor’s Center helped fund routine expenses (\$100).

- We funded the placement of Golden Rotary highway signs along the major community entrances (\$455).
- An ad in annual “Westernaires” horse-capades program helped support this youth group (\$205).
- We bought an ad in the Golden Chamber of Commerce directory (\$400).
- We contributed to the Charter Night for newly formed Littleton Sunrise Rotary Club (\$100).

## Foundation:

- Eight new Paul Harris Fellows were awarded recognition.
- Next level status was achieved by ten existing Paul Harris Fellows
- A total of \$11,200 (\$192 per capita) was donated by Club members to RI’s Annual Programs Fund. This placed Rotary Club of Golden seventh out of 58 Clubs in the District in overall giving.
- A wrap up contribution of \$2,800 was given by members and the Club to complete the three-year Polio Plus obligation for the Golden Rotary.  
(To be continued)

## NEWS ITEMS

**JACK GALLAND’S STATUS** – We have some late news as the Nuggets is being completed that Jack is improving in his recovery from his recent heart attack. We understand from Anna that he is doing some walking, though he is still using oxygen. He has fluid in his lungs and in his legs. He continues under care in the hospital at ELMC Lutheran Hospital in Wheatridge. He is still not in a condition to have any visitors except for his immediate family. We will keep you posted on his recovery and as to when he might be able to receive visitors. In the meantime, please keep Jack and Anna in your thoughts and prayers.

**BEWARE OF SCAM ARTISTS** – We’ve just gotten a note from **Gary Fletcher** (Smoky Hill Rotary and the District Conference Team) about email “phishing” scams that appear to be targeting Rotarians. These scams are especially confusing because the senders appear to be coming from the “rotaryintl.org” domain used by

the Rotary Secretariat. Rotarians should keep in mind that RI will never ask for personal information via email or other electronic means. Any email that appears to be from "rotaryintl.org" should be deleted immediately.

If you'd like any more information on this matter, contact **George Mitchell** or **Dana Moran**.

#### **CLUB ROSTER INFO CONFIDENTIAL –**

The above item reminds us that the personal information, including addresses, listed in the quarterly Membership Roster is for the advice of Members only and should be treated as confidential. Please be considerate of the privacy of your fellow members.

**AMPHITHEATRE BUSY** – The Rotary Amphitheatre on Clear Creek recently built by Golden Rotarians is getting a good deal of use by the Golden community. We just learned from the Golden City Communications department that the site hosted an August series included a library children's story time, performances by Le Chock puppets and the harmony of Jubilant Bridge. September programs will include the Jefferson Symphony and entertainers from Heritage Square. Keep a look out for the details.

**RAIN DAMPENS THE PICNIC** – An intrepid group of Golden Rotarians trekked to the mountains on August 11<sup>th</sup> to join in the festivities at the annual picnic event with Evergreen Rotary. Other Rotarians from Conifer, Peak-to-Peak, Mtn. Foothills and Clear Creek clubs joined us. Unfortunately the gods chose not to favor us with sunny weather, despite the best efforts of resident clergyman, **Don Bleyle**. The result was a rather soggy picnic and a rain out of the annual volleyball event. Goldenites in attendance included **Don** and **Mary Ann Bleyle**, **Frank Darrow**, **Larry** and **Karen Fike**, **Tom** and **Linda Hughes**, **Steve Jensen** and exchange student **Simon Andersen**, **Pat** and **Judy Madison**, **Jim** and **Jan Malone**, **George** and **Sue Mitchell**, **Dana** and **Shirley Moran**, **Eileen Schurmann** and some of her clan, **Alex Scott**, **Bob Short** and **Russ** and **Gloria Sindt**.

**GOLF TOURNAMENT RESULTS ARE IN** – Late breaking information from **Eileen Schurmann**, who headed up our golf tournament committee, indicates that the financial results were pretty good. There had been concern that the rain delay on June 10<sup>th</sup>

would have a severe negative impact on the outcome. However, the latest count shows that the tournament has cleared about \$ 15, 850. Not quite as good as the approximately \$ 21,000 from the prior year event, but quite respectable given the various problems which had been encountered.

#### **DO YOU HAVE THE ROTARY BASICS? –**

If you haven't already done so, catch the Rotary Basics in the August 2005 of the ROTARIAN. The section on pages 49-56 is an excellent primer on Rotary with lots of information on what our organization is all about. It is good reading for both new and long time members. For our new members who may not yet be receiving their copy of the ROTARIAN contact **George Mitchell** or **Dana Moran** to obtain a copy of the section for your review and edification.

#### **EXCHANGE STUDENT HAS ARRIVED –**

Our high school exchange student for the 2005-06 Rotary year arrived on August 10<sup>th</sup>. **Simon Andersen** will be a senior student at Golden High School. Simon hails from Graested, Denmark, which is a suburb of Copenhagen. He indicates that he is a musician, plays rock music and would like to join a band while he is here. Simon joined club members at the picnic in Evergreen on Thursday and attended our regular Tuesday meeting on August 16<sup>th</sup>. He says his schedule at school is such that he should be able to attend most of our Tuesday meetings. Take advantage of his attendance to welcome Simon to Golden and to Colorado. He will be hosted for the first three months of his stay by **Steve Jensen** and **Lori Guziak** and their family in Golden.

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