



GOLDEN NUGGETS

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SCHEDULE REMINDERS

Please note for your schedule that we will have two **Dark Days** coming in the next month or so. The first is June 27th, when we will have our annual banquet the same week, on Thursday, June 29th. The second will be on July 4th, which coincides with the National Holiday. Make a note of these changes.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Today, June 6 – Rick Saltus of the US Geological Survey will join us to describe “Geophysical Journeys to Alaska”.

June 13 – TBA

June 20 – TBA

June 27 – Dark Day, we will have our annual banquet during the same week, on Thursday, June 29th.

June 29 – Golden Rotary’s gala annual banquet, at Rolling Hills Country Club, 6:00 pm.

July 4 – Dark Day, as it’s the national holiday.

Planning ahead a bit further into the future be sure you have the following programs on your calendar. The **2006 International Convention** will be held June 11-14, 2006, in Malmo, Sweden and Copenhagen, Denmark. **Buffalo Bill Days**, the premiere Golden community event, will be held July 28th through 30th. Golden Rotary will participate in the Best of the West Parade on **Saturday morning, July 29th**. Delivery day for our annual **Peach Sale** event will be **Saturday, August 19th**.

A REMBRANCE

As I wrote this issue of the Nuggets, my sense of history reminded me about the significance of this particular date in history. Those of us who were here at the time will no doubt clearly remember June 6, 1944 which heralded the

D-Day invasion, by the Allied Powers of World War II, of Normandy in northwestern France.

This date, probably more than any other, was the turning point in the campaign to rid the world of Nazi Germany. Even as a rather serious student of history, I find it hard to think of a regime more steeped in evil than the one erected by Adolph Hitler in Germany during the 1930s. We can all be very thankful that so many men and women around the world were willing to serve and to sacrifice in the struggle to defeat Germany and the other Axis powers. We should also remember the statesmen and politicians who recognized, sometimes belatedly, the evil intent of Hitler’s regime and were able to mobilize the resources of the Allied powers to defeat it.

It is, I think, very indicative that the nations of Europe, including Germany and Italy, have been able to put together, since the middle of the 20th century, the political and economic institutions to prevent the recurrence of the destructive world wars of the 19th and 20th centuries. The same can be said of the development of the United Nations. The UN certainly isn’t perfect and hasn’t yet given us all the tools to eliminate all interstate rivalries and wars. But these institutions have, I think, moved the world toward being able to do so in the future. So perhaps mankind can learn from its mistakes and can continue to construct a more rational and peaceful world. I trust that our people and our nation will continue to be a principal actor in these efforts.

George Mitchell, Editarian

CLUB ELECTION TODAY

The new leadership team for Golden Rotary with a complete slate of officers, directors and appointees will be elected today. This team will serve under the direction of incoming President

Bob Short for the Rotary year 2006-2007. This group will take office on July 1, 2006.

The various officers, directors and club appointees who will serve are listed below. Note that the president elect (now incoming president) and the secretary were elected in December 2005 as required by Rotary rules. Those with single asterisks (*) will be standing for election during the meeting today.

President Bob is very pleased to announce that the position of Vice President is now filled, with **Judy Orr** having agreed to accept that position for the coming year.

It should also be noted that a large number of the members serving on the 2006-2007 Board of Directors have served on the Board in the past year (and in many cases on previous Boards as well) and are continuing to serve for the ensuing year. All the members are due a hearty thank you for their efforts.

Elected – Now or Previously

President	Bob Short *
*President Elect	Colleen Jorgensen
*Vice President	Judy Orr
Secretary	Larry Fike *
*Treasurer	Pat Madison ***
*Club Service	Tom Hughes ***
*Community Svc	Ken Kranz
*International Svc	Jim McGuigan ***
*Rotary Foundation	Warren Spaulding ***
*Vocational Svc	Judy Orr ***

Appointees

Foundation Co-Chair	Bob Neukirchner
Editarian	George Mitchell ***
Membership	Mo Lukens ***
Sgt. At Arms	Harry Cuddie

Ex Officio

Past President Eileen Schurmann ***

*To be Elected Now

** Elected Previously

*** Continuing Service

ANNUAL BANQUET SCHEDULED FOR JUNE 29

The annual gala club banquet is set for Thursday, June 29, 2006 at Rolling Hills Country Club, beginning at 6:00 pm. This annual event will recognize the accomplishments of Golden Rotary during the past year under the leadership of President **Eileen Schurmann**. The event will also inaugurate the incoming administration of the 2006-2007 leadership team, headed by incoming President **Bob Short**. Be sure you have this important event on your calendar.

At the same time Golden Rotary 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 to deserving members of the Golden community and Golden Rotary to recognize outstanding service.

If you haven't already made your nominations for these awards, now is the time to submit these to President **Eileen Schurmann**.

Service Above Self Award - Golden Rotary selects a person or persons who have provided outstanding service to the citizens of the greater Golden Community 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.

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.

Past recipients of the award are listed below.

1988	Mark Wagner
1990	Jo Ann Thistlewood
1991	Bob Short
1992	Tom Young
1993	Bob Lowry
1994	Marvin D. "Swede" Johnson

1995	Tom Plummer
1996	Dana Moran
1997	Charlene and Bill Pazar
1998	Helen and Hal Leith
1999	Harry Horblit
2000	Jo and Bob Schantz
2001	Jack Galland
2002	John Tracy
2003	Ed Dorsey
2004	Edna Miklos
2005	Dr. Robert W. Christensen

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 consider thoughtfully 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 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.

Past recipients of the award include:

1990	John Olson
1991	Dana Moran
1992	Adele Emerson
1993	Larry Fike
1994	Chuck Bera
1995	Sherman Wenger
1996	Betsy Thorpe
1997	Regina Benson
1998	Diane Kessel
1999	Sandy Algermissen
2000	Pat Madison and Family
2001	George Mamalis
2002	George Mitchell
2003	Russ Sindt
2004	Bob Short
2005	Bob Neukirchner

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 are to be submitted to President Eileen for forwarding to the Awards Committee.

PEACH SALE EVENT SET FOR AUGUST 19

We have a recent report from the Western Slope of Colorado indicating that the peach crop will be a very successful one this year. Our peach supplier, Noland Farms in Palisade, Colorado, has mentioned to **Bob Short** that the crop is an excellent one, despite some early worries about the weather in the spring.

The delivery of the product to Golden Rotary customers will take place on **Saturday, August 19th**. We will be using the same delivery point as in previous year, at the Jeffco Fairgrounds, near Sixth Avenue and Indiana Streets in Golden.

Promotion on the sale will be forthcoming shortly. In the meantime, think of those persons you may know who may not have taken advantage of these outstanding peaches in the past. That way you will be able to make sure they receive an information and order form as soon as they are available.

COMMITTEE CORNER – Vocational Service

Chairman **Judy Orr** opened a recent meeting of the committee by thanking all the members of the committee whose hard work during the past year had resulted in Golden Rotary having been awarded the Vocational Service Award at the recent District 5450 Conference in Vail. This award is presented to the club in our district of 55 clubs that has done the most to stimulate Vocational Service in the community.

The committee continues a very active program as described below.

Interact Club – Frank Darrow announced that he is looking forward to working with the GHS Interact Club again next school year. He's very excited about the possibility of next year's club sponsoring a R.I. Water project.

RYLA - Jeanne Portmann reported that her committee, which also included **Sam Allen, Eileen Schurmann,** and **Judy Orr,** has selected

4 great students to attend RYLA camp this year. They will be invited to attend our breakfast meeting in the fall to report on their experiences.

Young RYLA – Sherin Buhler reported that her committee, including **Sam Allen, Frank Darrow,** and **Judy Orr** has chosen four wonderful students for Young RYLA camp this summer. **Nanette Fahrenbruch’s** daughter will also attend, which pleased the committee. These students will also be invited to attend a club breakfast meeting.

Student of the Month Award – Stan Dempsey reported that the Student of the Month program has wrapped up for this school year. The program will continue next fall, with each awardee receiving framed Student of the Month Certificates, and gift certificates from Borders Book Store.

Classification Talks – Jim Malone reported that the club’s classification talks would continue for the next Rotary year. The program plans to have one new member and one long-time member speak each month.

GHS Scholarship Awards - Judy Orr reported for **Jack Galland** that the Scholarship Committee, including **Colleen Jorgensen, Judy Orr, Frank Darrow,** and **Jack Galland** as chair, interviewed 12 students and selected four for our \$1000 each Merit Scholarship Awards. The certificates and checks were presented to them at the Golden High School Awards Night May 16th. The students also visited at our meeting on May 23rd.

Scholar/Athlete Awards - Jim Malone reported that six students (3 girls and 3 boys – 1 for each season) would be selected by the school coaches and counselors. The criteria for selection include both lettering in their sport and maintaining an excellent academic record. Each student will be presented with a \$ 50 gift certificate at a local sporting goods store.

Excellence in the Arts Award – Jim Halderman has viewed the JeffCo Student Art Show at the Arvada Center and has made selections for the painting and pottery art awards recipients. Recipients will also be chosen for music and literature. **Herb Rubenstein** represented Jim at the awards ceremony. Each winner will receive a Lexan statuette.

GHS Art Purchase Program - Jim Halderman also reported that he will be making art purchases of the items mentioned above for approximately \$150 each. These pieces will be used as fundraisers for our silent auction at our Golf Tournament this year and also for raising money for the Jefferson Symphony. Selections will be made from the art provided by all grade levels at GHS, not just the seniors exhibiting at the Arvada Center event.

Valedictorian Watch Presentation - Larry Fike mentioned at the recent Board meeting that he has already ordered the watch from Creek Side Jewelers (formerly Plummer’s Jewelry), and will have it engraved with the student’s name. Since there are several valedictorians, the Rotary watch will be presented to one of them, with other donors recognizing other students.

Ethics in Business Awards Luncheon – Bob Short reported that it cost about \$20,000 to put on this first time event, but this cost was paid for by ticket sales and “in-kind” and cash donations. Engstroms Candy has already committed to donating boxes of candy for the tables next year. By all accounts this event was an outstanding success. We have had numerous comments about what a class event it was. We were pleased to have our District Governor, **Norris Hermsmeyer,** our District Governor-Elect, **Frank Sargent** and our Past DG, **Diane Kessel** attend the event and to learn that they were quite impressed by the event.

The committee extended thanks to the many club members and spouses who contributed so much time, hard work, and donations to insure the amazing success of our First Annual Ethics in Business Awards Luncheon!!!

Young AmeriTowne/Junior Achievement - Barb Warden reported that she is hopeful that Shelton and Fairmount elementary schools, to which we donated \$150 each, will soon participate at the new Young AmeriTowne facility in Lakewood. She will report when she hears from the teachers. She also reported that the Junior Achievement program is very thorough and well organized. She hopes this will continue next year and will give it a “pitch” to our club members next fall.

Four-Way Test Program - Judy Orr reported that **Jessica Reed** has requested a 3-month leave of absence from Rotary. As a result she won’t be

able to work on this Bell Middle School program until next fall. We'll all miss her and all of the hard work she has put it to continue the success of this wonderful program. Thanks, Jessica!

Jessica does think it's time to have a de-briefing of the program and see what we could do to make it even better. Judy will arrange a potluck dinner at her house and will pick a date this summer for a discussion.

Mentoring Program – Judy Orr reported that the school psychologist at Bell Middle School who initiated the program will be transferring to another school. Judy will meet with her replacement to explain how successful this program has been and that we Rotarians would like to participate again next year.

Yours in Rotary, Judy Orr, Chairman

NEWS ITEMS

GOLF TOURNEY COMPLETED – Friday, June 2nd saw the completion of the very successful 5th Annual International Classic event conducted by Golden Rotary. The fund raising event was held in almost perfect weather conditions, unlike our ill fated event in 2005. The event was attended by over 90 golfers, including some walk ups who had just learned of it, and was held at Golden's own Fossil Trace Golf Club.

It is likely that the "International" aspect of the event was a function of our resident Dane, **Simon Andersen**, being one of the enthusiastic golfers. He reports that he didn't golf very well, but none the less had a very good time at the event. On the other hand of not golfing well was **Herb Rubenstein**, who sank a hole in one on the 16th hole, which earned him a number of goodies from the John Elway dealerships. Congratulations, Herb.

A more detailed report will be forthcoming in the next issue of the Nuggets, after all the pertinent information has been collected.

A SUCCESSFUL AUCTION – An important component of the golf tournament was the silent auction that took place immediately after the golfers came off the course and during cocktails and dinner. An extensive and interesting collection of many different items was available for inspection and bidding.

The auction area was very well laid out and organized by **Sandy Algermissen** and her energetic team of volunteers. Sandy extends her thanks to all who did so much to make it a successful event. More details will be found in the next issue of the Nuggets.

KUNZ INDUCTED – Our latest member of Golden Rotary, **Lee R. Kunz, Jr.**, was inducted by President **Eileen Schurmann** and Membership Chair **Mo Lukens** at our meeting on May 23rd. Lee is a businessman and real estate developer in the West Denver area. Lee and his wife Maria live in Wheatridge. Lee has been involved in the 4-Way Test program at Bell Middle School. He has already tried out his golf swing in the recent Golden Rotary golf tournament, though no indications of the results has been learned. Welcome, Lee.

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Dick Key	Community Service
Jim McGuigan	International Service
Warren Spaulding	RI Foundation
Judy Orr	Vocational Service
George Mitchell	Editarian
Mo Lukens	Membership
Heather Duncan	Sergeant at Arms
Sam Allen	Past President

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RI PRESIDENT

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