



GOLDEN NUGGETS

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IT'S ELECTION DAY

As a reminder to our readers the Nuggets wants to advise that today is Election Day. If you haven't already gotten your ballots into the mail, as most of the area elections are being conducted by mail this year, you should make sure you have them delivered to your polling place no later than the close of business today.

The Nuggets urges all our members to vote today, regardless of your particular persuasion, because voting is one of the most important steps in making our representative democratic government work effectively.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Today, November 6 – Paul O'Rourke will give us an overview of Vision Health International, a group that he and his wife Melinda have long supported.

November 10 – The annual **Golden Rotary Pig Roast** will be held on this coming Saturday, November 10th, beginning at about 2:00 pm. See the article in this issue of the Nuggets for the details.

November 13 – Dr. Cindy Stevenson, Superintendent of the Jefferson County School District will visit with us to provide an update on developments with the school district.

November 20 – Kathy Hartman, Jefferson County Commissioner (and a former Golden Rotarian) will talk with us about developments in Jefferson County and plans for the future of our county government.

November 27 – Club Assembly.

December 4 – TBA

December 6 – Gov. Bill Ritter will speak to District 5450 Rotarians at the second annual **Governor's State of the State Report** to Rotary. The event will be held at the Marriott Tech Center Hotel beginning at 11:45 am. See the story in this issue for the details.

December 11 – **DARK DAY**, pending the gala Christmas party on December 13th.

December 13 – The Golden Rotary Christmas Party will be held at 6:00 pm at the Guaranty Bank in Golden. See the story in an upcoming issue of the Nuggets for the details.

PIG ROAST THIS SATURDAY

Don't forget the Third Annual Golden Rotary Pig Roast is scheduled for this coming **Saturday, November 10th from about 2:00 pm until about 6:00 pm**. As in past years, the festive and gala event will be held at the Arbor House, at 14600 West 32nd Avenue, in Maple Grove Park, in Applewood. The awards ceremony will take place at about 4:00 pm.

If you haven't already stuffed your pig to the top, now is the time to complete the job. The deal is that each pig is judged on the basis of both weight and contained contribution. The award to be made at this event will be by weight. It will take somewhat longer to count all the funds, so that award will be announced at a later date.

Event organizer, **Betsy Thorpe**, emphasizes that the event will be a fellowship event for Golden Rotarians, so plan to bring the entire family. Admission to the gala event will be your Pig Bank. The proceeds will be split between the RI Foundation and the Golden Rotary Foundation, in the same manner as last year's effort. Betsy also noted that funds provided from this event that accrue to the Golden Rotary Foundation will support the **Adele Emerson Darrow Scholarship**, an annual award of \$ 1,000 that will be made to high school graduates from the Golden area to assist in their college work.

IT'S THE YEAR OF THE PIG - It should be noted that the year 2007 is the Year of the Pig in Chinese lore. For that reason there will be some

Chinese themed accoutrements as part of the decorations and the foods to be provided.

To insure that the substantial sums that will be forthcoming are under complete security there will be a "Pig Pen" to contain the suitably plump pigs. The pen will be guarded by a posse, led by Sheriff **Mac McMichael**.

CASUAL ATTIRE - The attire for the event will be casual and can be of whatever format you may wish. The event will come off rain or snow or shine, because we will have the Arbor House available for the event. The pig and the trimmings will come from Wally's Quality Meats, located at 32nd and Youngfield. Betsy has arranged for our very own expert meat carver, **Doyle Roberts**, to handle that aspect of the program

Today is the last chance to get on the sign up sheet for the event. If you have questions on the program, contact Betsy at eathorpe@comcast.net or call her at (303) 279-8326.

WHERE TO GO - For those of you who may wonder just where Maple Grove Park is located, just remember where we had the event last year. Many of us drive by it all the time. The Park is between the turnoff from 32nd Avenue to Rolling Hills CC (which is Kendrick Avenue) and the roundabout on 32nd Avenue at Eldridge St. It is on the south side of 32nd Avenue.

See you there !!

LUNCH WITH GOV. RITTER SET

Golden Rotarians and all the Rotarians in District 5450 have the opportunity to hear **Governor Bill Ritter** give a State of the State address to Rotary. The event will be held at a special District-wide luncheon on **Thursday, December 6, 2007**.

Governor Ritter will report on the progress his administration has made thus far in its agenda for Colorado since taking office early this year. As many Rotarians know, the Governor is an Honorary Rotarian through his association with the Rotary Club of Denver. The Governor's remarks should be very informative. He will also provide a Q and A period so everyone will understand his goals for our state.

DG Dave Beall would like to have a large turnout for the Governor. To accommodate this, Golden Rotary has arranged that Rotarians attending will receive attendance credit. DG Dave has pointed out that this luncheon would also be a great opportunity to introduce prospective members to Rotary. Every Rotarian is encouraged to bring a potential member since Rotary will be showcased in a special way in this program.

The event will be held at the **Marriott Tech Center Hotel**, located at 4900 South Syracuse Street, in the Denver Tech Center. To reach this location, take I-25 south to the Belleview exit, and turn left heading east under the highway. Take the first left off Belleview onto South Syracuse and go north about two blocks to the hotel which is on your left.

Registration will begin at 11:15 am. Please plan to arrive no later than 11:45 a.m. because we must finish lunch at 12:30 p.m. The Governor will speak from 12:30 p.m. to 1 p.m. and then answer questions from 1:00 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.

The Rotary Club of Denver Southeast has agreed to act as the "bank" and to handle the registration and the logistics for this event. Questions on the program can be directed to **Steve Werner** of Denver Southeast at stevewerner0932@msn.com or (303) 809-8986.

Special Note – Registrations can only be made through Golden Rotary. Make sure you are signed up on the list that will be available at each of our next four meetings, on November 6 thru 27th. This list, together with a single check will have to be submitted to Denver Southeast Rotary by no later than November 30th. There won't be any refunds and there won't be any way to add last minute attendees.

Don't miss this outstanding opportunity to hear from the governor and to learn how Rotarians can participate in the further development of Colorado.

DG DAVE BEALL VISITS GOLDEN

Our District Governor **Dave Beall** and his lovely traveling companion, **Ann Beall**, visited Golden Rotary on October 30th. Visiting and addressing all 61 or so of the Rotary clubs in District 5450 in less than 6 months has to be a challenging assignment. It is, however, an obligation of the

District Governorship and **DG Dave** seems to be holding up well...at least to date. It was our privilege to welcome **Dave** and **First Lady Ann** for our October 30th breakfast. He and Ann were at first mistaken for recent winners of the major golf tournament in Augusta, GA, with their sharp looking green blazers. However, Dave quickly set the record straight by pointing out that our International President, **Wilf Wilkinson**, has decreed green jackets with gold ties as the DG uniform for the current Rotary year.

In spite of a session with our Board on Monday evening, DG Dave was awake, lively and challenging in his discussion of his goals for the current Rotary year. He complimented Golden Rotary on its accomplishments, ongoing initiatives, and expectations. At the same time, he urged the Club to build on present successes as "Rotary Shares" with renewed dedication and innovation.

Dave also emphasized that it would be almost impossible to stay in contact and fully informed on the doings of all the district clubs were it not for the efforts of his twelve Assistant DGs, such as our own **Jim Halderman** who handles liaison with five clubs on the west side of the Metro area.

Dave also called attention to the fact that all Rotary programs are initiated and conducted by the clubs and individual Rotarians in clubs around the world. The District and the International bodies exist solely to support Rotarians and their clubs who do all the work of conceiving and implementing the many programs of Rotary. He congratulated Golden Rotary on the many projects it currently conducts. He noted that many of the projects fall within the program areas that Rotary International is urging clubs around the world to emphasize during the current year. These include: Water management, Literacy, the Family of Rotary and the final eradication of polio.

Dave outlined two of his principal goals for District 5450. These include increasing the membership of all the clubs in the District by an aggregate of 5%, or to the level of about 3200 members. He would also like to see the district support of the RI Foundation to total \$ 1.0 million for the year. This would be up from \$ 824,000 during the 2006-2007 year, which

ranked District 5450 at 18th in the world, out of 529 districts world wide.

In addition DG Dave would like to have 100 % of all clubs participate in at least one international project and to have 90 % of the clubs receive the Presidential Citation. He would also like to see the 4 Way Test program established in high schools throughout the state of Colorado, such as Golden is doing at Bell Middle School in Golden. He would like to see the District continue to support two GSE teams as it has in recent years and to award two Ambassadorial scholarships. He pointed out that these Rotary scholarships provide the highest level of financial support to the recipients of any program in the world, at \$ 23,000 per year, compared to \$ 8,600 for a Rhodes scholarship.

DG Dave comes from a Rotary family; his father was a Rotarian with perfect attendance for 43 years. Dave first joined the Rotary Club of Newport News, VA in 1970. He confessed to having been a RINO (Rotarian In Name Only) in his first club. But he soon got the message that the name of the game is involvement and has certainly lived up to that standard since then. He has been a member of a number of clubs as his business career took him to various parts of the country. He is recently retired and is now a member of Littleton Rotary Club.

COMMITTEE CORNER – Vocational Service

The committee met October 30th to review progress on the various programs which are underway for the year. Committee members include **Kevin Nichols, Judy Orr, Sherin Buhler, Jim Malone, Frank Darrow, Tom Hughes, Bob Arnold, Jim Halderman, Larry Fike, Russ Sindt, Jack Galland, Jim Smith, Paul O'Rourke,** and **Zonia Bowers** – Chair.

Young AmeriTowne - Kevin Nichols, who heads this effort, has contacted Shelton, Fairmont and Montview elementary schools. He has arranged for \$100 will be awarded to each school to help support the program, which will take place next spring.

Adopt A School- Pleasant View Elementary – Kevin Nichols has also been in touch with the principal at Pleasant View elementary and has determined that this school needs computers, a

color printer and tutors for their math club. There are 20 children in particular that need help. It was suggested that we follow up with **Frank Darrow** to find out if the GHS Interact Club members might be willing to serve as tutors. **Tom Hughes** also volunteered to tutor and will also price printers.

Given the scope of the need at Pleasant View, this program will be established as a category of it's own as an Adopt-A-School program.

RYLA - Judy Orr, heading this program reports organizing efforts will begin next spring.

Young RYLA - Sherin Buhler reports that organizing will also begin in the spring.

Classification Talks - Jim Malone reports that everything is going as planned. He is also emphasizing to members that brevity is next to Godliness and is making every effort to keep the talks to no more than five minutes.

Golden High School Interact Club - Frank Darrow has not yet reported on developments with the club.

Student of the Month Awards - Jim Malone will be contacting GHS shortly to arrange for the first of the six awards to be made during the year.

Four Way Test Program - Bob Arnold and his volunteers will be conducting the Four Way Test at Bell Middle School on Wednesday, Nov. 7th and 11th. There are 20 students enrolled and we are allowed 30 minutes each week.

Scholar Athlete Awards- Jim Malone, heading this program, reports that awards will be arranged next spring.

Excellence in the Arts Awards - Jim Halderman reports the same for this program at GHS.

Valedictorian Award - Larry Fike reports the same for the award that will be made at graduation in spring 2008.

Student Art Purchase - Jim Halderman reports that this spring program will start at that time.

Vocational Service Month - Floyd Sasa and Les Jones facilitated the Four Way Test program

to our membership at our regular meetings on October 2nd and 9th. We had great discussions and good feedback. **Russ Sindt** arranged our offsite meeting at the new Student Recreation Center at Colorado School of Mines on October 16, 2007. It was a very interesting and informative event, thanks to **Tom Spicer's** efforts in setting it up. Russ is also working on an offsite meeting next spring, in either March or April, at the Colorado Mountain Club facility in Golden.

Golden High School Rotary Scholarships - Jack Galland wasn't in attendance to report.

Mentor Program at Bell Middle School -Judy Orr reported that the mentoring program is up and running successfully. We have great Rotary member participation.

Junior Achievement - Jim Smith and Paul O'Rourke have a started their Junior Achievement curriculum at several schools. Paul indicated that the schools need more volunteers and has provided **Les Jones** with the contact information at the schools to arrange to have them make promotional presentations at our Tuesday meetings in order to recruit more participation.

Yours in Rotary, Zonia Bowers, Chair

NEWS ITEMS

IT'S NOW MACARONI AND CHEESE MONTH – Community Service Chair **Mo Lukens** reminds us that November is macaroni and cheese month for our Tuesday morning contributions to Christian Action Guild.

The Nuggets will keep you informed of the "Food of the Month", so watch this space for the current selection.

HOSTS ARE SIGNED UP FOR TABLES OF EIGHT – ARE YOU? - Club Service Chair **Les Jones** reminds us that now is the time to get your name on the list for Tables of Eight. This program, that has been a staple on the Golden Rotary social calendar for a number of years, involves a host Rotarian opening their home to a group of about six other Rotarians and spouses and/or S.O.s. We now have a number of hosts committed to welcome you to their homes. If you haven't already signed up to attend a fellow Rotarian's home, look for the sign up sheet at

our Tuesday morning meetings. If you'd like more information on the program give, Les a call at (720) 341-2695.

RYLARIANS VISIT – Golden Rotary was pleased to have the four young people who attended the RYLA program this past August visit with us for breakfast on October 30th. **Alex Tracy, Beau Radovich, Kate Potter and Blair Eckleberg** each described their experiences at the program, held in Estes Park in August. Each student expressed they'd had some to lots of reservations about the program to begin with, but that it had proved to be a life changing experience very well worth the time and effort.

LOTS OF VISITORS ATTEND – Our club meeting on October 30th drew not only our **DG Dave Beall** and **First Lady Ann Beall**, but a number of prospective members and visiting Rotarians. Prospective members included **Charles Holland**, a guest of **George Mitchell, Judy Denison**, a guest of **Jim Smith**, and **Clay Speas**, a guest of **Ken Kranz** and **Floyd Sasa**. Visiting Rotarians included **Hank** and **Lana Kupferschmid** of New City, New York and **Mike Mosser** of Cheat Lake, West Virginia.

Welcome to all.

TWO NEW MEMBERS ADDED – Among the many activities on October 30th, we also had the pleasure of inducting two new members to Golden Rotary. **Jacqueline Lewis** and **Sam Johnson** were inducted by President **Colleen Jorgensen**, assisted by **Heather Duncan** and **Bob Short**. In addition to the information on each of these new members included in the October 23rd issue of the Nuggets, we also learned that Sam characterizes himself as a foundry man who worked for a number of firms along the way, including Honeywell. We were interested to note that Jacqueline had been encouraged in Rotary by her mother, who was the first female club president in Southern California. Welcome to Jacqueline and Sam.

GOLDEN SUPPORTS RI FOUNDATION – Foundation Chair **Bob Neukirchner** reminded us recently of the excellent record compiled by Golden Rotary during the 2006-2007 Rotary year. During the year recently completed Golden Rotarians contributed a total of \$ 19,325 or \$ 358 per member to support the many and worthwhile programs Rotary programs around the world.

This support ranked Golden at fourth place in District 5450, out of 61 clubs in the district. It also insured that Golden exceeded the "83 Penny Regiment" standard set up as **DG Frank Sargent** last year when he was DG. That effort raised \$ 824,000 which ranked District 5450 18th in the world, of the 529 district worldwide. The commitments of Golden Rotarians certainly do put us in pretty good company. Bob and President Colleen trust that Golden will meet or exceed last year's standard again in the 2007-2008 year.

DON'T FORGET YOUR FLORIDA CITRUS

– Our neighbor **Barb Lutz** visited recently to remind us of the opportunity we have to acquire some excellent Florida citrus fruit and support the programs of Boulder Flatirons Rotary, both at the same time. Barb lives in Golden, but for some reason continues to consort with the likes of John Olson (who we confess is a former Golden Rotarian) at Boulder Flatirons. Barb left a number of order forms for Florida oranges and grapefruit which you need to return to her not later than November 20th for delivery on December 1st or 2nd. If you need more information contact Barb at blutz@landam.com or (303) 278-3484.

CONCERT ON TAP – **Judy Denison**, who has visited Golden Rotary several times in recent weeks, has advised the Nuggets of a free concert program that will occur on this coming Saturday, November 10th. This concert by the Golden Concert Choir and the 101st Army Band, will take place on Saturday, November 10, at 3:00pm, at the Green Center, 16th Street & Washington Avenue, on the Colorado School of Mines campus, in Golden.

This event follows the performance of the very popular "Pipes & Stripes" concert this past February at the Paramount Theater, in Denver. The 101st Army Band is a unit of the Colorado National Guard and will again be performing in commemoration of Veteran's Day. Sharing the stage with the 40 musicians of the 101st Band will be the 80 members of the Golden Concert Choir.

It's unfortunate that this event goes head to head with the Golden Rotary Pig Roast, but the Nuggets felt it appropriate to keep our members informed of the many worthwhile events in our Golden community.

ATTENDANCE REPORT – Secretary Larry Fike has just released the attendance report for Golden Rotary for the months of July (72.5 %), August (73.2 %), and September (75.8 %). These results compare favorably with other clubs in the area. Compared to the Golden attendance of 89% in May 2007 which was one of the highest in District 5450, we still have some work to do.

Don't forget that you can do make ups at other clubs in the area, and it is easy to do. You can learn which club is meeting where by going to the District 5450 website at www.rotary5450.org and click on Find Day/Club under DG Dave Beall and Ann Beall's photo on the home page.

DO YOU HAVE THE ROTARY BASICS? – If you haven't already done so, catch the Rotary Basics in the August 2007 of the *ROTARIAN*. The section on pages 39-46 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.

BOARD MEETINGS – As Golden Rotarians know, the club Board of Directors meets each month on the second Thursday at 7:30 am. The new location is the Red Fox Room at Red Rocks Community College, just off the South 6th Avenue frontage road in Lakewood. The Red Fox Room is located on the main floor, at the east end of the RRCC building. Breakfast will be served. All members are welcome to join in the festivities and partake of breakfast and discussions with the assembled members of the Board. It is essential, however, to advise President Colleen in advance of your plan to attend. For information, or directions to RRCC and the Red Fox Room, drop Prez Colleen a note at colleen.jorgensen@rrcc.edu or give her a call.

UP TO DATE ON GOLDEN? – If you aren't or would like to know more about things to do this week (or any week) in Golden, go to www.onlinegolden.com and you'll get it all. This new service has been developed and is supported by our very own webmaster, **Barb Warden**. The website has a plethora of information on Golden and the various activities, programs and events going on around our fair

city. You can learn about the City Council meeting schedule, the current play at Miner's Alley Playhouse, the exhibits and classes at Foothills Art Center, the current exhibit at the Rocky Mountain Quilt Museum and much, much more. Check it out!!

OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS GOLDEN ROTARY CLUB 2007-2008

Elected –

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| President | Colleen Jorgensen |
| President Elect | Judy Orr |
| Vice President/Service Chair | Tom Hughes |
| Secretary | Larry Fike |
| Treasurer | Pat Madison |
| Club Service | Les Jones |
| Community Svc | Mo Lukens |
| International Svc | Jim McGuigan |
| Rotary Foundation | Bob Neukirchner |
| Vocational Svc | Zonia Bowers |

Appointees

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| Habitat Chair | Jim Smith |
| Editarian | George Mitchell |
| Membership | Heather Duncan |
| Sgt. at Arms | Kevin Nichols |
| Interact Liaison | Frank Darrow |
| PR/Internet Liaison | Barb Warden |

Ex Officio

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| Past President | Bob Short |
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DISTRICT 5450 GOVERNOR

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| Dave Beall | 2007-2008 |
| Steve Cantrell | 2008-2009 |

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| Wilf Wilkinson | Canada |
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