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The President's Corner - A Guest Editorial

By Tom Wilson



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Rotary, worldwide, is an aging organization. When **Paul Harris**, along with **Silvester Schiele**, and **Hiram Shorey**, all in their mid to late 30's, held the first meeting in Loehr's office on February 30, 1905. That was the start of aging in Rotary. The average age of a Rotarian, worldwide, is now 58 years old.

The mean age of our Westminster Rotary Club is probably over 60. More astonishingly, more than 10% of our members are over 80. Why is this important? We have an opportunity to change this dynamic, to lower our average age.

Rotaract clubs bring together people ages 18 and older to exchange ideas with leaders in the community, develop leadership and professional skills, and have fun through service. In communities worldwide, Rotary and Rotaract members work side by side to act through service.



Our club has already been provided valuable aid by Rotaract clubs in

Mexico. For more than 7 years, Rotaract Clubs in Puerto Vallarta, Jalisco and Tepic, Nayarit, have delivered the Project CURE (Commission on Urgent Relief and Equipment) Kits our Club has sponsored and delivered them to Mexico.

Based on our aging club, it is incumbent upon us to develop our replacements. We have the power to carry that out.

Our club has had remarkable success in the past with Interact Clubs in local high schools. Interact clubs bring together young people aged 12-18 to develop leadership skills while discovering the power of Service Above Self. We have the potential to replicate that success by sponsoring a Rotaract Club. In addition to developing a commitment to Service Above Self, we can guide them to discover areas of interest important to them. This may include environment, diversity,

equity and inclusion, the work of our foundation in the seven areas of focus, or even support for our Club projects.

The Club Foundation Board has approved this sponsorship. Please let me if you have interest in working on the development of this valuable source of service to our community.

Pat Wall, our Rotarian of the Week



Take a minute to greet Pat, either with a handshake or a note. Pat has been a longtime Rotarian, joining in 2016 and being very active in the club. He has been the fundraising chair, and involved with Muscular Dystrophy, been a School Board President, and has done other charity work.

Pat was born in Oceanside, NY, and attended high school at Holy Family. He received a college degree from Western State College. He is now the owner of American Family Insurance Agency.

Pat and Connie have three children, Maddie, Ellie, and Liam. His hobbies are reading and playing guitar. He loves pickleball, golf, and basketball. Some of his favorites are the movie Braveheart, Clint Eastwood, Nachos, ice cream, and Jamison Irish Whiskey. His proudest moment was his marriage to Connie. His motto is "Get back up and Move On." Thank you, Pat, for being a dedicated member of the Westminster Rotary Club and a welcome member of our Family of Rotary.

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Future Programs

July

31 5th Week Social at The Stillery
 10633 Westy Blvd. (104th and Church Ranch Road)

August

7 Broomfield Veterans Museum Tour
 By Jason McLachlan

(Buffet service - July 24)

Scrambled Eggs
 French Toast/Syrup
BACON
 along with:
 Fresh Fruit
 Assorted Muffins /Danish
 Yogurt and Granola
 Plus: juice, coffee, and tea

Menus are subject to change at the whim of our masterful Chef.

Weekly Statistics

(from last meeting)

Total Club Members	56
Breakfast Members	31
Basic Members	13
Corporate	3
Rotary Alumni	9
Paul Harris Fellows	29
Michael Hayes Fellows	29
On Site / Zoom Attend.	21/1
% Attendance	67.7%
Make ups	0
Speaker/Guests	0/1
Sargent's Fines: (Mark C.)	\$54.00
Polio Donations	0.00
Member website logins this month	15 (22.1%)

*Ineluctable: incapable of being evaded; inescapable



THIS WEEK'S PROGRAM...

NEW LEAF HEARING



Hosted by Julie Ranney

July 2024

...is *Transitions* Month (as noted on the [RI website](#))

Are you wearing your Rotary pin every day?

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Weekly HYBRID Club Meeting Wed. 7:10 am at Cottonwood Lodge	1	2	3 We're DARK	4 	5	6 Chris Hovendon
7 TIME TO PAY YOUR ROTARY DUES	8 Rondo Rondinelli, (Alumni Group)	9	10	11 Westminster Rotary Noon at Cottonwood Lodge 	12	13
14	15	16	17 CLUB ASSEMBLY	18	19 Club Board Meeting 7:00 am Via Zoom	20
21 WAY PAST TIME TO PAY YOUR ROTARY DUES	22	23	24 Matt Seitz	25	26	27
28 Lynn Hoffman	29 30-Curt Heidt	30 Peach Order Deadline	31 Rotary Social Evening at The Stillery 5:30 p.m. 10633 Westy Blvd.	Aug.1	2	3

Advanced Notices

ROTARY SOCIAL EVENING AT THE STILLERY

Join the Westminster Rotary Club for refreshments and dinner at The Stillery, 10633 Westminster Blvd. (Westminster Promenade at Church Ranch Road) beginning at 5:30 p.m.



Sell Peaches!

Order now at www.westyrotary.com

Order deadline is Tuesday, July 30, 2024



ANOTHER THOUGHT FOR TODAY

"Complaining about a problem without posing a solution is called whining!"

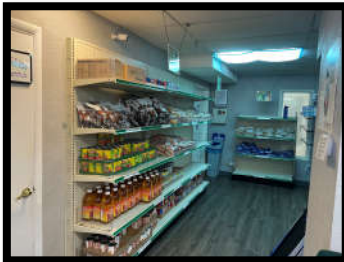
- Teddy Roosevelt

"Hard work spotlights the character of people: some turn up their sleeves, some turn up their noses, and some don't turn up at all!"

SAM EWING — Contributed by Mark Harris

Growing Home Work Day by Brian Hall

Last Wednesday was the first volunteer work service day at Growing Home. The Service Chairman, **Bill Fine**, organized this opportunity. The group was greeted by **Ahmed** and received instructions from **Ester**. Before the shopping began, they ensured the shelves were stocked with food. **Bill, Kathe,** and **Marilyn** assisted the shoppers with their family needs, along with three other volunteers. **Chauncey** and **Brian** helped with weighing the items and sending the bagged or boxed items up the short conveyor belt to the street level. Each family then loaded the items into their vehicles. It was a valuable experience, and everyone agreed that this service project should become a regular Rotary service project.



Photos by Brian Hall

Rotary Night at 3 Margaritas By Brian Hall



Last Saturday evening was Rotary Night at 3 Margarita's at the Orchard Town Center Concert with "The Long Run" - an Eagles Tribute band. The event was attended by 20 Rotarians and guests. Those included **Chauncey, Kristian, Jamie, Ed, Loren** and **Barb, Mark C.** and **Liz** with their son **Aaron** and Liz's sister **Lynne, Kathe** and **Bill, Wayne** and **Janet, Gary** and **Peggy, Rich** and **Shelly,** and the hosts for the evening, **Brian** and **Sue.**

Everyone enjoyed great Mexican food and had some time to speak with the owner and former Rotary member, **Adrian Gutierrez.**

The band performed well, playing many favorite Eagle tunes. The outside area around the band was packed with people, both sitting in folding chairs and dancing. The weather cooperated perfectly, with a strong downpour of rain not occurring until about 8:30, after the concert finished at 8:00.

Thanks go to all who participated!



Pictures by Brian Hall

Why I'm A Rotarian



I left the first Rotary Club meeting I was invited to excited and a little surprised by the genuine love and support among the club members. I am not from a "small town," and where I come from if you do not look out for yourself ... well, nobody else will either.

As I got more involved with the club's activities I realized that Rotary's motto, "Service Above Self," is a standard that I want to live my life by, and more importantly how I want my girls to see me live.

I am so proud to be an active member of the Canyon Rotary Club and of all the activities that we participate in. I am so honored to serve alongside all of the tremendous members of the Canyon Rotary Club!

Elxa Khan (shown with family), Canyon RC, Canyon, Texas



What Paul Harris Wrote



"Why did Rotary come into being in the year of our Lord 1905? Social movements, like individuals, are subject to the laws of heredity and environment. Rotary inherited the growing spirit of tolerance and the "I WILL" spirit of Chicago, the incorporeal hereditaments of many generations.

No president or officer of Rotary International, no district governor, no club president has failed to leave his imprint, and as the individual member is in turn the product of heredity as well as environment, it is necessary to look far back into history to find the Why of the rise of Rotary in Chicago in 1905."

(from Page 254 "This Rotarian Age" 1935, Paul P. Harris.)



The Rotary Foundation Giving Program 2024-25

As of 06/10/2024

Club Name	Number of Members	Annual Fund Goal	Annual Fund Giving	Goal % Annual	A.F. per Member	Polio Fund Goal	Polio Fund Giving (Act.)	Total Rotary Foundation Giving
Westminster	55/65 (goal)	\$3,300	\$5,920	179.4%	\$106.67	\$500	\$4,575	\$10,495

Are you wearing your Rotary pin every day?

More Fun Stuff

Thanks to Mark Harris

A Russian wife turned to her husband and asked, "What's this special military operation our glorious leader keeps talking about?" Her husband replied, "It's a war to stop America and NATO." "Oh, right" she says, "How's it going?"

"Well," he replied, "so far we have lost over 20 generals, 300,000 troops killed, countless injured, 3,000 tanks, 300 aircraft, hundreds of helicopters, countless armored vehicles, artillery and trucks, our flagship along with other naval ships, our army is being defeated in most areas and we have had to resort to conscripting 500,000 Russians including murderers and rapists to replace our losses".

"Wow" replied the wife "what about America and NATO"?
"They haven't turned up yet."

If you find yourself feeling useless, remember it took 20 years, trillions of dollars, and four presidents to replace the Taliban with the Taliban.

Thanks to John Irons, Jr.

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NEED A MAKEUP?

Do you need to make up a meeting? Take a moment to visit our web site: www.WestminsterRotary.com. There you will find links to District 5450 and to Rotary.org as well as to the E-club One website.

The Four Way Test

Of the things we think, say, and do:

1. Is it the truth?
2. Is it fair to all concerned?
3. Will it build goodwill and better friendships?
4. Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

The Westy Vision

The Westminster Rotary Club is a vibrant group of Coloradans who join for Breakfast, enjoy lively Banter, and provide meaningful Service to communities throughout the world.