



# Rotary Ridge Runner

The Rotary Club of Wheat Ridge, Colorado Meetings: Mondays 12:10 p.m., Wheat Ridge Recreation Center, 4005 Kipling, Wheat Ridge, Colorado. Board Meetings: 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursdays 6:30 P.M. 6827 West. 38<sup>TH</sup> Avenue.

February 25, 2008

[www.wheatridgerotary.org](http://www.wheatridgerotary.org)

**PRESIDENT ROTARY INTERNATIONAL:** Wilfred "Wilf" Wilkerson  
**DISTRICT 5450 GOVERNOR:** David G. Beall, District Governor  
**DISTRICT 5450 ASSISTANT GOVERNOR:** Jim Halderman

*Our mission is to build a better world emphasizing service activities by individuals and groups that enhance the quality of life and human dignity, encouraging ethical high standards and creating greater understanding among all people.*

**Officers:** President: Greg Garner. Past President: Dick Pierce, President Elect: Barry Hudson, Secretary: Bob Brown. Treasurer: Dick Matthews.

**Service Chairs:** Club Administration/Fund Raising: Walt Pettit. Membership: Mike Herman & Steve Parks. Community Service: Jerry Watson. Vocational Service: Bob Timm. International Service: Dean Bryan. Sergeant-at-Arms: Jim Kerns. Programs: Chet Myers. Fellowship: Bill Trefz, Newsletter and Public Relations: Barry Hudson.  
**Board of Directors:** Dick Pierce, Bob Brown, Jerry Watson, Mike Herman, Walt Pettit, Bob Timm, Steve Parks and Dean Bryan.

**Wheat Ridge Rotary Foundation Board:** Dan Brennan, Jerry Watson, Bob Brown, Dick Pierce, Sax Wilson, Jim Kerns, Greg Garner, Dick Matthews and Barry Hudson.

## PROGRAM AND SPEAKERS' CALENDAR

February 25	Julia Pech	The Health Benefits of Chocolate
March 2	Steve Watson	Home Equity Mortgages for Seniors
March 9	Leah Varnell	Court CASA

SETUP/CLEANUP: Arrive at 11:30 AM please

**Captains:** Captains are responsible for reminder calls to crew and for supplies of disposables such as cups, coffee, sugar and substitutes, creamer and tea. Please inform Rudy, our caterer, if there is a change in catering schedule.

**February Captain:** Bill Trefz. February 25, Steven Parks & Chet Myers.

**March Captain:** Jerry Watson. March 3, Dan Brennan & Walt Pettit. March 10, Liz Willis & Kim Buck. March 17, Doug Saba & Ethan Raath. March 24, Dick Pierce & Sherry Feinbaum. March 31, Barry Hudson & Jamie Yrastorza.

**April Captain:** Dick Pierce. April 7, Bill Trefz and volunteer. April 14, Steven Parks and Matt Cloutier. April 21, Dan Brennan and Joe Cassa. April 28, Chet Myers and Mike Herman.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS, NEWS AND REPORTS

The Board has approved an additional grant of \$250.00 to ASRSAY. The Board has approved a preliminary grant of \$1,000.00 to the Wheat Ridge High coffee shop. We are seeking a matching grant from Rotary International. Joe Cassa is using our grant to direct a Communication Skills and Response Strategies Training Program for high school peer counselors and staff. Joe is also seeking additional grants from Met Life for this program.

Greg and Barry will host two South African Rotary GSE professionals in their homes April 9<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup>. Kim Wasserfall is a social worker specializing in street children. Sazi Nyikana is a civil engineer specializing in water issues.

**2008/09 Officers and Boards:** **President:** Barry Hudson. **Vice President/President Elect:** Bob Timm. **Secretary:** Mike Herman. **Treasurer:** Dick Matthews. **Board of Directors:** Dean Bryan, Mike Herman, Steve Parks, Walt Pettit, Doug Saba, and Jerry Watson. **Past President:** Greg Garner. **Wheat Ridge Rotary Foundation Board:** Dick Matthews, Dick Pierce and Greg Garner (Past President).

**ROTARY LEADERSHIP ACTIVITIES.** Feb. 28, 29 & Mar. 1: PETS Training for new officers. The big push for next year both locally and District wide is for membership. Steve Parks and Mike Herman will head the membership committee and they welcome anyone's help in expanding our membership. Bring a friend to lunch on us. New members are crucial to our club's success.

**DISTRICT 5450 CONFERENCE.** April 25-27, Marriott Conference Center, Vail Colorado. All members are invited to attend. The new club leadership should attend. Call 1-800-648-0720 to reserve your hotel rooms. Go to the 5450 site to register for the conference. [www.rotary5450.org](http://www.rotary5450.org) Some club contribution to costs may be available.

**ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE,** Los Angeles, June 15-18, 2008. Again some club contribution is available. Also, Rotary will waive registration fees for larger groups. [www.rotary5450.org](http://www.rotary5450.org)

Visit the Wheat Ridge Rotary Web Site at [www.wheatridgerotary.org](http://www.wheatridgerotary.org) Current and past newsletters are there. Please pass on your suggestions regarding content of the web site or newsletter to Barry. Rotary District Site: [www.rotary5450.org](http://www.rotary5450.org) Don't forget our easy online donations site, [www.givingfirst.org](http://www.givingfirst.org). Enter "Wheat Ridge Rotary Club" and press "Donate".



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