



# 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.

March 17, 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

March 17  
March 24

Officer Kyle Eversole      Crime Free Housing  
Bob Bennet                      What It's like to be a Texan trapped in a Colorado Body

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.

**March Captain:** Jerry Watson 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

**POLIOPLUS:** Each club is expected to contribute \$75.00 per member for PolioPlus in the 2008-2009 club years. The contribution can be made by each member or through a fund raiser. RI has decided that they need to conclude this project during 2008 in order to stop the spread of new virulent viral strains in Africa, India and Pakistan. Member contributions to PolioPlus will be counted towards Paul Harris Fellowships but will not count towards individual or club RI Foundation goals.

**ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS:** Our Incoming RI President is very interested in increasing individual contributions to the RI Foundation. Our club encourages a member to contribute at least \$100.00, although it is not a requirement of membership. There are various ways to make your contribution and you should talk to Dick Matthews about matching funds which might be available to enhance your contributions and enable you to earn your Paul Harris Fellowship.

**GSE:** 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. A reception is scheduled at Greg's house on the April 11<sup>th</sup>. All members and spouses are invited.

**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).

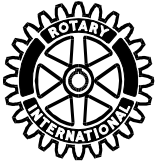
**DISTRICT 5450 CONFERENCE.** April 25-27, Marriott Conference Center, Vail Colorado. All members are invited to attend. The new club leadership should attend. Call 1-800-648-0720 to reserve your hotel rooms. Go to the 5450 site to register for the conference. [www.rotary5450.org](http://www.rotary5450.org)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

**OTHER DATES:** April 9: AWRSA Dinner at Pamona High. See Ethan for details. District Assembly: June 7. All incoming officers, especially new officers should attend. July 11, City Picnic and August 14 -17, Carnation Festival. All members need to reserve these last 2 dates for our major fund raisers.

**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)

**MEMBERSHIP:** We've had three membership inquiries in the last week. Steve Parks and Mike Herman, our membership chairs, invite you to help in expanding our membership. Bring a friend to lunch for free. New members are crucial.

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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