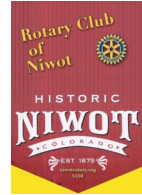


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"The Rotary Club of Niwot is a dynamic group of professionals devoted to serving both the local and international communities. We meet weekly to support projects that promote the common good, and have fun doing it."

February Monthly Theme:

World Understanding

- **Feb. 4th** Habitat for Humanity-*Build Day*,
Location: Boulder
- **Feb. 9th** Terry Granger-*A Journey Through Panama*
- **Feb. 9th** WCCT Committee-Kamla Chopra's House
- **Feb. 16th** Brooke Pearson-*Lightning*
- **Feb. 23rd** Nancy Geyer-*History Museum*
- **Feb. 28th** Community Food Share-5:00pm
- **Mar. 1st** Doug Young-*Rotary 4 Way Test*
- **Mar. 8th** Dave Talbot-*Crutches For Africa*
- **Mar. 15th** Brad Riley-*iEmpathize: The Tragedy of Child Sex Slavery Around the World*
- **Mar. 22nd** Jo Kirmenaer-*1000 Smiles*
- **Mar. 27th** Community Food Share-5:00pm

This Week's Greeter & Words:

Ron Crist

This Week's Featured Speaker:

Melanie Reiser—Shepherd Valley Waldorf School

Melanie Reiser will talk to us about how Waldorf schools fit into our system of learning today as well as the challenges they face in this ever changing world of education.

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

No anniversaries or birthdays

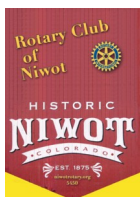
Wine, Cheese, & Chocolate

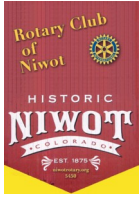
WE NEED YOUR HELP!!

We are in need of Silent Auction items for the Wine, Cheese, and Chocolate Tasting event.

Please contact any businesses, individuals, or groups you may know to see if they can donate an item or items to the Silent Auction.

Examples of some great items that we have had in past include: artwork, photos, pottery, jewelry, gift certificates, spa items, bottles of wine, non-perishable food, and various antique items.



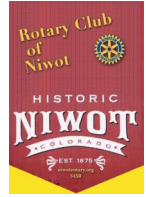


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Rotary Leaders Ready to Build Peace Through Service

Incoming district governors left the 2012 International Assembly in San Diego, California, USA, equipped with new skills and ideas to develop stronger districts and clubs in 2012-13.

RI President-elect Sakuji Tanaka began the weeklong training event by asking the 530 governors-elect to build *Peace Through Service*.

"Peace, in all of the ways that we can understand it, is a real goal and a realistic goal for Rotary," Tanaka said. "Peace is not something that can only be achieved through agreements, by governments, or through heroic struggles. It is something that we can find and that we can achieve, every day and in many simple ways." [Read more](#)

Brian Beesley, governor-elect of District 9650 (Australia), said the theme is relevant to Rotarians of all ages and ethnicities, and that he'll apply it to help attract younger members.

Later in the week, Rotary Foundation Trustee John F. Germ told attendees that Rotary's Challenge had reached the US\$200 million milestone. Jeff Raikes, chief executive officer of the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, announced an additional \$50 million grant from the Gates Foundation, which is not a challenge grant, to extend the partnership.

"My biggest worry is that we aren't moving urgently enough to close that final 1 percent gap. We simply have to finish the job," Raikes said. "Rotary is a critical part of making that happen." [Read more](#)

Rotary Foundation Trustee Chair William B. Boyd discussed Rotary's progress on the Future Vision pilot, explaining that the new grant model will re-energize clubs by helping them focus on symptoms, not causes, and seek out projects with long-term benefits.

"We are here to serve, and each one of us is a Rotarian because we know that our lives are measured by what we do for others and not by what we do for ourselves," he said. [Read more](#)

Rotary Public Image Coordinator Jennifer E. Jones also addressed the district governors-elect, emphasizing the importance of telling Rotary's story in a compelling way.

"Your job this year is to motivate and inspire your fellow Rotarians, and it is through the power of your words that you can inspire someone to greatness," she explained.

Speaking at clubs is key, said Jones, who noted that effective presentations focus on the human story and make an emotional connection with the audience.

Niwot Rotary continues to be an "Engine for Good". Here are some of the current projects we are involved with:

- Rotarians at Work - Clean Up Niwot Day
- Dictionary Project
- RYLA
- Community Food Share

- Hosting an International Exchange Student
- Habitat for Humanity
- Crutches for Africa
- Shelter Box
- Polio Eradication through Polio Plus
- Niwot Nostalgia Days
- 4th of July Parade

- Oktoberfest Fundraiser
- Wine, Cheese, & Chocolate Fundraiser
- Peach Sales Fundraiser

Whew! There is plenty of opportunity to get involved so please let one of our Board members know what YOUR passion for service is! We appreciate each & every member's involvement!

