

Mountain Foothills Rotary of Evergreen, CO.



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**CHECK THE SITE OFTEN!!!**

Wednesday February 27, 2008

Mt. Vernon Country Club

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**THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER**

Thank you Mac for stepping in for me Wednesday and leading a successful meeting, and thank you John Jarvis for your involvement with our efforts to support our troops. Having an opportunity to thank Major Minty in person was heart warming for our club members. Our club once again stepped up to the plate and showed up in record numbers to support and thank Major Minty and his troops for all they do for us in other parts of the world. A small item from us means a great deal to a soldier away from home. We are so glad to do what we can to ease the stress of our soldiers.

See you Wednesday!

Judi

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**DISTRICT GOVENOR NEWS:**

**SOME ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Thank you all for selling our Ice Melt tickets, will have a final accounting for you all in the next few weeks! My Special Thank You to Bill Dixon, Jerry Lautigar, Rich Mancuso, Maren Schreiber, Anne Skewes and Tom Hushen for your ideas and help...and especially Wil Swart for his creativity with his Sandwich Board!! Also to many of you who went above and beyond with your selling at Walmart.

The District Convention is in Vail this year at the Vail Marriott Apr. 25, 26 and 27. Our club is up for possibly 6 awards. Call now to reserve your room.

Wanted – a Club Historian. Please contact Judi.

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### **CRUTCHES 4 AFRICA**

Dave's the man to talk to!! [Crutches4africa@comcast.net](mailto:Crutches4africa@comcast.net)

### **BRUNO UPDATE:**

Bruno, always so happy to see you at our meetings!

### **SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT:**

The latest issue of the RI foundation Newsletter.....click on it!!!

<http://www.ourfoundation.info>

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### **PROGRAM**

Major Ron Minty

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion, 12<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division

What a privilege it was for us to host major Minty and his wife Krista to our meeting this past week. Ron is the Asst. Battalion Commander serving under Col. Michael, they are the Warrior Battalion with the Motto "Refuse to Lose."

As we recall, they returned from Iraq this past December after serving 15 months in truly a "combat zone," the Doura area of Bagdad. The Battalion is made up of 800 Troopers, approximately 240 we serving their first tour there. Major Minty shared a video of their time in Bagdad, this area is populated with Sunni's, the old aristocracy of Saddam's regime.

Their days were spent patrolling the area, from 6 to 8 hours each day, 24/7...with 70 pounds of gear, in 120 degree temps in the summer! They conducted 8,752 combat patrols, 273 IED's were exploded as they patrolled their area with a loss of 68 vehicles.

While there they accomplished their mission of normalization of the community, a Catholic Church, St. John's opened 6 Nov. 2007 and still is serving the community.

The Troopers in the unit were awarded 1 Silver Star, posthumously, he was a medic who was honored; 206 Purple Hearts for wounds received in combat, 18 of whom were killed in action; and 6 Bronze Stars.

Ron's wife Krista spoke for a few moments, they have been married 5 years, she shared her love for Ron, and knows the honor of belonging to the army and their mission.....something bigger than themselves.

She thank us for our support of their loved ones, they receive packages from parents and aunts and uncles, but receiving items from us, the US public, makes it so special, they know they are thought about.

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### **PROGRAM SCHEDULE:**

March: Polio Eradication Month

3/19 CLUB ASSEMBLY

3/26 TBA Hopefully Brian Zoril of Mountain Foothills Fire & Rescue

April: Rotary Magazine Month

4/2 TBA

4/9 TBA

4/16 Caroline Fricky Lutheran Medical Center "The 5 Wishes Your Faced With"  
[ part # 3]

4/23 TBA

4/30 TBA

5/7 Caroline Fricky Lutheran Medical Center Hospice " What to Say When  
You Don't Know What to Say" [part # 4] ]

Tom Hale is our Program Chair, asks that all members please advise him of any potential speakers for our group. Please contact Tom at 303-674-9422 or mlthale@comcast.net

**PLANNING AHEAD:**

July 14, 2008, The Annual Club and Special Needs Golf Tournament!

Evergreen Oil has committed to be our major sponsor for 5 years!!! Way to go Golf Committee!!!

**GUESTS:**

We had 50 Guests and visiting Rotarians this past week!!!!

Jon & Mary Carlson

Rose Lyon

Major Ron & Kristine Minty

Liz Jones

Bruno

Dr. Cristina Perez  
Blair Swart  
Susie & Noah Taylor  
Jane Stewart  
Jeff Freeman  
Rod & Kristina Schreiber  
Paula & Ron Barnes  
Guest of Linda Lautigar (can't read the name)  
Betty Chrimes  
Connie Madden

**VISITING ROTARIANS:**

Tom Hobsen - Denver

Mac & Janet McMichael - Golden

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**ROTARY MAKE-UPS ARE FUN, EASY AND ENCOURAGED!**

Note: New eClub One URL for make-ups (Book Mark It!)  
eClubOne, [www.rotaryclubone.org](http://www.rotaryclubone.org) (7 x 24 x 365). Be sure to get a printout to  
turn in for meeting credit.

Some Nearby Rotary Clubs:

Evergreen Rotary, Friday, 7:00 am - El Rancho Restaurant  
Conifer Rotary, Tuesday, 7:00 am - Mountain Resource Center  
Golden Rotary, Tuesday, 7:15 am - Rolling Hills Country Club  
Lakewood , Tuesday, 7:15 am - Lakewood Heritage Center  
Lakewood Foothills, Tuesday, 12:10 pm - Warren Tech Center  
South Jefferson County , Tuesday, 7:15 am - Fox Hollow Country Club  
Clear Creek County , Friday, 7:00 am - Rocky Mountain Village , Empire  
Gilpin County Peak to Peak, Thursday,12:00 pm - Farraday's Rest., The Isle of  
Capri Casino, 401 Main St. , Black Hawk

Rest of the World: [www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org)  
Dist. 5450 Web Site: [www.rotary5450.org](http://www.rotary5450.org)

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ED SEZ - "Be great in act, as you have been in thought."

**William Shakespeare**

Bob Zavodsky, Editor

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