



The Spoke

Rotary Club of Estes Park's Newsletter

Giving and the Rotary Foundation

Our program this week will be held in person, but a Zoom link will be provided. Click on the link below to be admitted.

Meeting link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/7985707369>

Please remember to mute yourself unless you want to speak.

Rotary Weekly Luncheon

Place: American Legion

Time: Lunch served from 11:30 - 12:00

Cost: \$15

Parking: American Legion and the church only.



Chris Woodruff

Chris Woodruff is the retired Assessor in Weld County Colorado. He makes his home in Greeley. He completed a forty year career in property appraisal and assessment, with work experience in three Colorado counties and the Colorado Division of Property Taxation. Chris has a B.S. degree in Technical Management from Regis University.

Chris became a Rotarian in 2000 when he joined the Rotary Club of Greeley - Centennial. In the club he has served as Secretary, President and Foundation Chair. He currently serves as Club Treasurer. He was named club Rotarian of the Year three times.

At the district level, Chris served as Assistant Governor for the Estes Park, Colorado clubs, Awards Committee chairman, TRF mentor and as a member of the District Foundation Committee. He has also presented at several District Assemblies and has served as a facilitator at High Country PETS and at the Governor Elect Training for Zones 26/27.

Chris served as District Governor for the 2019-2020 and the 2020-2021 Rotary years, primarily, as a result of the pandemic. In 2023 he will become the District Rotary Foundation Committee Chair.

He is married to Karoline, who is also a Rotarian. Karoline is a past Club President and past Assistant Governor. Karoline retired from a career in higher education in 2016.

April 28 Duty Roster

Invocation: Tara Moenning

Song & Pledge: Jim Whiteneck

Guest Intro: Scott Thompson

Scribe: Barry Hannigan

Greeter: Phil Moenning

Program Intro: Dennis Gellhaus

May 5 Duty Roster

Invocation: TBD

Song & Pledge: Jim Whiteneck

Guest Intro: Scott Thompson

Scribe: Pete Sumey

Greeter: Wayne Newsom

Program Intro: Dennis Gellhaus

Upcoming Events

Spring Cleanup

Apr 30, 2022

9:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Club Board Meeting

Wasson Room, Library

May 03, 2022

5:00 PM – 6:00 PM

Duck Race 2022

Nicky's/Riverside Plaza

May 07, 2022

9:00 AM – 3:00 PM

Presidents Night

Nicky's

Chris and Karoline are Bequest Society members and major donors. They have attended Rotary International Conferences in Montreal, Atlanta, Toronto and Hamburg.

They have three grown sons, three daughters-in-law and one beautiful granddaughter.

Christopher Woodruff
PDG, Rotary District 5440
ChrisW.Rotary5440@gmail.com

Update by President Jim Whiteneck

Announcements:

- After months and months of planning, the Duck Race is coming into full bloom!
 - We are extremely excited to see the Race back in the river this year.... Can't wait!!!! (Big QUACK)
- Tara will have the details regarding our town cleanup this Saturday, April 30.
 - Is there a reward for filling the most orange bags???
- Please introduce yourself and get to know our New Members:
 - Dawn Shields
 - RJ Lara
 - Jim Jonell (pending Board approval)
- Let's all help them find ways to connect to the Club.
- Looking forward to seeing everyone on Thursday!

April 21, 2022 Meeting Notes

President Jim Whiteneck rang the bell at 12:02.
Karen Thompson gave the Invocation.
President Jim led the Pledge of Allegiance
Madison Casey accompanied the singing of April showers.

Guests of Rotarians: None

Announcements:

- Tara Moenning announced the Spring cleanup on Saturday at 9:00 at the Visitor Center.
- President Jim announced that there will be no committee meetings on Thursday, April 28th, the fourth Thursday.
 - There will be a video instead. (Since changed to presentation by Chris Woodruff.)
- Bill Solms announced that Karen Thompson will serve as President Elect for 2022/23.
 - The search continues for Secretary and Treasurer.
- Karol Rinehart has rescheduled Presidents Night for Thursday, June 16th

Jun 16, 2022 5:30 PM

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Speakers

May 05, 2022

[Dr. Milt Garrett](#)

Today's Complexities of the Russian and the Ukrainian War

May 12, 2022

[Carl Robisheaux](#)

The Rotary Foundation

May 19, 2022

[Lee Varra-Nelson](#)

District 5440 Governor Visit

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Birthdays, Anniversaries

Member Birthdays

Karen McClure

April 5

Lee Machin

April 11

Jim Austin

April 20

Tara Moenning

May 3

Tom Anderson

May 10

Rob Cohen

May 14

Sue Fereday

May 17

Jack Boatman

May 18

Brad Rosenbaum

May 22

Dmitri Galcovski


May 24

Gladys Van Drie

May 24

Scott Thompson

May 27

- Ron Gordon and Chuck Bonza gave a report on Rotary funds for the Ukraine.
 - To date, our club members have donated a total of \$18,248 thru Rotary International
 - Many European Rotarian clubs adjacent to Ukraine are actively putting our donations to use providing funds for refugees.
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 - **Chuck Bonza, Ron Gordon**
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- Big Duck Beth asked for volunteers to help with the Duck Squat during the Duck Race.
 - Race buttons and posters are available.
- Bill Smith announced that co-worker Dawn Shields is attending her third meeting
 - She applying for club membership.
- Bill Solms will serve as Sgt-at-Arms volunteer next week.

Duty Roster:

- Pete Sumej is Scribe
- Karen Thompson served as greeter today.

Scott Thompson told his joke to the amusement of all.

Happy Money:

- Bill Solms thanked Karen for agreeing to serve as President Elect.
- Wayne is happy for his daughter Karen and is returning from a visit with his other daughter in Hawaii.
- Jim Austin is celebrating his 82nd birthday.
- Bill Smith also thanks Karen for agreeing to serve.
- Annie Slack thanked all of the Duck Race volunteers for collecting 316 merchant prizes.
- President Jim thanked
 - Karen Thompson for her service
 - is happy with our two new members Dawn Shields and RJ Lara.

Program:

Dennis Gellhaus introduced speaker Billy Jivetti to present a program via Zoom about the Community Health Center in Western Kenya.



Billy Jivetti

Adjournment:

President Jim closed the club meeting with the 4 way test.

Karen Thompson

May 28

Anniversaries

**Guy Van der Werf
Leslie**

April 5

**Karen Thompson
Scott Thompson**

April 16

**Scott Thompson
Karen**

April 16

**Peter Sinnott
Stephanie**

April 20

**Harry Livingston
Mary**

April 23

**Virgil Holtgrewe
Carol**

May 8

**Madison Casey
Marty Yochum**

May 20

**Dennis Gellhaus
Robbie**

May 21

**Pete Sumej
Lois**

May 23

**Dave Evans
Karen McClure**

May 27

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David Evans**

May 27

**Kathy Groesbeck
Alan Groesbeck**

May 28

**Tom Anderson
Kathleen**

May 28

Join Date

Gladys Van Drie

Pete Sumey, scribe



**Spring Clean Up Day
Saturday, April 30, 2022
9 AM**

Announcement:

- Save the date. Just donate an hour and a half to make our roads/trails/ etc. look so much better.
- *Tara will bring route assignments and bags to the meeting on Thursday, April 28th so people can pick them up there if they prefer.*
- If you wait until Saturday groups and volunteers are asked to meet at 9 am at the east side of the Visitor's Center for instructions, route assignments, and distribution of orange bags.
- You may contact Tara Moenning at tara@aspenbrookinvestments.com if you have questions.

Merchant Prize Collection Volunteers

thank you volunteers

Prize donations are pouring in thanks to all your efforts.
You are so appreciated.
Let's see if we can top 400 prizes.

Scholarship Recognition

We are working on scholarship evaluations right now
the Awards Ceremony is May 11th and the entire Club is invited
to attend.

Greeter Sign Up Schedule

April. 28.	Phil Moenning
May 5.	Wayne Newsom
May 12.	Carl Robicheaux
May 19.	Scott Robbins
May 26.	Pete Sumey
June 2.	Jim Austin
June 9.	Ben Van der Werf

**Do You Know Anyone for RYLA
Rotary Youth Leadership Awards**

April 3, 1997
25 years

Mike Connolly
April 3, 2008
14 years

Peter Sinnott
April 5, 2007
15 years

Gregg Jurgens
April 14, 2011
11 years

Carl Robicheaux
April 18, 2019
3 years

Bill Solms
April 21, 2016
6 years

Chuck Bonza
April 25, 2008
14 years

Dale Bonza
April 25, 2008
14 years

Philip Moenning
April 25, 2008
14 years

Scott Thompson
April 25, 2008
14 years

Tara Moenning
April 25, 2008
14 years

Wayne Andersen
May 25, 2000
22 years


Lee Machin
May 31, 1973
49 years

Executives & Directors

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[Jim Whiteneck](#)

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[Dennis Gellhaus](#)

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YRILA
Rotary Youth Leadership Awards

Young RYLA

Young RYLA is a leadership-training program sponsored by Rotary International that promotes, encourages and rewards outstanding young people.

An all-expenses-paid five-day conference that brings together a special group of boys and girls from Colorado and Wyoming to share ideas about becoming better leaders.

An action-packed program of activities that helps build confidence and leadership skills (like problem-solving games, challenge course, zip-line skits, group discussions and teambuilding activities).

An adventure that just might change your life!

If you:

- Are currently a 7th grader
- Are interested in making new friends
- Have demonstrated leadership in your school, community or place of worship
- Would like a chance to meet and talk to teens from different schools
- Want to become a better leader

...Then you should come to Young RYLA!


Where: YMCA of the Rockies, Estes Park, CO
When: Sun-Fri, June 19-24, 2022 (June, not July!)
 or: Sun-Fri, July 24-29, 2022
Cost: Paid by your local Rotary Club

To apply: Please see your school guidance counselor or a representative of a local Rotary club, and apply via the web at www.rmRYLA.org.

For more information, contact: _____

Application deadline: _____

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[Tara Moenning](#)

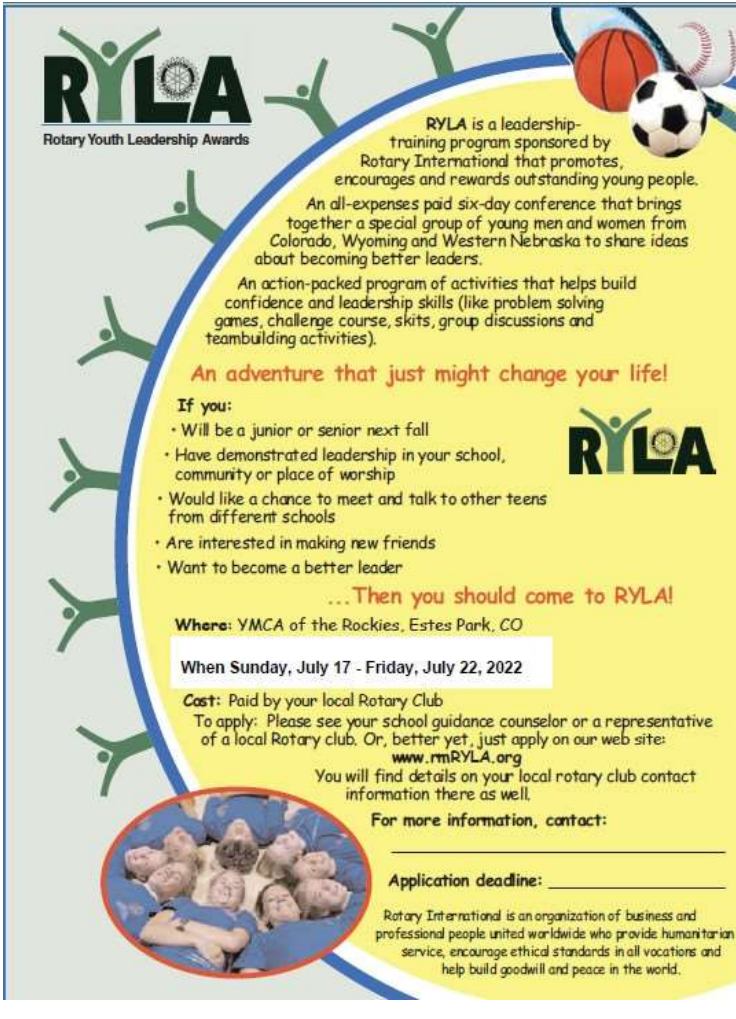
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[Madison Casey](#)

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