



# The Spoke

Rotary Club of Estes Park's Newsletter

## Welcome to our Club!

We meet Thursdays at 12:00 PM  
Nicky's Steakhouse  
1350 Fall River Rd.  
Estes Park, CO 80517  
United States of America

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Posted by Rita DuChateau

### Nicky's or Zoom? The choice is yours!

Your club is back at Nicky's! You can come to Nicky's for lunch and our meeting, or you can participate by clicking on the Zoom link to participate remotely. **So, the choice of how to attend is yours.**  
**Zoom link:** : <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/7985707369>

If you're going to join the group at Nicky's you will need to **R.S.V.P.** to Karol at [kj.rinehart@centurylink.net](mailto:kj.rinehart@centurylink.net) **BEFORE 5 p.m. Tuesday (Aug. 11)**. This will be the "drill" going forward, so mark your calendars so you remember to R.S.V.P. to Karol **before Tuesday at 5 p.m.** every week we meet.

Details for Nicky's: Attendance limited to 25, food will be served rather than a buffet, price is still \$15. Those attending must have a meal. Please arrive as close to 11:30 as possible so meals can be served before the meeting begins.

Posted by Rita DuChateau

### This week's program

#### Meet the Trail's new editor, Wendy Rigby

This week's program will be broadcast on Zoom and will feature Wendy Rigby, the new managing editor for The Estes Park Trail Gazette. Her topic: *What goes in the news and why?* Tune in at Nicky's or at home. To join on Zoom, click on this link before the meeting starts at noon: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/7985707369>. Scott Thompson is our ZoomHost.

Rigby and her husband Jan, who just retired, moved to Estes Park from San Antonio, Texas, at the end of January 2020. Wendy has a bachelor's degree in Journalism from Trinity University in San Antonio, Texas, and a master's degree in Communications from Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore, Maryland. Most of her journalism career was spent in television broadcasting. Newspaper writing and editing is a new and welcome challenge.

When she started work with The Trail, she included this in a column introducing herself to the community: "Poet and critic Matthew Arnold once said, 'Journalism is literature in a hurry.' I could not agree more. I look forward to telling you stories about the people, places and programs of Estes Park. Knowledge is power."



Wendy Rigby

Rigby has two adult children and three dogs. She loves to hike and is thrilled to live next door to Rocky Mountain National Park.

Posted by Dana Fritz

### August 6, 2020 Meeting Notes

President Bill opened our Zoom meeting from Nicky's at noon. He then gave an invocation and led us in the Pledge. Scott Thompson's joke was well received. Ron Gordon introduced his wife, Vivian. Marv Gee introduced himself via Zoom.

#### Happy Money

- Jack Overly answered the Rotarian question of the week causing President Bill to give \$20 in Happy Money.
- More Happy Money was given by Tom Maher because he was sitting in front of a painting by Herb Thompson.
- Scott Thompson was happy he came in 2nd. Best of Estes realtors.
- Doug Mann is celebrating his anniversary and announced his wife would be joining Rotary.
- Jim Whiteneck is celebrating his 46th wedding anniversary.
- Madison's Covid test came back clean.

#### Announcements

- Duck Race meeting will be held on 8/13.
- A farewell gathering will be held for Antonia, our exchange student, on 8/15...more details to come.
- The Shred-a-Thon will be held on 8/8.
- We will be painting the bridge on the 9-hole golf course in September....more details to come.

#### Program

Rick Taylor introduced our speaker, Donna Carlson, our new Chamber director. Following her presentation, President Bill presented her with a piece of the Rotary Rock and then adjourned the meeting with our 4-Way Test.

Dana Fritz, scribe



Posted by Rita DuChateau

### Have you adopted your flock yet? Duck Race is only 5 weeks away

Wondering what happened to May, June and July? **Time FLEWI!**



**And now it's time to focus our attention and energy on the 32nd Estes Park Rotary Duck Race.**



Everything's happening online this year due to the global pandemic. But, never fear, Big Duck Karen Thompson and her flock are working hard to turn this challenging situation into a victory for our 67 Participating Organizations. You can be a part of the waterless Duck Race in so many ways.

Go to <https://www.epduckrace.org/adopt-ducks/> and show your Rotary spirit by adopting your own duck - or better yet - a Quack Pack (Adopt 5 for your favorite organization and get one free)

Donate to the Merchant Prize Campaign so your club can show some Duck Love to our loyal merchants. Reach out to Karen Thompson at [bigduck@epduckrace.org](mailto:bigduck@epduckrace.org) and tell her you want to fund some Duck Bucks.

Tell your friends about this year's incredible cash and travel prizes. Here's a link to the prize list: <https://www.epduckrace.org/prizes/>

Send an email to your family and friends, post something on Facebook, Instagram or Twitter. Help spread the word. Our 67 Participating Organizations depend on you.

Remember, \$19 of every Duck Adoption goes to your favorite Participating Organization. You can help your club by selecting the #1 Organization, Estes Park Rotary Foundation.

Offer to help the Duck Race Committee plan for the virtual race. Lots of help needed!

### Farewell, Antonia!

Our club is invited to join the EVSR Rotary members at an Open House to say "Farewell" to Antonia, our exchange student. The gathering will take place Saturday, Aug. 15th from 2-5 p.m. at Jean and Mark Rismiller's home. The format is an Open House, so members can come and go. The Rismillers have a very large covered deck so the party will be primarily outdoors.

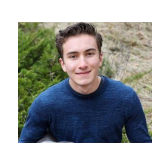
Antonia's flight back to Chile is August 19.

"While she is excited to see her family, she really doesn't want to leave us, as she's had such a wonderful time in Estes Park," Jean Rismiller said.

Contact club secretary Jennifer Comstock ([jennifrc\\_comstock@yahoo.com](mailto:jennifrc_comstock@yahoo.com)) or President Bill Solms ([wosolms@gmail.com](mailto:wosolms@gmail.com)) for the Rismiller's address.



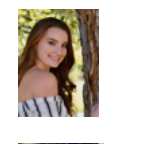
### Meet our 2020 Scholars



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Biology/Chemistry/Pre-Med, St. Olaf College



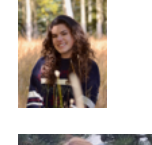
**Meghan Frey**, Academic Scholarship  
Nursing, University of Wyoming



**Sage Shumate**, Academic Scholarship  
Criminology, Boston University



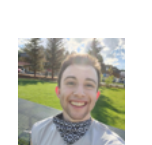
**Paulina Tapia Bernal**, Stanley Hotel Scholarship  
Human Nutrition & Food Science, Colorado State University



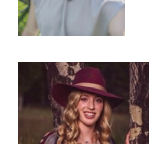
**Esabella Burkhardt**, Carver Family Scholarship  
Psychology/Liberal Arts, Front Range Community College



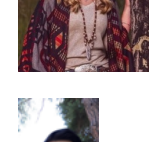
**Jennifer Johnson**, Lynn Coffman Scholarship  
Business, University of Colorado - Boulder



**Noel Villanueva**, Brunson/Thorp Scholarship  
Business Administration Management, University of Wyoming



**Aubrey Kinley**, Ron L. Kuhns Scholarship  
Agricultural Business, Texas A+M University College Station

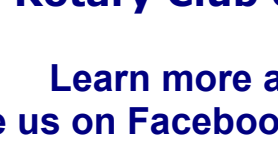


**Matthew Turner**, Brian Archibald Scholarship  
Associate Degree in Art, Aims Community College

### Give to our Foundation while you shop!

Do you find that you are placing Amazon orders more frequently these days? Don't forget to help your Rotary Club of Estes Park Foundation with every order. As a recipient of funds in the [smile.amazon.com](https://www.smile.amazon.com), our foundation will receive a portion of the sale. All you need to do is sign up to get the funds flowing. And SHOP!

- Go to: [smile.amazon.com](https://www.smile.amazon.com).
- Choose the charitable organization by typing in Estes Park Rotary Foundation. Our club and the Longs Peak club will come up in the search. Click on Estes Park Rotary Foundation.
- Create a bookmark so every time you shop Amazon, you will participating in the smile.amazon.com program.



### Aug. 13 Duty Roster

Invocation: **TBD**

Song & Pledge: **Bill Solms**

Guest Intro: **TBD**

Scribe: **Pete Sumej**

Greeter: **TBD**

Program Intro: **Jennifer Comstock**

### August 20 Duty Roster

Invocation: **TBD**

Song & Pledge: **Bill Solms**

Guest Intro: **TBD**

Scribe: **Rita DuChateau**

Greeter: **TBD**

Program Intro: **Rick Taylor**

### Upcoming Events

[Duck Race Committee Meeting](#)

Aug 13, 2020  
5:00 PM – 6:00 PM

[Estes Park Rotary Duck Race](#)

Sep 19, 2020  
10:00 AM – 4:00 PM

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### Speakers

Aug 13, 2020

[Wendy Rigby](#)

New Managing Editor of EP Trail Gazette

Aug 20, 2020

[Michael Moon](#)

The Paradise Gap in Estes Park

Aug 27, 2020

[Bill Solms](#)

Club Assembly

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### Birthdays, Anniversaries

#### Member Birthdays

**John Thomason**  
August 3

**Tom Gardner**  
August 4

**Dana Fritz**  
August 8

**Kris Hazelton**  
August 10

**Beth Weisberg**  
August 11

**Jay Harroff**  
August 19

**Mark Lee**  
August 20

**Milt Garrett**  
August 23

#### Anniversaries

**Thor Homme**

**Darlene**  
August 8

**Jim Whiteneck**

**Carol Whiteneck**  
August 10

**Wayne Newsom**

**Pat**  
August 10

**Tom Gardner**

**Linda**  
August 21

**Ward Nelson**

**Patricia**  
August 23

**Jack Boatman**

**Jan Boatman**  
August 25

#### Join Date

**Kevin Mullin**

August 16, 2018

2 years

**Milt Garrett**

August 28, 1998

22 years

### Executives & Directors

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President Elect

[Jim Whiteneck](#)

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[Longley Parker](#)

Secretary

[Jennifer Comstock](#)

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[John Thomason](#)

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[Jim Whiteneck](#)

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[Karen Thompson](#)

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[Sue Fereday](#)

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[Anne Slack](#)

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### Bulletin Editor

[Rita DuChateau](#)

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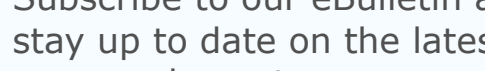
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