



The Spoke

Rotary Club of Estes Park's Newsletter

Lodging Tax Extension Issue to Help Workforce Housing and Childcare Issues in Estes Park

Presented by
VEP Board Member and Mayor Pro Tem Scott Webermeier

Our meeting 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: \$20

Parking: American Legion and the church only.



Scott Webermeier

Scott comes to us on Thursday with a background of community service. He has lived in Estes Park for 55 years and been active in Community affairs for 40 years. (See his Biography: Scott Webermeier + Estes Park Town Board - Candidates) Today, he speaks to us as a board member of Visit Estes Park and Mayor Pro Temp.

Larimer County, the Town of Estes Park, and Visit Estes Park are working together to help ensure that community members have access to affordable workforce housing and childcare options. One of the most significant barriers to ensuring this access is a consistent and meaningfully-sized funding mechanism.

During the 2022 Colorado Legislative Session, a mechanism emerged for the Estes Park Local Marketing District, in collaboration with Larimer County and the Town of Estes Park, to expand the use of local lodging tax revenue to address gaps in the need for workforce housing and childcare.

Known as HB22-1117, the Colorado House passed the bill in February and the Colorado Senate passed it in March. The governor signed the bill into law on March 31, 2022. The bill is scheduled to become law 90 days after the end of the legislative session. For the legislation to be applicable to the local community, there must be a ballot initiative where voters in the local marketing district decide

August 11 Duty Roster

Invocation: Scott Robbins

Song & Pledge: Dennis Gellhaus

Guest Intro: Scott Thompson

Scribe: Madison Casey

Greeter: Ben Van der Werf

Program Intro: Karen Thompson

August 18 Duty Roster

Invocation: Jack Boatman

Song & Pledge: Dennis Gellhaus

Guest Intro: Scott Thompson

Scribe: Pete Sumey

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Upcoming Events

Foundation Board Meeting

Quality Inn

Aug 18, 2022

1:15 PM – 2:00 PM

Shred-a-Thon

Aug 27, 2022

8:30 AM – 12:00 PM

John Denver Concert

Sep 03, 2022

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Speakers

whether to authorize the use of new or existing lodging tax revenue for investments in workforce housing and childcare.

Meals At Rotary Now Cost \$20



Update by President Dennis Gellhaus

I don't know exactly why I started thinking about Salvation Army bell ringing in the middle of summer; but I did! Standing in front of Safeway while the cold wind blows through you is not the most pleasant of things to do. But then a nice lady brought me out a hot chocolate and life got a little better. Maybe you have had this experience; I hope so!

In the days that followed, I returned the favor three times to other bell ringers. It is such a good feeling to give of yourself and do something to make the world a little better. That's what I like about Rotary.

Thanks for listening.
Dennis

August 4, 2022 Meeting Notes

President Dennis Gellhaus rang the bell at 12:00 PM.
Bill Smith gave the Invocation.
President Dennis led the Pledge of Allegiance.
Madison Casey led in singing Happy Wanderer.

Guests of Rotarians: None

Announcements:

- The Shred-a-Thon will be held on August 27 from 9-noon in the Event Center parking lot.
- Bill Smith announced a Rotary Social to be held September 29.
 - The event will be held at the Stanley Home Museum with a tour and a reception with wine and cheese for the participants.
 - Transportation will be provided with shuttles at CVB parking.
 - There will be a fee of \$20 per person.
- District representatives will conduct a District Conference Project Planning meeting
 - August 9 at 8 a.m. following the Sunrise Rotary weekly meeting at the American Legion.

Aug 11, 2022

[Scott Webermeier](#)

Town Trustee - Town Tax Taskforce

Aug 18, 2022

[Greg Muhonen](#)

Loop Update

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Birthdays, Anniversaries

Member Birthdays

John Thomason

August 3

Tom Gardner

August 4

Kris Hazelton

August 10

Beth Weisberg

August 11

Jay Harroff

August 19

Mark Lee

August 20

Milt Garrett

August 23

Karol Rinehart

September 5

Mel Rueppel

September 18

Virgil Holtgrewe

September 22

Guy Van der Werf

September 25

Ron Gordon

September 30

Anniversaries

RJ Lara

Samantha Lara

August 6

Thor Homme

Darlene

August 8

- Volunteers interested in participating during the 2023 conference in Estes Park are invited.
- The Foundation Board meeting will be held on the August 18th at 1:30 at Quality Inn.
- The John Denver Tribute Concert is scheduled on September 3rd
- Carl Robicheaux promoted sponsorships for the Golf Tournament being held on September 16th.

Duty Roster:

- Pete Sumey is Scribe
- Ben Van der Werf served as greeter today.

Happy Money:

- Carl Robicheaux is happy for golf tournament sponsors.
- Jim Austin is happy to be here.
- President Dennis forgot his badge and paid the fine.

Program:

Karen Thompson introduced speaker Brad Menard who gave a program on "A Memorial for Kahuna"
It emphasized elk safety and awareness.

Adjournment:

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

Pete Sumey, scribe



John Denver Tribute Concert September 3, 2022 YMCA of the Rockies Ruesch Auditorium



Brad Fitch

John Denver Tribute Concert still needs the following volunteers:

- Water and ice setup: This will require someone who can do some heavy lifting. Phil and I will help, but a Lions Club member looked at us and says we will still someone who can help lift.
- Two people who help label seats from 1-2 pm.

Jim Whiteneck
Carol Whiteneck
August 10

Wayne Newsom
Pat
August 10

Dawn Shields
Ed Shields
August 12

Tom Gardner
Linda
August 21

Jack Boatman
Jan Boatman
August 25

Mel Rueppel
Gray Rueppel
August 30

Mike Connolly
Carole Ann
September 10

Philip Moenning
Tara
September 14

Tara Moenning
Philip
September 14

Brad Rosenbaum
Jennifer
September 26

Jim Jonell
Joanie Jonell
September 30

Join Date

Kevin Mullin
August 16, 2018
4 years

Milt Garrett
August 28, 1998
24 years

Larry Williams
September 21, 2006
16 years

Michelle Mann
September 21, 2020
2 years

- An additional two people who are able to climb stairs to usher, 4-6 pm.
- Clean up people 8:30 pm until finished.

Thank you, thank you to all who have volunteered for the Shred-A-Thon—we have a great turn out for this event.

Tara

Save the Date

Rotary Club of Estes Park Golf Tournament for Scholarships



Golf Tournament Friday, Sept. 16

E.P. Rotary major fundraiser for scholarships

1:30 p.m. Shotgun Start

Appreciate sponsors and help for check in & registration

Please come play - no skill required!

I'll vouch for that !

Ron Gordon

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, our foundation will receive a portion of the sale. All you need to do its sign up to get the funds flowing. And SHOP!

- Go to: 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.

Tom Maher

September 29, 1977

45 years

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