



# 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 Guy Van der Werf*

### Dec. 12 program

#### Come and hear sounds of the season

It is the season to carol, to sing our holiday songs. To help us get into the holiday mood, Mountain Echoes, a student choir from the Estes Park Elementary School, will sing at our club meeting on Thursday, Dec. 12.

The 40-member Mountain Echoes Choir is an after-school choir for students in Grades 3, 4, and 5 at the Estes Park Elementary School. Mountain Echoes is directed by Mrs. Jenna Williams and accompanied by Mr. Mike Williams and Mr. Alex Leija.

### December 12 Duty Roster

Invocation: **Dana Fritz**

Song & Pledge: **Madison Casey**

Guest Intro: **Longley Parker**

Scribe: **Dana Fritz**

Photographer: **Jon Thompson**

Greeter: **Jennifer Comstock**

Program Intro: **Rick Taylor**

### December 19 Duty Roster

Invocation: **Dennis Gellhaus**

Song & Pledge: **Madison Casey**

Guest Intro: **Jay Harroff**

Scribe: **Rita DuChateau**

Photographer: **Jon Thompson**

Greeter: **Mike Connolly**

Program Intro: **Doug Mann**

### Speakers

Dec 12, 2019

[Jenna Williams](#)

Mountain Echos Choir



*Mountain Echoes Choir*

Recently, Mountain Echoes had the honor of singing The National Anthem at a Colorado Rockies game this past May.

***Don't delay!***

## **Sign up for our Dec. 19 Holiday Luncheon**

It's December, so it's time to sign up for our **Rotary Holiday Luncheon** on **Thursday, Dec. 19**. Club Administrator Karol Rinehart has "cooked up" a great celebration with club member John Thomason, owner of Nicky's Steakhouse. All you need to do is let her know you will be there and if you will be bringing a guest or the whole family.

Here are the details:

Mimosas  
Prime rib w/ Au Jus, horseradish  
Roasted new red potatoes  
Salad w/selection of dressings  
Vegetable  
Bread  
Fresh made pastries

Price is \$30. **R.S.V.P. by Thursday, Dec. 12.** See Karol at Thursday's meeting or email her at: [kj.rinehart@centurylink.net](mailto:kj.rinehart@centurylink.net)

The program will include holiday music, singing, and a special guest. Don't delay! R.S.V.P. today!



*Posted by Madison Casey*

Dec 19, 2019  
[Karol Rinehart](#)  
Holiday Luncheon

Dec 26, 2019  
[No Meeting](#)

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## **Upcoming Events**

[Foundation Board Meeting](#)  
Quality Inn  
Dec 19, 2019  
1:15 PM – 2:00 PM

[Duck Race Committee Meeting](#)  
Nicky's  
Jan 16, 2020  
5:00 PM – 6:00 PM

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## **Birthdays, Anniversaries**

*Member Birthdays*

**Barb Bibler**  
January 27

**Dale Bonza**  
December 1

**Gary Hazelton**  
December 3

**Chuck Bonza**  
December 13

**Jennifer Comstock**  
December 16

**Harry Livingston**  
December 18

*Anniversaries*

**Chuck Bonza**  
**Dale**  
December 26

## Dec. 5 meeting notes

President Doug Mann called the meeting to order. He recognized Chuck Bonza's birthday and anniversaries of club membership for Jim Austin and Heidi Cooper.

Our Christmas lunch meeting is December 19. Karol Rinehart needs your reservation by December 12. We have a yummy menu of mimosas, salad, prime rib, roasted red potatoes, vegetable, bread, and pastry assortment. Price is \$30. There will be fun entertainment!

Invocation was given by Virgil Holtgrewe. The song for our international program was "I'd Like to Teach the World to Sing" led by Madison Casey and followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Gregg Jurgens greeted us today.

Introductions were led by Mike Connolly. Visiting Rotarians: None, but Ron Gordon was pleased to have Harry Livingston back with us. Guest of Rotarians: Bob Benight brought Don and Sylvia Adams and announced that Don is joining our club today. Doug Mann introduced guests from Rocky Mountain Church who were here with our speaker today: Jess Mahon, Ken Janke, Neil Woodley, Chris Moody.



Scott Thompson delivered his joke.

### Special Meeting

President Doug introduced Bill Solms for Board matters. An official meeting of the Rotary Club of Estes Park was convened for purpose of Election of Officers for the term fiscal year 2020-2021: first reading of

the slate of nominees. The Nominating Committee is President Elect Bill Solms, Past Presidents Dave Evans and Pete Sumey, and Members At Large Dennis Gellhaus and Virgil Holtgrewe.



The slate:

**Dale Bonza**

**Chuck**

December 26

**Gary Hazelton**

**Kris**

December 31

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**Gary**

December 31

*Join Date*

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**Dave Boon**

January 3, 2003

17 years

**Matt Comstock**

January 3, 2019

1 year

**Ward Nelson**

January 7, 2010

10 years

**Bill Smith**

January 8, 1987

33 years

**Bruce Brown**

January 8, 2004

16 years

**Wayne Newsom**

January 10, 1980

40 years

**Pete Sumey**

January 14, 2004

16 years

**Jeff Liddle**

January 24, 2013

7 years

**Rick Taylor**

January 24, 2013

7 years



**Club Board Officers (one-year term):**

*President Elect, open to be filled*

*Secretary, Jennifer Comstock*

*Treasurer, Longley Parker*

*Sergeant-at-Arms, Matt Comstock*

**Club Director (two-year term):**

*Club Service/Administration, Karol Rinehart*

*Community Service, Jim Whiteneck*

*Membership, Trudy Collar and Dennis Gellhaus*

**Foundation Board Trustee (three-year term):**

*Barb Bibler*

*Carl Robicheaux*

**Announcements**

- Duck Race—Karen Thompson encouraged us to obtain sponsor ducks from anyone who was willing to have them reused.
- Bell Ringing for Salvation Army—Anne Slack says they still need people to fill slots. Call Gordon Slack 970-222-2120.
- Jack Boatman said the deadline for matching donations is December 12. Mail or bring your form to a meeting. Our foundation will match your donations to local charities up to \$200 per member. Payment through Colorado Gives Day also qualifies for a match, with documentation. 25 members have participated to date. President Doug encouraged all to take advantage of this offer so we can put this money to good use in our community.

**Happy Money**

Trudy Collar was happy that her sister Dana Fritz brought Thanksgiving dinner to her house, when Trudy was too sick with a cold to attend.

**Program**

Anna Weddle presented “Transforming an Indian Community” about

**Doug Mann**

December 1, 2016

3 years

**Jim Austin**

December 11, 2008

11 years

**Gary Hazelton**

December 12, 2002

17 years

**Kris Hazelton**

December 12, 2002

17 years

**Heidi Cooper**

December 13, 2018

1 year

**Gordon Ulrickson**

December 20, 2018

1 year

**John Thomason**

December 20, 2018

1 year

**Executives & Directors**

President

[Doug Mann](#)

President Elect

[Bill Solms](#)

Treasurer

[Longley Parker](#)

Secretary

[Rita DuChateau](#)

Sergeant-at-Arms

[Dennis Gellhaus](#)

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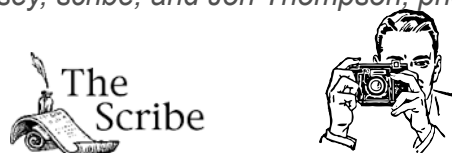
Club Administration

[Karol Rinehart](#)

the school for Dalit children in a town in the very south of India that her Rocky Mountain Church, here in Estes, has successfully built and launched. The school is for K-Grade 5 with enrollment of 300. They are now moving to the next phase to add to it to serve Grades 6-10. They need \$108,000/year for three-year plan to do this and encourage donors and participants.



*Madison Casey, scribe, and Jon Thompson, photographer*



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## ***Dec. 12 deadline approaching!*** **Your Foundation will double your gift**

It's time to apply for a matching grant for your favorite local charity through our club's Foundation. Your charitable donation has the potential to be a double gift to a local non-profits.



The maximum matching donation amount is **\$200** per member and the minimum donation amount is \$50. Rotary Club of Estes Park members will be able to apply for matching donations from the Foundation **until December 12**. The Foundation will be providing matching donations to qualified 501(c)(3) organizations serving Estes Valley residents and in good standing with the Colorado Secretary of State.

The application form which provides detailed instructions is available

Community Service Co-Chair  
[Peter Sinnott](#)

Community Service Co-Chair  
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Fund Development  
[Karen Thompson](#)

International Service  
[Ron Gordon](#)

Membership  
[Trudy Collar](#)

Youth/New Generation Services  
[Sue Fereday](#)

Program Committee Chair  
[Rick Taylor](#)

## **Foundation Officers**

President

[Madison Casey](#)

Vice President

[Harriette Woodard](#)

Treasurer

[Dennis Gellhaus](#)

Secretary

[Dave Evans](#)

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[Rita DuChateau](#)

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## Congratulations, 2019 scholars

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## Rotary Quote of the Week

*For the 11th consecutive year, The Rotary Foundation has received*

the highest rating — four stars — from [Charity Navigator](#), an independent evaluator of charities in the U.S. The [Foundation](#) earned the recognition for demonstrating both strong financial health and commitment to accountability and transparency.

*“We are extremely honored to be recognized,” says Foundation Trustee Chair Ron Burton. “It represents the hard work and dedication of countless Rotarians throughout the world. They know their gifts will be used for the purpose for which they were given and that they will, indeed, make a real difference.”*

*The rating reflects Charity Navigator's assessment of how the Foundation uses donations, sustains its programs and services, and practices good governance and openness.*

*-Rotary International website*



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