



# The Spoke


*Rotary Club of Estes Park's Newsletter*

## Welcome to our Club!



We meet Thursdays at 12:00 PM  
The Ridgeline Hotel  
101 South St. Vrain Ave.  
Estes Park, CO 80517  
United States of America

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## Come to the Holiday luncheon on Dec. 20

Music, merriment and mimosas await you, along with a special holiday menu. Have you made your reservation yet for yourself and your special guests?

If you plan to attend the **Thursday, Dec. 20 Holiday Luncheon**, you need to **contact Club Administrator Karol Rinehart by 10 a.m. Friday, Dec. 14** to let her know the following:

- You plan to attend and have lunch
- You plan to attend and have beverage service only
- You will be there and will be bringing a guest.



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*Posted by Guy Van der Werf*

## Songs of the season to bring joy Dec. 13

Mountain Echoes, the Estes Park Elementary School Choir, will sing at the Rotary Club of Estes Park on Thursday, Dec. 13, at their regular noon meeting. Their singing will help us celebrate the holidays. Visitors, family and friends are welcome to come and enjoy

### Dec. 13 Duty Roster

Invocation: **Virgil Holtgrewe**

Song & Pledge: **Pete Sumey**

Guest Intro: **Bill Smith**

Scribe: **Madison Casey**

Greeter: **Gregg Jurgens**

Program Intro: **Rick Taylor**

### Dec. 20 Duty Roster

Invocation: **Tom Towns**

Song & Pledge: **Pete Sumey**

Guest Intro: **Dennis Gellhaus**

Scribe: **NA**

Greeter: **Karol Rinehart**

Program Intro: **Dave Evans**

### Speakers

Dec 13, 2018  
[Jenna Olschlager Williams](#)  
Mountain Echoes

Dec 20, 2018  
[Karol Rinehart](#)  
Rotary Christmas Lunch

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### Upcoming Events

the program.

Mountain Echoes is an after-school choir for students in third through fifth grades at the Estes Park Elementary School. They meet weekly to rehearse. The choir is directed by Mrs. Jenna Williams and accompanied by Mr. Mike Williams.



For the past two years, they auditioned and were chosen to sing the national anthem for a Rockies baseball game. Also, they have sung the National Anthem for a local boy's varsity basketball game. In November, they sang holiday songs for the Estes Park Tree Lighting Ceremony, and have several more performances coming up.



Rotary is an organization of business and professional leaders who provide humanitarian service and help to build goodwill and peace in the world. There are 1.2 million Rotary members in 35,000 Rotary clubs in more than 200 countries and geographical areas. Rotary clubs have been serving communities worldwide for more than a century. Rotary clubs around the world initiate projects that address critical issues such as conflict resolution, disease, clean water, hunger, illiteracy and poverty.

The Rotary Club of Estes Park meets Thursdays in the Timberline Conference Room at the Ridgeline Hotel in Estes Park, 101 S. Saint Vrain Avenue. Visitors interested in learning more about Rotary and its programs are welcome to attend. Buffet is served at 11:30 a.m., the Rotary business meeting opens at noon, and the program begins at 12:30 p.m.

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*Posted by Dana Fritz*

## **Dec. 6 meeting highlights**

### **Special Meeting**

A special meeting of the Rotary Club of Estes Park was called to order by President Dave. The nominating report for 2019 was read. The special meeting was closed and the regular meeting was called to order.

### **Regular Meeting**

### **Club Christmas Lunch**

Ridgeline Meeting Room

Dec 20, 2018

11:30 AM – 1:00 PM

### **Foundation Board Meeting**

Quality Inn

Dec 20, 2018

1:15 PM – 2:00 PM

### **No Rotary Meeting**

Dec 27, 2018

## **Birthdays, Anniversaries**

### *Member Birthdays*

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**Kevin Mullin**

November 4

**Kathy Groesbeck**

November 7

**Peter Sinnott**

November 8

**Tom Towns**

November 11

**Madison Casey**

November 17

**Thor Homme**

November 21

**Doug Mann**

November 30

**Dale Bonza**

December 1

**Gary Hazelton**

December 3

**Chuck Bonza**

December 13

**Gene Oja**

December 16

**Harry Livingston**

December 18

### *Anniversaries*

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**Virgil Yarbrough**



Madison led us in prayer followed by a song and the pledge led by Pete Sumey. Scott's joke brought lots of laughter.

### Happy Money

- Happy money was given by Bob Brunson because he wasn't unhappy.
- Ron Gordon announced his wife, Vivian, was recovering from an emergency appendectomy.
- Big Duck, Kathy, was happy she went to a painless Dentist.
- Harry and Mary Livingston are to be honored Friday evening as is Bob Brunson...A Special Evening with Estes Park's WWII Veterans.
- Kevin Mullin introduced Claudine....insider joke.

### Announcements

- Ron Gordon shared that our exchange student of many years ago, Nicholas, from Belgium, may be visiting with his son.
- Pete Sinnott thanked the Salvation Army Bell Ringing captains...Scott, Wayne, Thor and Harriett.
- Roger Thorp announced our Club will be in charge for dinner at the Community Cafe on 2/1/2019...signup sheets will be forthcoming.

### Program

Our speaker was introduced by Doug Mann.



### Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned with the 4-Way Test.

*Submitted by Dana Fritz, scribe and Scott Thompson, photographer*

**Carol**

November 6

**David Tavel  
Marcia**

November 17

**Rob Cohen  
Sheila**

November 27

**Trudy Collar  
Curt Collar**

November 27

**Roger Thorp  
Verlene**

December 22

**Chuck Bonza  
Dale**

December 26

**Dale Bonza  
Chuck**

December 26

**Gary Hazelton  
Kris**

December 31

**Kris Hazelton  
Gary**

December 31

*Join Date*

**Bob Benight**

November 3, 1994  
24 years

**Chip Sproul**

November 3, 2005  
13 years

**Jack Overly**

November 4, 1979  
39 years

**Longley Parker**

November 8, 2001  
17 years

**Marsha Yelick**

November 15, 2007  
11 years



Posted by Rita DuChateau

## Have you heard? Have you met them?

The club board unanimously approved applications for membership at the Dec. 4 meeting from three new prospective members. You can learn more about them from their sponsors (listed below), from Membership Chairman Bill Solms or from any club board member. Please direct comments to President Dave Evans.

Drum roll, please! The proposed members are:

- Matt Comstock, whose classification will be Digital Marketing. His sponsor is Scott Thompson.
- John Thomason, whose classification will be Chef/Restaurateur. His sponsor will be Anne Slack.
- Gordon Ulrickson, whose classification will be Data Miner. His sponsor is Lee Lasson.

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## Board approves 2019-20 slate Membership votes Dec. 20

Our club's Nominating Committee completed its work and presented a slate of officers and directors for the 2019-20 Rotary year to the club board for consideration. At the December 4 board meeting the club board unanimously approved the slate and now presents it to the club membership.

At the next three club meetings, a member of the Nominating Committee will read the proposed slate and invite anyone who wishes to add his/her name for consideration to do so.

The club election will be held at a special meeting on Thursday, Dec. 20.

Club officers serve one-year terms. Club directors serve two-year terms.

Presented for terms beginning on July 1, 2019 are the following club members:

### Club Board Officers

President Elect Nominee  
Secretary  
Treasurer

Bill Solms  
Rita DuChateau  
Longley Parker

### Club Board Directors

Fund Development Director  
International Service Director  
Youth/Vocational Service

Karen Thompson  
Ron Gordon  
Susan Fereday

**Sergeant-at-Arms**

Dennis Gellhaus

**Don Widrig**

November 16, 2000  
18 years

**Doug Mann**

December 1, 2016  
2 years

**Jim Austin**

December 11, 2008  
10 years

**Gary Hazelton**

December 12, 2002  
16 years

**Kris Hazelton**

December 12, 2002  
16 years

## Executives & Directors

President

[Dave Evans](#)

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[Doug Mann](#)

Treasurer

[Longley Parker](#)

Secretary

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Sergeant-at-Arms

[Thor Homme](#)

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[Karol Rinehart](#)

Community Service

[Roger Thorp](#)

Fund Development

[Karen Thompson](#)

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[Ron Gordon](#)

Membership

[Bill Solms](#)

## Foundation Board Trustees

Anne Slack

Brad Rosenbaum

Trustee – 3 year term

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## Rotary Quote of the Week

*"For many of us, December is a time of reflection about the year that is about to end. We think about the things we resolved to do and compare that with what we actually got done. Many times we surprise ourselves when we realize we achieved even more than we had hoped. We also start thinking about the new year, and with the best of intentions, commit ourselves to even greater accomplishments."*

*-Ron D. Burton, R.I. Foundation Chair*



## Bulletin Editor

Rita DuChateau

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Rick Taylor

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Madison Casey

Vice President

Harriette Woodard

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Gregg Jurgens

Secretary

Dennis Gellhaus

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