

Rotary Club Of Estes Park Spoke

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Program

Posted by Brad Rosenbaum

This Week's Program

All You May Want to Know About Estes Valley Recreation and Park District
With Skyler Rorabaugh



Skyler will provide an overview of the Estes Valley Recreation and Park District operations, service area, budget, as well as current and future projects. We will take a fun fact quiz over EVRPD operations, as well as provide everyone an opportunity for feedback on what they would like to see EVRPD work towards in the future. Specific topics covered will include our Stanley Park Master Plan Project, creating a Community Campus, and an Estes Valley Comprehensive Trails Plan.

Skyler was hired April 1, 2012 to serve as the Executive Director for the Estes Valley Recreation and Park District. Previously he served as the Executive Director of the Turner Recreation Commission in Kansas City, Kansas for five years. In addition, he served as an Aquatics Director and Recreation Coordinator for the City of Bonner Springs, Kansas for a year, and started his career as the Executive Director of the Ellis (Kansas) Recreation Commission for 7 years. Skyler has an AAS in Business Administration Management from Brown Mackie College in Salina, Kansas, a BS in Physical Education, Sports and Recreation Management and an MS in Health and Human Performance, Administration of Sport

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Speakers

Dec 06, 2012 Skyler Rorabaugh EV Recreation and Park Dist.
Dec 13, 2012 Julie Varilek Mountain Echoes
Dec 20, 2012 Dana Fritz Christmas Party
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A Feast Fit For Rotary
"The Peak" December 2012

Club Events

Club Board Meeting US Bank/George Hix Room Dec 06, 2012 08:00 AM
Duck Race Committee Meeting Nicky's Restaurant Dec 13, 2012 05:00 PM

from Fort Hays State University in Hays, KS. He is married to his beautiful wife Kristen and they have two wonderful children, Jaysa, age 5 and, Chase, age 3.

Salvation Army Announcement

Posted by Brad Rosenbaum

It's Bell Ringing Time!



Salvation Army needs your help for its annual bell ringing campaign. Noon Rotary is responsible for eleven days from November 29 through December 9. Randy Skeie and Wayne Andersen are coordinating the effort for the club and need volunteers for bell captains and bell ringers. Look for the sign-up sheet at Rotary meetings beginning Thursday, November 1.

Football Pool

Posted by Brad Rosenbaum

Duck Race Committee Meeting
Nicky's Restaurant
Jan 10, 2013 05:00 PM

Duck Race Committee Meeting
Nicky's Restaurant
Feb 14, 2013 05:00 PM

Duck Race Committee Meeting
Nicky's Restaurant
Mar 14, 2013 05:00 PM

Duck Race Committee Meeting
Nicky's Restaurant
Mar 28, 2013 05:00 PM

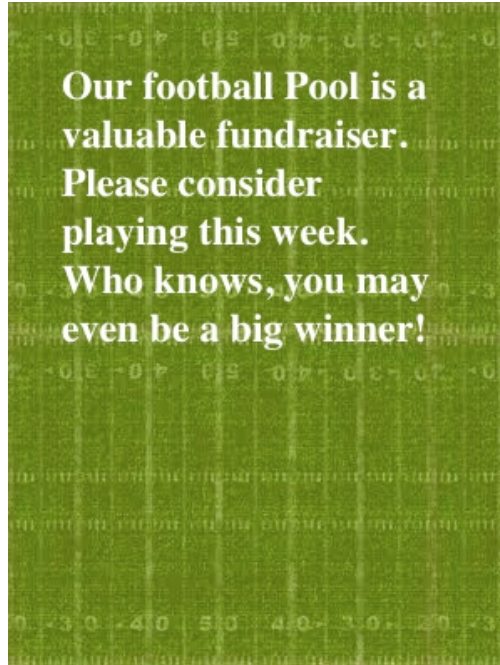
Duck Race Committee Meeting
Nicky's Restaurant
Apr 11, 2013 05:00 PM

Duck Race Committee Meeting
Nicky's Restaurant
Apr 18, 2013 05:00 PM

Duck Race Committee Meeting
Nicky's Restaurant
Apr 25, 2013 05:00 PM

Duck Race Day Kickoff Party
Nicky's Restaurant
May 02, 2013 05:00 PM

Duck race Day
May 04, 2013



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2012 Incoming Exchange Student Faustine Delebarre

Posted by Brad Rosenbaum

Faustine Delebarre is our incoming exchange student from Bruay la Buisnière, France. Bruay la Buisnière is in the extreme north of France, very near Belgium and the English Channel. Her first host family is Dawn and Ed Shields. The Shields live near the top of Pole Hill; poor Faustine comes from a fairly flat landscape near sea level, so her first experience in Estes Park was an eye-opener!



At home, Faustine took seven years of English, three years of Spanish, and one year of Chinese. We can learn a lot from her! She is the third of three children in her family. She took the initiative by herself to contact her local Rotary club to become an exchange student to the United States.



"No, I don't think I will kiss you, although you need kissing, badly. That's what's wrong with you. You should be kissed and often, and by someone who knows how."

-Clark Gable, Gone With The Wind.

Anniversaries!

Celebrated on the 3rd Thursday of December

- Randy and Verjean Skeie on the 8th!
- Jack and Maxine Endacott on the 17th!
- Roger and Verlene Thorp on the 22nd!
- Chuck and Dale Bonza on the 26th!
- Gary and Kris Hazelton on the 31st!
- Rosemary and Brian Donahue on 31st!

We don't grow old. When we cease to grow, we become old. ~Ralph Waldo Emerson

Birthdays!

Celebrated on the 1st Thursday of December

- Peter Sinnott on the 1st
- Gary Hazelton on the 3rd
- Gene Whannel on the 3rd
- Robert Burkhardt on the 9th
- Kerrie Hill on the 12th
- Chuck Bonza on the 13th
- Gene Oja on the 16th
- Harry Livingston on the 18th



Next Week

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Meeting Highlights

President Pete called the meeting to order at 12:01 followed by the invocation presented by Rob Ludlum. J.R. Robertson led us in the singing of the first two verses of 'The Happy Wanderer.' John Erickson handled guest introductions with Rick Taylor attending for the second time.

J.R. advised that there was no Pool winner last week and the pot was now up to \$62.50 for the winner. President Pete again reminded the Club of the 5th Thursday Social at the residence of Ron & Vivian Gordon – November 29th from 5 – 7. Each attendee is to bring an appetizer to share and a drink of their choice for personal consumption.

Announcements: Jill Anderson reported that she was passing out a Survey asking attendees to list the names of potential new members; Don Widrig reminded us that Rocky Cards (\$10 each with \$5 coming to the club) would be available at our next meeting on December 6th; Earl Matson advised that the next dinner for the poor sponsored by our Club would be on Friday, January 11th and needed all the help he can get; Wayne Anderson on behalf of Randy Skeie, reminded us that our Club is responsible for providing Salvation Army Bell Ringers for the period Nov. 29 – Dec. 9. He announced that the over-all goal for this year is \$42,000 and then started the pot around the room as the Kick-Off for the Club. If you haven't already volunteered contact one of our Team Captains – Wayne Anderson, Bert Bergland, Bob Brunson, Ken Cole, Wayne Newsom, Pete Sinnott and Randy Skeie - and sign up; Jim Austin showed us 'the duck on wheels' which we be part of the Catch the Glow Parade on the 23rd. He also announced that this year, to celebrate the 25th Anniversary of the Duck Race that, instead of just as car we would have a

float and be joined by the High School Choir – sounds like fun; President Pete read a letter from the Elementary School thanking us for their pumpkins.

Anniversary Drawing: On a vote of the Club the winner was Kerrie Hill was the winner even though her spouse was not in attendance.

Happy \$\$\$\$: Town Trustee John Erickson was happy that the Town budgeting process was almost at the end with final approval expected on the 27th and that the Annual Tree Lighting Celebration would take place at 4:30 the following Saturday at Riverside Park; Kerrie Hill advised that she had survived 8 years of marriage and thanked Jill Anderson for the pleasure of working with her at the EPMC; Suzy Blackhurst was 'Happy' that should be spending Thanksgiving with her mother who was undergoing rehab following a stroke; Mal Walker showed off French Legion of Honor medal (an Award first awarded by Napoleon in 1802) which he had received the previous week – very special; President Pete was happy to be back from five busy days in Idaho with family.

President Pete then announced the Program for the day, presentations by various members of our Club Board of Directors, Bert Bergland – Community Service, with the addition of Big Duck Marcia Logan, Ward Nelson – Youth/Vocational Service; and Marcia Logan as a stand-in for Dana Fritz – Club Service / Administration describing what was happening in each of their areas of responsibility. Info on Bert and Ward's presentations was not available as this goes to press but what follows are highlights of Marcia and Dana's presentations;

The Duck Race is a Major activity of the Club with 2013 being the 25th year the race will have been run. This is NOT a fund raiser for the club although both it and the Foundation do receive \$\$\$s though the sale/purchase of Adoption Forms. The race serves as an opportunity for various Estes valley Organizations to raise money for their group by getting people to adopt a duck – The groups receive \$19 for every duck adopted.

The Duck Race Committee (40+) is set up to have successive leadership and is made up with many small easily executed chunks. There are four sub groups: Administrative – sets plans for the following year's race, approves any changes to the organization chart, establishes a budget, secures required licenses and permits and maintains prior race minutes and budgets. Race Day – contracts with the various groups providing entertainment at Nicky's prior to the start of the race and at Riverside Plaza during the race; sorts, counts, numbers, loading of ducks into the release cage and retrieval of ducks when race is over; a new sub set this year – the River Rats led by Ward Nelson will attempt to remove obstacles in the river that have impeded the ducks momentum in prior years; finally they are responsible for patrolling the river during the race to keep the ducks moving and people from collecting souvenirs. Advertising – all activities related to publicizing the race such as major sponsors, corporate

duck, major prizes, merchant prizes, newspaper articles, adoption forms as well as flags and banners that are places around town. Duck Central – the heart of race activities in April and May; the source for information regarding the progress of sales; a place for groups to get additional Adoption Forms; all record keeping; data input and financial transactions. New technologies this year (2013) on-line sales of adoption forms and twitter / facebook updates. In closing Big Duck reported that sometime during next year's sale of Adoption forms over \$2,000,000 will have been raised since the races inception.

The Club Service / Administration Directorate, under the leadership of Dana Fritz, is responsible for many of the functions needed for the smooth running of a weekly meetings; meeting room set- up, hot tasty meals, persons to serve as greeters, give the invocation, lead singing and pledge, arrange for awards presented annually to our members, and provide words of comfort when a member is ill or has passed away. They are also responsible for publicizing the activities of the club, coordinating technology issues and maintaining the club website – www.rotaryclubofestespark.org. Another function is the coordination of our 5th Thursday socials and the collection and sharing of the club's history. Their final responsibility is to review the financial efforts of the club and compiling a list of the club's physical assets.

The writer must confess that more was going on in the club than he has expected and we should all be proud of what we do. Keep up the good work!!!!!!!!!!

President Pete asked each of the presenters to sign the book, Every Little Thing by Bob Marley, which will be presented to the Children's Library and then adjourned the meeting at 1:00 with the recitation of the Four Way Test of the things we think, say and do.