



# The Spoke

## Rotary Club of Estes Park's Newsletter

### Dr. Rickey Frierson, PhD Warner College Diversity and Inclusion Director February 3, 2022

Our program 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>

#### Rotary Weekly Luncheon

Place: American Legion

Time: Lunch served from 11:30 - 12:00

Cost: \$15

Parking: American Legion and the church only.



Rickey Frierson

Dr. Rickey Frierson has spent the last 15 years presenting internationally and domestically on issues of social justice, diversity and inclusion and underrepresented student success within higher education. Dr. Frierson's research interest focuses on institutional accountability and effectiveness in minority success and completion at predominantly white, public institutions. Dr. Frierson takes pride in assisting administrators, educators and institutions in examining pro active strategies to create efficient and fruitful educational experiences for their diverse students, staff and faculty. He has published articles, submitted book reviews, and has written book contributions that all stem around efficiencies of education.

### Update by President Jim Whiteneck

#### Announcements:

- Welcome to February-the Valentine's Day month!
- We are excited to welcoming Dr. Ricky Frierson to the Club this week.
  - He is a professor at CSU.
  - He has worked with several of our club members including Bill Solms and Dennis Gellhaus over the past year.
  - We hope to be able to find positive ways to do good for our minority communities.
- With our continued concern for COVID-19, we are looking for ways to help minimize the risk.
  - We will continue to offer a Zoom option to our meetings.
  - Please pass along any other suggestions.

### January 27, 2022 Meeting Notes

President Jim Whiteneck called the meeting to order.  
He thanked Dennis Gelhaus for filling in for him last week when he was home with Covid.  
Today is Committee Meeting Day. The one committee meeting today is Membership.



Committee Meeting Day

Annie Slack gave the invocation  
Jim led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### February 3 Duty Roster

Invocation: Scott Robbins

Song & Pledge: Jim Whiteneck

Guest Intro: Scott Thompson

Scribe: Pete Sumej

Greeter: Karol Rinehart

Program Intro: Dennis Gellhaus

#### February 10 Duty Roster

Invocation: Scott Robbins

Song & Pledge: Carl Robicheaux

Guest Intro: Scott Thompson

Scribe: Madison Casey

Greeter: Karol Rinehart

Program Intro: Dennis Gellhaus

#### Upcoming Events

##### Club Board Meeting

Zoom  
Feb 01, 2022  
5:00 PM - 6:00 PM

##### Duck Race Committee Meeting

Zoom  
Feb 03, 2022  
5:00 PM - 6:00 PM

##### Foundation Board Meeting

Quality Inn  
Feb 17, 2022  
1:15 PM - 2:00 PM

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#### Speakers

Feb 03, 2022  
[Dr. Ricky Frierson, Professor, CSU](#)  
Diversity and Inclusion

Feb 10, 2022  
[Rosemarie Tauman](#)  
Estes Valley Crisis Advocates

Feb 17, 2022  
[Dr. Mark Wiesner](#)  
EP Health

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#### Birthdays, Anniversaries

*Member Birthdays*

**Bill Smith**  
February 1

Guests: None.

#### Announcements:

Annie Slack, Scholarship Chair, read a letter from our scholarship recipient Rachel Calvin.

- She won the Thorp Scholarship for 4 years and is studying Interior Design.
- She writes that she is really enjoying school and she sent two illustrations of her design work.

Carl Robicheaux, Foundation President had several announcements:

- He was pleased to announce that Karol Rinehart has made a sizable donation to fund new scholarships which is a big boost to our mission to help our students. Thank you, Karol!
- Previously all from our club have been welcome to review the scholarship applications to choose our recipients.
  - The files reside at the Library to be checked out by our members.
  - The foundation feels this process needs to be formalized to a Scholarship Committee to review these so we know who will review them and who is seeing these applicants' private information.
  - Now, we have Annie Slack, Tara Moenning, Jim Whiteneck and Carl. We need 2-3 more to help.
- Carl presented a Pete Sinnott wooden bowl to Jim Whiteneck as a new major sponsor for the Golf Tournament.



- *Jim receiving his bowl*

Annie Slack, Membership, announced

- Barry Hannigan has applied for membership, sponsored by Mel Rueppel.
- References are:
  - Nate Dick whom Jennifer Comstock knows through the Newcomers Club
  - Madison Casey from the piano music community.
- The Board has approved him and the next step is for his bio to be published in The Spoke, and a vote.

Jim said we still need more meeting scribes

- Barry Hannigan has volunteered to serve with Pete Sumey and Madison Casey.
- We need at least one more so each person only has to do this monthly.
- Gail Corrigan volunteered today, so we are set!

The Club Board meets Tuesday at 5:00 at the Library, hopefully for one hour. It will also be zoomed.  
Duck Race Committee meets Thursday Feb. 3 at 5:00 via Zoom.

**Birthdays:** Bill Smith, Rita DuChateau.

**Club Anniversary:** Sara Walsh for 10 years.

Scott Thompson told his joke.

#### Happy Money:

- Bill Solms was very happy.
  - He wanted to add to what The Spoke omitted that his Happy Money was for Scott Thompson doing title work for him for no fee, so Bill gave \$20 to us.
  - Annie does a great job publishing The Spoke.
  - The busiest person is the one you call on and Carl is doing a great job as Foundation President, Duck Committee, and liaison to the Chamber of Commerce.
  - He was happy for Karol's scholarship.
- Longley Parker, Annie Slack, and Jim Whiteneck were all happy for Karol's Scholarship.
- Beth Weisberg was happy for
  - Karol's Scholarship
  - Jim is back and well.
- Dennis Gellhaus was happy that
  - Jim is back
  - his oldest son's 39th birthday.
- Carl Robicheaux was happy for
  - all our members in our club
  - Bill Solms gives money every week.
- Wayne Newsom is very happy to be back in Estes Park.

Ron Gordon referred us to the photos in The Spoke to see our Bangladesh Model Village we are sponsoring. He will report to us when he has news.

We adjourned with the Four Way Test.

*Madison Casey, scribe*



### Duck Race Committee Meeting

**Rita DuChateau**  
February 1

**Gordon Ulrickson**  
February 3

**Sarah Walsh**  
February 3

**Mike Connolly**  
February 5

**Pete Sumey**  
February 7

**Longley Parker**  
February 18

#### Anniversaries

**Rita DuChateau Phil**  
February 3

**Wayne Andersen Judy**  
February 6

**Carl Robicheaux Aime**  
February 14

**Gregg Jurgens Suzanne**  
February 14

**Larry Williams Linda**  
February 14

**Jay Harroff Jane**  
February 17

#### Join Date

**Dave Boon**  
January 3, 2003  
19 years

**Bill Smith**  
January 8, 1987  
35 years

**Wayne Newsom**  
January 10, 1980  
42 years

**Pete Sumey**  
January 14, 2004  
18 years

**Rick Taylor**  
January 24, 2013  
9 years

**Sarah Walsh**  
February 2, 2012  
10 years

**Dennis Gellhaus**  
February 22, 2018  
4 years

#### Executives & Directors

President  
[Jim Whiteneck](#)

President Elect

## February 3, 2022 5:30 PM by ZOOM

### Announcement:

- There will be a Duck Race Committee meeting this coming Thursday (February 3) at 5:00 p.m. on Scott's Zoom.
  - The meeting link is: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/7985707369>.
- This meeting will start with a presentation from the Tech Group about
  - exciting developments with our online duck adoption system for the 2022 Race
  - will last between 20 – 30 minutes, depending on questions.
- The Tech discussion will be followed by our regular Duck Race Committee meeting
  - Lots to report by our division chairs
- We will start at 5:00 p.m. and expect to end at 6:30 rather than the usual 6:00 p.m.
- Please attend if at all possible – we need every one of you!

### Board Approves Our New Member! Time for Club Members to Comment

Barry Hannigan is known for his performances throughout the United States and in Europe. He has appeared as guest artist at a host of American universities, such as UCLA, Yale, Cornell, and the Universities of Oregon, Colorado, Illinois, Arizona State, and Texas. He is the recipient of many awards and prizes, including those from the Ford, Belin, Sordna, and Presser Foundations. He has received a Solo Recitalist Grant from the National Endowment for the Arts, an award intended to recognize "the nation's outstanding recitalists." Hannigan has recorded for Opus One, SEAMUS, SCL, and Radio Telefis Eireann in Dublin, Ireland, and has released four CDs for Black Canyon Records. He has performed in England, China, Russia, Ireland, Norway, and New Zealand. Hannigan recently retired as the Ellen Williams Professor of Music, Emeritus, at Bucknell University in Lewisburg, PA., where he received the Class of '56 Lectureship for inspirational teaching. His students have earned graduate performance degrees in piano performance at schools such as Peabody, Eastman, and the New England Conservatory.

If you have any questions, please contact me, Anne Slack, Membership Chair, [anneslack@aol.com](mailto:anneslack@aol.com).

### Karol Rinehart Scholarship



*Karol receiving her Paul Harris award last year.*

Karol Rinehart has given money to our Foundation to establish a scholarship with the following requirements:

- the student will be the first in his/her immediate family to pursue education beyond high school level
- the student will have maintained a high school grade point average of 2.50 to 3.50.

Thank you Karol!

### Scholarship Committee Formed

#### Announcement:

At the last Foundation Meeting it was decided to form a Scholarship Committee. Foundation President, Carl Robicheaux, announced this decision at our January 27 club meeting. Thank you to those members who volunteered their time to join the Scholarship Committee. It will be composed of Tara Moenning, Scholarship Committee Chair, Jim Whiteneck, Carl Robicheaux, Guy Van der Werf, Mark Lee and Pete Sumey. Their duties will involve evaluating 2022 scholarship applications when available.

### More Volunteers Needed

We had Barry Hannigan and Garil Corrigan step forward to be scribes. Thank you both!  
Now we need someone to volunteer to be Membership Chair and help with the Spoke. If you are interested please contact Anne Slack at [anneslack@aol.com](mailto:anneslack@aol.com).

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## Model Village Service Project in Bangladesh

Doug Mann said "It's an empowerment project in this village to teach men and women trade craft to earn a living."

Ron Gordon said "We are hoping to get District Matching Grant Funds to further support the project."



## Update Your Personal Information

### Announcement:

- I noticed we had no birthdays or anniversaries listed in the Spoke for January which seemed weird to me.
- Rita helped me investigate and found many incomplete member histories.
- Please check your data and update it so you can be properly recognized.

## 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://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!

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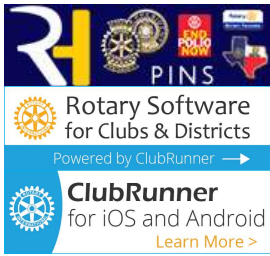
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