



Welcome to our Club!



Service Above Self

We meet Thursdays at 12:00 PM
 New Location: Rodeway Inn
 1701 North Lake Avenue
 Estes Park, CO 80517
 United States



[District Site](#)



[Venue Map](#)

Posted by Guy Van der Werf

What's new at Rocky?

Supt. Darla Sidles to present July 13 program

Rocky Mountain National Park, one of the most beautiful and iconic parks in the National Park Service, provides exceptional opportunities for wilderness recreation and mountain scenery. Darla Sidles, Superintendent at Rocky Mountain National Park, will speak at the Rotary Club of Estes Park Thursday, July 13, at their regular noon meeting. She will provide an update on Rocky Mountain National Park, the third most visited national park in America.



RMNP Superintendent Darla Sidles

Sidles began her career as a Student Conservation Association (SCA) volunteer and worked seasonally in the North Cascades, Denali National Park, Arches National Park, Big Bend National Park, and Zion National Park. At Zion she became a permanent employee,

July 13 Duty Roster

Invocation:

Marsha Yelick

Song & Pledge:

Dave Evans

Guest Intro:

Gregg Jurgens

Scribe:

Dale Bonza

Greeter:

Mike Connolly

Program Intro:

Rick Taylor

July 20 Duty Roster

Invocation:

Tom Maher

Song & Pledge:

Dave Evans

Guest Intro:

TBD

Scribe:

Kerrie Hill

before being promoted to assistant monument manager and then superintendent at Grand Canyon Parashant National Monument in Arizona.

Subsequently, she worked at Independence National Historical Park in Philadelphia, as associate to the NPS director in Washington, DC, and as superintendent at Saguaro National Park in Tucson, Arizona. In August 2016, Sidles began her new assignment at Rocky Mountain National Park.

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 34,000 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, hunger, poverty, disease and illiteracy.

The Rotary Club of Estes Park meets Thursdays at the Rodeway Inn in Estes Park, located at 1701 North Lake Avenue on Highway 34 just west of Dry Gulch Road. 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.



July 6, 2017 meeting highlights

The new Rotary year was called to order by President Kathy, who, with much enthusiasm, welcomed all.



Greeter:

Virgil Yarbrough

Program Intro:

Rick Taylor

Executives & Directors

President

[Kathy Groesbeck](#)

President Elect

[Karol Rinehart](#)

Treasurer

[Longley Parker](#)

Secretary

[Rita DuChateau](#)

Sergeant-at-Arms

[Bill Solms](#)

Past President

[Thor Homme](#)

Club Administration

[Tara Moenning](#)

Community Service

[Roger Thorp](#)

Fund Development

[Karen Thompson](#)

International Service

[Dave Evans](#)

Membership

[Scott Thompson](#)

Youth/New Generation Services

[Sue Fereday](#)

Program Committee Chair

[Rick Taylor](#)

Upcoming Events

[Club Board Meeting](#)

Estes Valley Public Library

Jul 11, 2017

5:00 PM – 6:00 PM

Cheer from President Kathy!

An invocation was given by sojourner, Richard Kimple. Dave Evans led us in song and the pledge. Jack Overly introduced visiting Rotarians and returning Sojourners. Frank Haines, Sojourner, presented a check for \$93 celebrating his age, 93 years. Sue Fereday introduced her guest, Lauren Fitzpatrick, our RYLA student. Jack Overly led us in the welcome song. Scott Thompson delivered a better than average joke.



Welcome, Sojourners Frank Haines (left) and Ralph Colrud.

Announcements

- President Kathy shared the theme for Rotary year, 2017-2018, Making a Difference. She passed out gold coins to all with the 4-Way Test printed on one side.
- Bruce Carmichael, golf tournament chair, thanked all sponsors and players. \$15,600 was raised by sponsors with another \$2,600 from in-kind donations. A net of \$14,200 was raised with 61 golfers participating.
- Tara Moening read a letter from Simone Paul, one of our 2016 scholarship winners.
- Bob Brunson, announced that Herb Mignery's statue of the green apples will be re-dedicated tomorrow at the library at 10:30.
- Sue Fereday, reintroduced our RYLA student who shared her leadership experience.
- Anne Slack announced Jess Nielson, a long time Sojourner, would not be coming this year.



Lauren gained much from RYLA and thanked the club. Sue Fereday is our Youth/New Generations Director for 2017-18.

Club Strategic Planning

Jul 27, 2017

12:00 PM – 1:00 PM

Speakers

Jul 13, 2017

Superintendent Darla Sidles, RMNP

What's New at Rocky?

Jul 20, 2017

Maisie B. Greer

Roots Community School

Jul 27, 2017

Kathy Groesbeck

Club Strategic Planning

[View entire list](#)

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Member Birthdays

Tom Maher

July 2

Virgil Yarbrough

July 2

Philip Moenning

July 3

Lee Lasson

July 5

Staci Galloway

July 9

Randy Skeie

July 11

Gregg Jurgens

July 13

Bill Solms

July 16

Jim White

July 21

Chip Sproul

July 22

Happy Money

- Randy Skie was thankful Clark Lupton is doing much better.
- Ron Gordon shared Harry Livingston's daughter would be returning on 8/24 and giving her improv program.
- Trudy Collar is happy to be leaving for Australia and touring with her two daughters.
- Tom Maher is happy he has one of Herb's original Green Apple statues.
- Bill Solms thanked Dave Evans for looking after his property while he was traveling.
- Bob Brunson was just plain happy to be at Rotary.



Happy to be happy - and at Rotary!

Program

Kerry Hill introduced our speaker, Dr. Larry Leaming, CEO of Estes Park Medical Center.



Larry Leaming signed a book for the children's library, A Sick Day for Amos McGee.

The meeting was adjourned with the 4-Way Test.

Dana Fritz

August 8

Bill Lodge

August 9

Nancy Stevens

August 12

Debbie Delaney

August 13

Jack Dinsmoor

August 16

Jay Harroff

August 19

Anniversaries

Marsha Yelick

Bruce Nickels Nickels

July 3

Rick Taylor

Janet Taylor

July 7

Dmitri Galcovski

Yuliya

July 10

Doug Mann

Michelle Mann

July 28

Gene Oja

Theresa

August 5

Thor Homme

Darlene Homme

August 8

Wayne Newsom

Pat

August 10

Ken Cole

Barbara

August 16

Ken TeSelle

Audrey

August 21

Ward Nelson



It took a village to get the technology working. Thanks to our new Sergeant at Arms Bill Solms for his Apple expertise.

Submitted by Dana Fritz, Scribe, and Rita DuChateau, photographer

From the Estes Valley Library:

Plaque tells story behind downtown sculpture

Footsteps from the entrance to the Estes Valley Library is a statue, titled "Green Apples" by its creator. Thousands of people stop each year to gaze at this marvel, yet few know the inspiration for this work of art. The story behind "Green Apples" is rooted in rural Americana, and in life's simple and sometimes hard truths.

Well-known local artist Herb Mignery is the creator of "Green Apples". Years ago, Mignery told his friend Bob Brunson the life event that inspired the statue. Brunson was so charmed with Mignery's story that he began telling his friends, including his friends in the Estes Park Rotary Club.

The Estes Park Rotary Club has been a major supporter of local art and literacy. Partnering with our town, our library, our numerous nonprofits and our schools, the Club is an essential benefactor in our community. They even played a role in the original placement of the "Green Apples" sculpture.

Artist Herb Mignery was born in 1937 and raised on a cattle ranch near Bartlett, Nebraska. He began sculpting in 1972. Mignery is perhaps best known for his cowboy sculptures, with many public installations around the United States. Familiar local works include installations at the Estes Park Fairgrounds and in Loveland. Mignery created "Green Apples" as a tribute to a boyhood friend, harkening back to his days on the ranch.

The story behind "Green Apples" now appears on a newly-installed plaque at the base of the statue, sponsored by the Rotary Club of Estes Park. A small dedication ceremony was held last Friday, attended by members of the Rotary Club, several of Mignery's friends, and Library staff members.

Patricia
August 23

Clark Lupton
Nancy
August 25

Join Date

Karen McClure
July 1, 1993
24 years

Guy Van der Werf
July 7, 1994
23 years

Roger Thorp
July 8, 1976
41 years

Randy Skeie
July 9, 1998
19 years

Virgil Holtgrewe
July 10, 2014
3 years

Ken TeSelle
July 21, 2011
6 years

Bulletin Editor

[Rita DuChateau](#)

(If you have any comments or questions, please contact the editor)

Subscribe to Bulletin

Subscribe to our eBulletin and stay up to date on the latest news and events.

[Click here to sign up!](#)



Present for the July 7 re-dedication of Little Green Apples sculpture with new plaque funded by our club, were, from left: Tom Maher, Claudine Perrault, Herb Mignery, Bob Brunson, Kathy Groesbeck, Sherry Mignery, Thor Homme and Scott Thompson.

Mignery recounts the story that inspired his work: "A neighbor boy, Charles McCain, about four years older than me, would let me ride with him on his horse as he herded the cows in for the evening milking. We would stop at the orchard to pick green apples for munching on the way.

"Charles was saintly in manner and character far beyond his years," recalls Mignery. "At the age of 13, he became ill. It was thought he had eaten too many green apples. It was fatal appendicitis, and his last wish was that I have his BB gun."

"This sculpture is my gift to him."



Herb and Sherry Mignery currently reside in Loveland and Estes Park, Colorado. The Library expresses its gratitude to the Rotary Club of Estes Park and the Town of Estes Park for downtown's extraordinary outdoor art. Appreciation also goes to Bob Brunson for his interest in preserving the "Green Apples" story, and to Herb Mignery for his artistic achievement.

"There are as many reasons to come to Rotary as there are Rotarians - maybe even a few more. But each of us has stayed in Rotary because it adds something to our own lives. Through Rotary, we are Making a Difference in the world; and the more involved we become, the more of a difference Rotary makes to each of us."

- 2017-18 RI President Ian H.S. Riseley



**ROTARY:
MAKING A
DIFFERENCE**