



# The Spoke

## Rotary Club of Estes Park's Newsletter

### Welcome to our Club!



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



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### In Memoriam Bruce Carmichael April 28, 1947 - March 9, 2018



*With much sadness, President Kathy reported to club members that Bruce Carmichael passed away Friday while on a hike. No other details are known at this time. Our deepest sympathies go to his wife, Lindi, and their family. Bruce was deeply loved by all our club members and will be greatly missed. Our Rotary hearts go out to Bruce and Lindi's family as we remember them with peace, love, and grace. Bruce joined our club in March 2009. Tom Anderson was his sponsor.*



*Members of our club know that Bruce's boots will be impossible to fill!*



### March 15 Duty Roster

Invocation: **Jack Boatman**

Song & Pledge: **Dave Evans**

Guest Intro: **Marsha Yelick**

Scribe: **Madison Casey**

Greeter: **Doug Mann**

Program Intro: **Rick Taylor**

### March 22 Duty Roster

Invocation: **Bill Smith**

Song & Pledge: **Dave Evans**

Guest Intro: **Longley Parker**

Scribe: **Rita DuChateau**

Greeter: **Rita DuChateau**

Program Intro: **Kathy Groesbeck**

### Speakers

Mar 15, 2018

[Nancy Thomas](#)

Estes Park Woman's Club

Mar 22, 2018

[Kathy Groesbeck](#)

Committee Meetings

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### Upcoming Events

[Foundation Board Meeting](#)

Quality Inn

Mar 15, 2018

1:15 AM – 2:00 AM

[Duck Race Festival Committee Meeting](#)

Nancy Thomas to present program on EP Woman's Club

The Estes Park Woman’s Club was organized in 1912. The women spent their first year building mountain trails and making scenic areas accessible to hikers and horseback riders. The following year, they decided to build a clubhouse, that would dually serve as the library. In 1914, the Woman’s Club was accepted into the Colorado Federation and General Federation of Women’s Clubs.

In 1916, the women established their library at the local school. By 1920, the school needed to expand so the library was moved to a rented room in a downtown hotel. Then, in 1922, the town donated a lot in Bond Park for the library site, but the Woman’s Club was responsible for the building of the Estes Park Public Library.

The Woman’s Club and volunteers donated labor and materials and raised money needed to build the library. In addition, the women established a fund to support the maintenance of the library in 1925. Today, the Estes Valley Library continues to receive the support of the Estes Park Woman’s Club.

Nancy P. Thomas, recording secretary for the Estes Park Woman’s Club, will speak at the Rotary Club of Estes Park on Thursday, March 15, at their regular noon meeting. Thomas will be speaking about the history and the work of the Estes Park Woman’s Club.



Nancy Thomas

After receiving a Ph.D. in Communication, Information & Library Studies in 1969 from Rutgers, the State University of New Jersey, Thomas became a professor in the School of Library & Information Management, Emporia State University, until her retirement in 2009.

In Estes Park, she served as President of the Estes Park Museum Friends & Foundation from 2015-2017 and chaired the Coolest Car Show in Colorado. She continues as the Editor-in-Chief of the Friends Press. She joined the Woman’s Club in 2010, and currently serves as its recording secretary.

Thomas is the author of a number of professional textbooks and journal articles. Since her retirement, she has written “A Slice of History & A Piece of Pie,” a social history of Estes Park’s first families. Furthermore, she helped edit and publish “Then the Women Took Over: A Hundred Years of the Estes Park Woman’s Club,” written by Harriet Burgess, and “The Memoirs of the Eleanor Hondius of Elkhorn Lodge,” and co-authored with her brother J. H. Pickering, “If I Ever Grew Up and Became a Man: William Allen White’s Moraine Park Years.”

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.

March 8, 2018 meeting highlights

The meeting was called to order at noon by President Kathy. The pledge and song were led by Chuck Bonza and the invocation given by Bill Solms. Scott Thompson made the group chuckle with his joke of the week.

Nicky's Reataurant  
Mar 22, 2018  
5:00 PM – 6:00 PM

Club Board Meeting  
Apr 03, 2018  
5:00 PM – 6:00 PM

Duck Race Festival Committee Meeting  
Nicky's Restaurant  
Apr 12, 2018  
5:00 PM – 6:00 PM

Foundation Board Meeting  
Quality Inn  
Apr 19, 2018  
1:15 PM – 2:00 PM

Duck Race Festival Committee Meeting  
Nicky's Restaurant  
Apr 26, 2018  
5:00 PM – 6:00 PM

District 5440 Conference  
Estes Park Events Complex  
May 03, 2018 – May 05, 2018

30th Annual Rotary Duck Race Festival  
May 05, 2018  
8:00 AM – 3:00 PM

Birthdays, Anniversaries

Member Birthdays

Bruce Brown  
March 15

Dave Evans  
March 25

Anne Slack  
March 28

Karen McClure  
April 5

Lee Machin  
April 11

Jim Austin  
April 20

Trudy Collar  
April 21

David Tavel  
April 25

Announcements

- President Kathy announced that help is needed for the Duck Race Festival. If you are interested in helping, please contact Scott Thompson.
- Duck Race meeting will be held this evening at 5 pm at Nicky’s Resort.
- The District 5440 conference is coming up on May 3 and the Estes Park Events Complex. President Kathy encouraged all to attend even if it was just for a couple of sessions. Five homes were needed for Home Hospitality for visiting Rotarians during the conference. Five members quickly volunteered to host guests on the Thursday night before the conference begins.
- Tara Moenning announced the date of the spring Shred-A-Thon – April 24. More help is needed. If you are interested, contact Tara.



- Bill Smith announced the death of former Rotarian Bill Lodge. His memorial service will be held on March 19 at the Community Church of the Rockies.
- President Kathy announced that the funeral held recently for John Dinsmoor, a member of our club, was well attended and was a very moving. Bill Smith indicated that the service could be viewed through YouTube.

Happy Money

Doug Mann had happy money for his daughter who is graduating in 80 days from the U.S. Coast Guard.

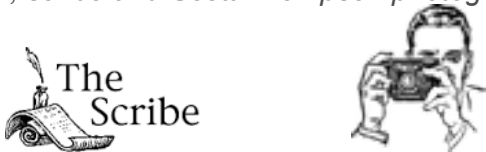


Program

Rick Taylor introduced the guest speaker, Tom Carosello, Executive Director for Estes Valley Recreation and Park District. His presentation included an overview of the new Estes Valley Community Center and the offerings available, as well as additional information on membership costs, services offered, and class offerings.



Submitted by Kerrie Hill, scribe and Scott Thompson photographer



**Bruce Carmichael**  
April 28

Anniversaries

**Bruce Carmichael**  
**Lindi**  
March 26

**Guy Van der Werf**  
**Leslie**  
April 5

**Karen Thompson**  
**Scott Thompson**  
April 16

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**Karen**  
April 16

**Peter Sinnott**  
**Stephanie**  
April 20

**Harry Livingston**  
**Mary**  
April 23

Join Date

**Bruce Carmichael**  
March 5, 2009  
9 years

**Karol Rinehart**  
March 5, 2015  
3 years

**Lee Lasson**  
March 13, 2003  
15 years

**Madison Casey**  
March 16, 2006  
12 years

**Rita DuChateau**  
March 21, 2013  
5 years

**Dave Evans**  
March 22, 2007  
11 years

**Bob Brunson**  
March 27, 2003  
15 years

**Earl Matson**  
March 28, 1996  
22 years



## Kansas City, Here We Come!



Four Rotarians walk into an airport.....

Scott and Karen Thompson bumped into Sandy and Lee Lasson at the Kansas City Airport. It's a small world after all!

**Gladys Van Drie**

April 3, 1997

21 years

**Mike Connolly**

April 3, 2008

10 years

**Peter Sinnott**

April 5, 2007

11 years

**David Tavel**

April 10, 2000

18 years

**Gregg Jurgens**

April 14, 2011

7 years

**Trudy Collar**

April 16, 2015

3 years

**Chuck Bonza**

April 25, 2008

10 years

**Dale Bonza**

April 25, 2008

10 years

**Philip Moenning**

April 25, 2008

10 years

**Scott Thompson**

April 25, 2008

10 years

**Tara Moenning**

April 25, 2008

10 years

**Virgil Yarbrough**

April 28, 2016

2 years

## Executives & Directors

President

[Kathy Groesbeck](#)

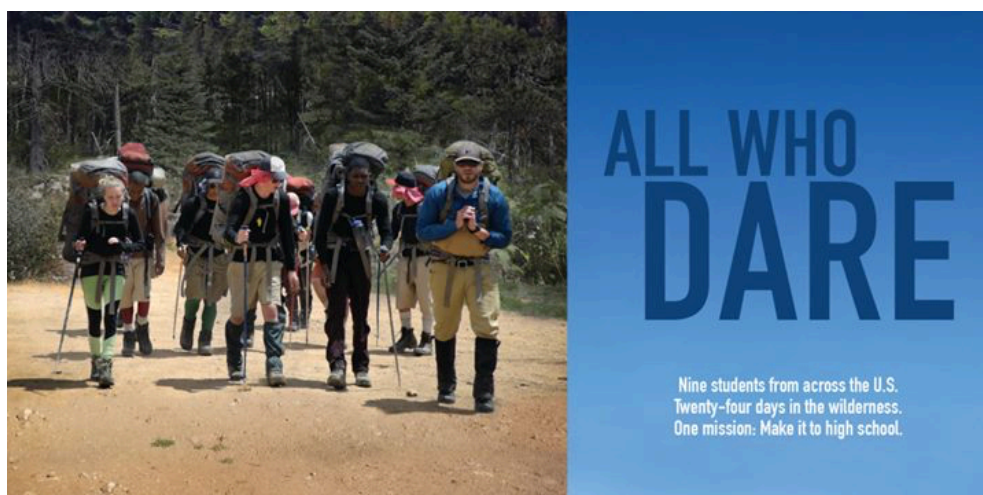
President Elect

[Dave Evans](#)

Treasurer

[Longley Parker](#)

Secretary



## Eagle Rock's documentary, All Who Dare, will be showing at the National Park on March 16

So, here's the info...

- What: All Who Dare Screening — A documentary of Eagle Rock School's new student wilderness program
- Date ~ Friday, March 16
- Time of event ~ 7:00 p.m.
- Time of doors~ doors will open at 6:30 p.m. for the 7:00 p.m. program
- Location~ Auditorium at Beaver Meadows Visitor Center, Rocky Mountain National Park
- Tickets or Registration link ~ all programs held at Beaver Meadows Visitor Center are free and open to the public. The auditorium holds 124 and is first come, first serve for seating.
- There will be a panel following~ there is a short question/answer period following the program.

People can visit [www.allwhodare.com](http://www.allwhodare.com) to see the trailer and more information about the film. It recently won best short documentary at the Frozen Film Festival in Minneapolis! Rotary member Jeff Liddle added, "This is the same film we screened at the Stanley Hotel in September. I think most rotarians missed it because we didn't quite get the word out in time and the registration was a little confusing. This one should be easy for our members...since it is at the park."

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## Sign up now for the District Conference! Host a Rotarian for dinner - Estes-style



Planning to attend the Rotary District 5440 District Conference? It will be right here in Estes Park on Duck Race Festival weekend. Here's how to register: <http://rotary5440.org/event/2018-rotary-district-5440-conference/>

Registration for a single attendee: \$135 prior to March 31; \$200 after April 1. Registration includes numerous events, but does not include lodging. (Great, because you live here, right?)

Don't delay!

Would you like to show Estes Park Rotary hospitality to a conference attendee? Sign up to host a dinner on Thursday, May 3. **See Kathy Groesbeck for details.**

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## Rotary Quote of the Week

*RI President-elect Barry Rassin's theme for 2018-19, Be the Inspiration, asks Rotarians to inspire change in the world and in each other. "I ask all of you to Be the Inspiration to help Rotary move from reaction to action — to take a hard look at the environmental issues that affect health and*

[Rita DuChateau](#)

Sergeant-at-Arms  
[Bill Solms](#)

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[Rita DuChateau](#)

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welfare around the world and do what we can to help.”



**BE THE INSPIRATION**



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