



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
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Posted by Rita DuChateau

4th Thursday - Committees to Meet

The real work of a club happens at the committee level, and this week's meeting will give everyone the chance to engage in this important work. Following lunch and a brief business meeting, members will gather in groups related to their interests.



You can see what you indicated as your area of interest at the bottom of your Spoke every week. But, fear not! It's never too late to join in, try something new, or simply "shop" for a group.

Here are the club members who will lead the small group work at Thursday's meeting:

Doug Mann - International Service
Sue Fereday - Youth/New Generation Service
Karen Thompson - Fund Development
Karol Rinehart - Club Administration
Bill Solms - Sargeant-at-Arms
Rick Taylor - Programs
Scott Thompson - Membership
Roger Thorp - Community Service

Bring your energy, your ideas and your willingness to help the Rotary

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**

March 29 Duty Roster

Invocation: **No Meeting**

Song & Pledge: **No Meeting**

Guest Intro: **No Meeting**

Scribe: **No Meeting**

Greeter: **No Meeting**

Program Intro: **No Meeting**

Speakers

Mar 22, 2018

[Kathy Groesbeck](#)

Committee Meetings

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Upcoming Events

[Duck Race Festival Committee Meeting](#)

Duck Central

Mar 29, 2018

5:00 PM – 6:00 PM

Club of Estes Park be a better club for all of its members. You make a difference!

March 15, 2018 meeting highlights

President Kathy Groesbeck called the meeting to order. Bill Smith announced the passing of two of our members:

- Bruce Carmichael was a member for our club since 2009 and chaired the Golf Tournament Committee. His service will be at Community Church, April 28 at 10 a.m. Memorials may be made to Estes Park Rotary Club Foundation, memo to Scholarships.
- Bill Lodge's service will be at Community Church, March 19. Bill was our Sergeant at Arms for many years and was a club member since 1994.

Jack Boatman led a moment of silence for our departed members, followed by the invocation. Dave Evans led us in singing "When Irish Eyes Are Smiling" for St. Patrick's Day, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Marsha Yelick led introductions. We welcomed a guest Rotarian from Sunrise who is a friend of Harriette Woodard and is also a member of the Woman's Club, which is the subject of today's program. Madison Casey introduced his wife Marty. We welcomed back our honorary club member and Past President, Gladys Van Drie. Scott Thompson told an appropriate joke for St. Patrick's Day.



Announcement

- President Kathy remembered Bruce Carmichael and the last time she introduced him in the meeting to talk about the golf tournament. She suggested that we all tell a fellow Rotarian today that they are special and shared a reading by Shel Silverstein.

Happy Money

- Harry Livingston is happy to see his two favorite "girlfriends" here today – Marty Casey, and our guest speaker, Nancy Thomas.
- Bill Solms is happy for the golf committee and vowed they would continue without Bruce. They are considering how to honor him in this year's tournament.
- Bill Smith said Bruce's wife, Lindi said "find a golf chair" to carry on for Bruce!

Duck Central Opens

Mar 30, 2018

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

Bruce Carmichael
April 28

Announcements

- Tara Moenning said the scholarship applications are in the library and she encouraged any of us to go and review them and evaluate the applicants.
- Tara needs four more people to work our Shred-a-thon April 21.
- Tara has petition cards for anyone to sign and turn in to support the Stanley house's efforts to get new zoning.
- Scott Thompson is the volunteer coordinator for the Duck Race and compiled a two page list of needs. He needs people to work Friday night, May 4 to set up as well as the day of the race, May 5.
- President Kathy said she has struck up a relationship with a person in the Aspen Rotary Club who works their own Duck Race. They called to find out about how our online sales work and she asked them about how they do their festival activities. Since then, they have been sharing information and ideas regularly.
- President Kathy said she has been talking to TDS who supplies our internet connection and it has evolved to where TDS will adopt 20 ducks for Polio Plus and their marketing director from Colorado Springs will attend our sponsors' lunch.

Program

Rick Taylor introduced our program today—Nancy Thomas, Recording Secretary of the Woman's Club, told us about their club's history as the oldest service organization in town, and all the things they support currently.



Submitted by Madison Casey, scribe and Scott Thompson, photographer



Anniversaries

Bruce Carmichael
Lindi
March 26

Guy Van der Werf
Leslie
April 5

Karen Thompson
Scott Thompson
April 16

Scott Thompson
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

All are welcome as volunteers! Help the 2018 Estes Park Duck Race Festival

Everyone knows the Estes Park Rotary Duck Race Festival is the place to be on the first Saturday in May. But, did you know that you do not have to be a Rotarian to help? That's right, Rotarians! You can invite your friends to help.



Make a splash! Be a Duck Race Festival volunteer this year! Invite your friends and family.

"We welcome volunteers who can give a few hours on Friday, May 4 and/or Saturday, May 5. No special skills are required except a positive attitude," said Scott Thompson, Estes Park Rotary Duck Race Festival volunteer coordinator.

Thompson is looking for volunteers to help with:

- Setting up and taking down equipment at the start and finish lines
- Selling duck-themed race memorabilia at Bond Park and Riverside Plaza
- Supporting operations in Bond Park for charities and organizations
- Helping to display sponsor ducks
- Ensuring safety along the riverbanks
- Keeping the ducks from getting snagged in the river.

"Our 70-member club cannot put on this event without a host of volunteers. It's a great way to help a great cause, to make new friends, and be part of one of the largest events in Estes Park," Thompson added.

To sign up as a volunteer, contact Thompson at scott@estesparkrealestate.com or call him at 970-590-9941.

Sign up now for the District Conference!



Planning to attend the Rotary District 5440 District Conference? It will

Dave Evans
March 22, 2007
11 years

Bob Brunson
March 27, 2003
15 years

Earl Matson
March 28, 1996
22 years

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

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!

Rotary Thought of the Week

Planning to attend the Rotary International Convention in Toronto in June? The deadline for pre-registration is March 31. Here's the link to registration:

<http://www.riconvention.org/en/toronto/register>



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April 28, 2016

2 years

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