

The Spoke

Rotary Club of Estes Park's Newsletter

Estes Park Comprehensive Plan

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.

Presented by

Karen Thompson and Jessica Garner





Karen Thompson

Jessica Garner

Karen moved from Greeley to Estes Park in 2008, and began work as the Executive Assistant in the Community Development Department for the Town of Estes Park. This is the department where the Development Code, development plans and building permits, the Planning Commission and several other volunteer boards are administered and supported. Although she no longer works at Town Hall, she still has an interest in what is going on in local government, and believes it important for residents to be educated and informed about topics that affect all of us.

In 2021, she applied and was accepted to be a part of the Comprehensive Plan Advisory Committee (ComPAC), made up of town and county residents, Planning Commission members, and Town and County Staff. Consultants were hired to gather information from the community and bring it all together in a 20-year comprehensive plan for Estes Park and the surrounding area. Part of this includes community outreach to gather information about what the residents want Estes Park to look like 20 years down the road (transportation, open space, development, housing, guest experience, aesthetics, etc.)

Joining Karen will be Jessica Garner, Community Development Director. Garner holds a Master of Urban and Regional Planning as well as a Master of Urban Design from the University of Colorado at Denver. She also holds a certificate in Historic Preservation and is certified by the American Institute of Certified Planners. She has more than 19 years of experience in planning and development services in both the public and private sectors. Garner's career experience includes work in Colorado as well as California, where she served as the Planning Manager for the City of Milpitas.

Update with President Jim Whiteneck

Announcements:

We're approaching a very active and rewarding time of the year—Duck Race Kickoff Night is this week! Excitement is growing! We're looking forward to Karen Thompson's presentation on the Estes Park Comprehensive Plan and the Advisory Committees activities

February 24, 2022 Meeting Notes

March 3 Duty Roster

Invocation: Karol Rinehart

Song & Pledge: Jim Whiteneck

Guest Intro: Scott Thompson

Scribe: Pete Sumey

Greeter: Karol Rinehart

Program Intro: Dennis Gellhaus

March 10 Duty Roster

Invocation: Bill Smith

Song & Pledge: Jim Whiteneck

Guest Intro: Scott Thompson

Scribe: Madison Casey

Greeter: Karol Rinehart

Program Intro: Dennis Gellhaus

Upcoming Events

Club Board Meeting Zoom Mar 01, 2022 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM

<u>Duck Race Kick-off Night</u> Zoom *Mar 03, 2022* 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

View entire list

Speakers

Mar 03, 2022 <u>Karen Thompson</u> Comprehensive Plan Advisory Committee

Mar 10, 2022
Ruth Miller and Laurie DaleMarshall
EVICS

Mar 17, 2022 <u>Tom Chapel</u> The Denali Experience

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Birthdays, Anniversaries

Member Birthdays

President Jim Whiteneck called the meeting to order. Ben Van Der Werf gave the invocation Jim led the Pledge of Allegiance

Announcements:

- · This will be the last fourth Thursday meeting for committee meetings.
- In the future, the fourth Thursdays would be:
 - · Club Visioning updates, or
 - · Reports from committee chairs
- The International Services Committee will meet today after the close of the club meeting.
- The Club Board meets Tuesday March 1 at 5:00 at the Library or by Zoom.

Jim welcomed

- · Ron Gordon and Jay Harroff back attending in person
- · Mel Rueppel is back from his travels to Antarctica.

Happy Money:

- · Mel Rueppel is happy to be back.
- Jay Harroff is happy to donate \$59 for his and Jane's wedding anniversary.
- Doug Mann is happy to be back. His work schedule has not allowed him to attend.
- Bill Solms is happy that Mel is back and enjoyed his photos.
- · Bill Smith is happy for Beth's video.
- Jim Whiteneck is happy that Jack Overly is back with us on Zoom.
 - He is living at Good Samaritan in Loveland and
 - would like to move back into his house in Estes Park when his walking improves

Scott Thompson showed the video that Big Duck Beth Weisberg made with our named sponsor Ryan Banker of Claire's Restaurant.

Scott thanked all sponsors at the meeting today and urged everyone to sponsor as they do for our other events.

Scott Thompson told his joke to good response.

Program:

This is committee day and Ron Gordon's International Committee meets now.

Adjournment:

We concluded with the Four Way Test.

Madison Casey, scribe



Duck Race Kickoff Night



Kickoff Night for the Duck Race will be held on Zoom only, Thursday, March 3 beginning at 6:00 p.m.

- The Zoom link is www.EPDuckRace.org/Zoom
- 66 participating Organizations and anyone else who wants to join, will hear the Mayor issue a Proclamation declaring May 7,
 2022 Estes Park Rotary Duck Race Day
- The Tech group will explain
 - the new features of our online duck adoption system
 - how to use them and
 - more information about the Duck Race will be presented.
- Online duck adoptions may be purchased starting at 6:00 p.m. on March 3, on the Duck Race website at www.epduckrace.org.

Please adopt ducks and tell all of your friends and family.

- Top prizes this year are
 - \$8,000, \$5,000, and \$2,000 cash
 - two Delaware North vacation stay packages (3 nights for 2 people)
 - one at Yellowstone National Park
 - one at Glacier National Park

Bill Smith

February 1

Rita DuChateau

February 1

Gordon Ulrickson

February 3

Sarah Walsh

February 3

Mike Connolly

February 5

Pete Sumey

February 7

Longley Parker

February 18

Dave Evans

March 25

Anne Slack

March 28

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

Sarah Walsh February 2, 2012 10 years

Dennis Gellhaus

February 22, 2018 4 years

Karol Rinehart

March 5, 2015 7 years

Lee Lasson

March 13, 2003 19 years

Beth Weisberg

March 16, 2020 2 years

Madison Casey

March 16, 2006 16 years

- Ducks cost \$22 each, with \$19 of that going to your choice of this year's 66 participating Estes Valley charities or nonprofits.
- Quack Packs (buy 5 ducks get a 6th duck free) are available again this year as well.

Anyone wanting to support the Duck Race by being an Associate Sponsor, please contact Scott Thompson at scott@estesparkhome.com

Volunteers Needed for Merchant Prize Collection



Announcement:

- · 20 Volunteers needed
- Follow up with merchants who have not sent in their prize donation forms to Duck Central by March 17.
- It can be done by phone or in person depending on your preference.
- We are not collecting any physical items (including gift certificates)
- . Follow up ONLY with businesses on your assigned list
- Email Anne Slack at anneslack@aol.com with questions

District Grants & Matching Funds

Announcement:

- Our club will be eligible for up to \$6,000 in matching funds from District 5440 for the upcoming 2022-2023 grant year
- The District will match club funds 2 for 1 up to the eligible limit.
- · Clubs can submit two district grant applications per year
- District grant applications are due June 3, 2022
- District grant applications can be submitted for local community or international projects

Note: Any club committees who might want to pursue a district grant application and matching funds for a specific project should submit a request to the club board by the April 5 club board meeting

If you have any questions about district grants, please contact Jack Boatman

Mark Your Calendar! We have been invited to a Concert by our new member Barry Hannigan and his wife Mary

Saturday, March 26, at 2 pm. It's at Shepherd of the Mountains Lutheran Church, 200 Ptarmigan Trail

Donations instead of Tickets

Vaccinated and Masked

Don't Miss Rotary's 2022 International Convention in Houston, Texas June 4 - 8, 2022

If you have never been to an International Convention of Rotary, you need to go to Houston in June. It is so amazing and it is often not this close to us. My husband and I attended the International Convention in Atlanta, Georgia in 2017. There were 70,000 people there from all over the world. It was so thrilling to learn of all the projects Rotary was performing worldwide, helping people improve their lives with better water supplies, better education so they could earn a living, better sanitary situations to reduce disease, on and on. Go to Rotary.org to learn more.

Shred-A-Thon



Early Morning at 2021 Shred

Saturday, August 27th, 9-noon, at the Event Center parking lot You can sign up now with Tara Moenning!

Mark Lee

March 16, 2020 2 years

Rita DuChateau

March 21, 2013 9 years

Dave Evans

March 22, 2007 15 years

Executives & Directors

President Jim Whiteneck

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Treasurer Longley Parker

Secretary
<u>Jennifer Comstock</u>

Sergeant-at-Arms Mel Rueppel

Past President Bill Solms

Club Administration Director Karol Rinehart

Community Service Director & Big Duck Beth Weisberg

Fund Development Director Philip Moenning

International Service Director Ron Gordon

Youth/New Generation Services Director Rick Taylor

Membership Director Anne Slack

Foundation Officers/Directors

President

Carl Robicheaux

Vice President

Anne Slack

Secretary

Tara Moenning

Treasurer

Gregg Jurgens

Grants

Jack Boatman, Carl Robicheaux

Scholarships

Tara Moenning

Ernie Altick Program

Kathy Groesbeck, Dave Evans

Investments

Save the Date!! September 3rd, 2022 John Denver Concert at the YMCA Rauch Auditorium Featuring Cowboy Brad



Brad Fitch

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Anne Slack

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