



The Spoke

Rotary Club of Estes Park's Newsletter

Welcome to our Club!



We meet Thursdays at 12:00 PM
Rodeway Inn (The Ridgeline Hotel
beginning 5/24)
1701 North Lake Avenue
Ridgeline: South St. Vrain Ave.
Estes Park, CO 80517
United States



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Powered by volunteers- Duck Race '18 soars!

The facts alone can't tell the full story of the 2018 Estes Park Duck Race Festival. But, first the facts:

Number of duck adoptions: 6,699

Time from start to finish line for Duck #1: 1 hour, 20 minutes

Top travel prize winners:

- Costa Rica or Mexico/Riviera Maya (or \$6,000) - Kimberly Campbell
- Rail Trip to Seattle and Vancouver or San Diego (or \$3,000) - Loretta Brewer
- Santa Fe or Las Vegas (or \$2,000) - Audra Michener
- Winter Trip to Yellowstone - Karen Archer
- Tenaya Lodge in Yosemite - Tom Dority
- Pine Lodge in Glacier - Joann Hyatt-Weeks
- Kennedy Space Center - Patsy Nevill

Here are just a few pics of our many volunteers. Click on <https://photos.app.goo.gl/iLibSBtybNFqj1876> for photos of the 2018 Estes Park Rotary Duck Race Festival.

May 10 Duty Roster

Invocation: **Virgil Holtgrewe**

Song & Pledge: **Dave Evans**

Guest Intro: **Dana Fritz**

Scribe: **Rita DuChateau**

Greeter: **Harriette Woodard**

Program Intro: **Rick Taylor**

May 17 Duty Roster

Invocation: **Bill Smith**

Song & Pledge: **Dave Evans**

Guest Intro: **Richard Kimple**

Scribe: **Dana Fritz**

Greeter: **Jay Harroff**

Program Intro: **Kathy Groesbeck**

Speakers

May 10, 2018

[Nancy Almond](#)

EVICS and Child Care in EP

May 17, 2018

[Martin Limbird](#)

Your Rotary Legacy

May 24, 2018

[Brad Rosenbaum](#)

Duck Race Sponsor Appreciation



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Upcoming Events

[Golf Committee Meeting](#)

Hangar Restaurant

May 08, 2018

8:00 AM – 9:00 AM

[Foundation Board Meeting](#)

Quality Inn

May 17, 2018

1:15 PM – 2:00 PM

[Golf Committee Meeting](#)

Hangar Restaurant

May 22, 2018

8:00 AM – 9:00 AM

[First Club Meeting at The Ridgeline Hotel](#)

May 24, 2018

11:30 AM – 1:00 PM

[Shred-a-Thon \(Rescheduled\)](#)

Presbyterian Community Church
of the Rockies

Jun 23, 2018

9:00 AM – 12:00 PM

[Scholarship Benefit Golf Tournament](#)

Jun 30, 2018

8:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Birthdays, Anniversaries

Member Birthdays

Marsha Yelick

May 1

Tara Moenning

May 3

Jack Vaughan

May 6

Tom Anderson

May 10

Rob Cohen

May 14

Sue Fereday

May 17



Investing in Early Child Care and Education: How are we doing?

Nancy Almond, Executive Director of Estes Valley Investment in Childhood Success (EVICS), will speak at the Rotary Club of Estes Park on Thursday, May 10, at their regular noon meeting. She will give an overview of EVICS services, current status of childcare and early childhood education services in our community, and talk about why it should matter to each of us. In addition, Almond will give a brief overview of the results from the Childcare Needs Assessment.



Nancy Almond

With over 20 years of work experience with and on behalf of young children, Almond has been employed as an elementary school teacher, a director of children's ministry, and a residential camp program director. Furthermore, she has work experience with both public and non-profit agencies in promoting public education and information, coordinating training conferences, and creating collaborations.

Nancy earned a Bachelor's degree in Elementary Education/Therapeutic Recreation and is a 2010 graduate of the Buell Early Childhood Leadership Program.

As the EVICS Director since 2006, Nancy supports Estes Park's early care and education programs, coordinates training and professional development and promotes community investment in early childhood. Also, Nancy supervises the Estes Park Parents as Teachers Program.

She enjoys living in the mountains, pursuing many outdoor activities with friends and family, and being a part of a small community.

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

Jack Boatman

May 18

Clark Lupton

May 20

Brad Rosenbaum

May 22

Dmitri Galcovski

May 24

Gladys Van Drie

May 24

Scott Thompson

May 27

Karen Thompson

May 28

Bob Brunson

June 2

Larry Williams

June 6

Wayne Andersen

June 10

Wayne Newsom

June 20

Anniversaries

Virgil Holtgrewe

Carol

May 8

Madison Casey

Marty Yochum

May 20

Jeff Liddle

Nannette Chisholm

May 21

Pete Sumey

Lois

May 23

Dana Fritz

Bill

May 28

Kathy Groesbeck

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.

May 3, 2018 Meeting Highlights

President Kathy Groesbeck welcomed Estes Park Rotary members and called the meeting to order at noon. She recognized Tom Maher for his 29 years of attendance at the annual duck race and wished for good weather this coming Saturday. Chuck Bonza gave the invocation by describing the Navaho ten commandments that define man's relationship to the Earth, Nature and Mankind. Dave Evans led us in a spirited rendition of "Take Me Out to the Duck Race", followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Dale Bonza introduced Assistant District Governor Linda Vomaske and her husband Bob, who are here for both the District Conference and the Duck Race. They will be volunteering with us in Bond Park on Saturday. We were happy that Wayne Newsom brought his wife, Pat, as his guest for lunch today.



Announcements

- Wayne and Pat Newsom brought back sombreros from a recent vacation. They will be worn by Rotary volunteers in Bond Park on Saturday to acknowledge Cinco de Mayo.
- Look for the large duck in the swimming pool at The Ridgeline Hotel where the District Conference is being held. It will remind people to adopt a duck.
- Longley Parker donated two touchscreen computers to facilitate duck adoptions.
- Tara Moenning reminded us that the rescheduled Shred-a-Thon will be held on June 23. The town clean-up was phenomenal last Saturday. The scrap metal drive brought in \$510, and Mike donated \$200 to the school scholarship fund. The club sang "Happy Birthday" to Tara.



- Chuck Bonza announced that Josh the Otter will be attending the Estes Park Elementary School water safety event for four

Alan Groesbeck
May 28

Tom Anderson
Kathleen
May 28

Jim Austin
Jean
June 8

Longley Parker
Julie
June 10

Bill Solms
Marianne Solms
June 13

Don Widrig
Barbara
June 13

Anne Slack
Gordon
June 15

Bruce Brown
Marlene
June 17

Chip Sproul
Carol
June 18

Jack Overly
Mary
June 19

Ron Gordon
Vivian
June 19

Jim White
Joanne
June 21

Join Date

Bill Solms
May 1, 1987
31 years

Debbie Delaney
May 1, 2014
4 years

Kindergarten classes on Friday, May 18 at 10 a.m. Two additional volunteers are needed from 9:45-10:45 to read aloud to the children. Jim Austin and Jay Haroff/ Daphne are already planning to help. Kathy agreed to join in on the fun that day.

- Roger Thorpe called for help to set up and take down chairs and tables at Bond Park.
- Kathy thanked Roger Thorpe for donating several pieces of artwork he created for the District Conference Silent Auction that will be held this weekend.
- There will be a work party to paint the shelter house by the lake on Monday, May 21, at 10 a.m. Wear paint clothes.
- Kathy thanked Assistant District Governor Linda Vomaske for attending our meeting today and gave her a “Ask Me About Rotary” pin and a ‘4-way Test’ souvenir coin.

Paul Harris Awards

Virgil Holtegrewe and Assistant District Governor Linda Vomaske were proud to present two Paul Harris awards. Thor Homme received his Paul Harris award certificate times seven. His new pin honors eight years of \$1,000 donations and includes two rubies. Kathy Groesbeck received her Paul Harris pin and certificate and the special honor of being recognized as a Paul Harris Society Member. This Society is for members who have pledged to donate \$1,000 or more every year to the Rotary Foundation for its projects and activities to help people around the world. A special chevron is added to Kathy’s pin to denote her Paul Harris Society membership.



Program

Rick Taylor introduced our speaker, Bethany Matthias of InHome Fitness Solutions, who encouraged all present to improve their strength, balance and stability to prevent falls and injury. She runs a program in Estes Park which tailors a fitness program to individual clients.

Staci Galloway

May 8, 2014

4 years

Wayne Andersen

May 25, 2000

18 years

Clark Lupton

May 27, 1999

19 years

Lee Machin

May 31, 1973

45 years

Thor Homme

June 4, 2009

9 years

Rob Cohen

June 7, 1990

28 years

Jack Boatman

June 11, 2015

3 years

Harry Livingston

June 18, 1998

20 years

Ron Gordon

June 18, 1992

26 years

Dmitri Galcovski

June 19, 2014

4 years

Claudine Perrault

June 29, 2006

12 years

Jack Vaughan

June 29, 2006

12 years

Executives & Directors

President

[Kathy Groesbeck](#)

President Elect

[Dave Evans](#)



The meeting was adjourned with the 4-Way Test.

Submitted by Dale Bonza, scribe and Rita DuChateau, photographer



Time to *Move!*

Beginning **Thursday, May 24**, our club will meet at **The Ridgeline Hotel**. Mark your calendar, write yourself a note, tell your Rotary friends about our new meeting place. Help us get the word out to club members who may not read The Spoke every week or attend weekly meetings.

Our last meeting at the Rodeway Inn will be Thursday, May 17, so please be there to say goodbye to Chester, Lil and the gang.

Details:

May 17: **Last** meeting at Rodeway Inn

May 24: **First** meeting at the Ridgeline Hotel, 101 South St. Vrain Ave., Estes Park. See you in the Trail Ridge Room. Luncheon cost: \$15.



Shred-a-Thon Rescheduled

So, you saved your papers to be shredded on April 21, and then the snow canceled your fun? Tara to the rescue! She's rescheduled the Shred-a-Thon for 9 a.m. to noon on Saturday, June 23 at the Presbyterian Community Church of the Rockies on Brodie Avenue. The event will be for paper only. Tara needs 10-12 volunteers.



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Rotary Quote of the Week

"Wherever we live, whatever language we speak, whatever work our clubs are involved in, our vision is the same. We all see a world that could be better and that we can help to make better. We are here because Rotary gives us the opportunity to build the world we want to see - to unite and take action through Rotary: Making a Difference."

-Ian H.S. Riseley, 2017-18 Rotary International President



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