



The Spoke

Rotary Club of Estes Park's Newsletter

Welcome to our Club!



We meet Thursdays at 12:00 PM
The Ridgeline Hotel
101 South St. Vrain Ave.
Estes Park, CO 80517
United States of America



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Will YOU be at Rotary on May 9?

Our next Rotary meeting will be **Thursday, May 9** at The Ridgeline Hotel. It is a Thank You Luncheon for Duck Race sponsors. Please plan to attend and Thank a Sponsor!

If you plan to be there on **Thursday, May 9**, please contact Club Administrator Karol Rinehart by **10 a.m. Friday, May 3** to let her know the following:

- You plan to attend and have lunch.
- You plan to attend and have beverage service only.
- You will be bringing a guest(s).

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Lucky always makes a reservation for lunch

Posted by Rita DuChateau

EPHS Major 13 to perform Thursday

May 2 Duty Roster

Invocation: **Bill Solms**

Song & Pledge: **Pete Sumey
& Madison Casey**

Guest Intro: **Bruce Brown**

Scribe: **Rita DuChateau**

Greeter: **Matt Comstock**

Program Intro: **Jack Overly**

May 9 Duty Roster

Invocation: **Peter Sinnott**

Song & Pledge: **Pete Sumey
& Madison Casey**

Guest Intro: **Jim Austin**

Scribe: **Madison Casey**

Greeter: **Gregg Jurgens**

Program Intro: **Kathy Groesbeck**

Speakers

May 02, 2019

[Alan Denney](#)

EP High School Singers

May 09, 2019

[Kathy Groesbeck](#)

Duck Race Luncheon

May 16, 2019

[John Meyer MD](#)

Chief of Staff, EP Health

Having just performed at the Colorado High School Activities Association Vocal Jazz and A Cappella Festival in Colorado Springs, Major13 brings a brilliant repertoire to our Rotary club on Thursday. Dr. Alan Denney directs the ensemble. Be ready to be entertained!



Dr. Alan Denney

Major13 is the vocal jazz ensemble of Estes Park High School and is comprised of a select group of auditioned students. This ensemble regularly performs in the Estes Park community. Under Denney's direction, the EPHS choir students have performed four times in Carnegie Hall and annually perform the national anthem for Denver Nuggets' and Colorado Avalanche games.

Denney is in his 14th year as choral director at Estes Park High School and Estes Park Middle School. He holds a Bachelor of Music degree in Music Education from Indiana State University, a Master of Music degree in Music Theory and Composition from Colorado State University, and a Doctor of Arts degree in Choral Conducting from University of Northern Colorado. Dr. Denney serves on the Board of Directors of the Colorado Chapter of the American Choral Directors Association.

Urgent request - help needed Saturday!

Can you give two hours on **Duck Race Day**? We need club members to volunteer at Riverside Plaza to sell duck adoptions. This is an **IMPORTANT** request from Big Duck.

- 10 a.m. to Noon
- Saturday, May 4
- Riverside Plaza
- Sell Duck Adoptions for our Foundation

Call Kathy or email her to volunteer: mrskathyjg@yahoo.com



2018 Race Day Adoption sales volunteers Chuck and Dale Bonza

Posted by Lee Lasson

Duck Central needs Race Week volunteers

This is a big week for the Estes Park Duck Race and Duck Central

May 23, 2019

[Fourth Thursday](#)

Committee Meetings

May 30, 2019

[Fifth Thursday](#)

No Club Meeting

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Upcoming Events

[Golf Tournament Committee](#)

Ridgeline Hotel

May 02, 2019

10:15 AM – 11:15 AM

[31st Annual Estes Park Rotary](#)

[Duck Race Festival](#)

Nicky's Steakhouse, Riverside Plaza

May 04, 2019

10:00 AM – 4:00 PM

[Club Board Meeting](#)

Wasson Room, Library

May 07, 2019

5:00 PM – 6:30 PM

[Duck Race Sponsor Luncheon](#)

Ridgeline Hotel

May 09, 2019

12:00 PM – 1:00 PM

[Duck Race Wrap up Meeting](#)

Ridgeline Hotel

May 09, 2019

5:00 PM – 6:00 PM

[Foundation Board Meeting](#)

Quality Inn

May 16, 2019

1:15 PM – 2:00 PM

[Estes Recycle Day](#)

Jun 08, 2019

Birthdays, Anniversaries

Member Birthdays

Karen McClure

April 5

Lee Machin

where every Adoption gets entered into the Duck Race computer systems. We are doing well, with 3,267 Adoptions, including 805 on-line to date. Our rule of thumb is half the Adoptions will come in the last week of the race. That means we have 3,300 more to enter this week and **we need your help!**

If you have some time, please stop into Duck Central Mon.-Wed., noon – 5 p.m. to offer your help entering Adoption Forms into the computer. It's easy to learn and speed isn't important, but accuracy is required. Please come in early this week to offer your help and get trained on entering Adoptions before the crunch occurs Thursday and Friday 10 a.m.– 5 p.m. when we really need all the help we can get.

Saturday, Race Day, we need help between 10 a.m. and noon when all adoptions sales stop and all have to be entered into the computers before the race can award prizes. We have added more computers thanks to the generosity of a few Rotarians (you know who you are, thank you) so we have the computer resources to meet the demand. We need you, our most import resource, to make this happen!

Can you help?

Duck Central is located in the Lake Estes Room at the Ridgeline Hotel.



It's fun and easy! Join the Duck-dedicated team.

April 18 meeting notes

Bill Solms served as greeter. Dennis Gellhaus provided the invocation. Pete Sumey and Madison Casey led us in singing "Easter Parade." Pete then led the Pledge of Allegiance. Longley Parker introduced guests.

Happy Money

- Harry Livingston inviting us to a 70th Wedding Anniversary celebration at his home on Saturday, April 27. Please RSVP.

Announcement

- Tara Moenning announced town cleanup Sat. April 27 at 9:00 at Visitor Center. We will have two streets.

Induction of New Members

Carl Robicheaux and Audri Smith were inducted into our club and welcomed as new members. They were given their membership pins by their sponsors, Trudy Collar and Dave Evans, respectively.

April 11

Jim Austin

April 20

Trudy Collar

April 21

David Tavel

April 25

Marsha Yelick

May 1

Mathew Comstock

May 2

Tara Moenning

May 3

Tom Anderson

May 10

Rob Cohen

May 14

Sue Fereday

May 17

Jack Boatman

May 18

Brad Rosenbaum

May 22

Dmitri Galcovski

May 24

Gladys Van Drie

May 24

Scott Thompson

May 27

Karen Thompson

May 28

Anniversaries

**Guy Van der Werf
Leslie**

April 5

**Karen Thompson
Scott Thompson**

April 16



Program

Mike Connelly introduced our speaker, Gordon McAlpine. He presented a program on climate change, electricity generation in Colorado and the need to transition to renewable energy generation.



Madison Casey, Dana Fritz, scribes, Scott Thompson, photographer



Rotary Friendship Card launches at the Duck Race

Estes Park's new \$10 local discount card will be available for purchase beginning Saturday, May 4. The Friendship Card can be purchased (cash only) at these locations: Estes Park Visitor Center, MacDonald Book Shop, Quality Inn, Safeway (Customer Service), Rocky Mountain Gateway and The Village Store at National Park Village. The card will also be sold at the Friendship Card booth at George Hix Riverside Plaza during Duck Race festivities on May 4.

The Friendship Card will be valid at more than 60 local businesses, who will offer discounts on food and drink, shopping, entertainment and services. Friendship Card holders will need to show their card at the business in order to receive the discount. Certain restrictions may apply. Participating merchants will be listed on the Friendship Card's Facebook page – facebook.com/EP Friendship Card. Brochures will be available at locations selling the card, and participating merchants will display the Friendship Card window decal. The 2019 card will be valid from May 4, 2019 through December 31, 2019.

Scott Thompson

Karen

April 16

Peter Sinnott

Stephanie

April 20

Harry Livingston

Mary

April 23

Virgil Holtgrewe

Carol

May 8

Madison Casey

Marty Yochum

May 20

Jeff Liddle

Nannette Chisholm

May 21

Pete Sumey

Lois

May 23

Dave Evans

Karen McClure

May 27

Karen McClure

David Evans

May 27

Dana Fritz

Bill

May 28

Kathy Groesbeck

Alan Groesbeck

May 28

Tom Anderson

Kathleen

May 28

Join Date

Gladys Van Drie

April 3, 1997

22 years

Mike Connolly

April 3, 2008

11 years

The Friendship Card is a fundraising project of The Rotary Club of Estes Park. Net proceeds from the sale of the card will be used to support the club's many charitable projects, including but not limited to scholarships and community grants.

"The Rotary Club of Estes Park would like to thank the many participating merchants, as this fundraising project would not be possible without each one of them," said Karen Thompson, the club's Fund Development Chair.



Posted by Jack Boatman

Matching donation program supports non-profits

The first week of April the Rotary Club of Estes Park Foundation mailed out checks totaling \$2,600 to 15 local non-profit organizations. The checks from the Foundation matched the donations submitted by our club members.

Thanks to all who participated in the 2019 Matching Charitable Donation Program.

The Foundation would appreciate any feedback you might have regarding the 2019 program. Please contact or email Jack Boatman (email: jack.boatman7@gmail.com / Telephone: 832-623-5647) with any comments or suggestions.



**COMMUNITY GRANTS
PROGRAM**

Amazing Amazon Opportunity - Give to your Foundation while you shop!

The Rotary Club of Estes Park Foundation has been registered as a recipient of funds in the smile.amazon.com. Each order you place will send a portion of the sale to our Foundation. As of February 2019, the AmazonSmile program has donated \$124.7 million to charities.

Now all you need to do is sign up to get the funds flowing. And SHOP!

- Go to: smile.amazon.com.
- Choose the charitable organization by typing in Estes Park Rotary Foundation. Our club and the Longs Peak club will come up in the search. Please click on Estes Park Rotary Foundation.

Peter Sinnott

April 5, 2007

12 years

David Tavel

April 10, 2000

19 years

Gregg Jurgens

April 14, 2011

8 years

Trudy Collar

April 16, 2015

4 years

Chuck Bonza

April 25, 2008

11 years

Dale Bonza

April 25, 2008

11 years

Philip Moenning

April 25, 2008

11 years

Scott Thompson

April 25, 2008

11 years

Tara Moenning

April 25, 2008

11 years

Virgil Yarbrough

April 28, 2016

3 years

Bill Solms

May 1, 1987

32 years

Wayne Andersen

May 25, 2000

19 years

Lee Machin

May 31, 1973

46 years

Executives & Directors

President

- Create a bookmark so every time you shop Amazon, you will participating in the smile.amazon.com program.
- Go shopping!!
- Remember to do this each time you shop Amazon.

"This is a great way to give to the Foundation without any cost to the member," said Gregg Jurgens, Foundation Treasurer.



2020 Rotary Peace Fellowship seeking applicants

The spike in regional and local conflicts around the globe has boosted the need for peace and development leaders skilled in building positive social change. The fully funded Rotary Peace Fellowship, which covers tuition and living expenses, increases the capacity of existing leaders to prevent and resolve conflict through academic training, field experience and professional networking.

Up to 100 fellows are selected every year in a globally competitive process based on personal, academic and professional achievements. Fellows earn either a master's degree or a professional development certificate in peace and conflict studies at one of the Rotary Peace Centers, located within seven leading universities around the world. More than 1,200 program alumni are working in over 100 countries as leaders in national governments, NGOs, social enterprises, the military, law enforcement and international organizations such as the United Nations.

The 2020-21 academic term deadline is May 31, 2019. Additional information on Rotary Peace Scholarships, including an application checklist video and a timeline for the application process is available at: <https://www.rotary.org/en/our-programs/peace-fellowships> Interested? Contact Ron Gordon, International Service Director, at rgordon@frii.com.

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Rotary Quote of the Week

"May is Youth Service Month, and there are many ways your Rotary club can celebrate. Sponsor an Interact club or Rotaract club, and your Rotary club will give young people in your community the tools they need to take action, become leaders, and gain a global perspective. Team up with your local Rotaract club for a service project. Get to know the participants in Rotary's programs for young leaders and share their stories with your community... This month, let's **Be the Inspiration** to the young leaders in our communities by mentoring them, engaging them, and working side by side with them on meaningful projects. It's an investment in their future and in the world they will live in after we're gone. And it will work that will forever enrich their lives, and our own.."

-Barry Rassin, 2018-19 Rotary International President



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