



# The Spoke

## Rotary Club of Estes Park's Newsletter

### Welcome to our Club!

We meet Thursdays at 12:00 PM  
Nicky's Steakhouse  
1350 Fall River Rd.  
Estes Park, CO 80517  
United States of America

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*Posted by Guy Van der Werf*

### **Nov. 14 program:** **Learn about the RM Conservancy**

Rocky Mountain Conservancy promotes stewardship of Rocky Mountain National Park and similar lands through education and philanthropy. Established in 1931, the Rocky Mountain Conservancy (formerly the Rocky Mountain Nature Association) is one of the oldest national park cooperating organizations in the nation.

Estee Rivera Murdock, Executive Director at the Rocky Mountain Conservancy, will be speaking to the Rotary Club of Estes Park on Thursday, Nov. 14, at their regular noon meeting. Her program will focus on the Rocky Mountain Conservancy.



*Estee Rivera Murdock*

Since its founding, the Conservancy has provided over 30 million dollars of funding in order to support Rocky Mountain National Park

### November 14 Duty Roster

Invocation: **Karen Thompson**

Song & Pledge: **Madison Casey**

Guest Intro: **Jon Thompson**

Scribe: **Rita DuChateau**

Photographer: **Jon Thompson**

Greeter: **Karen Thompson**

Program Intro: **Rick Taylor**

### November 21 Duty Roster

Invocation: **Jack Boatman**

Song & Pledge: **Madison Casey**

Guest Intro: **Larry Williams**

Scribe: **Dale Bonza**

Photographer: **Jon Thompson**

Greeter: **Jon Thompson**

Program Intro: **Sue Fereday**

### **Speakers**

Nov 14, 2019

[Estee Rivera Murdock](#)

The Rocky Mountain Conservancy

and related public lands. Furthermore, it produces educational publications, offers seminars, supports research, and provides philanthropic support to Rocky Mountain National Park.

Born and raised in southern Arizona, Murdock worked for the National Park Service for nearly a decade, first at Saguaro National Park and later at the Washington DC Headquarters office.

Murdock received a BA in Anthropology and Spanish literature and a MA in Geography with a focus on Hispanic Community Engagement and Public Lands and Geographic Information Science, all from the University of Arizona. Currently, she resides in Estes Park with her husband and daughter.

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*Posted by Karol Rinehart*

## **Club Thanksgiving Luncheon on Nov. 21 -- Your RSVP Needed**

It's Thanksgiving feast sign-up time.

Regular price for a luscious lunch at Nicky's. Bring a guest!  
RSVP for the Thursday, Nov. 21 luncheon **on or before Thursday, Nov. 14** to Karol Rinehart, club administrator.

**[kj.rinehart@centurylink.net](mailto:kj.rinehart@centurylink.net)**

OR let her know at this week's meeting. John Thomason needs a count for the chef!



***Rotary Thanksgiving Feast  
Nicky's - Thursday, Nov. 21***

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*Posted by Madison Casey*

## **Nov. 7 meeting notes**

President Doug Mann called the meeting to order. He announced the board approved grants for the Amaro Tan summer camp in Albania and a school in Nepal. Invocation and song were by Madison Casey. They were a prayer for Veteran's Day and a song for today's program "Home on the Range". Doug Mann led the Pledge of Allegiance. Kevin Mullin greeted us today. Doug announced birthdays for Kevin Mullin, Kathy Groesbeck and Pete Sinnott. Anniversaries of club membership are Virgil Holtgrewe (60 years), Jack Overly (40

Nov 21, 2019

[Sue Fereday](#)

RYLA

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## **Upcoming Events**

[Duck Race Committee Meeting](#)

Nicky's

Nov 21, 2019

5:00 PM – 6:00 PM

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## **Birthdays, Anniversaries**

*Member Birthdays*

**Kevin Mullin**

November 4

**Kathy Groesbeck**

November 7

**Peter Sinnott**

November 8

**Madison Casey**

November 17

**Thor Homme**

November 21

**Doug Mann**

November 30

**Dale Bonza**

December 1

**Gary Hazelton**

December 3

**Chuck Bonza**

December 13

**Jennifer Comstock**

December 16

**Harry Livingston**

years), Bob Benight (20 years), and Doug Mann (3 years). Introductions were led by Jim Austin: Visiting Rotarian Mel Rueppel from Sunrise. Guest of Rotarians: Bob Benight brought Don and Sylvia Adams. Rick Taylor introduced our speaker's friends attending today, who had all met at the YMCA of the Rockies in the 1970's—Terry Ohnstad, Marlene & Walt Borneman, Cindy & Vince Brady, and Rick's wife Cindy Taylor. We welcomed Monta Lee Dakin, wife of our speaker today. Tom Gardner introduced his wife of 53 years, Linda.



Scott Thompson delivered one of his worst jokes ever, but this scribe has said that before.

### Happy Money

- Kathy Groesbeck was happy for their two-week trip to France for a D-Day tour.
- Tom Gardner was happy his wife Linda is back after house sitting for her brother.
- Madison Casey was happy to have visited family in Santa Barbara, CA.



### More announcements

- Bill Solms is chair of Duck Race sponsors and would like to get all arranged by December 15 when he leaves for part of the winter. He intends to get us lists for first contact by

December 18

### Anniversaries

**Virgil Yarbrough  
Carol**

November 6

**Jennifer Comstock  
Matt Comstock**

November 13

**Rob Cohen  
Sheila**

November 27

**Trudy Collar  
Curt Collar**

November 27

**Chuck Bonza  
Dale**

December 26

**Dale Bonza  
Chuck**

December 26

**Gary Hazelton  
Kris**

December 31

**Kris Hazelton  
Gary**

December 31

### Join Date

**Virgil Holtgrewe**  
November 1, 1969  
50 years

**Bob Benight**  
November 3, 1994  
25 years

**Chip Sproul**  
November 3, 2005  
14 years

**Jack Overly**



Thanksgiving.

- Karen Thompson said she will help with Duck sponsors when Bill leaves. She still needs committee members to fill slots so please attend the next meeting Thursday November 21 at 5:00 here at Nicky's.
- Karen said the photo contest for the Friendship card attracted 34 entrants. Five finalists were selected and we voted on them today.
- Tara Moenning read a scholarship thank you letter from Brad Harris, a senior in Construction Management at CSU.
- Jack Boatman said two enhancements have been added to our foundation's matching donation program—our foundation will match donations to local charities for members preferring to pay from their IRA or on Colorado Gives Day (Dec. 10). Just submit proof of the donation payment with your form.
- Pete Sinnott said our club will ring Salvation Army bells for three days after Thanksgiving. He is pleased all our captains have been arranged, so please accept when asked to ring.



### Program

Rick Taylor introduced Steve Friesen, who presented the life story of Buffalo Bill Cody. Steve was Director of the Buffalo Bill Museum on Lookout Mountain for 22 years and wrote a book about him which he sold today.

November 4, 1979  
40 years

**Longley Parker**  
November 8, 2001  
18 years

**Tom Gardner**  
November 13, 2003  
16 years

**Marsha Yelick**  
November 15, 2007  
12 years

**Don Widrig**  
November 16, 2000  
19 years

**Doug Mann**  
December 1, 2016  
3 years

**Jim Austin**  
December 11, 2008  
11 years

**Gary Hazelton**  
December 12, 2002  
17 years

**Kris Hazelton**  
December 12, 2002  
17 years

**Heidi Cooper**  
December 13, 2018  
1 year

**Gordon Ulrickson**  
December 20, 2018  
1 year

**John Thomason**  
December 20, 2018  
1 year

## Executives & Directors

President



*Madison Casey, scribe, and Jon Thompson, photographer*



*Posted by Jack Boatman*

## Double a donation to a favorite local charity

The Rotary Club of Estes Park Foundation is conducting a matching charitable donation program this fall to supplement donations to local non-profits.



The maximum matching donation amount is **\$200** per member and the minimum donation amount is \$50. Rotary Club of Estes Park members will be able to apply for matching donations from the Foundation between October 10 and December 12, 2019. The Foundation will be providing matching donations to qualified 501(c)(3) organizations serving Estes Valley residents and in good standing with the Colorado Secretary of State.

The application form which provides detailed instructions is available on the club website and will be available at the weekly club meetings. If you have any questions, please contact or email Jack Boatman (email: [jack.boatman7@gmail.com](mailto:jack.boatman7@gmail.com) / Telephone: 832-623-5647) - Grants Manager.

## Nominating Committee looking for leaders

Would you like to be a part of the RCEP leadership team? President-

[Doug Mann](#)

President Elect  
[Bill Solms](#)

Treasurer  
[Longley Parker](#)

Secretary  
[Rita DuChateau](#)

Sergeant-at-Arms  
[Dennis Gellhaus](#)

Past President  
[Dave Evans](#)

Club Administration  
[Karol Rinehart](#)

Community Service Co-Chair  
[Peter Sinnott](#)

Community Service  
[Jack Overly](#)

Fund Development  
[Karen Thompson](#)

International Service  
[Ron Gordon](#)

Membership  
[Trudy Collar](#)

Youth/New Generation Services  
[Sue Fereday](#)

Program Committee Chair  
[Rick Taylor](#)

## Foundation Officers

President  
[Madison Casey](#)

Vice President  
[Harriette Woodard](#)

Treasurer

elect Bill Solms is convening the Nominating Committee that will publish a slate of proposed officers and directors who will begin 1-3 terms on July 1, 2020. Contact Bill Solms or Doug Mann if you have an interest in serving as an officer or director of the Club or Foundation.



## Give to our Foundation while you shop!

The Rotary Club of Estes Park Foundation is a recipient of funds in the [smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com). Each order you place will send a portion of the sale to our Foundation. All you need to do is sign up to get the funds flowing. And SHOP!

- Go to: [smile.amazon.com](https://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. Click on Estes Park Rotary Foundation.
- Create a bookmark so every time you shop Amazon, you will be participating in the smile.amazon.com program.



## Congratulations, 2019 scholars



[Dennis Gellhaus](#)

Secretary

[Dave Evans](#)

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## Bulletin Editor

[Rita DuChateau](#)

*(If you have any comments or questions, please contact the editor)*

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## **Rotary Quote of the Week**

*"I am excited that Rotary President Mark Daniel Maloney has made expanding the family of Rotary a priority. We must bring our family members to Rotary events and do all we can to encourage them to be part of this wonderful organization. And through the Rotary Foundation, we can make these family connections part of our legacy. You are never too young or too old for Rotary."*

*- Gary C. K. Huang, R.I. Foundation Trustee Chair*



## **Rotary Club of Estes Park Welcomes You!**

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