



# The Spoke

## Rotary Club of Estes Park's Newsletter

### Time to Decide Where our ENERGY and ENTHUSIASM reside! Please do not miss our November 4, 2021 Program

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.

Dear Club,

Visioning for our Future starts Thursday! It includes the Club meetings on the 4th and the 18th of November. We have mentioned several times how important it is for ALL members to attend either in person or on Zoom to share your thoughts.

Just a little bit of background.....COVID-19 has disrupted all of the strategic plans and Visioning for organizations, governments, and businesses all around the world. It has been several years since we have embarked on a Visioning process. In addition, our Club has slowly diminished in size while continuing to participate in new and older legacy programs. It is time to determine where our ENERGY and ENTHUSIASM resides!

Our first meeting on November 4 will include group discussions about what energy and excitement brought us to join Rotary to begin with... and why we choose to continue to participate. Reflecting on these two areas will be your HOMEWORK until the meeting begins on Thursday. In addition, we need to hear what aspects of Rotary you feel are essential to discuss during the second meeting. We have several categories in mind but we need to know anything that is important to the group. We may not be able to cover all of the suggestions, but we definitely need to discuss the topics that several people bring up.

Our Club has a great deal of vitality. We wish to continue to build on that legacy into the future! Your opinions are very important to everyone! Please make a point to participate.

Thanks for all you do through Rotary for our Estes Valley Community and the world!

Jim Whiteneck

### November 4 Duty Roster

**Invocation:** Dennis Gellhaus

**Song & Pledge:** Jim Whiteneck

**Guest Intro:** Scott Thompson

**Scribe:** Pete Sumej

**Greeter:** Karol Rinehart

**Program Intro:** Dennis Gellhaus

### November 11 Duty Roster

**Invocation:** Virgil Holtgrewe

**Song & Pledge:** Jim Whiteneck

**Guest Intro:** Scott Thompson

**Scribe:** Madison Casey

**Greeter:** Karol Rinehart

**Program Intro:** Dennis Gellhaus

### Upcoming Events

[Club Board Meeting](#)

Nov 02, 2021

5:00 PM – 6:00 PM

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### Speakers

Nov 04, 2021

[Jim Whiteneck](#)

Vision Committee Presentation

Nov 11, 2021

[Deborah Bruce](#)

Healing Waters

Nov 18, 2021

[Jim Whiteneck](#)

## Update by President Jim Whitneck

### Announcements:

- Exciting things are happening!
  - We have several potential new members that will be coming to the Club soon!
  - The Community Service Committee has voted to sponsor a great project for the school and the Hispanic community.
  - We will be sponsoring Blue Christmas
  - We are voting to send Estes Park youth to RYLA!
  - The International Service Committee has voted to help with entrepreneurial training in Bangladesh.
  - We will be ringing bells for the Salvation Army at 4 locations on Saturday, November 27.
  - We have a Holiday Meal for Scholarships December 7th which includes \$100 donation per ticket
- We seem to be hitting on all cylinders!
- The Club **NEEDS YOUR INPUT!!!** *We are planning for our future at Club meetings on November 4 and 18. Sally Park will be helping us clarify our Visioning Goals. Your ideas are critical in this process! Please plan to attend both meetings either live or on Zoom.*

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## October 28, 2021 Meeting Notes

President Jim Whitneck rang the bell at 12:00  
 The Invocation was given by Lee Lasson  
 The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Jim Whitneck  
 Guests of Rotarians were announced.

### Announcements:

- President Jim announced the plan for including club members in the Visioning Process.
  - During the November 4 meeting, instead of a speaker, members will break into small groups at their tables to consider two questions. 1) What were the reasons that you joined our club. 2) Why do you continue your membership. After discussion, each group will report a summary of the results of their discussion.
  - During the November 18 meeting, members will break into small groups to discuss questions about what the club is doing to focus on what we are doing, and if there are more effective ways to do them. This meeting will probably run a half hour longer than normal.
- We continue to have jobs that need to be filled by club members:
  - Scribes
  - Little Duck.
- Matching Grant applications are available for members to pick up and use.

Vision Committee Presentation

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## Birthdays, Anniversaries

### Member Birthdays

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**Rick Taylor**

October 7

**Carl Robicheaux**

October 15

**Jack Overly**

October 16

**Dennis Gellhaus**

October 20

**Kevin Mullin**

November 4

**Dave Boon**

November 5

**Kathy Groesbeck**

November 7

**Peter Sinnott**

November 8

**Madison Casey**

November 17

**Thor Homme**

November 21

**Doug Mann**

November 30

### Anniversaries

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**Tom Maher**

**Marilyn**

October 8

**Lee Lasson**

**Sandy**

October 15

**Jennifer Comstock**

**Matt Comstock**

November 13

**Rob Cohen**

**Sheila**

November 27

**Trudy Collar**

**Curt Collar**

- Carl Robicheaux thanked club members for their response to funding of the Scholarship Fund, and passed out another bowl.
- The club fundraiser Scholarship Dinner is set for December 7.
  - Tara announced that special room rental rates are available at the Taharaa Mountain Lodge for guests who want to spend the night after the dinner.
- The Club Board meeting will be on November 2 at 5:00 PM in the Wasson Room at the Library.
- **Virgil Holtgrewe is celebrating his 61st anniversary in Rotary this week.**

**Happy Money** was enjoyed by all.

The meeting adjourned with the 4 way test.  
The Community Services committee conducted a planning meeting immediately afterwards.

*Pete Sumey, scribe*



*Posted by Karen Thompson*

### **Vote for your favorite Friendship Card photo at this week's meeting!**

#### **Announcements:**

We received 17 eligible photos

- Each member in attendance will be able to vote for their three favorite photos
- The contest winner will have their photo used on the 2022 Friendship Card.

Thanks to Beth Weisberg for helping with this project while Karen was off having fun with the new grandson.

*Posted by Beth Weisberg*

### **Duck Race Committee will meet on Scott's Zoom at 5:00 pm on November 4, 2021 to vote on Software Committee's recommendations for funding of software development for future Duck Races.**

*Posted by Phil and Tara Moenning*

#### **SAVE THE DATE!!**

### **SCHOLARSHIP FUNDRAISING DINNER Tuesday, December 7th 5 to 8 pm**

November 27

#### *Join Date*

**Tom Anderson**  
October 1, 1981  
40 years

**Dana Fritz**  
October 2, 1997  
24 years

**Brad Rosenbaum**  
October 6, 2011  
10 years

**Anne Slack**  
October 10, 2002  
19 years

**Tim McLemore**  
October 10, 2017  
4 years

**Kathy Groesbeck**  
October 16, 2014  
7 years

**Karen Thompson**  
October 22, 2015  
6 years

**Sue Fereday**  
October 25, 2012  
9 years

**Jay Harroff**  
October 29, 1998  
23 years

**Virgil Holtgrewe**  
November 1, 1959  
62 years

**Jack Overly**  
November 4, 1979  
42 years

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

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

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



### Announcements:

It's time to purchase your table for the winter Rotary Scholarship Fundraiser dinner.

- The dinner will be held on Tuesday evening, December 7<sup>th</sup>, 5-8pm, at the Taharaa Mountain Lodge/Twin Owls Steakhouse, 3110 S. St. Vrain Ave.
- The dining room will be decorated for the holidays and will provide a beautiful setting for our event.
- The menu choices will be
  - Prime Rib
  - Salmon
  - Basil Pesto Pasta.
- A table for four will be \$715 (\$400 will be tax deductible); a table for six will be \$1070 (\$600 will be tax deductible).
  - Purchase a table(s) to enjoy with friends/family, or to entertain as a gift.
  - You may decide on your guests and their menu selections at a later date.
- A special musical presentation will be included for a portion of the evening.

We look forward to your joining us, Fund Development Committee

### Matching Charitable Donation Program Double Your Donation to Your 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 \$300 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 until November 18, 2021.
- 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 is available at the weekly club meetings. You will also be receiving an email with the application form attached.
- 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)

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[Anne Slack](#)

Ernie Altick Program

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Do you find that you are placing Amazon orders more frequently these days? Don't forget to help your Rotary Club of Estes Park Foundation with every order. As a recipient of funds in the [smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com), our foundation will receive a portion of the sale. 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.
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