



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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No meeting this week

Thursday is the 5th Thursday.



See you Nov. 7.

Posted by Dana Fritz

Oct. 24 meeting notes

President Doug called the meeting to order promptly at noon. An invocation was given by Pete Sumey followed by the Pledge led by Dave Evans. Visiting Rotarian, Jean Rismiller, was introduced by Pete Sinnott. Jean then introduced our exchange student, Antonia from Santiago, Chile. Brad introduced his son, Everett.

October 31 Duty Roster

Invocation: **No meeting**

Song & Pledge: **Fifth Thursday**

Guest Intro: **No Meeting**

Scribe: **Fifth Thursday**

Photographer: **No Meeting**

Greeter: **Fifth Thursday**

Program Intro: **No Meeting**

Speakers

Oct 31, 2019

[Fifth Thursday](#)

No Meeting

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Upcoming Events

[Club Board Meeting](#)

Wasson Room, Library

Nov 05, 2019

5:00 PM – 6:00 PM

[Duck Race Committee Meeting](#)

Nicky's

Nov 21, 2019

5:00 PM – 6:00 PM

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Birthdays, Anniversaries

Member Birthdays



Joke
President Doug filled in with the joke of the week, as both Thompsons were missing in action.



Announcements

- Bill Smith announced the death of long time Rotarian, Jim White...services will be November 9th, 2:00 PM, at the Community church.
- Mike Connolly and Jim Austin reported on the very successful pumpkin distribution....over 540 pumpkins were given out.



World Polio Day Announcement

President Doug shared a message from International Rotary that polio has been eradicated in all but two countries, Afghanistan and Pakistan...at least the WPB 3 strain.

Happy Money for Polio Plus

Happy money was given in celebration by Ron Gordon and Anne Slack.

Rick Taylor
October 7

Jon Thompson
October 12

Carl Robicheaux
October 15

Jack Overly
October 16

Dennis Gellhaus
October 20

Kevin Mullin
November 4

Kathy Groesbeck
November 7

Peter Sinnott
November 8

Madison Casey
November 17

Thor Homme
November 21

Doug Mann
November 30

Anniversaries

Tom Maher
Marilyn
October 8

Lee Lasson
Sandy
October 15

Virgil Yarbrough
Carol
November 6

Jennifer Comstock
Matt Comstock
November 13

Rob Cohen
Sheila
November 27

Trudy Collar



Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned for committees to meet.

Dana Fritz, scribe, and Jon Thompson, photographer



In Memoriam, James White



Jim White died October 22 in Loveland. He was born in Bay City, Michigan on July 21, 1927. He married Joanne Christensen on June 21, 1952. He served in the U.S. Navy. In 1985, Jim moved to Estes Park and transferred to our Rotary Club on February 18, 1988. He became a Rotarian in 1952 in Bay City with a classification of Wholesale Lumber.

Jim resigned from the club in June 2019. Services will be held Saturday, Nov. 9 at 2 p.m. at Presbyterian Community Church of the Rockies.



James White

Curt Collar
November 27

Join Date

Tom Anderson
October 1, 1981
38 years

Dana Fritz
October 2, 1997
22 years

Brad Rosenbaum
October 6, 2011
8 years

Anne Slack
October 10, 2002
17 years

Tim McLemore
October 10, 2017
2 years

Kathy Groesbeck
October 16, 2014
5 years

Karen Thompson
October 22, 2015
4 years

Sue Fereday
October 25, 2012
7 years

Jay Harroff
October 29, 1998
21 years

Virgil Holtgrewe
November 1, 1969
50 years

Bob Benight
November 3, 1994
25 years

Chip Sproul
November 3, 2005
14 years

Jack Overly
November 4, 1979
40 years



Ron Gordon, our club's International Service Director, received this request and asked that we pass it along to all club members:

My name is Jim Hunt and I am a past District Governor and member of the Rotary Club of Ohio Pathways (D-6600). Joe Berninger, founder of the Guatemala Literacy Project (GLP), and I are **organizing Rotary service trips to Guatemala** and we are looking for interested Rotarians.

The GLP is the largest grassroots, multi-club, multi-district effort in the Rotary world not directed by RI itself and—according to former RI President Ian Riseley—the **“gold standard” of Rotary projects**. Over 600 Rotary clubs from 8 countries have participated in the GLP since its inception in 1996. GLP Textbook, Computer, Teacher Training, and Youth Development programs currently serve more than 50,000 impoverished children.

And we need Rotarians to join the following [service trips to Guatemala](#):

- Feb 1-9, 2020
- Feb 18-23, 2020
- July 12-18, 2020
- July 21-26, 2020

These trips offer a variety of experiences: some are longer or shorter; some more hands-on; yet *all* give you the opportunity to serve as a meaningful part of Rotary's work fighting poverty in Guatemala. **Please visit the [project's website](#) for more details.**

If you have any questions, you can email Joe at joe@guatemalaliteracy.org.

Yours in Rotary Service,

Jim Hunt, PDG
Rotary Club of Ohio Pathways (D-6600)

Joe Berninger
Guatemala Literacy Project (GLP)
Rotary Club of Ohio Pathways (D-6600)
www.guatemalaliteracy.org

P.S. Check out this [heartwarming blog post](#) about other Rotarians in action!

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

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Friendship Card photo contest deadline Friday

The Rotary Club of Estes Park invites submissions to a photo contest for the 2020 Friendship Card for Local Discounts. There is no charge to enter, and the winner will receive photo credit on the card and two 2020 Friendship Cards. The

deadline for submitting photos is **Friday, Nov. 1..**

The Friendship Card debuted in 2019, replacing the long-time Rocky Card. The Rotary Club of Estes Park re-established the card as a fundraiser for club projects and community grants.

“In its first year, over 500 cards have been sold, and we anticipate that number to increase as people become aware of the value the card brings to local shoppers,” said Karen Thompson, Fund Development Director for the club.

In 2019, over 75 local businesses participated in providing some type of discount to cardholders. Each business displays a window decal announcing participation in the program.

“Rotary is very thankful for all the participating businesses, especially the Estes Park News for their continuous advertising throughout the summer,” Thompson said.

Entering is easy. Photos capturing favorite scenes from the Estes Valley or Rocky Mountain National Park can be emailed in high resolution, jpg format to epfriendshipcard@gmail.com. A panel of judges will select the winning photo. Cropping and slight color correction is allowed for photos, but judges will reject photos with anything added or deleted through a photo editing program.

All decisions of the judges are final. The winner will be notified via email. The winning photo may also be used on other marketing materials for the Friendship Card. Owner of the photo will not receive any other compensation other than photo credit and two 2020 Friendship Cards.

The 2019 Friendship Card costs \$10 and is valid until December 31, 2019. It is available for sale at Nicky’s Restaurant, Rocky Mountain Gateway, Estes Park Visitor Center, The Village Store at National Park Village, Safeway, MacDonald Book Store, and Quality Inn.



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.

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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 / Telephone: 832-623-5647) - Grants Manager.



Nominating Committee looking for leaders

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



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