



The Spoke

Rotary Club of Estes Park's Newsletter

Director of Development for Habitat for Humanity of the St. Vrain Valley John Lovell

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.



John Lovell

John Lovell is the Director of Development for Habitat for Humanity of the St. Vrain Valley headquartered in Longmont. He and his team are responsible for all fundraising, marketing, communications, grant writing and volunteer management for the organization. John started volunteering with St. Vrain Habitat in 2000. He worked on the affiliate's first strategic plan and opened its ReStore in 2006. From 2008-2010 John served Flatirons Habitat for Humanity as Executive Director. John has been in marketing and sales leadership roles in a variety of industries. Habitat's philosophy of "a hand up, not a hand out" initially attracted John to the organization. He believes that all people should put their faith into action.

He also owns a photography business specializing in portraiture and commercial work.

John is a graduate of the University of Colorado and holds an MBA from Harvard Business School.

He is an active member of Rocky Mountain Christian Church in Niwot, Colorado

Update by President Jim Whiteneck

Announcements:

October 14 Duty Roster

Invocation: Tara Moenning

Song & Pledge: Jim Whiteneck

Guest Intro: Scott Thompson

Scribe: Madison Casey

Greeter: Karol Rinehart

Program Intro: Dennis Gellhaus

October 21 Duty Roster

Invocation: Peter Sinnott

Song & Pledge: Jim Whiteneck

Guest Intro: Scott Thompson

Scribe: Dana Fritz

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Upcoming Events

Foundation Board Meeting

Quality Inn

Oct 21, 2021

1:15 PM – 2:00 PM

Duck Race Committee Meeting

Hondius Room at the Library

Oct 28, 2021

5:00 PM – 6:00 PM

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Speakers

Oct 14, 2021

[John Lovell](#)

Habitat for Humanity

- Fire Chief Dave Wolf gave an outstanding presentation on the Cameron Peak and Troublesome fires this past year. They played a remarkable role in saving homes in the Glen Haven area. We are extremely grateful for their work in the past and going forward!
- Great news: **Dr Mel Rueppel** has stepped up to be our **Sergeant at Arms** this year. We are delighted to have him on board! We will look forward to what mischievous plans he has for us!
- **Mark Lee** is not only involved with our Club technology but will be helping this year with event **photography**. We are very grateful to Mark for assisting in this needed area!
- Please make a special effort to attend our Club meetings on November 4 and November 18. During those meetings we will be developing our Vision for the coming years. Sally Park will be assisting us. Your input is critical in this process.
- We have three important remaining spots to fill. The first spot is "**Little Duck**". Several members of the Club are diligently working to seek partnerships as we plan to proceed with this event. As a consequence, we're hoping that the work will be much more broadly distributed. We're striving to allow the Duck Race leadership to plan this race with a significantly reduced commitment of time and energy.
- The second position that needs 2 volunteers involves more **Scribes**. We have three people volunteering to scribe (take notes during the Club meeting). As a consequence, they rotate more frequently than once a month. If we had two more people willing to help with this task, it would only occur about once every 1 1/2 months. We would be most grateful if you could help us with these notes. "Many hands make easy work"!
- The third position is a person to write **articles for the newspaper**. Dale Bonza is doing this in between her full time work with FEMA and would appreciate help.
- I'm looking forward to seeing everyone next Thursday!

October 7, 2021 Meeting Notes

Past President Bill Solms rang the bell at 12:00.
The Invocation was given by Bill Smith.
The Pledge was led by President Jim Whiteneck.

Guests of Rotarians: Annie Slack introduced Renee Hodgden and Joe Calvin. Dennis Gellhaus introduced wife Robbie. Guy Van der Werf introduced son Ben who is working in Estes Park.

Announcements:

- We continue to have jobs that need to be filled by club members: Scribe, Sergeant-at-Arms, newspaper article writer and Little Duck.
- Carl Robicheaux thanked club members for their response to funding of the Scholarship Fund, which is 100% funded with over \$24,000 for the coming year.
 - He presented Annie Slack a beautiful wooden bowl made by Peter Sinnott for her donation to the Golf

Oct 21, 2021
[Graham Nelson](#)
Aviation and Air Shows

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Birthdays, Anniversaries

Member Birthdays

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

Tom Maher
Marilyn
October 8

Lee Lasson
Sandy
October 15

Jennifer Comstock
Matt Comstock
November 13

Rob Cohen
Sheila
November 27

Tournament.

- Beth Weisberg announced that the school pumpkin distribution is set for October 15th.
- The club Fundraiser Dinner for Scholarships is set for December 7.
- Jack Boatman reported that the foundation program providing matching funds for charitable donations will be available again this year, with the donation amount increased to \$300. Members should contact Jack for donation forms.

Happy Money:

- Annie Slack thanked Bill Smith for his work on the club social event.
- Beth Weisberg thanked Scott Thompson for his help with a problem with her house.
- Tom Maher reported that this is the 85th year for the school pumpkin distribution program. It was started in 1936.

Dennis Gellhaus introduced Fire Chief David Wolf, who reported on the 2020 fires, and plans that are under way to protect our community in the future.

President Jim closed the club meeting with the 4 way test.

Pete Sumey, scribe



Welcome to Duck Race 2022 October 28, 2021 5 PM

We are hoping to run our ducks down the river again with a live, in-person event on May 7, 2022, and it's time to start planning.

The 2022 Duck Race Committee will hold its first meeting

- Thursday, October 28, at 5:00 p.m. in person at the Hondius Room at the Estes Valley Library. Also available by Zoom, with Scott hosting.
- Please try to attend for important recommendations from the Duck Race Software Committee will affect the future of the Duck Race in 2023 and beyond
- It's your chance to make your voice and ideas heard and vote count
- We'll be voting on
 - whether to buy a new (brighter) Duck Race banner from Hobert's, for the 34/36 intersection
 - whether to require each of our participating organizations to provide one volunteer to help with river security on Race Day 2022, as a condition of being allowed to participate in the Duck Race.
- If you are not already a member of the 2022 Duck Race Committee but would like to join
 - let Beth Weisberg know; she will add you to the Committee member list so that you will receive future emails
 - let Beth know of your interests

Trudy Collar
Curt Collar
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

- attend the meeting on October 28; the more ideas shared, the better.
- If you have already signed up to be a member of the 2022 Duck Race Committee or if you have let Beth know you want to join
 - a more detailed agenda for the October 28 meeting and
 - an overview of the recommendations of the Duck Race Software Committee will be emailed to you soon for your review prior to the meeting.

Questions? Contact Beth at bigduck@epduckrace.org.

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 between October 14 and November 18, 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. 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 / Telephone: 832-623-5647)
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Posted by Phil and Tara Moenning

SAVE THE DATE!!

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



Announcements:

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

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[Anne Slack](#)

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[Carl Robicheaux](#)

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[Anne Slack](#)

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[Gregg Jurgens](#)

Grants

[Jack Boatman, Carl Robicheaux](#)

Scholarships

[Anne Slack](#)

- The dinner will be held on Tuesday evening, December 7th, 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

Two Positions Filled But More Help Needed!

Yeah! Mel Rueppel and Mark Lee stepped forward to assume the Sergeant-At Arms and Photographer positions respectively. Thank you to both these Rotarians. But we still need a Little Duck, a person to write articles for the papers and Scribes for Meeting Notes.

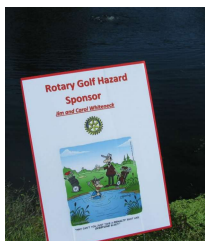
Are you able to perform one of these jobs? Please contact President Jim Whiteneck if you are available.

And a BIG THANK YOU!! Remember "Service Above Self"

Posted by Chuck Bonza

More Pictures From the Golf Tournament

Thanks to Chuck Bonza we can all experience the wonderful time had at the Golf Tournament. There were many pictures and here are just a few.



Jim's warning



Your Golf Committee hard at work



Happy Committee



Golfers Ready to Play

Ernie Altick Program

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Lunch time



Old Glory on a beautiful day

Posted by Ron Gordon

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