Rotary Club Of Estes Park Spoke

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Today's Program

Noon Rotary Presents "Our Future is our Membership" With Jill Anderson



Jill Anderson will present the past, present and future of Rotary from the point of view of a Member on September 6th at Noon Rotary Club. "We only exist to serve others in Rotary and it's simply the right thing to do to be a Rotarian", Anderson states. "I'm very excited about being Membership Chair and I can't wait to share with others the enrichment we can bring to this community through our united efforts."

Jill is a Colorado native born and raised in an agricultural ranching family complete with seven brothers. Jill, her husband Bill and their 16 year old daughter Ivy have been living in Estes Park for over five years. Jill is the Executive Director for the Estes Park Medical Center Foundation and has been involved in the non profit sector since 1988. She holds her national CFRE distinction within her profession, has educated hundreds of students in the science of fundraising and is currently working on publishing her first book, "Starting Below Grassroots". Jill has raised well over \$50 million dollars in her career and truly believes in the artful journey of humanity. She always says that "hard work matched with caring people will always accomplish great things". Jill knows the value of relationships and she is thrilled to be Chair of Membership for Noon Rotary as a part of Pete's cabinet of officers.

EP Rotary helps Guatemala kids learn Posted by Brad Rosenbaum Membership Jill Anderson

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Sep 13, 2012 Jeff Liddle Eagle Rock School

Sep 20, 2012 Bob Gunn EP Performing Arts Center

Sep 27, 2012 Rita Kurelja Affordable Housing in EV

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Club Events

Duck Race Committee Meeting Nikki's Restaurant Sep 13, 2012 05:00 PM

Barleen Benefit Show Rocky Mountain Opry Theater Sep 18, 2012 06:30 PM

Foundation Board Meeting Library/Wasson Room Sep 24, 2012 05:00 PM



Growing up in rural parts of Guatemala is a challenge -particularly if you're a child in search of an education. Jack Vaughan of the Rotary Club of Estes Park says consider some basics: "First, they're not very literate and they're awful poor. Of all the kids who start in the first grade in elementary school, two-thirds of them have dropped

out by the sixth grade." It's not that way in the cities, but it is in rural Guatemala.

That's where the Rotary Club works to make a difference in the lives of thousands of youngsters.

The Guatemala Literacy Project is one of four programs that will benefit from a fundraiser Sept. 18th at 6:30pm by the Rocky Mountain Opry at the National Park Village Playhouse, 900 Moraine Ave. (Highway 36). Proceeds from this special extended version of the Opry's rock 'n' roll show will all go for learning programs for kids in Guatemala and Estes Park. Seating is limited and reservations are required for the show. Tickets are \$30 and can be purchased at the Opry's Box Office at the National Park Village Playhouse entrance or by calling 970-577-8000. Call soon because tickets are going fast.

"The teachers in Guatemala don't have more than a high school education themselves," explains Vaughan. "That's one thing. The other thing is most of these rural kids spend their time having kids as soon as they're old enough. So they grow up in large families that need a lot of help caring for their siblings. A lot of times they're encouraged to drop out of school by the parents to stay home and help."

Very few children in elementary and middle school in Guatemala have textbooks. That's why 350 Rotary clubs are partnering with the Cooperative for Education, a charitable group, which has been placing textbooks in Guatemalan schools for 15 years. School by school, year by year, they've helped more than 29,000 children and have 128,000 textbooks in



more than 190 rural schools. The project has cut the dropout rate by 46%. Studies have shown that by simply staying in school, young people in Guatemala can improve their earning potential by as much as 50% over their lifetimes.

"The Rotary club is thrilled that the Rocky Mountain Opry is donating all of the proceeds of the show to this fundraiser," said club president Pete Sumey. "They put on an amazing show and they are committing extra effort to make sure this show will be different from any of the others they stage at the Opry. We also want to thank Scott Webermeier for donating the use of the theater that night for the show." Fund Development Commitee Meeting Library/Wasson Room Sep 25, 2012 05:00 PM

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The fundraising show will start an hour earlier than usual and will feature a 50s-60s clothing contest, a trivia contest, more songs, and a vintage car show by members of the Estes Park Car Club. The Estes Park Museum is also supplying photos of the town in the 50s and 60s as part of the decorations for the show.



It's musical variety that fuels the performers on stage. "We did eight different shows here this summer," show producer George Staerkel explained, "and in 56 shows to have eight different ones that's a lot of variety. There're a couple of reasons for that: one, we don't want to get bored playing the same thing night after night after night. By doing eight different shows over three months, that keeps it fun for us."

It also keeps people coming back for more. "We see them walk through the door every week," said Barbara Barleen. "Some of them two or three times a week. The loyalty is tremendous."

"We're not really playing for ourselves," added Staerkel. "We're playing for them, so we have to keep trying to think of new things to do to keep those regulars coming back."

"When I put a show together, I'm putting what they want," said Barleen. "We can tell by audience response. We can tell by the looks on their faces. If we're doing something up there they're not responding to -out it goes."

In addition to helping kids in Guatemala, the Rotary club plans to use the money raised to purchase books for the summer reading program at the Estes Valley Library and for improvements to the outdoor reading area

the Rotary club constructed earlier this year. It already has proven to be very successful in attracting children and parents for a reading adventure outdoors. The club also will use fundraising proceeds to purchase the books each program speaker signs and donates to the children's library.

"When you consider the impact this club has in helping children in Guatemala learn how to read and in maintaining the reading proficiency of children in Estes Park, it makes this fundraising event a really big deal," said Sumey. "Spending \$30 for a ticket to the Sept. 18th show is not just a ticket to an evening of



great fun and great music it's also an investment in our kids and kids

thousands of miles away. For them, it's a ticket to a brighter future."

2012 Incoming Exchange Student Faustine Delebarre Posted by Brad Rosenbaum

Faustine Delebarre, our new exchange student from Bruay la Buissiére, France, arrived late Friday night, August 17, at the Denver International Airport. Her arrival was delayed from about 3:00 p.m. to about 11:00 p.m. Her host family, Dawn and Ed Shields, met her at the airport. The



Shields live near the top of Pole Hill; poor Faustine comes from a fairly flat landscape near sea level, so her first experience in Estes Park was an eye-opener! Bruay la Buissiére is in the extreme north of France, very near Belgium and the English Channel.

Faustine was registered in school before she arrived by her counselor, Karen Hall. Her first day of school was on the Monday after she arrived. Karen took her to purchase school supplies the day before she enrolls.

At home, Faustine took seven years of English, three years of Spanish, and one year of Chinese. We can learn a lot from her! She is the third of three children in her family. She took the initiative by herself to contact her local Rotary club to become an exchange student to the United States.

The Shields say that Faustine "fits right in". They are happy to have this new addition to their family. One of the Shields girls is the same age as Faustine and may share some of her classes. She can help Faustine meet new kids and make some friends.

In the picture, Faustine is on the sofa, second from the right, sitting next to Ed. She is the girl in the pink shirt that says "Never Give Up!" This is a brave girl!



"The first Duck Race Committee meeting of the season will be on Sept. 13th at 5:00 p.m. in the back dining room of Nicky's. If you have an interest in helping with the Duck Race but didn't sign up for the committee, please come -- all are welcome!"



-Thank you Marcia Logan Big Duck

"If you love someone, you say it, say it right then and there, out loud, otherwise the moment just passes you by."

-Dermot Mulroney **My** best friend's wedding

Anniversaries!

Celebrated on the 3rd Thursday of September

Don & Karen Peterson 1st! Mimi & Dave Hardendorf on the 3rd! Jim and Barbara Godbolt on the 3rd! Mike and Carole Connolly on the 10th! John and Karen Ericson on the 13th! Phil and Tara Moenning on the 13th! Rob and Jan Ludlum 17th! Ron and Sylvia Kuhns on the 20th! Brad and Jennifer Rosenbaum on 26th! Reuben and Sara Bergsten on the 27th!



Estes Park's Shred-a-thon and Electronic Recycle Day is on Oct. 6th from 9am-1pm. Please think about being involved with this great event as Rotary will be sponsoring and working the shred

site.

Birthdays!

Celebrated on the 1st Thursday of September

You are as young as your faith, as old as your doubt; as young as your self-confidence, as old as your fear; as young as your hope, as old as your despair. ~Douglas MacArthur

Guy Van Der Werf on the 25th! Earl Matson on the 27th! Kenneth Cole on the 28th! John Ericson on the 29th! Ronald Gordon on the 30th!

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Next Week

Prayer: Randy Davis Song And Pledge: Chuck Bonza Guest Intro: Ward Nelson Meeting Notes: Greeter: Marcia Logan Program Intro: Karen McClure Back Booth: Harry Hutcherson

Meeting Notes

The meeting was called to order by President Pete Sumey. Lee Lasson

offered the invocation. Song and pledge were led by **Scott Thompson**. **Jack Vaughan** did the guest introductions. Guest Rotarian: **Kyle Roberson** and wife **Phyllis** of Champaign, Illinois.

Guests of Rotarians were Juliet Daily and Scott Thompson's wife, Karen.

We sang the Welcome Song.

Announcements:

Sarah Walsh made a presentation of banners from Rotary clubs she visited during her summer working in Cape Cod. Her birthplace is Hyannis.

Raffle/pool--**Jim Robertson** reported there was no winner last week and the pot is up to \$179.

Farmers' Market--For **Karen McClure**, **Jay Harroff** thanked today's Farmers' Market volunteers—**Jim Austin**, **Marcia Logan**, **Susan Day**.

Don Widrig reported on the Rotary benefit concert by the Rocky Mountain Opry. Tickets go on sale today--\$30 at the usual Opry ticket booth here at the Other Side. It will be a special 50s-60s Rock 'n Roll show Tuesday Sept. 18 starting earlier, at 6:30. We need volunteers to set up the show and clean up after. ALL proceeds go to our club, less some minor expenses. Publicity begins in tomorrow's newspaper and posters will be placed around town. We should all bring a friend.

Peach Sale—**Lori Gaglio** reported some of us will be going to investigate the Peach Festival this weekend in Fort Collins for a potential event for our club next year. She invited more of us to join her.

Exchange Student—**Marc Richards** said we need more host families. Contact him for the Thanksgiving to Christmas period.

Meetings and events were announced by Pete: Rotary Foundation meeting next week has been cancelled. Aug. 30-- 5th Thursday social will be at **Jay & Jane Harroff's** home. 5:00-7:00. Bring an appetizer to share and your own drinks. Sept. 6—Club Board meeting, 8:00am at US Bank Sept. 6—Youth Exchange meeting 5:30 at Optical Perspectives

Exchange student—Pete said all 3 clubs are sharing expenses for our new exchange student, **Faustine Delebarre**, so she will be dividing her time among us. She will attend our club meeting the first of each month.

Happy Money: **Jack Vaughan** is happy his wife and granddaughter went to Santa Fe for 4 days while his grandson stayed with him and they made an excursion to Cheyenne. Now he is happy that school has started. **Jill Anderson** put in \$10 for her committee's goal of 10 new members for our