



The Spoke

Rotary Club of Estes Park's Newsletter

The Arc of Larimer County



The Arc of Larimer County's vision is that people with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their families are embraced by their community to be included in every aspect of community life as valued, contributing, successful, and equal members of society.

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: \$20

Parking: American Legion and the church only.



David Monroe
Executive Director

David recently joined the Arc of Larimer County as our new Executive Director, continuing a diverse career pathway in public service work that features a long-time commitment to advocacy on behalf of individuals with disabilities. David was raised in Colorado in the Niwot area and attended college at the University of Colorado-Boulder, where he received his undergraduate degree in history and a Juris Doctorate in law. His past career experiences include working as an educator, school administrator and grant director in rural Alaska, where he spent a significant amount of time working with Native American students from both the Athabaskan and Inupiat cultures. He also wrote and administered grants for the University of Alaska that provided educational services to rural Alaskans, including grants designed to serve the needs of individuals with disabilities. David's career experience also includes serving for seven years as the Executive Director of a nonprofit agency providing support services to individuals with disabilities, and most recently serving as the Legal Services Director for Disability Law Colorado, an agency that provides advocacy and legal services for individuals with disabilities.

September 8 Duty Roster

Invocation: Gregg Jurgens

Song & Pledge: Dennis Gellhaus

Guest Intro: Scott Thompson

Scribe: Masison Casey

Greeter: Karol Rinehart

Program Intro: Karen Thompson

September 15 Duty Roster

Invocation: Karol Rinehart

Song & Pledge: Dennis Gellhaus

Guest Intro: Scott Thompson

Scribe: Pete Sumey

Greeter: Wayne Newsom

Program Intro: Karen Thompson

Upcoming Events

Club Board Meeting

Wasson Room, Library

Sep 06, 2022

5:00 PM – 6:00 PM

Foundation Board Meeting

Quality Inn

Sep 15, 2022

1:15 PM – 2:00 PM

Rotary Golf Tournament

18 hole golf course

Sep 16, 2022

1:30 PM – 6:00 PM

Elk Fest



Katie Kilber
Development Director

Katie completed her undergraduate degree at the University of Northern Colorado and has her Masters of Nonprofit Leadership and Management from Arizona State University. She has a passion for connecting with individuals and cultivating meaningful collaborative relationships. She is excited to use her strong skillset in fundraising, nonprofit special events, relationship development, and volunteer management to help the Arc of Larimer County achieve development goals while pushing our mission forward. When Katie is not at the Arc she enjoys cooking, baking, skiing and spending quality time with her husband and their rescue dog Reggie.

Update from President Gellhaus

As I was perusing the EP News yesterday, what struck me was the many opportunities for volunteer service in our community. So many wonderful causes looking for gifts and service that it is quite overwhelming.

Labor Day gives thanks for meaningful work and our ability to use our gifts and graces. Time offers us choosing where we place our efforts. I am indeed thankful for Rotarians in our Club and everywhere for their work and the joy it brings in sharing of ourselves.

Thanks for listening.

Dennis

September 1, 2022 Meeting Notes

President Dennis Gellhaus rang the bell at 12:00 PM
Madison Casey gave the Invocation
President Dennis led the Pledge of Allegiance
Madison Casey led in singing "When Irish Eyes are Smiling."

Guests of Rotarians:

- Jim Austin introduced neighbor Tim Moore.
- Chuck Bonza introduced incoming new members Grant Delbecq and Lawrence Trifileti

Announcements:

- The Shred-a-Thon earned \$2,537 for scholarships.
- Volunteers are needed for the John Denver Tribute Concert on Saturday.
- The club board meeting is next Tuesday in the Wasson room at the library.

Bond Park
Oct 01, 2022 – Oct 02, 2022

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Speakers

Sep 08, 2022
[Katie Kilber](#)
The Arc of Larimer County

Sep 15, 2022
[Maggie Cotreau](#)
End of Life Doula

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Birthdays, Anniversaries

Member Birthdays

John Thomason
August 3

Tom Gardner
August 4

Kris Hazelton
August 10

Beth Weisberg
August 11

Jay Harroff
August 19

Mark Lee
August 20

Milt Garrett
August 23

Karol Rinehart
September 5

Mel Rueppel
September 18

Virgil Holtgrewe
September 22

Guy Van der Werf
September 25

Ron Gordon
September 30

Anniversaries

RJ Lara

- The club Foundation meeting is scheduled for Thursday, September 15th.
- Carl Robicheaux explained the need for non-golfing members to participate as golf tournament sponsors.
- Volunteers are needed for the Labor Day Arts and Crafts fundraiser for Sunrise Rotary.
- The Elk Fest Festival is scheduled on October 1st. and 2nd.
 - Volunteers are needed for the beer sales, a fundraiser for our club.
 - Karen Thompson has a sign-up sheet in the back of the room..

Duty Roster:

Pete Sumej is Scribe, and Chuck Bonza served as greeter today.

Happy Money:

- On a sad note, Wayne and Judy Andersen are moving back to Omaha. They are holding a moving sale Friday and Saturday.
- Wayne Newsom is wishing the Andersen's well as they move. The Wayne's have to stick together.
- Tara Moenning is happy about the success of the Shred-a-Thon, and happy that it is over. The new vests for the volunteers were a great addition.
- Madison Casey is sorry he missed the Shred-a-Thon. It did so well, he may stay away next year.
- Mark Lee is thankful for the efforts by Jim Whiteneck to get the network running for club meetings.
- Carl Robicheaux is thankful for the efforts of volunteers selling golf tournament sponsorships.
- New member Grant Delbecq is happy to be joining the club.
- Jim Whiteneck is happy that Lawrence Trifileti has applied for club membership.
- President Dennis played a video of Rotary sponsored day camps for children in Albania.
 - Ron Gordon explained that District Grants were used for this project to increase a club gift of \$1,600 to \$5,600.

Moment for Rotary

Jim Whiteneck gave a brief summary of his inspiration for being a Rotarian.

Program

Kevin Mullin introduced speaker **Jodie Riesenberger** who gave a program on **GiveNext**, a school-based youth grantmaking program.

Adjournment:

President Dennis closed the club meeting with the Four Way Test.

Pete Sumej, scribe



Board Approves New Member Application

Samantha Lara
August 6

Thor Homme
Darlene
August 8

Jim Whiteneck
Carol Whiteneck
August 10

Wayne Newsom
Pat
August 10

Dawn Shields
Ed Shields
August 12

Tom Gardner
Linda
August 21

Jack Boatman
Jan Boatman
August 25

Mel Rueppel
Gray Rueppel
August 30

Mike Connolly
Carole Ann
September 10

Philip Moenning
Tara
September 14

Tara Moenning
Philip
September 14

Brad Rosenbaum
Jennifer
September 26

Jim Jonell
Joanie Jonell
September 30

Join Date

Kevin Mullin
August 16, 2018
4 years

Milt Garrett
August 28, 1998
24 years



Lawrence Trifiletti

Lawrence Trifiletti was born in Cold Spring, New York. He earned a BA degree from University of Maryland in International Relations and has spent 30 plus years as a manger/leader in both IT and HVAC Building Controls. Lawrence currently works for LONG Building Technologies as a Senior Operations Manager. He splits his time between Littleton and Glen Haven.

He married Anne on September 5, 1993. They have two children: Parker, 24, and Anthony, 22.

Lawrence enjoys activities such as Traveling, Hiking, Camping, Running, and Fencing.

As a son of a career Army parent, Lawrence feels that giving back as well as supporting a community is both an honor and a privilege. Lawrence's plan is to retire in Glen Haven and to be involved in community activities through the Rotary.

According to club bylaws, if there are no objections within seven days of publication, the applicant shall be considered elected to membership.

Richard Kimple Celebrates 50 years as a Rotarian



A Rotarian celebrating a milestone of 50 years with Rotary shares his story.

I am a 3rd generation Rotarian from Ellinwood, Kansas. We spend the summer at our home 10 miles south of Estes Park on the east side of highway 7. I have volunteered at RMNP for the past 8 seasons as a trail ranger in Wild Basin, as an interpretative ranger at Lily Lake and the last few seasons as a patrol ranger up to Rainbow Curve. This is my second year as a docent at the Stanley Home & Museum. I received an MS in Education College Level Counseling. My first job was at DePauw Univ. in Indiana.

Due to the illness of my father we returned back to Kansas to run the family funeral business in 1972. After 42 years as an embalmer/funeral director, I accepted an offer from a young man who was interning under me. In 1989 we purchased a very rustic log cabin in Allenspark and visited in 10 day hitchhikes between funerals.

Larry Williams

September 21, 2006
16 years

Michelle Mann

September 21, 2020
2 years

Tom Maher

September 29, 1977
45 years

Executives & Directors

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Fund Development Director

[Philip Moenning](#)

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Big Duck

[Bill Solms](#)

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[Carl Robicheaux](#)

Vice President

[Anne Slack](#)

I joined my home Rotary Club in 1972 along with a new dentist and young banker in Ellinwood. In order to join, my dad became a Sr. Active. My grandfather owned Dry Goods businesses in several towns in central Kansas. He was president of the Great Bend, Kansas Rotary Club when they sponsored a new club to be formed in Ellinwood. That made me a 3rd generation Rotarian. Our club promoted perfect attendance which I attempted to honor for several years and required making up a meeting at another club. I began "making up" by attending the Estes Park noon club in the early 1990's. I still belong to the Kansas club and am their first 50 year member. While in Estes I attend the Estes Park club and when we winter in Ft. Collins, I have been attending the Rotary After Work (RAW) club.

Thank you all for making me feel welcome for 32 years!

John Denver Tribute Concert Review



Saturday Night Performance TropiCowboy Band

While it is too early to tell what our total income will be from the John Denver Tribute Concert, it was a delightful evening spent with the Lion Club members and our "Rotarians at Work" volunteers. The auditorium was nearly full and the crowd was appreciative of Brad Fitch's renditions of John Denver's songs. The beginning duo, Random and True, were very fine, as well.

A huge thank you to the following: Chuck and Dale Bonza, Madison Casey, Dennis Gellhaus, Jim Jonell, Gregg Jurgens, Mark Lee, Carl Robicheaux, Annie Slack, Scott and Karen Thompson, and Jim Whiteneck. It would not have happened without this great group of Rotarians.

An interesting side: Brad's sister, Melinda, who was singing with him last night, told us that she received a Rotary Scholarship in 1980 when she graduated from Estes Park High School.

Phil and Tara Moenning

Paying it Forward: Rotary Golf Tournament Scholarship Fundraiser: September 16, 2022

Secretary

[Tara Moenning](#)

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Grants

[Jack Boatman, Carl Robicheaux](#)

Scholarships

[Tara Moenning](#)

Ernie Altick Program

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[Madison Casey](#)

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Our hope in putting on this tournament is to be a role model to the scholarship recipients at the high school is to serve others as we serve them through this fundraiser.

The tournament is a community service including members of Rotary, the community, and business owners to raise money to ease the skyrocketing financial burden of vocational and higher education.

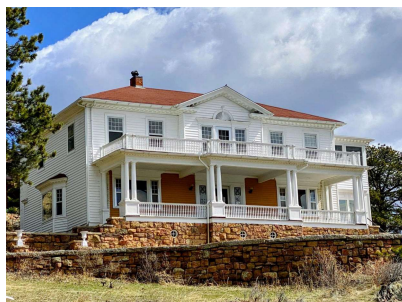
With your help through a fully tax deductible donation or sponsorship to the Rotary Club of Estes Park Foundation, the future is assured for graduating seniors in 2023.

Want to play as well? Register for the tournament, by downloading forms posted on the Estes Park Rotary Club website at www.rotaryclubofestespark.org *Golf Tournament Page*. Registration and sponsorship forms are also available at the Estes Park 18-Hole Golf Course. Golfers with questions should call Pete Sinnott at 970-577-7766.

The \$125 fee includes green fees, cart, lunch from Smokin' Dave's BBQ and a participation gift. In addition, \$25 of the fee will benefit the scholarship fund for Estes Park High School Seniors.

Rotary employs a scramble format and the Peoria Handicap System. That system is a type of one-day handicapping system in which most of the golfers are allowed a "handicap allowance" applied to each golfer's score. That system, plus a little luck, means you have a real chance to be a winner!

Stanley Home Museum Rotary Social September 29, 2022



Fifth Thursday gathering of Rotarians for a social including appetizers, beer, wine or margaritas. Best of all will be a tour of this

Historic Stanley Home Museum.

- Date: September 29, 2022
- Begins at 5:00pm and lasts 2 hours
- Parking begins at the Visitor's Center with a shuttle to the Home
- \$20 per person (checks should have Stanley Home on memo line)
- Sign up with Bill Smith at billsmithbronx1956@gmail.com

Friendship Card Merchant Renewals



We could use help from any Rotarian in following up with merchants to see if they want to continue participation with the Friendship Card.

Call or see Karen Thompson for more information.
970-590-9942.

Amaro Tan Summer Camp 2022 Video



Amaro Tan Summer Camp 2022 is a success!

Here's a delightful video taken recently at the camp. As you can see, lots of laughing, learning, and games. Thanks to the efforts of our International Committee and our members, for making this possible!

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2Odg0itAAjg&ab_channel=NehemiahGateway

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