



Welcome

2018

Rotary Club of Northglenn-Thornton

An Information Packet for
Prospective Members

Greetings,

We are really excited that you are interested in Rotary and becoming a prospective member!

Rotary was first created in 1905 by a group in Chicago led by an attorney, Paul Harris. We currently have over 1.2 million members who belong to 33,000 clubs worldwide!

The Rotary Club of Northglenn was founded in 1968, one year before the City of Northglenn was chartered. The founding members had a dream of bringing the community together to provide service and support wherever it was needed.



That Legacy continues to this day. We still have 1 member from the original founding club that continues to be involved and active after 47 years! The Club added Thornton to the membership in 1989, becoming the Rotary Club of Northglenn-Thornton.

The Club has always been a blend of local leaders and members of the business community. Historically, anyone who was "anyone" was a member of a local Rotary Club. That has diminished greatly over time, our focus is now simply focused on people how want to serve others in a meaningful way and make a positive impact in the community.

*Child getting polio vaccination -
Rotary eradicating Polio.*

On the international front, Rotary is close to achieving a remarkable watermark, the eradication of Polio. This is a feat so historic that only one other disease has ever been eradicated in the history of the world - small pox.

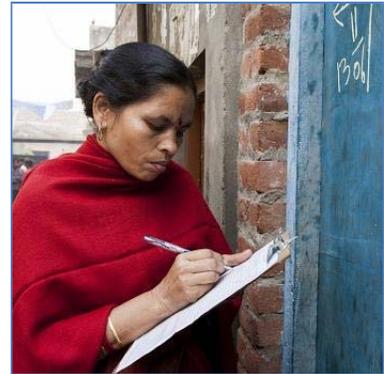
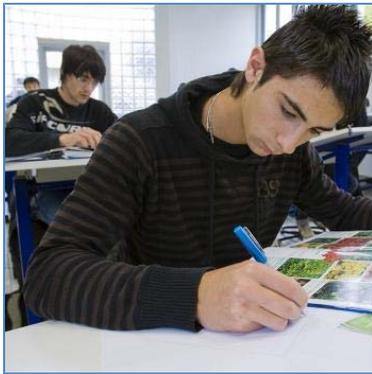
We are so pleased that you are considering becoming a Rotarian. For more information about Rotary and how to get involved, we have attached several documents to help you better understand the Rotary Club of Northglenn-Thornton, as well as both the district and international projects that are making differences in people's lives every day.

Please feel free to call me with any questions.

Sincerely,
Michelle Rea-Meridith
Rotary President
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2018 Rotary Club of Northglenn-Thornton



INTRODUCTION

Who is Rotary?

Solving real problems takes real commitment and vision. For more than 110 years, Rotary members have used their passion, energy, and intelligence to take action on sustainable projects.

From literacy and peace to water and health, we are always working to better our world, and we stay committed to the end. Rotary is a global network of 1.2 million neighbors, friends, leaders, and problem-solvers who come together to make positive, lasting change in communities at home and abroad.

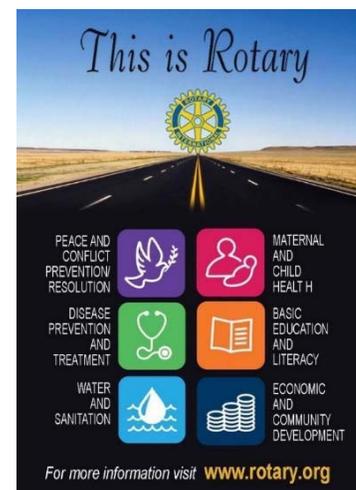
Our motto: Service Above Self

For more than 110 years, our guiding principles have been the foundation of our values: service, fellowship, diversity, integrity, and leadership.

How are Rotarians impacting the world?

Rotary members believe that we have a shared responsibility to take action on our world's most persistent issues. Our 35,000+ clubs work together to:

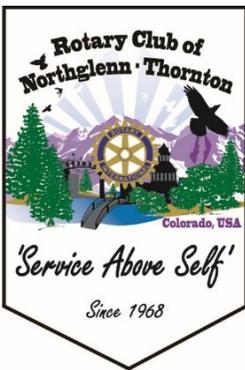
- Promote peace
- Fight disease
- Provide clean water, sanitation, and hygiene
- Save mothers and children
- Support education
- Grow local economies



ROTARY CLUB OF NORTHGLENN-THORNTON

Who is Rotary Club of Northglenn-Thornton? The Rotary Club of Northglenn-Thornton was founded in 1968 and has made not only local, but international differences throughout the world. The Club added Thornton to the membership in 1989, becoming the Rotary Club of Northglenn/Thornton.

In 2018, the Rotary Club of Northglenn-Thornton is celebrated 50 years. The founders of the club had a dream of bringing business leaders together to make a positive difference and impact lives through service to others. That legacy continues to this day with more than 35 members dedicated to serving the needs of the community and international projects that will change people's lives. The Club has always been a blend of local leaders and stakeholders that are visionaries, and that have a passion to helping and serving people and the community.



What projects did the Rotary Club of Northglenn-Thornton do last year?

The Club focused on six major areas:

- Youth
- Community Service
- Vocational Service
- Fundraising
- International
- Community Outreach

Youth

- **Higher education scholarships:** The Club provided \$20,000 in scholarships to graduating seniors from Adams Five Star School District 12. The club has provided scholarships to local students for over 25 years.
- **Books Donated to Local Elementary School Libraries**
At our weekly rotary meetings a book is donated on behalf of the speaker to one of the local elementary school libraries.



Scholarships presented to students to enhance their dreams for college.

- **RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Award):**

The Club supported four students from local middle and high schools to attend a one week leadership camp at the YMCA of the Rockies. The camp provides an opportunity for these students to learn leadership and team building skills. The students returned describing this opportunity as life-changing.



Students that attend leadership camp say it is life-changing. Rotary is helping to build our future workforce and community leaders.



Christmas gifts for CASA teenagers, making their holiday's great.

- **CASA (17th Judicial District Court Appointed Special Advocates):**

The Club provided \$2,500+ individual gift donations from the membership for Christmas gifts for adolescents served by the 17th Judicial District who are living in Adams County foster homes. This is an ongoing annual project that the club has been involved in for many years.

- **Literacy Program:** A literacy program was introduced in 2014 and continued in 2018. Yearly, we have provided seed money toward the effort of the Northglenn Police Department, and Adams 12 School District to provide support for their "Homer and Me" program, whose focus it is to give personalized books to 3rd graders. The book's story focuses on making healthy and smart life choices. Presentations are made in classrooms by police officers.



3rd grade students receive personalized book and support on making healthy and smart life choices.

- **Student of the Month:** The Club recognized one student each week from high schools in Northglenn and Thornton. The students are chosen by their guidance counselors based on outstanding leadership and accomplishments. The student is honored at a regular club meeting along with their counselor and invited guests. Additionally, in 2015 the club pursued another means of recognition by installing plaques at each high school that displays the student's picture for the entire school year.



High School students recognized for their accomplishments and achievements weekly at Rotary meetings.

Fundraising

- The Club hosts a Duck Race each year using the Farmers Highline Canal running through E.B. Rains Park in Northglenn. This year was our 10th Annual event, which we host in partnership with Northglenn's 4th of July Festival. This has proved to be a great success, and utilizes crowds already in attendance. Club members sold tickets prior to the event at participating grocers, and at the event itself.

Local non-profits also assisted with ticket sales and received 40% of their sales to help their community-based programs. The event included a separate race for "corporate ducks" that are much larger and generates Enthusiasm from local businesses, and also offers opportunities for



The Club raised \$25,000 to reinvest into Rotary projects.

sponsorships of the event. The City of Northglenn has given the club's event high visibility and free advertising. This is the club's only fundraiser, and after 10 years has achieved a niche in the north metro area for this kind of event. The club made a net profit of approximately \$25,000 to reinvest into projects.

In 2018, the club partnered with the Northglenn Police and North Metro Fire and Rescue to raise funds for Colorado First Responders at its inaugural Red & Blue BBQ.

International

- Our club has been involved in various Rotary International projects over the years, most recently clean and sanitary water projects in the Dominican Republic and El Salvador, in partnership with the Broomfield Rotary Club and *Engineers Without Borders* from Colorado State University.



Child getting polio vaccination - Rotary eradicating Polio.

- Rotary, along with its partners have reduced polio cases by 99.9 percent worldwide since 1979. Our club's Foundation provides funding annually to eradicate polio throughout the world. Additionally individual members have traveled to various countries around the globe to volunteer their professional skills to assist with polio vaccinations, provide dental work and equipment in South America, and hands-on water projects in Africa.
- One of our members is formerly a Peace Corp volunteer in Uganda. At the end of his service, he made the personal decision to stay in Uganda and volunteer for CARE, an international human relief agency, where he serves in a refugee camp. While serving in the Peace Corp, he identified a need to fund a local young woman who desires to attend nursing school, but lacked the necessary funding resources. Our club funded this young lady's career goals, which we intend to continue through her graduation.

Community Service

- **Annual Food Drive:** The Club collects food from members and collection points in Northglenn and Thornton over several months, and culminates with the purchase of bulk food items. The club partners with Costco for this project. Club members delivered to four food banks in Northglenn and Thornton. The club's budget last year was \$4,000.



Rotary annual food drive donates \$10,000 of food to local food banks.

Unfortunately, the food insecurity in our community is a real need, and our club communicates with the local food banks to be sure that we provide support with the items they need the most. In 2018, our Rotary District 5450 matched our budgeted amount. With club member's donations, additional funding, and a major increase in food collection from the public, we estimate the food banks received a total of \$10,000+ in food items.

- **The Senior Hub Adult Day Service:** The Club provided ongoing acknowledgement of each participant's birthday by providing a small party each month and homemade gift for its local senior adult day programs.

Vocational Services

- Several members participate on the Career Advisory Committee for Vantage Point High School in Adams Five Star School District 12. Vantage Point is an academic environment for students who have failed at being successful at a traditional high school. The Committee works toward assisting the faculty in improving instruction, programs and community outreach to assist the students in choosing successful career choices.
- Members of the club routinely serve as advisors and judges for the Northglenn High School STEM program's various needs. In addition, some of the club members participated in reviewing and judging the high school's environmental projects that apply to municipalities.



Rotary members advise and judge STEM students on school Problem Based Learning projects and evaluating career paths.

Community Outreach

- The club is a long standing member of the Metro North Chamber of Commerce, and our members interface with this active group of business leaders.
- The club participated in CASA's largest annual fundraiser, the Light of Hope event. Our club members have always been generous donors to the cause of CASA.
- Members from the club participate at the Northglenn Annual Business Appreciation event to market the Rotary and the club's activities.
- The club participated in the Adams 12 Five Star Foundation events.



Get Involved & Make a Difference

To learn more about how you can make a positive difference in people's lives, and get involved in the Rotary Club of Northglenn-Thornton, please contact, Michelle Rea-Meredith, President at micheller@peoplecarehs.com or 303-913-6444. Also, visit our website at www.NorthglennThorntonRotary.com.



Rotary Club of Northglenn / Thornton

“Service Above Self”

MEMBERSHIP TYPES

FULL MEMBERSHIP (\$205/quarter)

- Weekly luncheons at Red Lobster
- Rotarian Magazine
- All dues to Rotary International and Rotary District 5450
- **Expectations include participation in major fundraiser (Duck Race) and all other club projects.**
- Attendance is voluntary but encouraged weekly

SPOUSAL MEMBERSHIP (\$205/quarter)

- Same as single full membership, but either spouse may attend weekly meetings
- **Expectations include participation in major fundraiser (Duck Race) and ALL other club projects.**

CORPORATE MEMBERSHIP (\$250/quarter)

- Same as single full membership, but any one member of the corporation or business may attend weekly luncheons.
- Business is advertised on the club’s website.
- Business promotion at a club meeting as an annual presentation
- Any number of corporate or business members may attend the 5th Tuesday Happy Hours for free.
- Club Decal for business window (“Friends of the Northglenn/Thornton Rotary Club”)
- **Expectations include participation in major fundraiser (Duck Race) and ALL other club projects.**



Rotary Club of Northglenn / Thornton



Application Form

Member's Full Name _____
Rotary Member Sponsored By _____

Date of Birth _____ Place of Birth _____
Employer _____
Your Title in Company _____
Business Street Address _____
City, State, Zip _____
Business Phone _____ Fax _____

Residence Address _____
City, State, Zip _____
Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____
Email _____

Spouse Name _____
Children's Names _____
Hobbies and Leisure Activities _____

Community Activities _____

PREVIOUS ROTARY AFFILIATION Yes _____ No _____
If yes, date joined _____ Club Name _____

Rotary Interests: (check all that apply)
Fundraising _____ Youth Services _____
International _____ Club Activities _____
Community Service _____ Marketing _____
Special Talents _____

Applicant Signature _____
Date _____

Member Signature _____
Date _____