

Rotary Club of Erie



Meeting Minutes

The Erie Rotary Club met on April 4, 2025 at 7:00P.M at Erie Community Center. .

Members: Marty, Lew, Adam, Jen. Angela, Maria, Kari, Jolene, Kevin, Susan, Bryan, Ramzi, Charlie, Rene, Kate, Charlie

4-way Test led by Angela **“Woo-Who”**

- Lew : \$50,000 raised at the Meals on Wheels event
- Bryan: Recruiting a few potential members
- Jolene: Celebrating the rain and the green
- Kari: Celebrating her 43rd anniversary
- April Birthdays: Vinita & Marty
- Kevin: Owen was awarded the Live to Give award

New Member Intro: Welcome Charlie Brooks. He's from Tennessee. Charlie has been involved in Rotary for about 10 years. Charlie and his wife run a nonprofit back in TN, [the Harry J Foundation](#). which helps families with prolonged NICU stays or supporting families that have lost a child.

Congrats to Kevin for receiving his Paul Harris x3 Pin

Celebrating Rotary Anniversaries:

- March Rotary Anniversary: Lew, Tracy, & Vinita
- April Rotary Anniversary: Dave J.

New Business

Room Needs

- We need to look for a place to meet, as the Rec Center is not available on the following dates.
 - May 15th
 - June 18th
- Gerri is working on these dates with Orchard Church (TBD)
 - Maybe a future meeting space, so these can be a trial

April

- **Special Event: Cultural Caravan (Angela)**
 - Apr 4 @ 6:00 PM
 - Volunteer spots are filled. Thank you for your service.
- **Supporting Sanchez Elementary School's "Taste of Sanchez" Event (Bryan)**
 - Thursday, April 24, 3:45 PM – 7:15 PM
 - Sanchez Elementary School, 655 Sir Galahad Dr, Lafayette, CO 80026
 - Volunteer slots are filled - please confirm your volunteering on the Zeffy sign up.
- **Rotary Area Social : April 30**
 - Join fellow Rotarians from the local area clubs for a social event.
 - There will be food but BYOB.
 - April 30, 4:30pm at 7th Generation Farm 1536 Courtesy Rd, Louisville, CO 80027
- **Scholarship Committee Needs - April Update (Andy, Sandi, Vinita)**
 - There are five candidates. Applications close on April 15th. The committee will begin evaluations once the date closes.
 - **Goals:** Provide some awareness and participation for the eventual scholarship delivery
 - Start Early and Begin an Action Plan for Awareness and Publicity
 - The Budget for this Program is \$5,000, and we get very little participation or publicity - it's an expansive and underserved program
 - Needs to find some Scale and Organization earlier in the calendar
- **RYLA Scholarships** are still open. We have one applicant for Young RYLA and no applicants for RYLA. As a reminder, we budgeted for one person for RYLA and one person for Young RYLA. The club is open to sponsoring a student from the surrounding area. Please promote it on your social networks.

May

- **Erie Town Fair (Kevin)**
 - **Volunteers Needed** (<https://www.zeffy.com/ticketing/erie-town-fair>)
 - Three 2-hour shifts and 2 for set up
 - **Event**
 - Saturday, May 17th, 10:00am - 4:00pm - Fair
 - Music, Food, and Kids' Activities until 7:00 pm
- **Nature with Neighbors: New Planting Thomas Rez (Adam)**
 - 15-20 volunteers needed
 - Adam will confirm with the Town - for May 18th
 - Planting at Thomas Rez - will be supplementing the pollinator garden and other locations.
- **Graduation Shuttle (Kevin)**
 - Erie High School Graduation on May 24 2025
 - **Volunteers Needed** (<https://www.zeffy.com/ticketing/erie-high-graduation-golf-cart-drivers>)
 - 5 Drivers Set

- 1 Person to Staff the Tent (New) and coordinate on the radio.
 - Bring Rotary Vests & Donation Buckets for the carts
- **Visioning Event Update (Kevin)**
 - Thank you for the responses. Harriet will review prior to the session.
 - Planning for a weekend in June or July. Kevin will send a poll to get availability.
 - 3-4 hour planning session
- **Check-in Bolder Boulder (Kari)**
 - **Date:** May 26th, 2025, **Time:** 6:00-11:30am
 - Partnering with the Boulder Rotary Club at the second water station.
 - We need about 10 volunteers. A sign up will be on Zeffy soon.
 - **Website** - <https://www.bolderboulder.com>
- **“Lew-Wow” May Gathering**
 - **Location:** Kari has reserved a location.
 - **Time:** 5-7 May 29th, 2025
 - **Invites:** Ready - waiting on the above

June

- **District Learning Assembly FREE to attend.**
 - General Learning and Leadership
 - Breakfast Provided
 - **Date:** June 7th, 2025
 - **Time:** 8:00 to Noon
 - **Location:** 190 E. Littleton Blvd, Littleton, CO 80121
 - <https://rotary5450.org/event/district-learning-assembly/>
- **Year-End Celebration - Pass-the-Torch and have fun**
 - **Date:** Friday, June 27th, 2025
 - **Time:** 5:30pm
 - **Location:** Gerri’s House - 225 Beacon Hill Dr, Lafayette

Recap of Past Events & General Updates

- **Check-in Meals on Wheels: Heels on Wheels event (Maria)**
 - Overall good event, needed to have our Rotary brand represented
- **Loan Closet Update (Rene)**
 - The transition has been very good.
 - We are low on equipment at this time. Rene is following up with people to reclaim equipment.
 - Funds are available to purchase new equipment.
 - \$250 received in donations.

2025/2026 Board Elections

- **Elections: Nominations for Board Elections (Kevin)**
 - Past-President - Kevin T. Taylor
 - President - Gerri Kier
 - President-Elect (President '26/'27)
 - Nominated & approved Angela Deabler. Congrats and thank you for your interest in serving.
 - Treasurer - Elected Vinita Unny
 - Secretary
 - Current: Susan Taylor
 - Nominated & approved Maria Arellano. Congrats and thank you for your interest in serving.
 - Membership Chair - Jolene McKenna

Housekeeping (Not for Discussion)

- Rotary International Conference Calgary, Canada 21-25 JUNE 2025

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:10PM. Reminder, our next meeting is August 17 at 7:00pm at Erie Rec Center - Lehigh Room

Respectively submitted,
Susan Taylor, Secretary