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# NEWSLETTER

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ENN is open to all residents of the Evergreen area, regardless of length of residency. ENN's mission is to provide opportunities for its members to meet others through social events and activity groups.

All activity groups are listed on page 10 of this newsletter.



The ENN membership list is only for the personal use of ENN members and may not be used for commercial or non-ENN purposes.

## WELCOME UNEW MEMBERS

Gwen Cecil Peggy Lawrence (rejoined) Mindy Nitkin Nick Schulte Linda Smith Grant Wilson Stuart Tettemer Peter Vrolijk Mat & Gail Trotzig

#### **IMPORTANT DATES:**

Sept & Oct Happy Hour - look for invitations by email Sept 9 - deadline to register for Sept 19 CPR Class Sept 17 - Happy Hour, The Wild Game Sept 21 - Conifer Split N Steak community service

Sept 28 - ENN Kickoff Koffee 9-noon

Oct 8 - Sculpture Evergreen Tour

Oct 16 - Happy Hour, CO Jones Mountain Lodge, Conifer

SAVE THE DATE: Dec 3 - Holiday Party

#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

John Dunlop

#### It's September and ENN has a lot going on!!

Where has the summer gone? It seems like it was just yesterday that I was shoveling off our decks from that snow on May 21st!

ENN Kickoff Koffee / Sept. 28th from 9 until Noon – Evergreen Fire

& Rescue Building. The board has spent a lot of time over the past year discussing this event and how it can be more meaningful to members. There



will be a short survey that I hope you will fill out to help us evaluate the Kickoff Koffee format going forward. If you complete the survey your name will be entered in a drawing to win this year's ENN membership for free!! One of our biggest sources of new members is our current members. Please bring or invite someone new to the area that you think would enjoy participating in one or more of our activity groups. We have new activity groups this year. I encourage all our members to attend and consider trying out an activity they haven't done!! Hope to see you there.

Happy Hour! Thank you to Riley Hanback and Sylvia Stafford for arranging the August Happy Hour at CO Jones in Conifer! It's always fun to try somewhere new!! That being said, I want share with you some of the challenges Sylvia and Riley face in finding places to have our monthly Happy Hour gatherings. Vendors don't respond – often a potential vendor will be very excited when approached about ENN bringing in 35 to 45 people for a Happy Hour and then no response when trying to nail down the details. Not enough parking – Parking is challenging almost everywhere in the area and many of us are not as nimble as we once were. So the amount of available parking and the quality of that parking is important. Not enough room – While there are quite a few restaurants, bars or hole in the wall places around, many do not have enough room for our group. Some places do not want to disrupt their regular customers by having a group our size fill up their establishment.

Sometimes we are not good customers – Yes, I have seen ENN members be rude and discourteous to wait staff. Some of us are cheap and don't tip very well. Some of us have unrealistic expectations. It's Happy Hour with appetizers for \$5 not dinner at the Ritz. So, now you know.

CPR Class / Sept. 19th - Due to the overwhelming response to the CPR class we held earlier this year, ENN is offering another CPR class from 9:30 to noon on Thursday, Sept. 19th. It will be at the Evergreen Fire & Rescue Building on Bergen Parkway. There is no cost for this class! To sign up or if you have any questions email programsandsocial@evergreennewcomers.com.

Community Outreach opening on the ENN board - Craig and Gail Gardner have been co-chairs of Community Outreach, but due to other commitments they have had to step down. I want to express my sincere thanks to Craig and Gail for all they contributed and the help they gave as members of the ENN board! If you are interested in matching up volunteer opportunities with local nonprofit organizations and our members, please consider being the Chair of Community Outreach for ENN. If you are interested or have any questions, contact me at <a href="mailto:president@evergreennewcomers.com">president@evergreennewcomers.com</a>.

I will be sending out an email blast to all our members with information about upcoming volunteer opportunities. One is Conifer Community Church's annual Split 'N Steak - Sept.  $21^{st}$ .

Enjoy the end of summer and the beautiful fall weather we have in CO!

John

#### 2019 Annual Kickoff Koffee Saturday, September 28, 2019 - 9 AM to 12 Noon Evergreen Fire Rescue Administration Building, 1802 Bergen Parkway



The annual ENN Kickoff Koffee is a showcase for new and renewing members to learn about the 23 fabulous ENN Activity Groups. Refreshments will be served.

Our ENN Activity Groups will each have a representative available to tell you all about their activities and answer your questions. (See the list on page 10 of this newsletter.) They will gladly add your name to their email lists if you are interested in what they do. Drop in and see what's new, and sign up for as many as you wish. If you have an idea for a new and different activity, you are certainly encouraged to discuss it with our Activity Chairman or any other ENN Board Member at the event.

**DOOR PRIZE DRAWING**: A **FREE** 1-year membership in ENN will be awarded to a lucky attendee!

**Reminder!** There are two new Activity Groups this year, re-formed from previously active groups: the **Summer Hiking Group**, and **Serendipity 2.0**! Come and talk with these enthusiastic leaders about their interesting events and activities.

Representatives from Programs & Socials (monthly Happy Hour, Summer/Winter Parties and more) and Community Outreach will be present to hear your ideas, answer your questions, and talk about future events.

This annual ENN event is a perfect opportunity for new members to join ENN. You may also renew your annual membership at the Kickoff Koffee, if you have not already done so by mail. The ENN membership year runs from August 1 to July 31. Our Membership Chairman will be available to help you and answer questions. (The ENN Indemnification Waiver is a one-time requirement that does not expire. If you have previously submitted one, another is not needed.)

Even if you have renewed your membership prior to the Kickoff Koffee, we encourage you to come and meet our hard-working Board members and Activity Leaders, have some coffee and snacks, and sign up for your favorite Activities, or a new one.

If you have a friend or neighbor who might be interested in joining ENN, bring them along as well. Please encourage everyone you know in Evergreen to come to our Kickoff and learn about our wonderful activities, social events and community resources.

We are looking forward to another active and successful year and encourage your participation. Whether a newcomer or a long-time resident of the area, you will have a chance to meet new friends each year. We will do our best to provide you with some very pleasant experiences and perhaps a few surprises!

# ACTIVITIES

#### **MOTORCYCLES**

John Griggs

The weather hasn't been particularly cooperative for our scheduled rides this summer but we keep trying. **Our September ride will be Saturday, September 21 and our October ride will be Saturday, October 19.**For both rides we meet at Dandelions Cafe (1552 Bergen Pkwy, next to WoodCellar) for breakfast at 8:30 and launch from there about 9:30. Hope to see you there.



#### 4 X 4

Bob Ogden & Collette Lambert

August outing - Steamboat Springs and Walden. The picture on the left is from the Trough Trail, and the other is from happy hour at the

Rabbit Ears Motel in Steamboat.

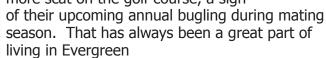
Note we all have rabbit ears!





# LADIES INTERMEDIATE GOLF

As always, playing golf at the Evergreen Golf Course with beautiful summer weather was a pleasure. Now, the elk are starting to "release" more scat on the golf course, a sign



Ladies golf will continue into November, until the golf course closes. Katy Lynch

#### **SPORTING CLAYS**

The Sporting Clay group went shooting in July and August and the next shoot will be

September 24 at Kiowa

Creek. We have had 2



nice days to shoot and have had some new members join. The best excuse for missing this summer was "A fly flew in front of me and I shot it instead of the target". For further information please contact Alan Palestine.

#### HIKING

#### **Don Rosenthal & Craig Gardner**

#### Volunteer to lead a hike - every Friday morning

July 5 - Chief Mountain - Don Rosenthal

July 12 - Silver Dollar Lake - Linda Bolinger

July 19 - St. Mary's Glacier - Craig & Gail Gardner

July 26 - Cub Creek Trail - Linda Bolinger

Aug 2 - Mt Goliath - Robert Jacobs

Aug 9 - Straight Creek - Tricia Rosenthal

Aug 23 - Broome Hut up to tundra - Don Rosenthal







#### GAL'S BREAKFAST

Louise Whiteside

Our ENN Gals' Breakfast Group enjoyed a delicious July breakfast at an Evergreen favorite, **The Country Road Cafe in Kittredge.** The August Gal's Breakfast was enjoyed at **The Blue Sky Cafe in Lakewood**.

September and October events will be held closer to Evergreen. New members are invited to join our lively group, to meet new friends and enjoy some delicious new breakfast experiences!





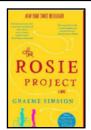
#### **GUY'S BREAKFAST**

John Dunlop

The ENN Guys Breakfast is the second Tuesday or Wednesday of each month. We gather at 8:30 AM at the designated location for a good meal and lots of "guy" talk. Usually, by 9:45 we are done and ready to take on the day.

In July and August over 25 guys met at **DW's 285 Diner in Conifer** for a hearty breakfast! No one goes away hungry when we have breakfast at **DW's!** I hope to have our September breakfast at **The Country Road Café** on Hwy 74.

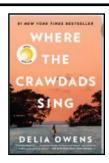
To get on the email list, please email John Dunlop at jdunlop3rd@gmail.com.



#### BOOK GROUP 2 Jan Cryns

Book Club 2 met at the home of Carol Zimmerman in July to discuss "The Rosie Project" by Graeme Simsion (2014).

Our **August** meeting was at **Jan Cryns**' home where we discussed **"Where the Crawdads Sing" by Delia Owens** (2018),





Our September book is "Cutting for Stone" by Abraham Verghese (2010) about twin brothers born of a secret union between a beautiful Indian nun and a brash British surgeon. Orphaned and bound together by a preternatural connection and a shared fascination with medicine, the twins come of age as Ethiopia hovers on the brink of revolution.





#### NON-FICTION BOOK GROUP

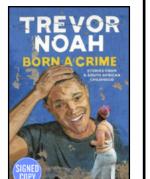
Elaine Morse

#### SEPT 18th

Trevor Noah's Born a Crime

One of the comedy world's fastest-rising stars tells his wild coming of age story during the twilight of apartheid in South Africa and the tumultuous days of freedom that followed. Noah provides

something deeper than traditional memoirists: powerfully funny observations about how farcical political and social systems play out in our lives.



## LEND A Book

Marion Dries



We lend books that we recommend to the group with no date of return. After the member gives a brief synopsis of a book, anyone may "borrow" it and return when finished. All this give-and-take is recorded by your Lend-a-Book coordinator. If you would like to join us, we meet on the 3rd Monday of the month at 9:30 AM.

SERENDIPITY 2.0 Carol Hanback



Those of you
who attended the
August Craft Beer Tour
had quite an awesome
experience!

Thanks to the talented volunteer coordinator,
Tamra Hall,
for a fun time!



There's more fun planned for September when we get together for an incredible **one hour mountain trail ride hosted by the BEAR MOUNTAIN HORSE STABLE in Conifer.** Please check out their website Lots of photos & information posted. We'll carpool there as needed, and saddle up in groups of 6 (using mounting steps) on the most well kept, gentle horses suitable for beginners, for a leisurely ride through the adjoining open space to Bear Mountain summit and back. Guides will accompany us. NO RIDING EXPERIENCE IS REQUIRED. Fees for this trip are \$50.00 pp plus guide's tip, payable via credit card or check on site. No advance deposit required. The ride includes a premount riding lesson, and a helmet. Cowboy boots or similar durable shoes are recommended. Maximum weight limit is 210 pounds. Rest rooms & picnic tables on site. I've ridden here before and I assure you..You can DO IT! RSVP to Carol Hanback, or TEXT 303-834- 0610. Date and time have not been finalized but probably morning, If you are interested in joining us, please let me know!

In late October, we'd like to plan a carpool outing to view the **MONET EXHIBIT at the Denver Art Museum** and lunch nearby. ADVANCE RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED. Please let me know if you'd like to attend ASAP so we can get a headcount & book the reservations. I realize that a number of you are Art Museum members & we'd love to include you in this outing.

Finally friends, be advised that effective with the Kickoff Koffee on September 28th, I'll be RE-DOING OUR EMAIL LIST as we're into a new fiscal year for ENN. Please sign up at the Serendipity 2.0 table to keep your name on the new list. Those of you who simply want to be informed about our activities rather than participating will still be able to do so by reading about our adventures in the ENN newsletter. We post an article of upcoming adventures in every edition.

#### **EVENING BRIDGE**

Evening Bridge continues to be a big success. We had 5 tables at the home of Sandy & Ron Sherbert in July. In August, we had 3 tables at the hilltop home of Carol & Jim Hunsaker and Jim had the nerve to beat us all! September will be a "time out" for the group wherein all are encouraged to get together as 4-somes for a change. We look forward to another group evening in October courtesy of Lana and Tim Sooter. Photo is our August get-together. You can see we are a friendly, inclusive group and encourage all levels of play.



Pat Haines

#### **ENN WINE TASTING GROUPS**

Wine Tasting is the most popular Activity within ENN (no surprise). Currently there are 6 separate groups (112 members), ranging in size from 11 to 23 members, consisting of both couples and singles. Each group is permitted to determine their optimum (or maximum) size, considering hosting responsibilities and available space. Members take turns hosting and selecting the "theme" of the month (Italian wines, Australian wines, etc.)

Groups routinely meet on the third Saturday evening each month, to avoid conflicts with other ENN activities, and to allow members plenty of time to plan their attendance. Some groups skip certain months, such as during summer travel season or winter holidays. Many members plan their other interests so as to not miss their wine group meetings with their friends. Some groups are more focused on wine education than others, and that can vary from group to group, or among hosts.





Mary Haling & Carol Hanback, hostesses for the Corkscrews Wine Group

The monthly host plans the theme (type of wine, and desired food contributions), and purchases the wine. Wine cost is shared among participants, usually \$10 per person, and that can vary somewhat within each group. Participants agree to bring the requested food items, ranging from hearty Hors D'oeuvres to main course or side dishes, depending on the preferences of each group and host.

New members are added to groups based upon group size preferences and declared openings. If another group of ENN members (friends) wish to start their own new wine tasting group, then detailed help is available to get things going.

There is also a separate "fine wine" tasting group (The Wine Tasters) that specifically focuses on wine education, featuring

sommelier presentations and pricier wines, paired with specific food choices. This group would be a great choice for those who are more "serious" wine tasters. They meet on the first Saturday evening of alternate months. Contact Pat Williamson.

For further information or to start a new group, please contact the ENN Activities Chairman, Frank McVeigh, via email at **Activities@EvergreenNewcomers.com**.



On July 22<sup>nd</sup>, SWAG met at the home of Sue Dunlop. After refreshments and social time, **Dina Baker**, the director of the Evergreen Nature Center, gave a powerful presentation about Colorado wildlife, birds and vegetation in our



## **Evergreen Audubon**

@EvergreenNature

mountain area. Jan Cryns presented her mini-bio. Thank you, Sue, Jan and all who participated.

The August 26th meeting of SWAG was hosted by Harriet Sear and Carol Goss. After a short social gathering, we walked to **Margaret Rode's house**, who is a neighbor down the street, with an amazing organic garden that extends from her front yard, to her deck and across much of her back yard. She talked about her process of **organic gardening in the mountain environment** and how she uses plants and natural substances to keep her garden thriving. She covered information about vegetables that do not need fencing because they are offensive to our wild animals. Margaret has a wealth of information. Margaret Terrian Rode: <a href="margaretrode.com/websitesforgood.com/websitesforgood">margaretrode.com/websitesforgood</a>





The September 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting of SWAG will be hosted by Donna Lomax. Barb Conroy plans to present her mini-bio and **Cindy Latham** will facilitate a visual **presentation on Fire Mitigation**. There are important lessons to be learned from the Paradise, CA wildfire. We live in one of the highest wildfire risk areas in the country and it is time to work together to get our mountain communities better prepared.

On October 28th, SWAG will meet at the home of Barb Conroy. Loraine Meyers will present her mini-bio and **Jill Zastko or Elizabeth Perryman** will give a presentation on **stress reduction through Upstream Applied Mindfulness.** Upstream Mindfulness is a professional wellness consultancy specializing in mindfulness-based applications that promote resilience, creativity, health, and happiness.

The following list of ENN activities appears on our website. There you can click on the name of any activity on the list and you will be taken to a sub-page with an expanded description of that specific activity. We welcome your ideas for new activities and new leaders!

## ENN Activity Groups: Chairman Frank McVeigh, 303-670-1919, activities@evergreennewcomers.com

Current ENN membership is required for participation in any activity.		
Activity	Leaders	Schedule
<u>4 X 4</u>	Bob Ogden Collette Lambert	Various Saturdays (Seasonal)
Black Diamond Skiing	John Illich	Tuesdays (seasonal)
Book Groups:		
_#2	Jan Cryns	Third Thursday, 1 PM
#3 (non-fiction) co-ed	Elaine Morse	Dates Vary
Bowling	Laurie & Tim Limbert	2nd Monday, 7 PM
Bridge:		
Daytime	Sue Greenwell	2nd & 4th Thursday
Evening	Pat Haines	3rd Friday
<u>Canasta</u>	Jae Lucas Kelly Yousem	Wednesday 1-3:30 PM
Gals' Breakfast	Louise Whiteside	Dates/Times vary
Guys' Breakfast	John Dunlop	2nd Tuesday, 8:30 AM
Ladies Golf	Katy Lynch	Wednesday (seasonal)
Lend a Book	Marion Dries	3rd Monday, 9:30 AM
Mah Jongg	Simone Simpson	Mondays 6:30 PM
Motorcycles	John Griggs	Various Saturdays (seasonal)
Needlework	Sheri Matz	1st Monday, 10 AM
Poker Night	Rose Warren	Dates/Times vary
Quilting	Trish Rosenthal Sue Daley	2nd Monday, 10 AM
Serendipity 2.0	Carol Hanback	Monthly - dates/times vary
SWAG (Sassy Women and Gals)	Harriet Sear Carol Goss	4th Monday, 10 AM
Sporting Clays	Alan Palestine	3rd or 4th Tuesday
Summer Hiking Group	Craig Gardner Don Rosenthal	Every Friday, May 1 - Nov 1
The Wine Tasters	Pat Williamson	1st Saturday evening, Alternate Months
Wine Tasting	Frank McVeigh	Multiple Social Groups - 3rd Saturday evening

To contact any Activity Group, please send an email to <u>activities@EvergreenNewcomers.com</u>. The desired group will receive your message and respond directly to you.

## PROGRAMS AND SOCIAL EVENTS

Sylvia Stafford & Riley Hanback <u>programsandsocials@evergreennewcomers.com</u>

#### **JULY HAPPY HOUR - - The Wild Game**













#### **FALL CPR CLASS**

A free CPR class for ENN members will be held at the Fire Station in Bergen Park on Thursday, September 19th from 9:30AM -12:30PM.

If you have not had CPR training in the last few years - you will be amazed at how much the procedures have changed! If you want an official certification card (optional), issued by the American Heart Association (AHA), there will be a \$25 charge. **Sign up deadline extended to September 9th**. Sign up or questions:

programsandsocials@evergreennewcomers.com



presents

### A Guided Tour of the Sculptures in Downtown Evergreen

#### **Exclusively for ENN Members**

Tuesday, October 8th, 2019 at 11:00AM

Enjoy a leisurely walk, learn about the sculptures and how to use the "quide by cell' feature located on each sculpture

# This Tour will be Led by Jane Stewart and is a Free Event



After the walk, join the group for lunch (optional and at your expense)

MEET UP 11:00 AM in front of Beau Jo's Pizza in Downtown Evergreen

LUNCH 12:30 PM at Maya's Cantina and Grill

the sculptures in and around Evergreen make our community special personally learning about them from an expert is a unique opportunity



RSVP by October 4th to Sylvia Stafford

at programsandsocials@evergreennewcomers.com or call 720-456-7895 and leave a message

# SUMMER TRAVEL PHOTOS



Evergreeners Brian LeFave, Joanna LeFave, Don Kissick, Harriet Sear, Jo Watts, Laurie Kissick & Kent Watts at a winery in Porto, Portugal



Kit & Diana Smith Fish Creek Falls, Steamboat Springs



Sylvia & Jim Stafford Jackson, Wyoming



John & Sue Dunlop Yellowstone NP





Hanback Family, Isak Heartstone Troll Breckenridge, CO

Riley Hanback Wall, S. Dakota



Carol Zimmerman & Family Luau on Maui, Hawaii

Carol Zimmerman Mendenhall Glacier Juneau, Alaska