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

President's Message

Hello, and welcome to the 2020-2021 year for your new ENN Board! My name is Riley Hanback, and I have the honor of serving as the President of our association. It was my pleasure to serve as Vice President under our out-going President John Dunlop, and I would like to thank him for his support and guidance during my tenure in that position and in this transitional period. It will be my goal to serve ENN as well as John did, and with our incoming Board I have tremendous confidence we will continue to uphold our mission of bringing people together through the multitude of activities ENN offers.

Carol and I moved to Evergreen in 2014 after I retired from the United States Border Patrol. We have met such great people through ENN, eventually joining the ENN Board. It has been an exceptional experience, and I will truly miss working with the ENN Board members who have met their term limits. A very big thank you to John Dunlop, Sue Dunlop, Frank McVeigh, Robert Fudge, Laurie Limbert, Diana Smith, Maureen Taillon and Carol Zimmerman. Their service has been commendable, and I appreciate their help and friendship.

I would also like to welcome our incoming Board members; Justin Schulz, Jan Cryns, Tanya Ashworth, Maureen McDivitt, and Lee Anne Powers. Remaining on the Board (thankfully!) are Carol Hanback and Jim Stafford.

The new Board has incredibly talented and experienced individuals who I know will continue the quality of excellence that the ENN membership has come to expect and deserve. I look forward to working with this accomplished group of people.

We are still searching for interested individuals, so if you have any interest in helping ENN continue its mission, please contact me and I will be happy to discuss how you can serve.

ENN has weathered events that have been unprecedented for 100 years; yet we have continued to keep our activities alive through creative and innovative measures. This speaks volumes about the spirit of the ENN membership, and the spirit de corps of our ENN family.

Until we can meet again face to face, I wish you the best. Be safe and rest assured your ENN Board will work to bring us together again.

Riley Hanback



ONE PERSON CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

The ENN Board of Directors is LISTENING. This is your chance for your voice to be heard and to make a difference in our ENN group and our community.

Put your talent, creativity & skills to good use in helping others as a member of the ENN Board of Directors for the new 12 month term beginning this July. You can develop friendships and a sense of belonging by meeting wonderful local neighbors this way.

The Board meets once a month via ZOOM to coordinate activities offered to our ENN group for the good of all its members. There is HONOR in the service Board members provide to our ENN community, and your involvement will allow you to give back by contributing to a group that you're already involved in.

Officer opportunities include:

- Community Outreach
 - Contacts Evergreen/Conifer organizations to apprise needs for volunteers and donations keeping ENN membership informed of area needs
- Nominating
 - Works with appointed nominating committee to determine open Board positions
 - Contacts potential nominees and presents a slate of officers to Board meeting in March
- Program/Socials (Co-Chair)
 - o Plans programs, socials and happy hours for membership
 - o Coordinates location and all details (food, cost, room set-up, speaker, etc.)
 - o Schedules/manages ENN Holiday Party & ENN Summer Party
 - Works with Newsletter Editor to advertise, make flyers, program/menu for each social
- Publicity.
 - Key person who promotes ENN awareness in our community and surrounding areas
 - Works with President, Membership, Hospitality and Programs/Social Chairs to promote and encourage participation
 - Updates and distributes ENN brochures to area Chambers of Commerce, realtor offices, merchants, libraries and Welcome Wagon, etc.

The Board is looking for your support. This is the time! Send a text or make a call to incoming President Riley Hanback at: 303-834-0610 (cell/text) or email at faler1940@hotmail.com to chat or get the ball rolling.

WELCOME TO...

ENN returning members **Doug Solinger & Amy Mueller**

ACTIVITIES

To join any activity send an email to the group leader at: activities@evergreennewcomers.com. You will be contacted by the leader.

Summer Nature Hikes

Chuck Aid, Leader

We will meet at the Camp Rock Campground at 7:00am which is about a 45-minute drive up Upper Bear Creek from Evergreen, much Upper Bear Creek from Evergreen, much Upper Bear Creek from Evergreen, much of which is on a good dirt road. The hike will be about four miles round trip with about 400 ft of elevation gain, and could last 4-5 hours. Bring snacks and water, hiking poles if you use them. We will be focusing on whatever aspects of nature present themselves to us, primarily flowers/plants. I had about 75 plant species on this same hike last summer. We will also work on familiarizing participants with the birds and mammals of the area.

Wednesday, Aug. 12th – Beartracks Lake

We will meet at 8:00am again at the Camp Rock Campground in the Elk Management Area. The hike is less strenuous and shorter in duration. It will be about $1 \frac{1}{2}$ miles round trip with about 150 ft of elevation gain and lasting about three hours. Again, plants, birds, etc. will be the focus.

Note: Hikes will be limited to the first eight people to sign-up with a waiting list, if necessary. Email Chuck at activities@evergreennewcomers.com for more details.



Beaver Meadows



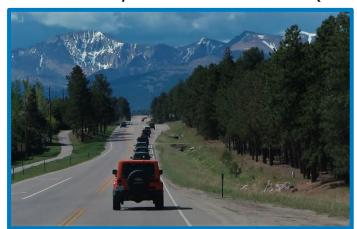
Beartracks Lake

4 x 4 Group

Bob Ogden & Collette Lambert, Leaders

The 4x4 Group kicked off it's 2020 season May 30th with, of course, masks and social distancing (except not-so-distant for a quick group picture!). We all had cabin fever and were eager to get out on such a beautiful day. The Jeep trail, Schubarth Loop, was of moderate difficulty between Woodland Park and the cliffs overlooking the Air Force Academy. Great views of Pikes Peak both on the way there and from the trail.

As usual, we'll have Saturday day-trip outings every couple of weeks during the season. Our four-day trips this year are to Ouray in August, and the Needles District of Canyonlands National Park (think camping!) and Moab in September.







BOWLING GROUP

Laurie & Tim Limbert, Leaders

We have no updates because The Wild Game, the only bowling venue in town, is still closed. When it reopens, we will make a plan. Check for updates at:

http://www.evergreennewcomers.com/bowling-groupl

SERENDIPITY 2.0

This enthusiastic group of "GO-ers & DO-ers" attends various performances/exhibits/activities in our Metro area via CARPOOLS, taking advantage of special DISCOUNTED TICKET RATES arranged for us. Dates & times of our monthly get-togethers vary according to venue schedules. Everyone enjoys themselves and have the experiences of new adventures. Come and see for yourself! All ENN MEMBERS are welcome to join our activities **with a reservation**. To RSVP or obtain further details about our activities contact Carol Hanback at the phone number listed in the ENN Directory.

During the pandemic, we've been enjoying virtual visits to Beautiful Gardens of the World and attending virtual Symphonies and Operas, including the Musical Moments offered on the website of our local and talented Evergreen Symphony Orchestra. **Happily, we are planning to resume in-person activities in August.**

Trips to a Contemporary Art Gallery, an Escape Room and to the Botanical Gardens are coming soon. Consider joining us for these and more adventures in 2020. We'd love to have you!



ENN WINE TASTING GROUPS

Frank McVeigh, Leader



Also available in white!

Our wonderful and quite popular ENN Wine Tasting Groups are sticking together to keep in touch with their friends and neighbors.

Most of the Groups have been conducting virtual meetings via Zoom, etc. Some hosts have been very kind to deliver wine to participants' front porches (for their usual contribution).

There have also been "camp-out" style get-togethers with participants spread out around a large driveway in tailgate fashion, enjoying each other's company and some good wine, at a reasonable distance in the outdoors. The efforts being made to keep the groups connected has been amazing and very welcome.

We all look forward to our next opportunity to get together in person with our friends and neighbors.

SPORTING CLAYS GROUP

Alan Palestine, Leader

The sporting clays group is currently on hold due to Covid and will resume in the future.



BOOK GROUP #2

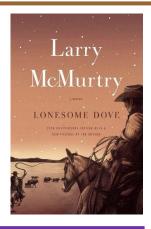
Jan Cryns, Leader

Meets the Third Thursday of each month at 1:00pm. Book selections are member recommendations. We primarily read fiction but do read non-fiction now and then as was our June book.

We met via Zoom the last few months. At our June 18th meeting we discussed the book "Empire of the Summer Moon" by E.S. Gwynne. The book is a historical account of the forty-year battle between Comanche Indians, centering on the Comanche chief Quanah, and white settlers along the Texas frontier.

Continuing on the Wild West theme, our next read is "Lonesome Dove" by Larry McMurtry. We will discuss at our July 16th 1PM meeting via Zoom. Contact me via the activities@evergreenmewcomers.com to participate.

Book Group #2 meets the Third Thursday of each month at 1:00pm. Book selections are member recommendations. We primarily read fiction but do read non-fiction now and then as was our June book.



MOTORCYCLE GROUP

John Griggs, Leader

We typically meet the third Saturday of each month, weather permitting, although that will change if it conflicts with other Evergreen events, like the Rodeo. We usually meet for breakfast before the ride, virus permitting. The rides are usually 2 - 2½ hours, but vary depending upon who shows up and wants to ride. As you can tell, we're pretty unstructured.

Contact me via the <u>activities@evergreenmewcomers.com</u> to participate.





POKER NIGHT

Rose Warren, Leader

Poker began on June 26 with 8 people, a good number for the social distancing guidelines. Tanya and Alan Ashworth generously offered to get the group started again as hosts.

Tanya and Alan Ashworth will also host Poker Night in July. Go to the ENN website and click on "Activities" and then Poker Night for details and to join the group.

Texas Hold'em Poker is played once monthly and averages 20-25 people. It is easy to learn and there are tables appropriate for casual players who want fun and conversation up to the serious player. Players put in \$5.00 to play. Dinner is served with every couple or individual player assigned to bring a main, side, salad or dessert. Bring your own drinks – the host does not provide anything.

New people are always welcome. It is a wonderful way to meet others, engage in conversations and enjoy a night of stress-free enjoyment.

SAVVY WOMEN AND GALS (SWAG) Harriet Sear & Carol Goss, Leaders

Savvy Women and Gals (SWAG) is a very friendly group open to all ENN women. We traditionally meet on the 4th Monday each month from 10:00 am to 12 noon in volunteer host homes for light refreshments and educational programs and speakers on topics of interest to women. We often have one woman give a short mini biography of herself. Our topics are very diverse and exceptionally interesting.

We are currently meeting on Zoom with added days and times: 1:00pm every other Monday and at 10:00am every other Friday with programs beginning halfway through each meeting.

Past programs in May and June included presentations on New Beginnings Prison Ministry, a Sweet Side Yoga class, Racism discussion by an Associate Director at UC Boulder, Sustainable Solutions from EAS+Y (Evergreen's Alliance for Sustainability).

We will continue Zoom meetings through July and August. **In August, Kate McCollum will present her Straw-Bale Garden & Greenhouse tour** in her back yard with masks and social distancing. (This might be our first time to meet in person since the quarantine was initiated.)

Please feel free to request placement on our email list; you are under no obligation to attend however, you will find remarkably interesting topics, discussions, conversations and lasting friendships with others when you attend.









GALS' BREAKFAST

Louise Whiteside, Leader

We will resume normal Gals' Breakfast activities during July and August, 2020. Hopefully, now that the weather is sunny and warm, we will venture further afield, to restaurants "down the hill," in such locations as Lakewood, Littleton, Arvada, and Denver.

Email R.S.V.P.s to activities@EvergreenNewcomers.com. Interested new members may email Louise at the same address for more information and to get on her email list. Or, you may find out more about this activity by visiting the link under Activities on the ENN website at evergreennewcomers.com.

Wednesday, July 15 at 9:30am - Blue Sky Café in Lakewood

Breakfast at the Blue Sky Cafe, located at 14403 W. Colfax Ave., Lakewood, CO 80401, Phone: (303) 216-2670, is going to be a delicious experience. Trip Advisor reviews give it 4.5 stars. See the menu at www.blueskycafe.biz.



An e-mail will be sent to the Gals' Breakfast email list announcing this event the first week in July. R.S.V.P.s are requested and should again be emailed to activities@EvergreenNewcomers.com. Please indicate whether you wish to carpool or drive by yourself. All other details will be announced in an e-mail to be sent out the first week in July.

Our August Gals' Breakfast will be announced the first week in August, including all details. The breakfast will be held in Lakewood or Littleton, Colorado.

The following list of ENN activities appears on our website, evergreennewcomers.com. There you can click on the name of any activity 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
4 X 4	Bob Ogden Collette Lambert	Various Saturdays (Seasonal)
Black Diamond Skiing	ТВА	Tuesdays (seasonal)
Book Group #2	Jan Cryns	Third Thursday, 1 PM
Book Group #3 (non-fiction / co-ed)	Elaine Morse	Dates Vary
Bowling	Laurie & Tim Limbert	2nd Monday, 7 PM
Bridge Daytime	Sue Greenwell	2nd & 4th Thursday
Bridge Evening	Pat Haines	3rd Friday
Canasta	ТВА	Wednesday 1-3:30 PM
Gals' Breakfast	Louise Whiteside	Dates/Times vary
Guys' Breakfast	John Dunlop	2nd Tuesday, 8:30 AM
Hiking Group	Don Rosenthal (summer) Gary Sloan (summer) Sue Daley (winter)	Summer days TBA, weather permitting Winter Wednesdays, weather permitting
International ENN	Wes & Kate Brooks	Dates/Times vary
Ladies Golf	Katy Lynch	Wednesday (seasonal)
Lend a Book	Marion Dries	3rd Monday, 9:30 AM
Mah Jongg (daytime)	Mindy Nitkin	Wednesdays, 10 AM
Mah Jongg (evening)	Simone Simpson	Mondays, 6:30 PM
Motorcycles	John Griggs	Various Saturdays (seasonal)
Nature Hikes	Chuck Aid	3rd Wednesday, May-August
Needlework	Sheri Matz	1st Monday, 10 AM
Poker Night	Rose Warren	Dates/Times vary
Quilting	Sue Daley Sandy Illich	2nd Monday, 10 AM
Serendipity 2.0	Carol Hanback	Monthly - dates/times vary
SWAG (Savvy Women and Gals)	Harriet Sear Carol Goss	4th Monday, 10 AM
Sporting Clays	Alan Palestine	3rd or 4th Tuesday
The Wine Tasters	Pat Williamson	1st Saturday evening, Alternate Months
Wine Tasting	Frank McVeigh	Multiple Social Groups - 3rd Saturday evening