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A January view of the south end of Shadow Mountain Lake looking towards Rocky Mountain National Park. The main peak is Mt Ida and the clouds in the foreground are covering Shadow Mountain Lake. *Photographer and ENN member Marko Ginsberg provided this cover photo.*

President's Message

ьу Riley Hanback



Hello to all!

We are seeing light at the end of the tunnel; some of us are getting vaccination shots for Covid, some are getting flu shots, and some of us are just getting "shots" of a favorite adult beverage.

Restrictions are beginning to be relaxed, schools are starting to

open, and we can begin to make plans for the future.

In the 2021-2022 term, ENN will celebrate its 60th anniversary! Sixty years ago, in someone's kitchen, women organized a club in order to socialize. This year, our Diamond Jubilee Anniversary, we will celebrate 60 years of fun and friendships. We are fortunate to have Activity Leaders who labored to find a way to keep our membership engaged, and as we look to the remainder of this year, your ENN Board is working to create additional activities for ENN. We will follow all regulations set in place by the state, but everyone is optimistic about this year.

Events we are currently working on are restarting Happy Hours, the Summer Party, the Activity Leaders Appreciation Dinner, and Community Outreach opportunities. The ENN Board



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has so much excitement and enthusiasm, along with resourcefulness, imagination, and desire to make 2021 - 2022 an extraordinary year for you, our members. I would ask that you watch for emails and future newsletters publicizing upcoming events to make sure you don't miss these social occasions!

I would also like to thank all of you for your continued dedication to ENN. Despite the difficulties and obstacles 2020 threw at us, your continued support of this group, the ENN family, is greatly appreciated. Without you we do not have an ENN, and your resolute spirit to this organization and the community is valued and treasured.

This term I hope to meet you at one of the various social activities Carol and I will be attending. I want to meet as many people as possible; I cannot promise I will remember your name (that is one thing I am working on), but I

would like to be able to put a face to a name and personally thank you for being a part of this magnificent group.

So, let's plan on getting together soon for some food, drinks, and a lot of fun! -RH

Get to Know...

Jan Cryns



Jan is ENN's Treasurer and group leader of Book Club #2 and the maker of our Cork Craft in this newsletter.

I have lived in Evergreen five years now. I moved here in 2016 with my husband, Brendan, from Wisconsin (Go Pack!). I grew up in Chicagoland and left for college at University of Wisconsin Madison to study Pharmacy. I met my husband there and we moved to Milwaukee after graduation.

We spent most of our adult lives there, working and raising two kids and one dog. Most of my pharmacy career was at the Children's Hospital of Wisconsin, from which I retired in 2013.

With little to keep us in Wisconsin we looked at living closer to our children. Our daughter was living in San Francisco and my son moved to Golden, Colorado.
Colorado won out over California

and we found a great place here in Evergreen. It was really meant to be as now my daughter lives in Carbondale and my son and his wife in Fairplay.

As for hobbies, I have always enjoyed cooking, reading and travel. Joining ENN gave me a great group of people to hang out with. I coordinate Book Club #2. We read mostly fiction, though we won't turn away a good memoir or non-fiction if one of our members recommends it! Although we miss the social gatherings, our book group has been meeting via Zoom. It helps me feel a little less isolated.

My husband and I bought a REVEL camper van just before the COVID outbreak. We use it to get out of town when we get a little stircrazy or Brendan wants to ski. We can camp remotely and bring our own kitchen, bathroom and bed with us so we do not incur a lot of exposure to crowds of people and the virus.

I became treasurer for ENN last July. I love working with the board and keeping the club viable and engaging, despite the issues COVID has created this year. I am looking forward to ENN happy hours and parties as we beat this virus through protective measures and vaccinations. (I'm 63, so I am impatiently waiting for Phase 2 for my vaccinations).

-JC

Welcome New Member! Karen Seymour

ENN 2021-2022 Slate of Officers

The following ENN members compose our slate of officers for the 2021-22 term beginning July 1, 2021.

President - Riley Hanback

VP - Justin Schulz

Secretary - Carol Hanback

Treasurer - Jan Cryns

Activities Chair - Frank McVeigh

Community Outreach Chair - Carol Goss

Hospitality Chair - Tanya Ashworth

Membership Chair - Maureen McDevitt

Newsletter Editor - Lee Anne Powers

Nominating Chair - Wes Brooks

Programs & Socials Chair - Laura & Wayne Ackerman

P/S Co-Chair, Happy Hour Coord. - Dori Warner

Publicity Chair - Annie Ginsberg

Webmaster - Rick Warner

Congratulations and thanks to all for your commitment to our association.



This striking cat wasn't scared of us peering at it through our window! Is it a lynx or a bobcat?

Your ENN Board is Hard at Work



was the delicious

site of the first planning meeting for our June Summer Party. This fun event for ENN members will kick off a year of celebrating ENN's 60th anniversary, our Diamond Jubilee.

Watch for more details in the May/June ENN newsletter.



ENN Summer Party Committee. Pictured L to R: Riley Hanback, President; Wayne and Laura Ackerman, Programs & Socials Chairs; Annie Ginsberg, Publicity Chair; Lee Anne Powers, Newsletter Editor. Missing, Dori Warner, P/S Co-chair.

Your Help is Needed to Honor Fallen Veterans this Memorial Day

Flags for Fallen Vets is a nonprofit organization established in 2012 for the purpose of ensuring an American Flag is placed upon every Veteran's gravesite at every National Cemetery in the country for Memorial Day.

There are close to 800,000 interred American Veterans across the country who are not

given this hallowed honor. Through private and corporate donations, volunteerism and the education of our next generation this organization works towards never allowing Americans to forget those who have served and sacrificed throughout our country's history for the freedoms we enjoy today.

Here is an outstanding opportunity for ENN members to volunteer their time and effort to a very worthy cause, now that Covid restrictions are beginning to ease.

Fort Logan National Cemetery in Denver needs 2,500 volunteers to place or replace over 147,000 American flags in this cemetery. Some of these flags are nearly 20 years old. New American flags will be placed next to the 147,000+ graves at the cemetery on Sunday, May 30, 2021 at 9:00am, prior to Memorial Day on May 31st.

Those wishing to volunteer should register ASAP on the "Flags for Fallen Vets" website. Visit http://www.flagsforfallenvets.com.

(Click on the 2021 VOLUNTEER FORM link). When registering, you can request up to 10 tickets for family and friends. Approval for groups larger than 10 requires an email conversation. You can also request a specific section if a loved-one or friend is at rest there. A link is available to the <u>VA Grave Site Locator</u>, so you can look up the section someone is in.

ENN members, when you participate in this activity, please take a few photos and send them to Lee Anne Powers, newsletter

editor at

newsletter@evergreennewcomers.com.

Note: FFFV will also need additional assistance with flag pickup on Saturday, June 5th, offering a separate volunteer opportunity.









Activities

To join any activity, send an email to the group leader at:

activities@evergreennewcomers.com.

You will be contacted by the leader.

Go to

evergreennewcomers.com

and click the link
"Get Involved" and then
"Activities" to access
details on each activity.

Book Club #2 – Jan Cryns, Leader

Book Club #2 meets via Zoom on the third Thursday of the month at 1:00 pm. In January we discussed "West with the Night," a memoir by Beryl Markham, an amazing woman who was a bush pilot in Africa in the 1930's. In February, we discussed "The Sea Keeper's Daughters" by Lisa Wingate, a nice piece of fiction about a woman discovering family history in an old hotel she inherited on the Outer Banks of North Carolina. The book for discussion on March 18th is "All the Light We Cannot See" by Anthony Doerr."



Ladies

Intermediate/Advanced Golf – Katy Lynch, Leader

Great!...spring is on its way, and hopefully ENN Ladies' Wednesday mornings (9:00 a.m.) golf at Evergreen Golf Course too.



Several days in January and early February were even sunny and mild for

playing golf...what else is new with Colorado?! April may be our starting month, dependent on COVID and, of course, weather.



4 X 4 Group – Bob Ogden & Tony Oliver, Leaders

The charter of this group is to provide four wheeling opportunities on trails in the "moderate-to-difficult" range. This is a family activity, with spectacular scenery, great picnic lunches, photo-ops and other stops along the way.

Our season normally runs May-October when we hope to avoid most snow complications. Typically, we'll have two outings per month, a combination of nearby day trips interspersed with a couple of long-weekend, out-of-town adventures.

For the Saturday day trips, we'll depart at 8:00 or 9:00 am, depending on destination, and try to return by mid-to-late

afternoon. The overnighters usually span a four-day weekend. Trip registration and other communications are by email to group members.

Here's a 4x4 Group picture from our September five-day trip to Moab. The picture shows Art Smithson crossing the Golden Crack obstacle on the Golden Spike trail with Tony Oliver



spotting. There were eight Jeeps and 17 people on that trip. (con't. next page)

Guys' Breakfast – John Dunlop, Leader

The ENN Guys' Breakfast Returns in March!

After too long a hiatus, the monthly ENN Guys' Breakfast will return in March.

Our breakfast in March will be on the second Tuesday, March 9th at The Parkside Café, 1338 County Road 65 in Evergreen. It is across from Bergen Park and next to Center for the Arts Evergreen.

We will meet at 8:30 and enjoy good food and fellowship.



(4 X 4 Group cont.)

Our group had seven daytrip outings group had seven daytrip outings with the other to Ouray, during 2020. Take that Covid! Our 2021 season begins in May.

Motorcycles – John Griggs, Leader

Sometimes we just need an excuse to go ride, so let's get together and enjoy the passion of riding with those who share that passion.

Every biker has favorite roads and destinations, and this is an opportunity to share those with others, and to discover new favorites. There are lots of places to go see, things to do, and food to eat in or near Colorado, so let's go see them and do them on our bikes/trikes. All makes, models, skill levels are encouraged.



The picture above is John with his two sons at Lolo Pass near the Idaho/Montana border.

The photo below is a different trip with John and his two sons when they got caught in an unexpected snow storm near Boulder, Utah.



S.W.A.G (Savvy Women and Gals) – Carol Goss & Harriet Sear, Leaders

Swag continues to be very active through the convenience of Zoom provided by ENN. We have decided to meet on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month from 10::00 AM to Noon.

Past Meetings: In January we planned topics and presentations for this new year. Paige Bertini gave us a free yoga session on Zoom and Laraine Meyers gave an exceptional presentation on the drug testing process.

In February Brad Andres, President of the Evergreen Audubon Society showed us a great presentation on beginning birding and talked about the local February Bird Feeder count. During our 3rd Tuesday Zoom meeting in February, we discussed questions that our social media presenter could answer during her presentation in May.

Upcoming Meetings: At our March 2nd meeting we will open with a time to chat, then Carol Goss will give a presentation on Generational Differences. On March 16th, Maureen McDevitt has arranged for Catherine Dockery to present *Healing Our Emotional Triggers*. We will learn how to understand our out-of-control feelings and how to use awareness to heal old triggers bringing greater passion, commitment, and integrity to ourselves and all our relationships. Catherine is a former analyst for the Office of Aging for the City of Denver. She is the Director of the Center for Conscious Aging where she facilitates workshops, events and discussion groups on topics related to healthy aging.



On April 6th, Maureen McDevitt will give a presentation on Senior Housing. She has done a lot of research on this so it will be very informative. On April 20th, Maureen has arranged for Lynn Caligiuri and Linda Bessler to introduce the Mountain Area Land Trust (MALT) to us. This group is about conservation and they will tell us about how, when and why this group was created.



Eating and Elk in Evergreen

It may not look like many of our 26 Activity Groups are getting together since few are mentioned here, but guite a few are doing just that. With COVID restrictions lessening as more of us get vaccinated our Activity Group submissions will increase. Many thanks to the group leaders who have taken the time to familiarize yourselves with Zoom technology and used ENN's account it to keep in contact with your group members. (Contact ENN VP, Justin Schulz, to schedule your Zoom meetings, vicepresident@evergreennewcomers.com.)

In the absence of the always interesting content provided by our Activity group leaders, I solicited content from our members on various topics. Thank you to John Russell and Marti Minchak for their recommendations.

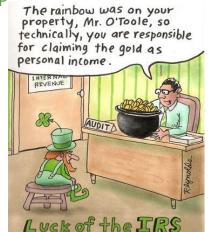
"Nearly every week since the pandemic began, we have done takeout or eaten outside at Scooters BBQ Conifer .. we think it's the best BBQ in the Evergreen area.

And, we recently ate dinner at the Parkside Cafe in Evergreen. I had the best pork tenderloin I have ever eaten! - JR

As for my husband, Richard, and myself, we have taken to heart the SHOP LOCAL, EAT LOCAL slogan promoted by the Evergreen Chamber of Commerce. We have enjoyed The Parkside Café for breakfast, lunch and dinner numerous times. We found Tex-Mex to be just like our favorite Tex-Mex restaurants in North Texas at Casa Tequila's, and we have enjoyed the delicious mountain food at El Rancho Brewing Company. I use the app, Yelp, to navigate new areas. We avoided Casa Tequila's and El Rancho because of their low ratings on Yelp. But we took a chance on both and we are so happy we did.

I've learned that many folks here lay claim to our Elk Herd. We are no different and are always excited when they travel through our yard. Richard and I continue to pledge that we will no longer post elk and deer photos to our Facebook pages for we are surely boring our Texas friends, but alas, we can't seem to help it. Below is a photo of the Elk Herd passing through our yard this past January. Wow. - LP





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.

ENN is open to all residents of the Evergreen area, regardless of length of residency.

Things That Could Soon Disappear Forever |

Excerpted from UseMyPro.com

Chargers - Chargers may not be useful anymore as remote charging is not impossible to get into the picture.

Locks and Keys - Everything, including vehicles, might be opened and closed by pushing a button.

Touch Screens - With COVID 19 that can spread through contact with surfaces like ATMs and airline kiosks, touch screens may no longer exist. People may start utilizing special pens, voice commands, or gestures.

Remote Controls - They may be eliminated and you will have to start utilizing voice commands instead.

Signatures - Signatures cannot be forged using biometrics. Nobody can ever copy your iris or fingerprints.

Cash - Now you can just utilize your debit or credit card. With the advent of virtual cash and various apps on smartphones.

Traffic Jams -Top car manufacturers are already making robotic cars, which are automatically driven so everything will be coordinated.

Manual Transmission - With the increasing demand for automatic transmission cars, the manual ones will soon be erased

Privacy - The worst nightmare but it is inevitable your tracks can be traced - another downside of technology.

Jan Cryns submitted a wonderful project to make using leftover wine bottle corks.

Wine Cork Tray

Notes: I prefer a wood tray since the epoxy adds weight and with handles ¾ " or more above the base of tray so that corks are covered without epoxy reaching handle cutout. (I used 16" x 12" Tabletop Gray Tray from Walmart.)

Materials:

- 2-part Epoxy product: EnviroTex Lite Pour-On. The amount you need will depend on your tray and how tightly you fit the corks. I bought two 16oz packages and I used just about all of it.
- Corks-for this tray I needed 52 corks. See how to estimate, below.
- Sharp knife, glue, gloves, a few tooth picks, a butane torch or heat gun.



Directions:

- 1. **How Many Corks?** Lay corks in tray, length and width to get your cork count. To avoid cork chunks, you can try placing corks in different directions. I needed 8 corks by 13 corks to cover base. 8 x 13 = 104. Because I am going to halve the corks, I divided by two—so 52 corks. Prepare a couple extra just in case.
- 2. **Prepare cork halves.** Boil (or steam) in water for 10 min. This cleans and "plumps" the corks so they are easier to cut. Let cool, then carefully cut in half lengthwise using sharp knife. I like a serrated bread knife. (Getting the "halves" even is a bit tricky, but you'll get the hang of it.)
- 3. **Determine design.** Lay cork halves in tray to establish design or the need for more corks or cuts. Remove and clean the cork debris from tray.
- 4. **Make sure tray water tight.** Otherwise, the epoxy will leak thru. If it leaks, use glue to seal the corners and base.
- 5. **Glue corks into tray.** Corks will float in epoxy if not glued down. I use Elmer's glue, but hot glue or Gorilla glue have also been suggested.
- 6. **Epoxy Base coat.** Mix 16 oz. of the epoxy to do a base coat. That will be 8 oz. from each bottle. (If starting with the 32 oz. kit, keep the other half of each bottle in sealed original container for next coat.) Follow directions in package to mix. Wear gloves when working with epoxy. (I pour the epoxy in two layers because corks are somewhat porous and will release lots of bubbles. This will reduce bubbles in final (float) coat and give you an opportunity to push down any loose corks.)
- 7. **Pour epoxy over corks.** Make sure tray is level and pour epoxy over corks and allow epoxy to settle. Use heat gun or butane torch to pop bubbles that form. Move the torch quickly to avoid burning a cork or starting it on fire. Large bubbles or bubbles clinging to a cork can be broken into smaller bubbles with a toothpick to be eliminated more quickly. It takes the epoxy about 45 min. to set. Check every 5-10 min. for any late bubbles.
- 8. Allow to dry 24hours.
- 9. Mix remainder of epoxy and pour over corks. Repeat step 7 to remove bubbles.
- 10. If any corks are not completely covered you may opt to pour another layer of 4-8 oz. of epoxy, repeating step 7 to remove bubbles.
- 11. Allow Epoxy to dry and fully cure for 72 hrs.

ENN Activity Groups: Chairman Frank McVeigh Activities@EvergreenNewcomers.com

Current ENN membership is required for participation in any activity.		
Activity	Leaders	Schedule
<u>4 × 4</u>	Bob Ogden Tony Oliver	Various Saturdays (Seasonal)
Book Group #2	Jan Cryns	Third Thursday, 1 PM
Book Group #3 (non-fiction / co-ed)	Elaine Morse	Dates Vary
Bridge Daytime	Sue Greenwell	2nd & 4th Thursday
Bridge Evening	Pat Haines	3rd Friday
Canasta	Donna Lomax	Wednesday about 1 PM
First Friday Game Night	Tanya Ashworth	1st Friday 6:00 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 Thursdays, wx permitting Winter Wednesdays, wx 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
Piecemakers Quilting	Sue Daley Sandy Illich	2nd Monday, 10 AM
Scrapbooking	Carolyn Labac	Dates/Times vary
Serendipity 2.0	Carol Hanback	Monthly - dates/times vary
SWAG (Savvy Women and Gals)	Harriet Sear Carol Goss	1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 10 AM - Noon
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

To contact any Activity Group, please send an email to Activities@EvergreenNewcomers.com.

The desired group will receive your message and respond directly to you.