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Where Fun and Friendships Happen



Upcoming Events

- Happy Hour**
Nov. 19 4-6 pm Pho Evergreen
- ShutterBugs Photo Exhibit**
Evergreen Library during the month of December
- Winter Party**
Jan. 11, 2025 Hiwan Golf Club 5:30 – 9:30 pm

NOVEMBER-DECEMBER
2024
EVERGREEN NEWCOMERS
AND NEIGHBORS
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December 20th for Group
Recaps and Jan/Feb
Newsletter information.

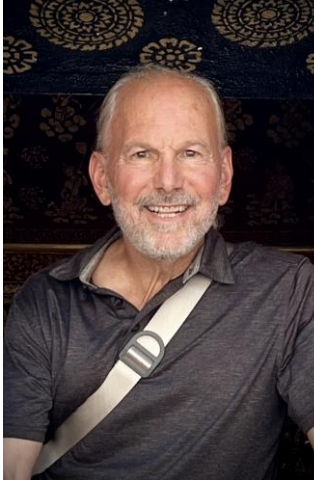
As William Butler Yeats once said:
“There are no strangers here;
only friends you haven’t yet met.”

In this season of Thanksgiving, we at ENN are thankful for all the friendships we’ve made and look forward to all the friends we have yet to meet!

Enjoy the holidays!

President's Message

From Mike Ferrari



Hello fellow newcomers and neighbors!

October was an important month for the club. We had an exhilarating **Open House** on October 5th, due in large part to the meticulous planning by our Activity Chair, John Sharp. John has facilitated the startup of some new activity groups as well, including Easy Walkers (led by Annie Ginsberg), Ski Group (EPIC, led by Rob Wilson), and several new wine groups. He's a force to be reckoned with!

I enjoyed meeting some new members and chatting with a lot of current members as well. There was a lot of energy in that room!

Happy Hours continue to grow in popularity. Don't miss our next one on **Tuesday, November 19 at Pho Evergreen**. Pho Evergreen is a great new venue for us, and if you haven't been in there since their move to the other side of King Sooper's, you might be surprised just how nice a space it is.

Our **Winter Party** is set for **Saturday night, January 11**. We are returning to the Hiwan Golf Club, which was our go-to venue for this event in past years. We will have a sit-down dinner and enjoy live jazz from Scott "Shack" Hackler and his trio. Invitations with all the details will be emailed to you in a couple of weeks. Please save the date, and warm up this January with some cool jazz!

Mike

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.

ENN Open House Where Fun and Friendship Begin!

On Saturday, October 5, 2024, more than 100 people came together for the Annual Open House.

ENN Members mingled with Newcomers to chat with the Group Leaders who represented over 25 diverse and entertaining Activity Groups, from Alpine Skiing to Mah Jongg to Hiking and more!

The event produced over 25 new Members and 177 new activity sign-ups.

Guests were treated to coffee and scrumptious home-baked goods, all donated by Members of the Board.

Thanks to everyone for making this a success!



Welcome to our New Members!

Lindsey and Ned Breslin

Mike and Karen DeLuca

Linda Palmer and Dave Owens

Kristina and Mark Bryn

Mike and Margaret Kennedy

Mike and Chris Schmenk

John and Mary Carol Wells

Jean and Rick Buzzard

Trish and Gary Wilson

Ellen and Brian Hardy

Charles Wilson

Janine Yunker

Mary Ermides

Steven Klimowski

Laura and Cliff Peterson

Richard Livesay

Sherry Benson

Carole Woodbury

Kathleen Evarts

Debbie Harrison

James Simpson

Take a minute and introduce yourself whenever you see any new members at an upcoming ENN activity.

It's Renewal time! We hope you will renew soon - and continue having fun experiences and meeting new friends in the year to come. You must be a member of ENN to participate in our many Activity Groups, so please renew if you haven't done so already.

To renew and pay online with a credit card, please follow this link:

<https://enn-renewal-for-2024-25.cheddarup.com>

To print out and mail the renewal form with a check, please follow this link:

https://www.evergreennewcomers.com/uploads/1/1/2/2/112226561/enn_renewal_2023.pdf

Thank you so much and we'll see you soon!

Programs & Socials –
Donna Lomax

Two great events you won't want to miss! A new location for our November Happy Hour and a new month for our Winter Party! Get them on your calendars now!



Evergreen Newcomers
and Neighbors

Happy Hour

Tuesday, November 19
Pho Evergreen

1193 N. Bergen Parkway, Evergreen, CO

4 – 6 pm

*Come enjoy some good food,
drink, and company*

Evergreen Newcomers & Neighbors
A 503(c)7 organization
Visit us at www.evergreennewcomers.com/about-enn to learn more about us.



Save the Date!

ENN Winter Party

Saturday, January 11, 2025
Hiwan Golf Club
5:30 – 9:30 pm

- * Sit-down dinner
- * Live music from Scott “Shack” Hackler and his trio

Warm Up with Some Cool Jazz

*Watch your email
for details on the
Winter Party.*

Community Outreach – Bob Lally



For introductions, my name is Bob Lally and I recently took over for Carol Goss as the new ENN Community Outreach Coordinator. Upfront, I want to say thank you to Carol Goss for her service as a board member and as the Community Outreach Coordinator. In my humble opinion, Carol did it the right way and is a class act!

ENN Gives Back

Our Firewood Drive to benefit EChO clients that need wood to heat their homes in the cold weather season was a huge success! We moved and stacked wood and ended with a sack lunch assembled by Jan Cryns (Thank you, Jan!) In all, we delivered about **10 cords of wood** to the EChO wood lot. Both workdays were made possible through generous donations and an incredible team of 22 volunteers who worked hard and gave of their time and resources.

Thanks to those who volunteered and made this project happen: Bob Lally, Mike Ferrari, Jan Cryns, Mike Wells, Monte Poague, Vard and Fran Nelson, Mike Foley, Lisa Everett, Harry Evarts, Dan and Candy Stark, Paul and Laura Santana, Roger Howell, Susan Hall, Rob and Michelle Wilson, Karen Davis, John Illich, and Wes Brooks.

A special thank you to our firewood donors: Rob Wilson, Wes Brooks, Donn Fishbein, Mary Nelson and Daniel Hays.



We ended our morning of work at the home of Harriet Sear with pizza donated by SaBella in Kittredge. (Check out their pizza – it’s terrific!) Fran, thank you for arranging this. It was so great to see how this huge project came together through teamwork and everyone had fun and enjoyed participating.

Thank you! Thank You! Thank You!

Community Outreach –
Bob Lally

As we move into the fall and winter, there are community volunteer opportunities that I believe you would enjoy being a part of. These opportunities support EChO's Emergency Overnight Shelter.

Volunteer opportunities for EChO's Emergency Overnight (6:15 PM to 7 AM) Shelter:

- Emergency Overnight (6:15 PM to 7 AM) The Shelter is now open for the winter.
- Some of the opportunities require training.

The Shelter is staffed almost entirely by community volunteers. Each night, the Shelter needs approximately 10 volunteers. Volunteer opportunities range from making and dropping off dinners, salads and desserts; greeting guests at the Shelter; staffing the kitchen to warm-up and serve dinner; staying overnight at the shelter and serving breakfast. There is always an Overnight EChO Shelter Employee present.

The Shelter can ALWAYS use donations of \$25 Gift Cards from King Soopers, Safeway, and Walmart.

If you are interested in helping, please let me know and contact Tim Clancy, EChO Shelter Manager, at Tim@evergreenchristianoutreach.org or 303-358-5963.

- If there is interest - and ENN has done this in the past - we could cook and freeze meals and/or cook and serve a few meals. Both of these options would provide an ENN social opportunity as well. If we do one or both of these options, I will coordinate with Tim on what day or days work best.

Please let me know if you have any interest in these opportunities by emailing me at CommunityOutreach@EvergreenNewcomers.com .

Thank you for all the time and effort you give to ENN. We appreciate everything you do.

Activities

New Activity Groups!



What will it be?
At the Open House we had requests for new activities as listed below.



We are ready to form new groups if more members sign up. Of course, we will need to identify a group leader for any new activity.



- **Backroads & Easy High Country Drives (Spring 2025)**
- **Craft Beers (revive former Group)**
- **Denver Restaurant Evenings**
- **Euchre (has Group Leader)**
- **Gourmet Dinner Group**
- **Hiking – mid-level (Spring 2025)**
- **Mystery Only Book Club**
- **Pickle Ball**
- **Photography for Beginners**
- **Musicians (Amateurs to practice together)**



Please email Activities@EvergreenNewcomers.com if you are interested in joining one of these new Groups.

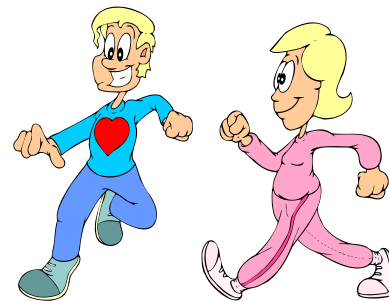
Easy Walkers –
Annie Ginsberg, leader
2nd Wednesday of the Month at 9:00 am

ENN has a new activity...**Easy Walkers** led by Annie Ginsberg.

This group is for anyone who doesn't want to do heavy-duty hiking but still wants to get out in our beautiful area, get some fresh air, and get some steps in.

Right now, we'll be walking once a month through the winter (*2nd Wednesday @ 9:00*). We will also be able to hook up with the group on other days, when the mood strikes us - maybe snowshoeing, x-country walking, etc.

Our next walk will be on November 13th at Staunton Park. If you're interested in joining us, please contact Activities@EvergreenNewcomers.com.



Graphic by Art Explosion

Euchre Anyone??

Euchre is a card game for four players that is played in tricks (rounds) with a deck of 32 cards (using the 9s, 10s, Jacks, Queens, Kings, and Aces of a regular deck).

Participants play with a partner, and the object of the game is to win the most tricks and be the first team to score 10 points.

An ENN First! Our very own ShutterBugs will be featured on the Art Wall at the Evergreen Library in December! Make sure and stop by and see what our very talented members have been doing!

ShutterBugs – Marko Ginsberg, Leader

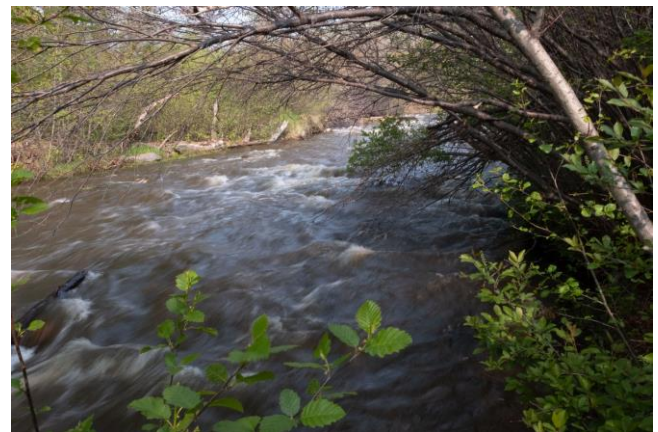
The ShutterBugs activity group has been in existence since June of 2023. We are dedicated to capturing images of the Evergreen area and increasing our photographic skills. Lately the group has been evolving and expanding our activities.

We added a new monthly activity called the “Challenge of the Month.” Members are given a challenge to complete on their own. Our first challenge was to all post-process the same image. Since then, we have all captured images that are: blue, contain tree trunks, and this month we are capturing the “End of Fall.”

Our latest activity is to produce a display wall of images to be shown during the month of December at the Evergreen Library.

If you go by the Library in December, please make a point to view our work.

Here are a few you might see.



SWAG (Savvy Women and Gals) – Marilyn Innerfeld, Leader

Hello ENN!

Our September meeting was at the Phoenix Gold Mine in Idaho Springs, hosted by our wonderful Carol Goss. You can see by the photos that it was a fun experience for all involved! It started with a picnic at the creek, then entering the mine and finding a gold ore vein!



October brought us to the Center for the Arts, which is hosting the *Rocky Mountain National Media*, a show that travels across the country. We were fortunate to have a private tour of the wonderful art as well as the expanded building. We started at Parkside Cafe for a delicious lunch before making our way to the show.



November is SWAG's annual potluck and donation month. We vote on which non-profit will receive that year's donations and this year's choice is Resilience 1220. As for December, this year we will have SWAG's first holiday party/gift exchange at a local restaurant. Stay tuned for details!

SWAG is a fun ladies' group that focuses on learning about our community, local businesses, and non-profits as well as other interesting topics. We always begin our meetings with refreshments and socialization, followed by that month's educational topic.

SWAG meets the third Tuesday of each month from 1-3 pm. We are always seeking new ideas, new members and new energy! If you want to join our group, please email Activities@EvergreenNewcomers.com. Come and make new friends!

Motorcycles - John Griggs, Leader

The **Motorcycle Group** had an impromptu ride on Monday, October 14 to beat the upcoming weather change.

Our riders enjoyed a back roads ride to Woodland Park and breakfast at the Hungry Bear.

From there, more back roads to Lake George, Tarryall Reservoir, Jefferson, and home ... and an ice cream stop!



Photo by J. Griggs

4 x 4 – Bob Ogden & Tony Oliver, Leaders



Photo by J. Sharp

The final four-wheeling trip for the 2024 season was held on the last Saturday of October. It was a glorious day for the twelve Jeeps with 22 members to head up and over Mestaa'Éhehe Pass to the Devil's Gulch trailhead on Highway 103.

After a moderate trail adventure, the group headed to the Tommyknocker Brewery in Idaho Springs to enjoy a delicious lunch.

See you next year!

Activities

To join any activity, send an email to the group leader at: activities@evergreennewcomers.com

You will be contacted by the leader.

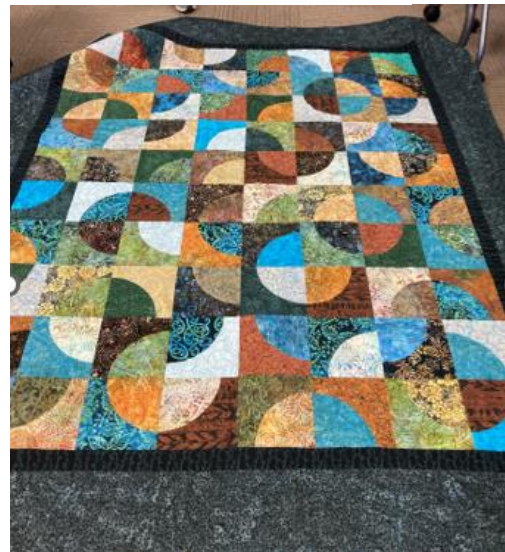
**Blue Sky Quilters –
Sandy Illich, Leader**

Just like Mt. Blue Sky and in keeping with our proximity to that peak and the beautiful blue skies here in Evergreen, we've got a new name, too!

Sandy Illich takes on the Colorado flag.



Carol Miller has a “Bee in her Bonnet” with this quilt she made for her daughter.



Lynn Robbins has been going around in circles with this modern quilt.



Debby Becker with her beautiful baby quilt.



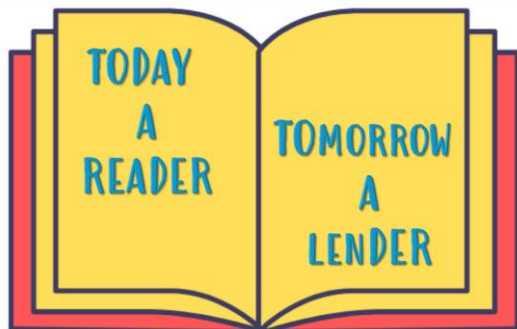
Gladys Hartman and her bright fall leaves.

Lend-A-Book – Lisa Everett, Leader

After a month's break, it was great to see LAB members again in October. We were happy to welcome Cindy, who attended for the first time. We learned that Cindy is new to Evergreen, but a long-time Colorado resident; we hope she'll find fun and friendships with ENN group participation. Many thanks to Simone for hosting -- we wish you and your knee a speedy recovery!

As always there was a fantastic selection of books for us all to share and borrow. Conversation was lively, with topics ranging from navigating health care, to new Paris landmarks, to air travel romance (flight attendants were spies?!?). We laughed a lot and had a great time.

Lend-a-Book meets the third Monday of each month from 10 am - noon-ish. Join us!



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Gals' Breakfast – Louise Whiteside, Leader

Our September Gals' Breakfast met at the Aspen Perk Café in Conifer on Friday, September 27. Four ladies were present for a delicious breakfast and a fun get-together.

On Friday, October 25, we welcomed several first-time attendees at our breakfast at the Blackbird Cafe in Kittredge.

Great new name – same great book club!

Literally Amazing Book Club - Jan Cryns, Leader



Book Club #2 decided to jazz it up and rename the group "**Literally Amazing Book Club**"! It fits the group well as we strive to read amazing literature-- mostly fiction. But as all our book selections come from our members, we will take on an amazing memoir or non-fiction book.

Our September selection was *The River of Gods* by Candice Millard. It's about genius, courage and betrayal in the search for the source of the Nile River in the early 20th century. We met at the Pavilion at the Evergreen Community Gardens to enjoy the beautiful surroundings.

At our October meeting, we discussed *The Women* by Kristin Hannah, her powerful new book about the unsung heroes of the Viet Nam war, especially the unacknowledged women in harm's way, and the devastating aftermath upon their return to an unsupportive America.

Our next book to discuss is *Remarkably Bright Creatures* by Shelby Van Pelt, the story of a grieving woman who takes a job at the aquarium and her interactions with an octopus named Marcellus.

Just two of our many wine groups!

The *“Uncorked”* group does some wine tasting and rating!



Photos by K. Lally

Members of the new Wine Group, *“The Screwtops,”* enjoying an evening together. ENN now has 7 wine groups with a new Group forming in November.

If you would like to join a Wine Group, please email Activities@EvergreenNewcomers.com.



Photo by J. Delacruz

As you can see, ENN members appreciate a good bottle of wine and enjoy the good company of fellow members! Here is a listing of the current ENN Wine Groups (with an additional group starting in November):

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| ▪ Corkscrews | Donn & Cassie Fishbein | 3rd Saturday |
| ▪ Guzzlers | Roger & Sheri Matz | 3rd Saturday |
| ▪ In Vino Veritas | Bob Fudge | 3rd Saturday |
| ▪ Les Dégustateurs | Carrie Garczynski | 1st Saturday - alternate months |
| ▪ The Screwtops | Jen Delacruz | 2nd Saturday |
| ▪ Uncorked | Ray Trevisan | 2nd Saturday |
| ▪ Winos | Colette Lambert | 3rd Saturday |

If you are interested in joining a wine group, contact Activities@EvergreenNewcomers.com

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Current ENN Membership is required for participation in any activity.

To contact any group leader, send email to activities@evergreennewcomers.com. You will receive a direct response from the leader.

ENN ACTIVITY GROUPS		
Activity	Leaders	Schedule
4 X 4	Bob Ogden & Tony Oliver	Various Saturdays & occasional mid-week day trips; long weekend trips (Seasonal)
Blue Sky Quilters	Sandy Illich	2nd & 4th Monday, 10 AM
Bowling	Lisa Morton	1st Tuesday, 6:30 PM
Bridge Daytime	Sue Greenwell	2nd & 4th Thursday, 12 Noon
Bridge Evening	Jean Wells & Joanne Hill	3rd Friday Evening
Canasta	Donna Lomax	2nd & 4th Wednesday, 1-3:30 PM
Easy Walkers	Annie Ginsberg	2nd Wednesday, 9 AM
Gals' Breakfast	Louise Whiteside	Last Friday, 10 AM
Guys' Breakfast	Kevin Kerr	2nd Tuesday, 8:30 AM
Happy Hour	Riley Hanback	3 rd Tuesday, 4 – 6 PM
International ENN	Wes & Kate Brooks	Dates/Times vary
Ladies Golf	Katy Lynch	Wednesday (seasonal)
Lend-A-Book	Lisa Everett	3rd Monday, 10 AM
Literally Amazing Book Club	Jan Cryns	Third Thursday, 1 PM
Mah Jongg (daytime)	Mindy Nitkin	Fridays, 10 AM - Noon
Mah Jongg (evening)	Simone Simpson	Mondays, 6:30 PM
Motorcycles	John Griggs	Various Saturdays (seasonal)
Needlework	Sheri Matz	1st Monday, 10 AM
Nonfiction Book Club	Lora Mazza	1st Wednesday, 7 PM
Poker Night	Rose Warren	Fridays, Weekly
Shutterbugs	Marko Ginsberg	1st & 3rd Friday Mornings
Ski Group (EPIC)	Rob Wilson	Weekly (Seasonal)
Ski Group (ICON)	Pam Talley	Thursdays (Seasonal)
SOLO Winers & Diners	Donna Lomax	1st Saturday, 5 PM
Sporting Clays	Alan Palestine	3rd or 4th Tuesday
Summer Hiking Group (SHG)	Debbie Atwood, Don Rosenthal	Thursday Mornings; May-October
SWAG (Savvy Women and Gals)	Marilyn Innerfeld	3rd Tuesday, 1 PM - 3 PM