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*Where Fun and Friendships Happen*



### *Upcoming Events*

***Happy Hour***  
*January 21 4-6 pm Wild Game*

***ENN Food Drive***  
*April 11 (Watch for details.)*

JANUARY – FEBRUARY  
2025  
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AND NEIGHBORS  
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**Next Newsletter Deadline:**  
February 28th for Group  
Recaps and March/April  
Newsletter information.

ENN welcomed a new year of “Fun and Friendships” with our amazing Winter Gala. Check it out on pages 3/4.

If your New Year’s resolutions include meeting new friends and getting involved in the community, we’re the place to be in 2025!

## President's Message

From Mike Ferrari



**Hello fellow newcomers and neighbors!**

What a wonderful gala! 102 people attended including 21 new members this year and 10 group leaders. The energy in the room was way more than I expected, and it felt great to make some new friends.

Thanks again to Donna Lomax, Candy Stark, and Karen Davis for all their detailed work in planning this event. We had lots of fun, food, music, and conversation! Hiwan Golf Club put on a fabulous dinner and the music from Scott Hackler and his trio was outstanding.

Should we plan to repeat at Hiwan in January of 2026?? Let me know what you think.

After feeling all that energy, I would like to ask a favor. Many in our Evergreen community have skills that ENN needs in order to grow our club and to deliver more of the programs and activities we all want. Can you help us in one of these areas?

- Legal advice
- Graphic layout or design
- Web design
- Event planning
- Member support
- Technical support

The amount of time you would need to invest can be a little or a lot, depending on your interests. If you can help, even a little, please email Mike Ferrari at [president@evergreennewcomers.com](mailto:president@evergreennewcomers.com) or Karen Davis at [nominating@evergreennewcomers.com](mailto:nominating@evergreennewcomers.com). We'd love to chat with you.

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.***



*Great food – great music –  
and, most of all, –  
great friends!*





Community Outreach –  
Bob Lally

**Save the date:**

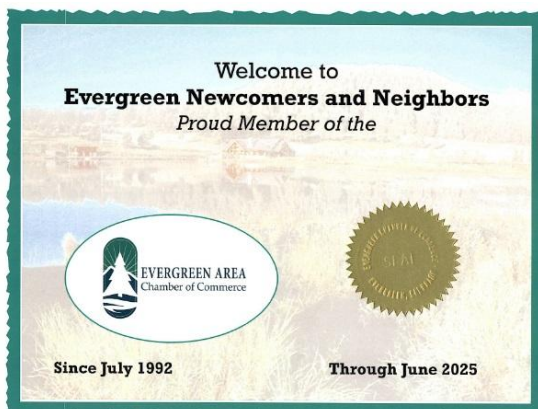
ENN's annual **Food Drive** will be held this year on **April 11, 2025**. This date was chosen to help ensure that EChO's food pantry will be stocked through the summer when many families rely on it! We'll be sending updates as the date draws near with the most needed items, location, and times.

**Volunteers Needed:**

As we move into the 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) Shelter opened on Oct 21st.
- Some of the opportunities require training.
- If you are interested in helping, please let me know and contact Tim Clancy, EChO Shelter Manager, at [Tim@evergreenchristianoutreach.org](mailto:Tim@evergreenchristianoutreach.org) or 303-358-5963.



**Did you know that ENN is a member of the Evergreen Chamber of Commerce?**

The Chamber is spearheading Evergreen's 150th Celebration throughout 2025 and ENN looks forward to supporting a variety of events and volunteer opportunities. Stay tuned for updates!

## ENN Gives Back!



**SWAG** (Savvy Women and Gals) chooses a local charity to support each year. After visiting the Resilience 1220 center and learning about all they do to support youth and families in the Evergreen area, we chose them! Leader Marilyn Innerfeld is shown presenting The Resilience 1220 staff with a \$1000+ donation collected at SWAG's November meeting. Way to give back to our community!

### *New Members*

Tom & Clare Day

Barrett Edwards

Jerald Lovejoy

Julia and David Molden

Susan & Mark Neil

Andrew Kratz

Anita & Wesley Anthony

Cheryl Pope-Eagen

Maggie Moon

Debbie & Mike Harrison

Mark & Wendy Tingle

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

## ACTIVITY GROUPS

### Afternoon Bridge

A special thank you to **Sue Greenwell** who has retired as the Group Leader for Daytime Bridge after **10 years** of service to ENN. Your dedication as a Group Leader is very much appreciated by all ENN Members.

Daytime Bridge is currently looking for Members to join them on the 2nd and 4th Thursday. If interested, please contact

[Activities@EvergreenNewcomers.com](mailto:Activities@EvergreenNewcomers.com) .

### *New Group!*

#### SCRAPBOOKING & CARD MAKING

**Roxie Wheeler** is offering to form a Group which was an ENN Activity Group in the past.

#### **A note from Roxie:**

"Would you like to create an album with that box of photos you have? I would be willing to help you get started if you're new to paper crafting! I have a lot of tools. If you're new to the hobby you can use some of my supplies for your first page."

If you're interested, contact Roxie at

[Activities@EvergreenNewcomers.com](mailto:Activities@EvergreenNewcomers.com) .



### Euchre

#### *Euchre Anyone??*

#### **We're in the final stages of organizing our Euchre Group.**

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.



**If you are interested, now's the time to let us know!**

Contact [Activities@EvergreenNewcomers.com](mailto:Activities@EvergreenNewcomers.com) .

## ACTIVITY GROUPS

ShutterBugs – Marko Ginsberg, Leader

*And that's a wrap! Our ENN ShutterBugs were featured at Evergreen Library through the month of December and the photos were amazing! Thanks to Marko, Riley, and Candy for putting this great exhibit together.*



Riley and Candy hang the pictures on the Library's Art Wall.



Library Staff admire the photos before the Grand Opening.

What goes up must come down! We'll be back next year!



*There were 25 images in the display which were provided by 10 different members of ShutterBugs.*

*The display was very well received and members enjoyed putting it together. We have reserved the wall for January of 2026 and will make this an annual project for ShutterBugs.*



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

Hello ENN!

SWAG (Savvy Women and Gals) is a fun 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.



Our November meeting was our annual fundraiser, and the SWAG ladies had chosen Resilience 1220 to be this year's recipient. I am proud to announce that **we donated over \$1000** to their organization! I want to thank all my fellow SWAG members for their generosity. Thanks also to Barb Conroy for opening her home for this event, which included potluck appetizers and desserts along with each of us sharing something of sentimental value that reminded us of our younger days, or handed down by family, or anything important to our hearts. It was a wonderful way to get to know each other better!



We ended 2024 with a bang! In December we had our First Annual Holiday Luncheon at Pho Evergreen, where we enjoyed great food and had an anonymous gift exchange game (Yankee Swap!) that was fun and full of laughs. Photos are of the two large tables we occupied (and apologies to those accidentally cut out!) and Mary Pat dramatically opening her gift!

As we look towards 2025, we will start January with an informative talk at Natural Grocers, where we will learn about how to avoid digestive discomfort and build a healthy digestive tract. Many more fun and informative activities are being planned for the coming year.

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](mailto:Activities@EvergreenNewcomers.com). Come and make new friends!

### Canasta - Donna Lomax, Leader

Canasta is a lively card game that is fun, easy to learn and engaging! It is in the Rummy family of card games and is typically played by 2 sets of partners but can easily be played by 2, 3, 4, 5 or 6 people. It is always fun to have more than one table going and switch things up!



From L-R: Kathleen, Simone, Ellen, Trish, Lori, and Donna.

We celebrated Kathleen's grandson's 1st birthday with cupcakes since Kathleen could not be with him at the time.

Join us!

### Summer Hiking – Debbie Atwood & Don Rosenthal, Leaders



The Summer Hiking Group closed out another great season of trails! The group typically hikes on Thursday mornings from May to late October.

Some of the great hikes last year included Mt. Flora and Second Creek (Berthoud Pass area); Eagle Cliffs and Staunton Ranch Trail (Conifer); and Panorama Point and Mt. Goliath (Evergreen).

Hikes average 4 to 8 miles roundtrip and gain in elevation from 500' to 1500'.

Whew! You all deserve a rest!

## Activities

To join any activity, send an email to the group leader at: [activities@evergreennewcomers.com](mailto:activities@evergreennewcomers.com)

You will be contacted by the leader.

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

Always a big turnout for our  
Holiday Pot Luck!



Cheri's "I Spy" quilt for her lucky  
grandson.



Lynn's "12 Days of Christmas"  
that she's been working on since  
Covid.



Georgia has a beautiful  
woodland quilt just  
waiting for her soon-to-  
arrive grandchild.



Gladys made this  
striking ski quilt for her  
son.



Some of us were  
having a little too  
much fun!



### Lend-A-Book – Lisa Everett, Leader



We welcomed two new members, Sue and Ingrid, in November. After a delicious pot luck meal at our Holiday Party, our fearless leader, Lisa, came up with a great new way to exchange gifts.

A roll of the dice determined whether you switched, stole, or unwrapped your gift. Hilarity ensued!

In the end, everyone was happy with their gifts and looking forward to another great year of reading and lending! Thanks for hosting, Judy, and we missed you, Simone!



Photos by L. Everett

### Gals' Breakfast – Louise Whiteside, Leader

Our Gals' Breakfast group met for breakfast on Friday, November 29, at the Conifer Cafe. Six ladies were present for a fun post-Thanksgiving get-together.

We skipped our breakfast meeting in December to allow everyone to have plenty of time to celebrate the holidays.

Our next breakfast gathering will be the last Friday of January, 2025. See you there!

### Literally Amazing Book Club - Jan Cryns, Leader



Literally Amazing Book Club met in November to discuss *Remarkably Bright Creatures* by Shelby Van Pelt, a delightful book about a giant Pacific octopus at the Sowell Bay Aquarium that is smarter than his human counterparts.

Our December meeting was a holiday party at Jan Cryns' home. There was a large turnout for the pot luck party which included a gift grab bag. It was a wonderful way to end the year!

We start 2025 with *The Phone Booth at the Edge of the World* by Laura Imai Messina for our January 16th meeting.

### Ladies Golf – Katy Lynch, Leader

Happy New Year to all! ENN Ladies Intermediate/Advanced golf will continue at Evergreen Golf Course in 2025 on Wednesdays, probably in May, dependent on weather.

Enjoy your golf if you are out of town, or even in Denver! See you next year!

**Winos –  
Colette Lambert, Leader**

The Winos December Wine Dinner was hosted by Jean and Mike Wells.

A fun Christmas event, great dinner, and fine wine complete with decorations and a gift for each Member.

Jean and her friends made Christmas ornaments using, of course, wine corks! Thank you, Jean and Mike.



**WINE GROUPS**

*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:*

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 (alt. mos.)
The Screwtops	Jen Delacruz	2nd Saturday
SOLO Winers & Diners	Donna Lomax	1st Saturday
Uncorked	Ray Trevisan	2nd Saturday
Winos	Colette Lambert	3rd Saturday

If you are interested in joining a wine group, contact  
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Current ENN Membership is required for participation in any activity.

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