Welcome

2022-2023
Rotary Club of Northglenn-Thornton

An Information Packet for Prospective Members
Hello,

We are really excited that you are interested in Rotary and becoming a prospective member!

Rotary was first created in 1905 by a group in Chicago led by an attorney, Paul Harris. We currently have over 1.2 million members who belong to 33,000 clubs worldwide!

The Rotary Club of Northglenn was founded in 1968, one year before the City of Northglenn was chartered. The founding members had a dream of bringing the community together to provide service and support wherever it was needed. The Club added Thornton to the membership in 1989, becoming the Rotary Club of Northglenn-Thornton.

The Club has always been a blend of local leaders and members of the business community. Historically, anyone who was "anyone" was a member of a local Rotary Club. That has diminished greatly over time, our focus is now simply focused on people how want to serve others in a meaningful way and make a positive impact in the community.

On the international front, Rotary is close to achieving a remarkable milestone, the eradication of Polio. This is a feat so historic that only one other disease has ever been eradicated in the history of the world - small pox.

We are so pleased that you are considering becoming a Rotarian. For more information about Rotary and how to get involved, we have attached several documents to help you better understand the Rotary Club of Northglenn-Thornton, as well as both the district and international projects that are making differences in people’s lives every day.

Please feel free to call me with any questions.

Sincerely,
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INTRODUCTION

Who is Rotary?
Solving real problems takes real commitment and vision. For more than 110 years, Rotary members have used their passion, energy, and intelligence to take action on sustainable projects. From literacy and peace to water and health, we are always working to better our world, and we stay committed to the end. Rotary is a global network of 1.2 million neighbors, friends, leaders, and problem-solvers who come together to make positive, lasting change in communities at home and abroad.

Our motto: Service Above Self
For more than 110 years, our guiding principles have been the foundation of our values: service, fellowship, diversity, integrity, and leadership.

How are Rotarians impacting the world?
Rotary members believe that we have a shared responsibility to take action on our world’s most persistent issues. Our 35,000+ clubs work together to:

- Promote peace
- Fight disease
- Provide clean water, sanitation, and hygiene
- Save mothers and children
- Support education
- Grow local economies
ROTARY CLUB OF NORTHLLENN-THORNTON

Who is Rotary Club of Northglenn-Thornton? The Rotary Club of Northglenn-Thornton was founded in 1968 and has made not only local, but international differences throughout the world. The Club added Thornton to the membership in 1989, becoming the Rotary Club of Northglenn/Thornton.

In 2018, the Rotary Club of Northglenn-Thornton celebrated its 50th anniversary. The founders of the club had a dream of bringing business leaders together to make a positive difference and impact lives through service to others. That legacy continues to this day with more than 35 members dedicated to serving the needs of the community and international projects that will change people’s lives. The Club has always been a blend of local leaders and stakeholders that are visionaries, and that have a passion to helping and serving people and the community.

What projects did the Rotary Club of Northglenn-Thornton do last year?
The Club focused on six major areas:
- Youth
- Community Service
- Vocational Service
- Fundraising
- International
- Community Outreach

Youth
- **Higher education scholarships:** The club has provided scholarships to local students for over 25 years. In the past year, the Club changed our focus to support students from Adams Five Star School District 12 pursuing technical or vocational education, with an emphasis on the trades. The emphasis is also an inability to attend advanced education due to lack of funding.
- **RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Award):**
The Club support students from local middle and high schools to attend a one-week FREE leadership camp at the YMCA of the Rockies. The camp provides an opportunity for these students to learn leadership and team building skills. The students returned describing this opportunity as life-changing.
• **CASA (17th Judicial District Court Appointed Special Advocates):** The Club provided individual gift donations from the membership for Christmas gifts for adolescents served by the 17th Judicial District who are living in Adams County foster homes. The club “adopts” 35+ adolescents from the program and fulfills their 3 Christmas wishes. Members are assigned an adolescent to shop for, and they make sure that the wishes are fulfilled. This is an ongoing annual project that the club has been involved in for many years.

• **Student of the Month:** The Club recognized one student each week from high schools in Northglenn and Thornton. The students are chosen by their guidance counselors based on outstanding leadership and accomplishments. The student is honored at a regular club meeting along with their counselor and invited guests. A recognition plaque with the student pictures are displayed at each high school for the entire school year.

### Fundraising

• **Annual Duck Derby**

The Club hosts a Duck Race each year using the Farmers Highline Canal running through E.B. Rains Park in Northglenn. We host our event in partnership with Northglenn’s 4th of July Festival. The Race has proved to be a great success, and utilizes crowds already in attendance. The Club sells tickets ahead of the event on our Duck Race website (Rotaryducks.org) and Club members are also asked to sell physical tickets. In 2022, we celebrated our 14th Annual Duck Race back in the water after a 2 year virtual event. Local non-profits also assisted with ticket sales and received 40% of their sales to help their community-based programs. The event includes a separate race for “Big Ducks” that are much larger and generates enthusiasm from local businesses, and also offers opportunities for sponsorships of the event. The City of Northglenn has given the club’s event high visibility and free advertising. This is the club’s only fundraiser, and after 14 years has achieved a niche in the north metro area as the only one of its kind. The club typically makes a net profit of approximately $30,000 to reinvest into our projects.
International
Our club has been involved in various Rotary International projects over the years.

- **Clean & Sanitary Water** - Most recently clean and sanitary water projects in the Dominican Republic, Nepal and El Salvador, in partnership with the Broomfield Rotary Club, Westminster Rotary Club, and *Engineers Without Borders* from Colorado State University.

- **Eradication of Polio** - Rotary, along with its partner the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, have reduced polio cases by 99.9 percent worldwide since 1979. Our club’s Foundation provides funding annually to eradicate polio throughout the world. Additionally, individual members have traveled to various countries around the globe to volunteer their professional skills to assist with polio vaccinations, provide dental work and equipment in South America, and hands-on water projects in Africa. One of our members is formerly a Peace Corp volunteer in Uganda. At the end of his service, he made the personal decision to stay in Uganda and volunteer for CARE, an international human relief agency, where he serves in a refugee camp. While serving in the Peace Corp, he identified a need to fund a local young woman who desires to attend nursing school, but lacked the necessary funding resources. Our club funded this young lady’s career goals. She graduated and successfully entered her nursing career in 2020.

- **Shelter Box** - The club has funded the ShelterBox program for several years, which provides temporary shelter, cooking utensils, bedding, a water purification system and other necessary essentials for people who have experienced a natural disaster and loss of their homes. The club received the Shelter Box “Hero Award” in 2021 for our ongoing and sustained contributions. Visit the website: [www.shelterbox.org](http://www.shelterbox.org).

Community Service
The Club hosts an annual food drive, collecting food from members and collection points in Northglenn and Thornton over several months. This culminates with the purchase of bulk food items using budgeted club funds, and partnering with Costco for this project. Club members then deliver to four food banks in Northglenn and Thornton. The club typically purchases over $6,000 in food items.

Unfortunately, food insecurity in our community is a real need, particularly when the onset of the pandemic broke, and the effects of job loss created a major increase in food bank clients. Our club...
communicates with the local food banks to be sure that we provide support with the items they need the most. We seek matching grants from Rotary District 5450, and have been successful in that effort over the past few years. With club member’s donations, additional funding, along with food collection from the public, we estimate the food banks receive a total of $11,000+ in food items annually.

**Vocational Services**

Several members participate on the Career Advisory Committee for Vantage Point High School in Adams Five Star School District 12. Vantage Point is an academic environment for students who have failed at being successful at a traditional high school. The Committee works toward assisting the faculty in improving instruction, programs and community outreach to assist the students in choosing successful career choices.

Members of the club routinely serve as advisors and judges for the Northglenn High School STEM program’s various needs. In addition, some of the club members participated in reviewing and judging the high school’s environmental projects that apply to municipalities.

**Community Outreach**

The club participates in many community outreach efforts including:

- CASA’s largest annual fundraiser, the Light of Hope event. Our club members have always been generous donors to the cause of CASA.

- Members from the club participate at the Northglenn Annual Business Appreciation event to market our Rotary and the club’s activities.
The club routinely works with the cities of Northglenn and Thornton providing direct service such as painting park bridges and ballpark bleachers, taking ownership for planting and maintenance of the Rotary Park Flowerbed, trail cleanups, and tree planting.

Get Involved & Make a Difference
To learn more about how you can make a positive difference in people’s lives, and get involved in the Rotary Club of Northglenn-Thornton, please contact our Membership Director, Jeff Althaus, jeff@althauslaw.com or 515-231-9666.

Also, visit our website at www.northglennthorntonrotary.org or our Duck Race website www.rotaryducks.org

Check out Facebook page,

Rotary Club of Northglenn-Thornton.
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MEMBERSHIP TYPES

For all membership types, expectations include participation in annual major fundraiser (Duck Derby) and all other club projects.

FULL MEMBERSHIP  ($205/quarter)
- Includes weekly luncheons
- Rotarian Magazine
- Includes dues to Rotary International and Rotary District 5450
- Attendance is voluntary but encouraged weekly

SERVICE MEMBERSHIP  ($75/quarter)
- Includes dues to Rotary International and Rotary District 5450
- Rotarian Magazine
- Attendance is expected at least once per quarter.
- Lunch cost and 5th Tuesday Happy Hour social meetings are payable when attending.

SPOUSAL MEMBERSHIP  ($205/quarter)
- Same as single full membership, but either spouse may attend weekly meetings

CORPORATE MEMBERSHIP  ($250/quarter)
- Same as single full membership, but any member of the corporation or business may attend weekly luncheons.
- Business is advertised on the club’s website.
- Business promotion at a club meeting as an annual presentation
- Any number of corporate or business members may attend 5th Tuesday Happy Hours for free.
- Club Decal for business window (“Friends of the Northglenn/Thornton Rotary Club”)
Application Form

Member’s Full Name_____________________________________________________
Rotary Member Sponsored By ___________________________________________________________________________________

Date of Birth__________________________ Place of Birth___________________________
Employer______________________________________________________________________________________________
Your Title in Company____________________________________________________________________________________
Business Street Address___________________________________________________________________________________
City, State, Zip__________________________________________ Fax__________________________

Residence Address________________________________________________________________________________________
City, State, Zip__________________________________________ Home Phone__________________________
Cell Phone__________________________________________ Email_________________________________________________

Spouse Name______________________________________________________________________________________________
Children’s Names________________________________________________________________________________________
Hobbies and Leisure Activities____________________________________________________________________________

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Community Activities______________________________________________________________________________________

PREVIOUS ROTARY AFFILIATION
If yes, date joined__________________________ Club Name__________________________
Yes________ No________

Rotary Interests: (check all that apply)
Fundraising__________ Youth Services__________
International__________ Club Activities__________
Community Service__________ Marketing__________
Special Talents__________________________________________

Applicant Signature__________________________________________ Date

Member Signature__________________________________________ Date