





## THE SPOKES SPEAK - GEARED TO SERVICE

# **Rotary Club of the North Fork Valley**

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Meeting Thursdays at Noon in the Paonia Town Hall

District 5470 Club 1180 - Chartered 12/20/22

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LAST MEETING: January 17, 2019

#### Announcements:

Peggy brought Key Guest: Judy Livingston. The next Rotarian to bring a Key Guest is Karri Polson.

John is home and doing pretty well.

## **Program: Threshold Choir Chapters**

Program: Today we are learning about Threshold Choir Chapters, which was started in 2000. There are about 150 chapters worldwide in Europe, Canada and the United States of America serving over 200 communities and we have a chapter here in our town. The Threshold Choir mission is: singing gently at the thresholds of life to share a culture of compassion and respect. They provide a peaceful time at the bedside of those coming to the end of their life. Their model is to make kindness audible by singing songs, reading poems, reading books, whatever the family wants to have in order to keep all as comfortable as possible.

Today we have 6 people in attendance from the Threshold Choir in Paonia: Katie Dean; Jacque Jefferies; Krista Dudley, Jan Simmons, Mary Bachran and Marilyn Schwieterman. This is a small chapter of the Threshold Choir—they have several "teams" in the area—14 in all. They normally sing in 3-part harmony and have been singing for  $1\frac{1}{2}$  years. Threshold Choirs sing for men and women at no charge.

They have sung for Hope West and the PACE Program. All songs sung by Threshold Choirs are written by Threshold Choir International.

### **UPCOMING MEETINGS:**

2/7/19: Jon Howard, KVNF Station Manager (Felix) 2/14/19: Neal Schwieterman - Arts 4 All (Sarah Bishop)

2/21/19: Paul Larmer, publisher of High Country News (Bill Bishop)

2/28/19: TBD (Ed Bliss) 3/7/19: TBD (Pam Bliss)

3/14/19: TBD (Randy Campbell)

3/21/19: Lori Lenhart – PACE (Karri Polson)





