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Hillary Hall Presents the Boulder County Clerk's Office



Left, Hillary Hall, the Boulder County Clerk and Recorder. At the club's April 11, 2017 meeting, Hillary said that her office runs elections, registers vehicles and records transactions and other documents. In addition to modernizing Colorado's election processes, Hillary has also

been instrumental in passing legislation that has updated and streamlined outdated procedures for recording offices across the state. Such legislation has made Colorado a leader in the nation in implementing the e-recording of documents, saving the public time and trips to government offices. Her office has digitized records, including marriage licenses, from the 1800's. The office is in the process of upgrading to new systems. They will transition to a web-based system by October 2019.

Colorado is a mail ballot state. However, people may drop their ballot off at designated locations around the county, mail the ballot back or vote in person. 85% of people choose to mail it back. 15% of people choose to vote in person. There are two weeks of early voting. There were 215,000 registered voters last election and 187,000 voted. The number of eligible voters has increased. Of the 215,000 eligible voters, approximately 45 % are Democrats, 37 % are unaffiliated and 17% are Republicans. Students are involved in the process. Students got to vote in the 1970's. There used to be more Republicans in the county. A change occurred when the Colorado Lt. Governor appointed a Democratic County Commissioner in 1968. Women represent 42 % of the voters and men 58%. The age group, 41-60, vote the most.

Special points of interest:

- The next club meeting is Tuesday, April 25, 2017 at 9:00 AM at Frasier Meadows Retirement Center in the Community Room. The speaker will be George Bentley. The Presentation is: "THRIVE NOW: How to Die Young at an Old Age!"
- Kiwanis International mourns the death of Dorothy Mengerling, known to many as "Dave's Mom." The mother of former late-night comedian David Letterman was a longtime Kiwanian and champion of children. She helped raise more than \$100,000 in Kiwanis' effort to eliminate iodine deficiency disorders. Dorothy Mengerling was 95.

Trivia Question courtesy: <http://www.triviacountry.com/> To whom did Mahatma Gandhi write for advice on diet and exercise? Answer below.

Boulder County Clerk and Recorder (Continued) Statewide 85% of eligible people voted and 89% of eligible people voted in Boulder County. That is the third highest in the nation.

There are 20,000 visits to the 3 offices per month. One person, when asked why she comes to the office, replied, "Everyone is so nice. I just like to see you". The Records Office uses the USPS to record moves. 1% of signatures received from ballots do not match. Sometimes the signature does not match the one on the person's driver's license. Sometimes, a married couple will put their ballots in the wrong envelope.

The Elections Office holds an open house the Monday before election day.

Right, Helen Hall was happy that Hillary, her daughter, was the speaker for the day.

Jess Kadel led the meeting and introduced the guests who lived at Walnut Place. The meeting was held in the Community Room at Walnut Place, 1940 Walnut Street. Ken Fowler arranged the meeting and Dave Finlay brought coffee, coffee makers and other items to the meeting. Ken also brought Kiwanis items. Jess showed a large stack of mail that he received which were all requests for donations.



Dave Finlay said he was happy he found an outlet in the room that was positioned in such a place that he could brew coffee without using an extension cord. Ken was happy that guests attended our meeting. Rogers Coke said that it was his birthday, so he could "do anything he wanted to do".

Barbara Fink was happy to be back from her visit to Kansas City and she said that the city is becoming the "Silicon Valley" of the Midwest. It is nicknamed, "Silicon Prairie".

Trivia Answer: Strongman Charles Atlas.

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Club Officers:

President: Charles Hadley, Vice President: Jess Kadel

Treasurer: David Finlay, Secretary: Rogers Coke

Our club will meet on Tuesday, April 11, at 9:00 AM at **Walnut**

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