



# Kiwanis Club of the Foothills

Club Website: [www.foothillskiwanis.org](http://www.foothillskiwanis.org)  
Meetings: Every Monday at 7:00 a.m. at the Spice of Life Event Center, 5706 Arapahoe Ave., Boulder CO

Nov. 23, 2009

## Coming up . . .

- 11/23/09** Foothills Roundtable Meeting at Baseline McDonalds (no program)
- 11/30/09** Terry Benjamin, Director of Boulder Emergency Family Assistance Association
- 12/3/09** 7:00 a.m. Foothills Board Meeting at Parkway Restaurant in Boulder
- 12/7/09** Cindy Lindsay, "Bolde Reach"
- 12/11/09 6:30 – 9:00 p.m.** Foothills Christmas Party at home of Mary Schweitzer (Boulder)
- 12/14/09** Jennie Arbogash: "Social Venture Partners"
- 12/21/09** Bill Flinchbaugh, Child Car Seat Safety Program
- 11/28/09** Foothills Roundtable Meeting at Baseline McDonalds (no program)
- 1/4/10** Foothills Roundtable Meeting at Baseline McDonalds (no program)

**Program Chairperson(s):**  
December – Mary Schweitzer



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## Snippets of Recent Foothills Programs

### November 9 – Morgan Rogers, Boulder County Trends Report

Morgan spoke to club members about the Boulder Community Foundation non-profit's "Boulder County Trends" report that she helps to put together each year. This report covers many aspects of our community's inhabitants, such as percentage breakdown of family/individual incomes, education levels, ethnic diversity, cost of living, child educational proficiency, obesity, medical care, donation giving, and volunteerism. The results of this report are used by Community Foundation staff and others to try to (for example) assess whether more attention should be given to help Hispanic children in pre-schools to get earlier language and learning support.



Morgan pointed out the percentage of Boulder County residents with college-level education (68%) is one of the highest in the U.S., but yet our state's budget to fund universities is among the lowest (48th). We have in Boulder County higher average personal incomes with a high percentage of donation-giving and volunteerism. However, 10% of children in Boulder County are living in a family environment below the Federal poverty level.

### November 16 – Captain Tom Fenton, 2009 Boulder County Salvation Army Bell-Ringing

Captain Tom Fenton spoke about 2009 Boulder County Salvation Army bell-ringing and other SA community support activities. He emphasized the need for our club's continued bell-ringing support since there are so many in-need people in our area due to the economy. Last year, more than 3000 kids in our community were helped by Boulder County Salvation Army services (i.e., day care, homework help, lunches, etc.), and it's expected this number will increase in 2010. Kerry Hassler also reviewed this year's Foothills Kiwanis bell-ringing campaign, where our club will be ringing at only the Boulder 30<sup>th</sup> Street Sunrise King Soopers in and at Sam's Club in Louisville. Bell-ringing sign-up can be done on-line via our club website ([www.foothillskiwanis.org](http://www.foothillskiwanis.org)). Kerry also reviewed the "do's and don'ts" of bell-ringing (see back page).



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### **Friday December 11 Foothills Kiwanis Christmas Party at Mary Schweitzer's Home**

You as well as (optionally) a guest are invited to attend a Foothills Kiwanis Christmas Party on Friday, December 11th, from 6:30-9:00 p.m. at Mary Schweitzer's home (11 Benchmark Drive). This will be a "dessert potluck" with attendees asked to bring some sort of yummy dessert, such as a cake, a pie, a fruit tray or fruit salad, Christmas cookies, Christmas fudge, etc. Fruit punch, eggnog, soft drinks, coffee, and tea will be provided. Singing will be provided by a group of Fairview High School Madrigal Singers, led by choir leader Jim Keller. Please sign up to attend the Foothills Christmas Party at a Kiwanis meeting, or give Mary a call, so that she'll know how many people to plan for. Thanks!

### **Saturday December 6 RSVP Fruit Basket Delivery**

As we have done in the past, Foothills Kiwanis Club will again help RSVP of Boulder County to deliver holiday fruit baskets to low-income people, home-bound seniors, and adults with disabilities in our community, where last year over 900 baskets were delivered. If you can help, basket pick-up will be at Calvary Bible Church (3245 Kalmia Ave., Boulder) on **Saturday, December 6 starting at 10 a.m.** Be sure to bring your driver's license to show the RSVP folks when you pick up baskets. Delivery destinations will be in Boulder, Louisville, and Lafayette. This is a great way to give holiday cheer to people in our community. If not done so already, please sign up with Fred McGehan during our November 30 club meeting.

### **Foothills Project to Support Local Student Artists**



Foothills Kiwanis donated \$300 in October from our club's Project Account to the Louisville Art Association (LAA) non-profit to help pay for matting/framing of art created by local area elementary through high school students. LAA's President Barbara McGehan (wife of club member Fred) is shown at the November 20 Opening Reception of the LAA "Young Artists Exhibit" that is open on weekends through Friday, December 4.

### **Foothills Kiwanis Meeting "Thought of the Day"**

November 9 -- "Life is a long lesson in humility." (J. M. Barrie)  
November 16 -- "Here is the test to find whether your mission on Earth is finished: if you're alive, it isn't." (Richard Bach)

### **Jennifer Edmiston Inducted into Foothills Kiwanis**

During our Monday November 9 club meeting, Jennifer Edmiston was inducted into Foothills Kiwanis via a ceremony conducted by Fred McGehan that also included club president Kerry Hassler and Jennifer's membership sponsor Mary Schweitzer. Jennifer has already contributed to our club's 2009-2010 projects by participating in the Saturday October 17 Attention Homes mulching, and she'll be doing Salvation Army bell-ringing for our this holiday season. It's great to have Jennifer as a new member to our Foothills Kiwanis Club!



### **Foothills Salvation Army Bell-Ringing Reminders**

- After arriving for bell-ringing (if not taking over for a bell-ringer), pick up the kettle at the Boulder Sunrise King Soopers or Louisville Sam's Club service counter, then stay with the kettle throughout your bell-ringing shift
- If no bell-ringer takes over for you after your shift, always return the kettle, apron (with the bell wrapped inside), and the "ding-dong sign" (if used) to the store's service-counter.
- When returning the kettle to the service-desk, wrap the bell in the bell-ringing apron, and tie the apron to the kettle handle
- Put the bell-ringing stand/platform to an out-of-the-way place
- Greet shoppers in a friendly manner, where both "Happy Holidays" and "Merry Christmas" are appropriate
- Don't give out any candy or food items to kettle contributors
- If you're bell-ringing especially during cold and/or high-wind conditions, don't ring if you have any physical discomfort
- If someone tries to steal the kettle, **do not resist in any way**, move away from the kettle, and let them take it !!!

### **Please Keep in Your Thoughts ...**

- Sandy Felty, undergoing medical care for cancer.
- Jim Peterson, recovering from surgery.

### **Foothills Kiwanis Reminders**

- On the first Monday of every month, bring --
  - Snack items, or a grocery coupon for buying snack items, to help Blue Sky Bridge kids in counseling – OR --
  - Bar soap, toothbrush, toothpaste, and other personal care items to help Sister Carmen in-need families.