



# 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. 9, 2009

## Coming up . . .

- 11/9/09** Morgan Rogers, Boulder County Trends Report
- 11/16/09** Captain Tom Fenton, 2009 Boulder County Salvation Army Bell-Ringing and other Activities
- 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"

### Program Chairperson(s):

November – Mary Schweitzer/Kerry Hassler  
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## Snippets of Recent Foothills Programs

### October 19 – Kerry Hassler, Community Development in Bangladesh

Kerry talked about (and showed photos of) his February 26 - March 2 visit to remote poor areas of northwest Bangladesh with global community-development consultant Walt White, who focuses on helping people in Muslim and Hindu areas of the world as an American Baptist missionary. The organization that Walt partners with for his projects is "Symbiosis International", based in Australia (see -- <http://forum.symbiosis-int.org/>). Microeconomic projects Kerry was able to see included a small custom clothes-making shop, several village "grass roots" elementary schools that do teaching in English, a village "credit union" managed by women, and a tilapia fish-growing operation that netted \$20,000 last year used to improve the surrounding community. Kerry also visited a hospital that serves poor people thanks to financial support provided by Symbiosis. Walt is one of 27 missionaries that Kerry provides technical consulting for through his "Good Samaritan Technologies" 501-c3 non-profit.



### November 2 - Bob Hullinghurst, Boulder County Treasurer

Bob Hullinghurst, Boulder County Treasurer, spoke about the property tax process in Boulder County, a process that has been modified by tax assessors throughout the decades. Bob considers his job and relationship with the taxpayers almost a "sacred duty". He is responsible for communicating with taxpayers, getting information to them in a timely manner, tax collection and working with the taxing authorities. He spoke briefly about the tax lien process which goes back many, many years. In the State of Colorado, the tax lien process is designed to be effective and give the taxpayers as much room as possible.

The Boulder County Treasurer's Office is presently working on securing new software, as the old software is quite outdated. Hullinghurst's office is working to make the office more efficient, rely more on "lean thinking", and emphasize continual improvement. This way, they can get more "out of the box" things done in the Treasurer's Office.



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Mary Schweitzer

Pete Sprenkle

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## **November 5 Foothills Board Meeting Minutes**

**-- Dennis Hubbard**

The Kiwanis Club of the Foothills Board of Directors met at Parkway Restaurant on November 5, 2009. President Hassler called the meeting to order at 7:00 am. 11 members were present.

- Board members: President Hassler, Secretary Hubbard, Brown, Lefferdink, Mordhorst, Person, Peterson, Sprenkle, Schweitzer, Symes, Wood
- Guests: (none)

MINUTES: November Board minutes were approved as presented.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer Girard was absent. No report was presented.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Jennifer Edmiston's application was approved.

-- 6 months LOA for Sandy Felte was approved commencing October 1.

-- Resignation letters from Diane Magliolo and Bob Mohling were received effective November 1. The Board received these resignations with regret.

OLD BUSINESS: Brown reported that 7 2008-2009 Tuition Scholarships will be awarded following confirmation of attendance at a school of higher education in response to letters mailed November 5 to scholarship recipients. Each \$1000 award will be paid by our club directly to the recipients' schools.

-- Discussion was held and decided that the Board should review Club by-laws.

-- The Board approved the writing of a "Policy Statements Addendum" by President Hassler (to be attached to the club by-laws by Secretary Hubbard) to redefine three-year terms for Board members specified in the club by-laws to instead have two-year terms for Board members.

-- The Board determined that the membership list distributed to Club members should include only the member's name, phone number and email address. These changes will be made by President Hassler. Secretary Hubbard will keep a list of club members that contains more information, including street addresses, spouse names, and birth days.

-- The Board reviewed and approved the proposed 2009-2010 budget for the club's General Account and Project Account.

-- The General Account budget was amended to include \$500 for liability insurance covering the Board members. The addition was approved with one dissenting vote.

-- The Board approved the Project Account budget as presented for the 2009-2010 year. President Hassler noted that the \$1000 line-item to pay for start-up of the Boulder High School Key Club has not been confirmed as yet due to lack of feedback from the school administrator contacted by Waverly Person and President Hassler about this project, so these funds may not be needed this club year. All projects listed in the Project Account budget for the 2009-2010 club year were approved by the Board.

-- It was also suggested that each project listed in the 2009-2010 Project Account budget be presented and reaffirmed in the monthly Board minutes when pay-out of club funds is approved. Projects voted on/approved for pay-out of Project Account funds during the November 5 Board meeting included:

- \$300 to Louisville Art Association, to help pay for matting/framing of art created by local elementary school you that will be shown at an art exhibit organized by this non-profit organization on Friday November 20 at the Louisville Center for the Arts.
- \$200 to the Kiwanis Club in Ocho Rios, Jamaica, for help in buying a hearing-testing device for this Kiwanis club's Young Children Priority One (YCPO) project to test the hearing of needy children in three elementary schools located in Ocho Rios; and
- \$150 for help pay for mulch used in the Foothills Kiwanis project at the Attention Homes north Boulder facility done on Saturday, October 17.

NEW BUSINESS:

-- Upcoming Foothills Roundtable meetings: Board members approved having Foothills Roundtable meetings on November 23, December 28, and January 4.

The Board adjourned at 8:05 a.m.

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

You and 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 for attending 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!

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

October 19 -- "The purpose of life is a life of purpose." (Robert Byrne)

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

- Club member Sandy Felty, who is undergoing medical care for cancer.
- Club member Roger Markham, who is currently in poor condition home at home due to cancer.

## **Foothills Kiwanis Reminders**

- On the first Monday of every month (next on **Monday December 7**), bring to Project Leader Ruth Perry --
  - 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.