Kiwanis Club of the Foothills

Club Website: *www.foothillskiwanis.org*
Meetings: Mondays at 7:00 am at The Brewing Market, 2770 Dagny Way, Lafayette, CO 80026

July 7, 2025

Coming up . . .

7/7/25 – Board Meeting, Brewing Mkt
7/14/25 – Kali Wolave, Our Front Porch Program
7/21/25 – John Davis, CU Music Program
7/28/25 – Club Social, Bambei Brewing, Superior, 5-7PM
August 4 – Board Meeting, Brewing Mkt
Augus 11 – Pam Behler, The Fatherhood Initiative
August 18 – Alan Boeve & Dave Rogers, Alert Service Dog Program Update
August 25 – Club Social, Bambei Brewing, Superior, 5-7PM
Sept 1 – Labor Day, no meeting
Sept 8 – Board Meeting, Brewing Mkt
Sept 15 – Higgins-Schmidt, club's Investments, markets & financial outlook

Program Chairpersons:
July – Norm C
August – Vince VZ

Club Officers

President
Bill Lester
Past President
Bill Duclos
President-Elect
Chris Austin
Secretary
Bob Mohling
Matt Fredrick
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Bill Anderson
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Bob Greenaway
Lori McLean
Lt. Tania Morales
Dave Rogers

Snippets from Recent Club Programs

6/0/25 – Mike Lutz, FISH

Mike Lutz of FiSH spoke to us about their mission. (Folks in Serving Humanity … always wondered). Mike is Colorado born and raised, has been with FiSH for 15 years. FiSH Broomfield is in its 64th year, founded by 6 ladies in a garage. Fish supplies food product to families in need. They go "shopping" with a shopping cart and pick out items they need. They normally have about 125,000 lbs of food in stock; about a 3 week supply. Last year they served 13,000 verifiably different Broomfield residents. 6 local grocery stores and Chick-fil-A donate foods, each with regular pickup schedules. FiSH also provides rent and utility assistance. Other assistance can be provided through other partner network organizations, e.g. Salvation Army and Emergency Family Assistance (EFAA). Note our club's food drive this month goes toward FiSH. As do fresh vegetables from the new gardens at the Broomfield Salvation Army. 89% of financial donations go directly to their charitable cause, which is 501(c)(3) status.

6/16/25 – **Bill Duclos**, Champion, Coolest Dog Fundraiser
Bill Duclos gave a presentation on plans and schedule for the upcoming Coolest Dog on the Front Range contest. Our 7th annual!
Promote the event! We need sponsors as well as contest participants. Use "why do we do it?" It's about kids. It's our flagship program to help Type I Diabetic kids have an "everyday life." Always carry some leaflets – they come out in mid-July. Our everyday will bring us into contact with dog owners: in brewpubs, restaurants, parks, sidewalks. All funds go to child-centered projects. Sponsors on-board before leaflet printing (mid-July) will get their name and logo on the literature. Continue to promote Bambei as well. We might be moving to ~16oz cans, instead of crowlers (32oz) like 2024.
Promote the event! We don't make money if no one knows about it.

Alert Dog Graduation

Serenity and Niffler passed final exam at McGuckin's Hardware for service dog certification; see attached photo. Graduation will be scheduled soon. The exam was monitored by Alan and Dave. The club will be informed of the graduation details. Congratulations to both Serenity and Niffler!

6/14/25 Interclub Visit to Veteran's Museum, Bob Mohling

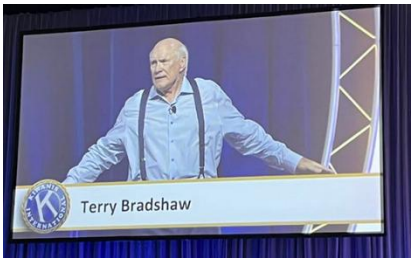
Four of our club members attended the Coffee & Conversation Event at the Broomfield Veteran's Museum to present our $500 check for their Operation Footlocker Program. The members attending were Bill A, Bill L, Bob M, and Dave. President Bill presented the check to Education Director Lew Roman and President John Peticolas. Operation Footlocker consists of traveling trunks used in classrooms and for home-school students to describe the life of WWI and WWII soldiers by using lockers that are chock full of resources and stories to illuminate the history of several conflicts in history for our students. They plan to use the funds to begin a Civil War Footlocker for area student education.

6/6/2025 The Salvation Army's 87th National Donut Day, Bob Mohling.

Members of our club supported The Salvation Army's (TSA) National Donut Day by delivering donuts to local fire and police departments and community supporters of TSA programs. Amy Coleman, project leader, reported that we delivered 57 dozen donuts to 32 locations. Our participating club members were Dave, Vince, Lori, Bob M, Bill A, Brian (Amy), and Bill D. (Robin). The donuts were donated by Lamars and were well received by first responders in our community. Thanks to our members and friends who helped with this worthy event.

[Photos: Teams prepare to deliver donuts to area first responders; Donut Lassies Amy and Lori are ready to deliver donuts]

2025 Kiwanis International Convention, Club member Chris Austin attended the Kiwanis International Convention in Pittsburgh, PA in late June. With a theme of "Forge the Future," the program had inspirational talks including the keynote from Hall of Fame Steeler's quarterback Terry Bradshaw who delivered heartwarming and engaging stories about working with others, problem solving, perseverance, passion, purpose, and having fun in your life. The city was also home to the 1968 to 2001 Mr. Roger's Neighborhood television series and the continuation of his work through the Fred Roger's Institute, with the conference providing opportunities to learn about the principles Fred believed were fundamental to learning and growth and closely aligning with the outcomes of the work done by local Kiwanis clubs. Educational breakout sessions provided ideas and practical suggestions to enhance club engagement, membership growth, goal setting, leadership, and much more. Key items for district voting were the consideration for allowing remote voting at the International Convention and candidates for the International Board of Directors, of which Tim Sheppard from our Rocky Mountain district (Cheyenne, Wyoming) was running for Trustee. Chris was grateful for the opportunity to attend, meet other Kiwanians, and return inspired about the mission to improve the world by making a lasting difference in the lives of children.



Upcoming Community Service/Kiwanis Events

- August 1 – September 21, Coolest Dog on the Front Range, Foothills Kiwanis of Boulder Valley Foundation Fundraiser
- **August 15-17, 2025** – Kiwanis District Convention, estimated cost: $225 per member, Denver Tech Center
- **Sept 5, Young Life Golf fundraiser, Todd Creek, Thornton**