



Kiwanis Club of the Foothills

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

Sept. 12, 2011

Coming up . . .

- 9/12/11 Mike Befeler, "How to Survive Retirement"
- 9/19/11 Gary Symes, April 29 "Colorado Children's Day" Awards
- 9/26/11 Foothills Kiwanis 2011-2012 Officer Induction Program
- 10/3/11 (open)
- 10/6/11 7:00 a.m. Foothills Board Meeting, Parkway Restaurant

Program Chairpersons:

September – Adam Pauluhn
October - Mary Schweitzer

Snippets from Recent Club Programs

August 22 – Jerry Gilland, Overview of Service Dog Training

Jerry talked to our club about how he selects and trains service dogs that are given to kids who need to be protected from eating certain foods (such as peanut products) they are highly allergic to. To select a pup to be a future service-dog, Jerry starts by meeting with the most highly-regarded dog breeder in Colorado to test pups in a new litter for qualities essential to making a good service-dog. These qualities include self-confidence, submissiveness, startle-response, general level of excitement, playfulness, discomfort tolerance, curiosity, scent-detection, and generally good temperament and intelligence. Upon selection of a pup (each costs \$1750), Jerry teaches the dog to respond to over 70 voice-commands that will be used by the eventual child owner of the dog. As demonstrated by Jerry's current service dog in training "Casey", one of the most impressive of these command-responses was demonstrated by Jerry when he said "meds", and then see Casey immediately search for a hidden packet of medications (a clove scent in the bag allowed Casey to detect it and retrieve it). We in Foothills Kiwanis commend and thank Jerry for leading our club's service-dog project that will help many children in the future who are in need of service-dog care.



August 29 – Dean Jones, "Coping with Hard Times"

Dr. Dean Jones (received PhD from the University of Washington and a professor at four other universities) talked about how everyone needs to learn lessons from difficult times they go through, especially how to "live in the moment". Dean spent over 20 years to help homeless people in Portland and other cities through his late-night downtown street ministry. In some cases, individuals he worked with gave up all hope and struggled with thoughts of suicide, which led him to provide counseling in this area. He collaborated with Michael Joseph to author "Climbing up the Downward Spiral" that looks at drug/alcohol addiction, mental illness, and suicide. An avid runner, he participated in numerous long-distance running events in the past. His last long-distance race was a 50-miler that he completed at the age of 65.



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September 8 Foothills Board Meeting Minutes

-- *Foothills Secretary Dennis Hubbard*

President Girard called Board meeting to order at 7:04 a.m. (non-foundation club business)

Board members present: President Girard, Secretary Hubbard, DeYoung, Hassler, McDermid, McGehan, Person, Rogers, Schweitzer, Symes

Guests: None

SECRETARY'S REPORT: The August Board minutes were discussed with a motion for approval by Rogers and second by Schweitzer. Approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer Gilland's report was presented and discussed. Motion for approval by Person and second by Girard. Approved.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: Board approved the resignation of Christina Papastathis with regrets. The Board expressed that she would be welcome to return to the Club.

-- Club meeting assignments for August, Sprenkle; September, Mohling; October, Petrick.

-- The Board discussed the absences of Buhler and Mahon.

-- Items for the new Board in October are whether to continue with Spice of Life; possibility of raising dues to cover the \$1.50 breakfast meeting costs which are presently covered by the Club; the Club had a net increase of 2 members this past fiscal year.

-- McGehan reminded the Board that the Ragtime performance is scheduled for 2 pm September 25 at the Arvada Center.

-- Symes questioned the Board meetings should be at lunchtime instead of breakfast. The decision will be made at the next Board meeting.

-- Rogers informed the Board that the Denver Tech Club had several new under-30 members.

-- New officer induction will be held at the regular Club meeting, September 26.

(Club meeting changed to Foundation meeting at 7:38 a.m.)

TREASURER'S REPORT: An analysis of the past year's Foundation Account income and expenses were presented by Girard on behalf of Gilland.

NEW BUSINESS: Hassler proposed and Symes seconded to pay the budgeted amounts from the club's Foundation Account to Lucky 7 (Kiwanis International Circle K) and to Monarch High School Key Club. The Board decided **not** to make Foundation Account donations this club year to Blue Sky Bridge, KPTI, and Sister Carmen.

-- A review of Foundation-related business from August was discussed.

-- Girard informed the Board he signed the Foothills Foundation 501(c)(3) application forms and mailed them on August 22, 2011.

-- Girard passed along to Board members absent Treasurer Gilland's suggestion that a volunteer is needed to do the bookkeeping for our foundation's service-dog project.

-- Incoming President Symes suggested several topics to consider for the new fiscal year, including the new budget.

-- Hassler distributed a summary of the 2011-2012 Monarch HS Key Club officers, school advisor, and Key Club budget to Board members. At least \$500 is needed from our next club year's Foundation budget to support the Key Club. Waverly and Hassler noted that the Key Club has restarted with good officers and about 20 students involved.

The Foundation Board meeting adjourned at 8:06.

Reminder about paying Fred for "Ragtime" Tickets

If you've signed up to attend the performance of "Ragtime" at the Arvada Center on Sunday, September 25 at 2 p.m., please give Fred McGehan a check or cash for \$35 per ticket during our Monday September 12 club meeting. Thanks!

Foothills Kiwanis Summer Party on August 26

Thanks to the hospitality provided by home-hosts Jerry and Janet Gilland, and contributions of delicious foot items brought by attendees, members of Foothills Kiwanis took part in our club's annual Summer Party on Friday, August 26. Thanks to Greg Lefferdink, Waverly Person, and Jerry for being cooks for this event, and to all who volunteered to do clean-up after the party. It was a fun party!



Summer party cooks Greg, Waverly, and Gerry



The Girard's, Dickinson's, and Syme's enjoy the good food



Summer party hosts Janet and Jerry Gilland