



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

March 14, 2011

Coming up . . .

3/14/11 – Dick Over, "10th Mountain Division"

3/21/11 – Rudi Baumann, "Travelogue to Madeira"

3/28/11 – Tania Leontov, "FOCUS Offender Reentry Mentoring Program"

4/4/11 – Open

4/7/11 7:00 a.m. – Foothills Board Meeting at Parkway Restaurant in Boulder

4/14/11 – Open

Program Chairpersons:

March – Gary Symes

April – Mary Schweitzer

May – Adam Pauluhn

June – Bob Mohling

Snippets from Recent Club Programs

February 28 – Ed Reinhardt, "Recovering from my Football Injury"

Eddie Reinhardt and his father, Ed, spoke to us about how an ordinary family and individual can achieve extraordinary results when tragedy occurs. Eddie, tight end #88, was a member of Coach Bill McCartney's first recruiting class at the University of Colorado. For the past 18 years, the family has been involved with Eddie's recovery from a brain injury in a football game while playing for the University of Colorado. He spent 62 days floating between life and death in a coma. His rehabilitation has taken years. Four of the Reinhardt's five sons played Division I Football: John at Nebraska, Edward and Tom at Colorado, and their youngest son Matthew at the University of Oregon in Eugene. Their story inspires us to look closely at our own relationships and challenges us to make them better. You can learn more about the Reinhardt family and their presentation by visiting their website at www.youreokkid.com.



March 7 - Lilly Glairon, "My Amigos de Americanas Project in Peru"

Lilly Glairon spoke to us a program instituted to build partnerships in the Americas. She will be going to Cusco, Peru for eight weeks this summer to work in the areas of education, environment, and community with the villagers. She hopes to help with nutrition and community health. She will live with a host family. The cost of the eight week trip is \$4700. She is fundraising to obtain her trip expenses by writing request letters, babysitting, and selling Rocky Mountain chocolate bars. Lily is a sophomore at Niwot High School; she is enrolled in the International Baculariet program. She has been chosen to be a delegate for the Anti-Defamation League for two weeks to Washington DC. She is supported in her projects by her parents: Susan and Paul. Recall that Lily spoke to us previously about her wool project in Africa; the loom and spinning wheel are still in operation. President Joe presented Lily with a check of \$100 for her trip to Peru. Thank you, Lily, for your enthusiasm and energy to help others less fortunate that we are. For more info on this project, go to www.amigoslink.org/programs/projects/cusco-peru-project.html.



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March 3 Foothills Kiwanis Board Meeting Minutes

-- Kerry Hassler (filling in for Secretary Hubbard)

The Foothills Kiwanis Board of Directors met at the Parkway Restaurant on March 3, 2011. President Joe Girard called the meeting to order at 7:03 a.m. Board members present: President Girard, Acting Secretary Lefferdink, Treasurer Gilland, Hassler, McDermid, McGehan, Person, Rogers, and Sprenkle. Guests: None

SECRETARY'S REPORT: No February Board meeting notes were brought to the meeting. Notes approved by "electronic vote" of Board members after the March 3 Board meeting.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Presented by Treasurer Gilland. Rogers moved to approve, Sprenkle seconded. Board approved. OLD BUSINESS:

- Status of Foothills 501-c3: Estimated cost is \$400-\$500, where three club members have volunteered to match donations to cover this expense. Three club members have made donations totaling \$200. Foothills 501-c3 Committee includes DeYoung, Gilland, Baumann, and Girard. IRS approval process expected to take 5-6 months.
- Status of Meeting Setup Committee assignments: March – Mohling, April – Pauluhn, May – McGehan, June – Rogers, July – Person, August – Sprenkle.
- Support for club's audio-video for club speakers: Hassler will check on why Spice of Life TV/DVD player did not work during February 28 meeting, and distribute again information about how to set up the club's PC projector.
- Upcoming events:
 - March 12 Burke Field Clean-Up (Sprenkle) – Project plans are complete. Hoping for good weather.
 - April 9 Taste of Downtown Boulder (Sprenkle) – We have 14 restaurants signed up, and tickets will be distributed around March 20 for everyone to sell.
 - May 30 Bolder Boulder 10K Starting Line Fundraiser – David Petrick will lead this project, with Rogers as backup if David has travel conflict.
 - July 4 Folsom Field Fireworks Fundraiser – Need to have a club member coordinate this project.

NEW BUSINESS:

- (Gilland) Legal concern whether a specific event related to a generally-approved Foothills project (such as the Service Dog Project) needs to have Board approval to ensure insurance coverage for the event. Hassler recommended Gilland contact RMD Secretary Pam Bilby to get her opinion. Also, Gilland reported we need to get a Foothills volunteer who's willing to train a puppy to continue this project.
- (Gilland) Talked about the "Volunteer Connection" service that puts info in local newspapers, in their distributed bulletins, and on the Internet to help people to find service opportunities. A 1-year membership for \$100 brings additional benefits for publicity. Gilland made a motion for the club to use Volunteer Connection to publicize our club and specific projects. Motion seconded by Hassler. Board voted and approved.
- (Hassler) Our club needs to have a 2011 Tuition Scholarship Award Committee. Goal is to have recipient selected by first week of May so Award can be presented before graduation.
- (Hassler) Local HS students have sent email to our Foothills website seeking support for attending HOBY student-leader training in Washington DC this summer. Hassler asked for Board approval that he tell such students Kiwanis International now only supports the "Key Loader" student-training program, so our club will not support HOBY. Board approved.

GENERAL TOPICS

- (Girard) Need to form a Foothills Membership Committee to get new members. Current members are Girard, Rogers, Petrick, Hassler, and Gilland. Bob Mohling will be invited to join.
- (Girard) Review Foothills ByLaws – Need to check whether our Bylaws comply with Kiwanis International template. Hassler reminded the Board our Bylaws were reviewed in 2009 and a "Bylaws Addendum" added to specify that Board members will serve a 2-year term.
- (Gilland) Gilland met with local representatives of the Mason "Eastern Star" organization about their support of the Foothills Service Dog Project. If a Foothills volunteer is found to raise a puppy, the will make a one-time \$6000 donation to this project. Board members approved this donation after first checking that Eastern Star does not discriminate against minority members.
- (McGehan) Requested a club check of \$1000 to present to "Alive at 25" organization. Board approved. Foothills Board meeting adjourned at 8:15 a.m.

Colorado Children's Day at Boulder

By Gary Symes

Children's Day in Boulder is scheduled for Friday, April 29th with a rain date of April 30th. This will be the fifth annual event, and it is sponsored by the Kiwanis Clubs of Boulder, the Boulder Valley School District, the City of Boulder, and the Daily Camera. Last year, approximately 1,200 children participated. We are projecting more this year with a focus on elementary age kids. In addition to providing fun and educational experiences for children of all ages, this event is intended to make parents and care providers aware of the various children's resources available in Boulder.

The Kiwanis Pediatric Trauma Institute's Junglemobile will be on the Pearl Street Mall again this year with an emphasis on child safety. We are looking for Kiwanis volunteers to man the different stations that day from 12:00 to 4:00 p.m. This year, Foothills Kiwanis is taking a lead role in Children's Day. Gary Symes is chairing the steering committee, and Bob Mohling and Adam Pauluhn are on the committee.

As we are finding out, there are many tasks that need to be accomplished in order to have a successful event. Applications for permits with the City and County, insurance, coordination of marketing and advertising, notifying merchants of closed streets, volunteer coordination, letters to prospective participants, site plans, email correspondence, and meetings are just a few of the tasks. This year, Rogers Coke from the Golden Nuggets is coordinating our new website which is www.ChildrensDayBoulder.org. You can go there for more information. We also have a gmail account, ccd@boulder.com.

In the next week, we will have bus placards and posters ready for posting. We will need volunteers to place these posters and do some fundraising downtown to defray costs. We are also looking for donations of items to be put in bags for the kids that day. Tax deductible donations can go to the Kiwanis Club of Boulder Foundation (a 501c3). There will be musical entertainment that day on the mall. Plan to bring your kids or grandkids, tell your friends, and maybe showing prospective Foothills Club members that our club is all about helping kids in our community.

Midwinter Conference Highlights

President Joe Girard

In addition to the session on forming foundations that are 501©(3) corporations – on which Gary has already reported in the last newsletter and Joe did an oral, and our board is already moving forward on – I attended two sessions on club growth and energizing and a session called “What Color is your club?”

In terms of growth and energizing, the message was that we might have a problem with our messaging. Our typical recruiting message has typically been along the lines of “This is what we do and this is how we do it. Do you want to join?” The “WHY” is supposed to be self-evident and we sort of expect each prospect to create their own Why. Apples’s mission statement was touted as an example. The conversation then drifted off to “everyone will have their own personal Why, and we need to keep this in mind in terms of member retention.

Since this is the 21st century, I looked up Apple’s mission statement, and tried to re-write it into something that applies to us.

“We are Kiwanis. We believe that we are here on earth for a purpose. And that is to have a positive impact on the world by actively impacting the children of our world: the children of today as well as the future. We believe that we have a duty to educate ourselves about the needs of all those in the world: those in need, and those who are blessed.”

I think we would be well advised to make something like this into our “30-second Kiwanis elevator speech.” Each of us could easily append to this our own personal Kiwanis experience and message to address the How and What. “To do this our club has had a long history of such programs: from local efforts like underwriting education grants, to world effort like helping high school and college kids build schools from Mexico to Vietnam. Two recent programs that particularly motivate me is our commencement of a program to raise service dogs to help children with disabilities like severe food allergies “

I’m gonna run with this.

The other session also evolved into a retention session: are your member’s needs being met? In our start of the year questionnaire, it seems like we are. They emphasized going beyond trying to giving all members a chance to participate in projects, and welcoming their input --- we need to really show appreciation and genuine care to each member. We could always do better, and I think our newly re-formed Sunshine committee has done a great job of this.

Finally, in What Color is Your Club, we verified that there are many different types of predominant and secondary personality types, even within Kiwanis. Yes we are all friendly and generous, but in the spectrum of types of people, some of us prefer to do this through strict organization and others through less structure. Some are doers, some are planners. It takes all types to run a club – diversity.

I also noted in one session that we need to ensure that our bylaws are in harmony with International’s, which can change from year to year as a result of amendments at the international conference. Kerry assures me that we are up to date with our online by laws.

Burke Softball Park Cleanup

Pete Sprenkle

Many of the cleanup workers stopped to support the girls softball fundraiser at Applebee’s Restaurant



Gold Stars team and Coach Sprenkle.

before going to Burke field to work. Pete explained that many of the local towns are represented by his Stars team this year. We wish them a good season!

The “early” cleanup crew worked hard to rake the area behind the fence; the “late” morning crew worked the outfield area. Workers included Pete, Jerry, Terry, Greg, Fred, Dave, David, Gary, Bob, Adam and his family (Zhana and Adara). Ten players participated in the field clean up along with 5-6 parents. Thanks for helping the team.



Early team workers: Adam, David, Zhana, & Adara.

Foothills Kiwanis Reminder

- For the first club meeting of each month, bring either –
 - 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 that’ll be forwarded to these organizations by Woody or another club member. Thanks for your contributions!

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