

**Meetings**: Monday at 7:00 am at Coal Creek Golf Course, 585 W Dillon Rd, Louisville, CO 80027 (303) 666-7888

Club Website: www.foothillskiwanis.org

# Kiwanis Club of the

## Coming up . . .

1/7/19 – Allie Schmidt and Steve Higgins, HD Wealth Management 1/9/19 – Foothills Board of Directors meeting at Coal Creek Golf Course at 7 am 1/14/19 – Rob Anderson, Superintendent of **BVSD** 1/21/19 - Erika Carlson, Grants and Evaluation Manager of Intercambio 1/28/19 - Key Club Day, Lt. Gov. Emma Bovaird and Key Club Officers 2/4/19 - Open2/6/19 – Foothills Board of Directors meeting at Coal Creek Golf Course at 7 am 2/11/19 – Stephen Presser, Northwestern Law Professor of Legal History Emeritus, CU Visiting Scholar in Conservative Thought & Policy

#### **Program Chairperson:**

January – Rich Plumridge February – Rich Plumridge March – Rich Plumridge



### Snippets from Recent Club Programs

Jan. 7, 2019

#### <u>December 10 - Zach Kreeger, Area Director for Broomfield/Adams</u> <u>County Young Life</u>

The Young Life (YL) mission is to introduce adolescents to Jesus Christ and help them to grow in their faith. Zach and his staff are touching nearly 2400 unchurched middle and high school students weekly. He went to Biola University in Los Angeles and after graduating with degrees in classical literature and Christian education, moved back to Denver. Thanks to YL, he has also finished his Master's Degree from Fuller Seminary in Christian Leadership and Theology with an emphasis in multicultural studies. He showed us a video on Jim Rayburn, founder of YL – a young pastor who went to meet the high



school students in their environment to establish relationships. Zach provided statics for the 17<sup>th</sup> Judicial District comparing youth with and without YL connections. The data are amazing. For more info on Young Life in Adams/Broomfield Counties go to: https://broomfieldadamscounty.younglife.org.

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#### <u>December 17 – Dustin Gorseth, Sierra Nevada, Engineering on</u> <u>Locomotives</u>

Dustin provided an interesting and educational presentation on engineering associated with the design and manufacture of train locomotives. He worked for MotivePower, Inc. (MPI), based in Boise, Idaho on the design, manufacture and re-manufacture of diesel-electric locomotives. MPI's website states that since 1972, over 2,800 locomotives have been delivered from the 300,000 square foot facility in Boise. He currently works at Sierra Nevada Corporation in the Colorado Technical Center. He lives in Frederick, CO



with his wife and three children. Dustin and his family attend The Salvation Army worship services at the Broomfield Center. He leads the worship music. Thanks, Dustin, for this program.

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#### Save the Date - Mark your Calendars Now!

The Rocky Mountain District Office just released dates for the Mid-Year Conference. The conference will be held March 1 - 3, 2019, in Colorado Springs. Attending rejuvenates older members and educates our new members. Let's plan on an interclub at the conference.

#### 12/10/18 - New Members Inducted into Foothills Kiwanis Club



Matt, Laurance, Heather and Annette

Lt. Gov. Heather McChesney inducted three new members into our club. They are: Matt Frederick, Laurance Hubbard, and Annette Wagenknecht. We are delighted with the "new hands" available for our community service projects. Thanks, Heather, for conducting the induction ceremony.

#### 12/19/18 - Club Members Help with Salvation Army's **Angel Tree Gift Distribution**

David and Murna Bessel and Marilyn and Bob Mohling helped sort and distribute Christmas gifts to area families at The Salvation Army Broomfield Center gym. The Broomfield Salvation Army helped 225 families with an average of four children each for a total of 900 children with Angel Tree gifts. Gifts were donated by area corporations and small businesses. Thanks to Belinda and Capt. Sherry of The Salvation Army for organizing this wonderful project.



David and Bob worked as runners with other community Angel Tree volunteers

12/27/18 - Foothills Kiwanis Club of Boulder Valley has won the FIRST PLACE bell ringing trophy for the year 2018! - Capt. Mark Czanderna

The Club did great!!! Our Club raised \$17,512.60 in 213.25 hours of volunteer time. This amount is \$2,599.56 more than last year. Last season, our members donated 201.25 hours of volunteer time and raised \$14,913.14. Our club members did more fund raising in currency and coin this year, but received less large checks in the kettle. 2017 checks amounted to \$5,365.00 of the donations, whereas 2018 checks amounted to \$4,790.00. Day to day comparison, we did a little better this year than last year:

#### Gross income:

33 days 2018 = \$101,984.45 33 days 2017 = \$100,352.10 Difference = +1.632.35 for 2018 Net income 33 days 2018 = \$80,974.57

33 days 2017 = \$78,238.88

Difference = +2,735.69 for 2018

However, there were actually 36 bell ringing days in 2017. During those last three days of 2017 kettle season, income amounted to \$18,405.10 bringing us to a total of \$119,389.55 gross income for 2017. Therefore, the gross revenue was less in 2018. This is not a national problem; it is a big city problem. Wage increases for hired labor in big cities and low unemployment rates have had negative impacts on our fundraising efforts: 1) we have to pay higher wages to attract employees to bell ring which takes away from the income, and 2) there are fewer unemployed people to do seasonal work. Temporary hiring agencies only staffed about a third of our locations per day so some good locations went unstaffed.

It was a blessing that the Salvation Army allowed us to direct hire seasonal workers. We were able to direct hire four seasonal workers. Unfortunately, three of these four could only work part-time due to various reasons. One of these workers had to be terminated due to underperformance. Capt. Mark reports that we have twice the amount of donations this year compared to the same number of belling days last year. Many groups are involved this year with the Red Kettle bell ringing effort such as: Alert Service Dog families, Peak to Peak Key Club, the Henderson Group, Risen Savior Lutheran, and Little Helpers. Thanks to all for your bellringing effort to help our community through the Salvation Army! Editor's Note: We thank Capt. Mark for his tireless effort and organization of the Red Kettle Program!



Capt. Mark rings the bell at **KingSoopers**