



Kiwanis Club of the

Foothills

Club Website: www.foothillskiwanis.org
Meetings: Mondays at 7:00 a.m. at The Brewing Market,
2770 Dagny Way, Lafayette, CO 80026, (720) 890-3993

Sept. 11, 2023

Coming up . . .

- 9/11/23 – Board Meetings
- 9/18/23 – Breg Fickbom, Denver’s Tramway History
- 9/25/23 – Virginia Breyer, Cultivate (formerly RSVP)
- 10/2/23 – Officer & Board Installation
- 10/9/23 – Board Meetings
- 10/16/23 - Education: Club Project Updates
- 10/23/23 – Education, Fiscal Year transition, officer reports
- 10/30/23 – Salvation Army Red Kettle 2023 kickoff

Program Chairpersons:

- August – Vince
- September – Bob
- October - open

Snippets from Recent Club Programs

8/28/23 – Report on DCON from Attendees

Our club had six members attend the District Convention on August 3-6 at the Great Wolf Lodge in Colorado Springs. We sponsored an Alert Service Dog booth and handed out Coolest Dog on the Front Range literature. Here is a summary of highlights from the attendees. The performers from the Stars of Tomorrow were wonderful. From the District Roundtable forum: we need more manpower for service projects, should pick service projects carefully, and do service jobs well. Bill D. attended the Club Leadership Education forum that provided ideas to help him establish goals for the next administrative year, learned about recruiting tips and the importance of social media. Club format types were discussed – in all formats the focus should be on service! Signature projects were described: Glenwood does a bike rodeo and Longmont does wood toys; grants are available for starting signature projects. Jim mentioned that Anthem Ranch Kiwanis Club would like to start a Key Club at a neighborhood school. Bill L. said he went to absorb as much as possible! Next year ICON will be held in Denver from July 3-6. Thanks for the report!



9/4/23 – Roundtable Meeting – Happy Labor Day!

We had six members attend the Roundtable Meeting at The Brewing Market on Labor Day (9/4/23). The staff seemed a little surprised to see us. After the members discussed the meaning and importance of Labor Day, they celebrated the occasion with food, coffee, and Kiwanis fellowship. We agreed that our member fellowship period is not long enough at most of our Kiwanis meetings with administrative affairs and speakers, so we spent 70 minutes enjoying each other’s company.



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9/9/23 - Lafayette Brew Fest

Four club members worked the Kiwanis Booth at the Brew Fest: Bill A., Jim, Bill D., and Bob. Claire and Indie helped attract folks to our booth. Many attendees stopped by the booth to learn more about our Alert Service Dog Project, the Coolest Dog on the Front Range Contest, and about Kiwanis in general. Our thanks go to Jim Morrell for sharing the Morrell tent with us for the occasion; it was very hot! There were many vendors and the event was well attended by the public. We got a lot of good community exposure.



Jim at work in booth

Soles4Souls Project at Anthem Ranch Kiwanis Club

Foothills Kiwanis members have been invited to donate new and used shoes at our September 18 and 25 meetings. Bring them in a shopping or garbage bag. Bob and Jim will transport them to barrels at Anthem Ranch. Thanks for your help on this very worthwhile project to get shoes to those folks needing them. Let's help Anthem Ranch Kiwanis meet their 2,000 lb. goal!

Builders Club Schedule

Rachel Medina, Faculty Advisor at Peak2Peak Middle School, provided the schedule for the Club. Vince will be the Kiwanis Sponsor. It looks like membership will be about 15 this school year. Here is the tentative schedule:

- September 15:
- September 29:
- October 13:
- October 27: Halloween Crafts!
- November 17:
- December 8:
- Bell Ringing Dates! (at least 2)
- January 19:
- February 2: Valentines Crafts
- February 23:
- March 8:
- March 22:
- April 5:
- April 19
- May 10: End of year celebration

How valuable are you?

Our pastor cited this message in an email blast recently. Years ago, people would say that the separate chemical components of the human body – carbon, nitrogen, calcium, etc. – altogether could all be purchased for a sum total of \$1.98 or some such number. More recently, I saw an article from a pharmaceutical company that suggested the current worth of those same chemicals is more like \$17.18. Although they also said, somewhat tongue in cheek, that the “market value” of your individual organs and various compounds if sold off part by part would total \$45,618,575.82. Wow!

The Kiwanis International website has these statics:

- Service hours performed by the Kiwanis family each year is 7,300,000
- The average number of kids each Kiwanian reaches is 106

These numbers are hard for me to comprehend, but being a member of a club that sponsors a Builders Club and two Key Clubs makes it possible. You are an important and valuable resource to kids in our community. There are so many needs in our community. Thanks for volunteering for our projects!

Sporting Clay Event

Vince, Bill L., Jim and Bob have entered the event scheduled for September 22 at Colorado Clays in Brighton. Lori plans to volunteer her help as a host at the event. Please contact our member, Pam, if you are interested in being an event host.

Upcoming Community Service/Kiwanis Events

- **Coolest Dog Contest**, August 1- September 20, 2023
- **Clay Shoot for MyChoice Resource Center**, sign up to be member of the Kiwanis team, Friday 12-3 pm, September 22 at Colorado Clays, Brighton
- **Broomfield Days**, September 23 – let's sign up to help in parade and The Salvation Army/Kiwanis booth, September 23; sign up on Google Drive
- **Charter Celebration Ceremony**, 3 pm on September 27 at Anthem Ranch Lodge
- **Sweet Dream in a Bag** packing bags at The Salvation Army Gym, 1080 Birch St, from 9 am-12 pm, October 7, 2023
- **Cool Dog End of Contest Celebration**, 1-3 pm at Mash Lab & Kitchen in Windsor, October 21

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