



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

July 12, 2010

Coming up . . .

7/12/10 Kelly Steck, Rocky Mountain District Governor

7/19/10 Catherine Bedell, "Crayons to Calculators" program to help kids in our Boulder community

7/26/10 Arielle Nobile, "Don't be Remembered for Your Bad Hair Days - Create a Legacy of Belonging"

8/2/10 Open

8/5/10 7:00 a.m. Foothills Board meeting at Parkway Restaurant in Boulder

Program Chairperson(s):

July, August – Mary Schweitzer

Snippets from Recent Club Programs

June 21 – Dennis Hubbard, "Iceland"

Dennis Hubbard talked to our club about (and showed photos of) his visit to Iceland with wife Eleanor. They saw many beautiful sights on this island located in the north Atlantic that's a world leader in using renewable energy sources. About 85 percent of homes in Iceland are heated with geothermal energy using large pipes that are connected in a "sawtooth" pattern to allow for expansion. Also, 100 percent of Iceland's electricity comes from hydroelectric and geothermal sources. Outside the capital of Reykjavik, they saw many pristine glaciers/lakes.



June 28 – Marcie Howell, "Blue Sky Bridge Client Services"

Marcie Howell spoke about the services that the Blue Sky Bridge organization uses to help families through the investigation and prosecution phases of child abuse cases, no matter how long it takes. In part by offering snacks donated by our club members, their Blue Sky facility is child-friendly to put kids at ease during their investigative sessions. These sessions are recorded on DVDs used by court prosecutors in trials of accused abuse perpetrators, rather than have a child testify in a court setting. During this past year, Blue Sky Bridge assisted in the investigation of over 300 child-abuse cases, a vast majority involving family members and adults in a position of trust.



Staff members must take a number of training classes to be certified to help abused kids, and Blue Sky Bridge also provides educational programs to the local community to help combat cases of child-abuse. Marcie noted that anyone who suspects child-abuse of any form should call the Boulder Department of Social Services' Abuse Hotline at -- 303-441-1000.

You can read about Blue Sky Bridge at --- www.blueskybridge.org. Thanks to all who donate snacks, food coupons, or cash to Blue Sky Bridge!

Club Officers

President
Kerry Hassler

President-Elect
Joe Girard

Secretary
Dennis Hubbard

Treasurer
Joe Girard

Board of Directors
Fred McGehan
Gerald Mordhorst
Waverly Person
Mary Schweitzer
Pete Sprenkle
Gary Symes
Clarence Wood

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July 1 Foothills Kiwanis Board Minutes

The Kiwanis Club of the Foothills Board of Directors met at Parkway Restaurant on July 1, 2010. President Hassler called the meeting to order at 6:58 a.m. Attending were:

- Board members: President Hassler, Secretary Hubbard, Treasurer Girard, Lefferdink, McGehan, Mordhorst, Person, Schweitzer, Wood
- Guests: Gilland

MINUTES: June Foothills Board minutes were approved as presented.

TREASURER'S REPORT: June Treasurer's report was approved as presented.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Barb Brown's resignation was accepted with regrets.

OLD BUSINESS:

-- \$400 is forthcoming for Foothills volunteers' help with helping to start the Bolder Boulder. A check will be given to our club on July 19, and this \$400 will be forwarded to Team River Runner later in July.

--15 Foothills volunteers and 1 Golden Nugget Kiwanis volunteer are signed up to collect donations for fireworks at Folsom Field on July 4. Foothills will receive 15/16 of the \$2500 total for this volunteering that will go into our club's Project Account; and Golden Nuggets Kiwanis will get 1/16 of the total.

--No new club members were recruited during since the Foothills New Membership Contest that was started on April 3 and ended June 28. Consequently, the Contest Celebration Dinner scheduled for Friday July 16 at Schweitzer's home was changed to a "Foothills summer potluck" social gathering.

NEW BUSINESS: Four Board members' terms are ending on September 30, 2010. They are McGehan, Mordhorst, Schweitzer, and Wood. McGehan and Wood agreed to extend their current term for another two years, so two more club members are needed for the term ending September 30, 2012. Schweitzer volunteered to complete the Board member term for Brown (who resigned) that ends September 30, 2011.

--Hassler encouraged at least four members to attend the Rocky Mountain District Annual Convention in Laramie from August 12-15. The Club will pay the registration fees for attendees.

--Discussion was led our next club Treasurer Gilland about a possible new format for the club's monthly treasurer reports. Gilland also suggested the club get a credit or debit card for use in some cases (such as paying for Board meeting food at Parkway Restaurant) instead of writing a check. Current Treasurer Girard mentioned that checks are good because check numbers provide a "paper trail" for club expense records, and should be used when possible.

--Lefferdink will look into transferring the present Foothills mailbox located at the downtown post office to another post office. The box is difficult to open and parking is limited at the present location.

--Schweitzer suggested the club purchase a brightly-colored vest with the Foothills name for wearing at club projects involving parking, security, etc. This is good for safety reasons and also as a way to publicize Foothills. Hubbard will look into purchasing the vests.

The Board adjourned at 8:04 a.m.

4th of July Folsom Field Fireworks Donations Fundraiser

Thanks to 18 volunteers from Foothills Kiwanis and the Golden Nuggets clubs, a total of \$2483.45 in fireworks donations was collected on a cool, rainy Fourth of July celebration at Folsom Field. Our club will receive \$2222.00 for these volunteer efforts that all goes into our club's Project Account for use in providing support of youth in our community. Thanks to all who volunteered for this annual Foothills fundraising project!



Boulder Children's Day Recognition of Fred McGehan

During our club's June 28 club meeting, Ken Hotaling of the Boulder Kiwanis Club recognized Foothills Kiwanis member Fred McGehan for his leading the planning and coordination of the Kiwanis-sponsored April 26-30 Boulder Children's Day event, held on the Boulder Pearl Street Mall. Ken also showed photos of the Friday, May 30 "Kiwanis Safety Training" program that taught kids about various ways to stay safe, with club members Dave Rogers, Jerry Gilland, and Kerry Hassler volunteering along with Fred to assist this Friday program.



91st Rocky Mountain District Annual Convention

For info and registration about the August 12-15 91st Rocky Mountain District Annual Convention in Laramie, go to -- www.rmdkiwanis.com/RMD_91th_%20Annual_Convention.html