



Kiwaniis 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

Feb. 27, 2023

Coming up . . .

- 2/27/23 – Majors Sheryl & Randy Clark, The Salvation Army
- 3/6/23 – Board of Directors Meeting, all members are invited to attend!
- 3/13/23 – Vane Clayton, Farm Rescue Company
- 3/20/23 - Marv Truhe, Broomfield Veterans Museum
- 3/27/23 – Craig Hurst, Energy Update
- 4/3/23 - Board of Directors Meeting, all members are invited to attend!
- 4/10/23 - open

Program Chairpersons:

- February – Vince
- March – Bill D.
- April – Matt
- May - Joe

Snippets from Recent Club Programs

2/13/23 – Heather Ehle, Project Sanctuary

Heather is CEO and founder of Project Sanctuary in 2007. She is a registered nurse with over 20 years of experience. She found that there is no government program to help military families after deployments. There are many emotional and physical needs by the family. Abuse triples when a parent is deployed. Veterans bring problems home, many experience PTSD. The Veterans Administration is understaffed and unable to help the military families who have many different challenges. The organization is headquartered in Granby, CO. They have completed 300 6-day retreats for 2,000 families. There are similar groups working in Washington, Texas, New York, and Georgia. There are 30 members of Project Sanctuary staff. For more information, go to www.projectsanctuary.us. Thanks, Heather, for presentation about a much-needed program!



2/20/23 – Vance Wagenknecht, Google Presentation

Vance, son of Annette, was born and raised in Texas. He received degrees from Texas A&M and University of Houston. He worked formerly with Bechtel and Dell. He described the many applications of Google – search, browser, education, management systems, phone, and cloud. The parent company is Alphabet. Google has 1B users. There are 55 data centers that are globally connected by underwater lines. Vance explained that Amazon started AWS server services in 2006 (\$80B), Microsoft started Azure in 2010 (\$81B), and Google Cloud started in 2013 (\$26B). Vance does work with MAXAR, a space systems reconnaissance group that collects earth intelligence with photo resolution of 30 cm. He described the recent introduction of AI, ChatGPT by Microsoft and Google BARD. Vance, thanks for an interesting program!



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KIWANIS: *Serving the Children of the World!*

2/22/23 – Fundraiser Meeting Highlights

From Joe's notes, President Matt tasked a small group of members to lay out our fundraiser plans for the administrative year. Here is what was recommended. We plan to widen the net of perspective helpers for all our fundraiser events. We need to wear our club polo shirts to events. We should consider ordering K caps from Kiwanis International (\$14).

Bolder Boulder Starting Line: we get \$25 per volunteer for our administrative account for this Memorial Day 10k race in Boulder. Bob and Matt will register our group and all volunteers to the BB website.

Coollest Dog Contest: planning meeting will be held soon to set contest date with GoGoPhoto and Mash Lab Brewing. More emphasis should be placed on sponsors and social media to reach a goal of \$25k. Club member support is essential in distribution of literature. Bob will call the initial meeting.

Pickle Ball Event: Jim will set up meeting with Pickle Ball Food Pub for us to gather information required to run a pickle ball event. It appears that we provide manpower to run the tournament and obtain sponsors for the event. More to follow.

Volunteers are needed on committees of these three events to assist in planning and implementation of the fundraisers. Please let Matt know if you can help.

2023 Bolder Boulder Starting Line on May 29, 2023

President Matt has entered our club to help with the starting line security. This is one of the largest Memorial Day Tributes in the U.S. The ceremony honors all of those who have given their life in military service to our country. The work schedule is 6-10 am. All volunteers must be at least 14 years old before race day. Volunteers will receive a Security shirt and lunch bag. Workers can participate in the race after the waves are started.

Please sign up on the 2023 Bolder Boulder Starting Line Volunteer form that will be available at our club meeting on 2/27. Contact relatives and friends to help at this fun event. Deadline for volunteering is May 19. If you have questions, contact Matt or Bob. For more information, go to www.bolderboulder.com/bolder-volunteers/.



Kiwanis volunteers on May 30, 2022

2/24/23 – Peak to Peak Builder Club Meeting

-- Bob Mohling, Kiwanis Sponsor

There were about a dozen members in attendance for the club election of officers and project meeting – disinfecting classrooms for teachers and students. Elections of sixth and seventh graders were held to determine officers for next school year. Ms. Medina asked each of the candidates to briefly describe themselves and the reasons the class should vote for them. Election results were Prisha – President, Wes – Vice President, and David – Secretary.



Prisha, Ms. Medina, Wes, and David

Erie Group Volunteer Opportunities

-- Lori Weimer, Erie Satellite Group

There are two volunteer opportunities upcoming with the Robotics tournaments – Feb. 11 and Mar. 11. The primary need for these tournaments is judging. The robotics teachers from Red Hawk and Soaring Heights are both looking for volunteers. The Red Hawk Elementary principal would be available to meet with Kiwanis members later in February to discuss other volunteer opportunities. Please contact Lori if interested in helping at these tournaments.

Upcoming Community Service/Kiwanis Events

- **Mid-Year Kiwanis Conference** – April 1, virtual 10 am-3 pm meeting. Registration starting at \$5. Registration will open soon.
- **2023 Key Club DCON**, March 31-April 2, 2023, at YMCA of the Rockies
- **2023 Kiwanis International Convention** – June 21-24, 2023, at Minneapolis, Minnesota, USA. Registration is open.
- **2023 Rocky Mountain Kiwanis District Annual Convention** - August 3-6, 2023, at Colorado Springs