



Kiwanis Club of the Foothills

Club Website: www.foothillskiwanis.org
Meetings: Every Monday at 7:00 a.m. at the Egg & I,
2574 Baseline Rd, Boulder, CO 80303, 303-494-0555

Dec. 1, 2014

Coming up . . .

12/1/14 - Alan Carpenter, "Seven Steps to Staying Healthy"

12/4/14- 7:00 a.m. Foothills Board meetings at the Egg & I in Basemar Shopping Center

12/8/14 - Matthew Weingarten, CU Staff - Geological Science, "Earthquakes Caused by Oil Drilling in Oklahoma and Colorado"

12/15/14 - (Open)

12/22/14 - (no club meeting due to holidays)

12/29/14 - Kerry Hassler, "Visit to Peleliu Island WW II Battleground in West Pacific"

Program Chairpersons:

December - Kerry Hassler

January - Bob Mohling

Snippets from Recent Club Programs

November 17 - Kaylin Daniels, National MS Society

Kaylin described multiple sclerosis (MS) to us. MS is a disease that affects the central nervous system by disrupting the flow of information from the brain to the body. She stated that it has no known cause, no known cure, and has varying symptoms from person to person. The results by person can vary from slight fatigue, wheelchair bound, and death. MS generally strikes in the prime of life - ages 20 to 50 - and women are diagnosed with MS two to three times more often than men.

Twelve drugs are now approved to slow the progression of the disease. Every year 2,000 volunteers contribute over 29,000 hours to the Colorado-Wyoming Chapter. There are many ways to volunteer and opportunities to support fundraisers to help MS reach their \$250 million goal to move MS research further and faster. More information about MS can be found at: www.nationalmssociety.org. Thanks, Kaylin, for an informative presentation..



November 24 - Capt. Mario Ruiz, Boulder County Salvation Army (also presentation by Kerry Hassler, Foothills Kiwanis Bell-ringing Coordinator)

Captain Mario Ruiz (who moved from California this summer to become the new manager of the Boulder County Salvation Army in August) talked to club members about the founding of the Salvation Army in London in 1865 by Reverend William Booth, and its continued programs of service to help the needy of the world since then. Some of the Colorado projects being led by the SA include the Adult Rehabilitation Center (ALC) and "Harbor Lights" in Denver, providing spiritual, social, and emotional assistance to the needy; having Salvation Army Thrift Stores, providing employment and raising funds to help the needy; and having in Boulder County a holiday "Angel Tree" for donating toys to needy kids, providing after-school tutoring, and providing rent/utilities assistance for over 400 families with 1200 kids. Cpt. Ruiz thanked Foothill Kiwanis for their bell-ringing support of the Boulder County Salvation Army during this holiday season and for many years after our club was founded in 1969.

Also, Foothills Bell-Ringing Coordinator Kerry Hassler reviewed the guidelines for signing up via our club website, and the procedures volunteers should follow when bell-ringing. He reminded club members that we'll focus on ringing at the Sunrise King Soopers on 30th Street, but also ringing may be done at the Meadows Shopping Center's Safeway. This season our club should reach **\$400,000** collected for the Boulder County Salvation Army since 1997. Thanks for your bell-ringing support!



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Veterans Speak at Dairy Center – Waverly Person

-- by Bob Mohling



On November 12 and 15, 2014, our Foothills Kiwanis member Waverly Person was a featured speaker at “Veterans Speak”, a two-week celebration of our nation’s veterans with art, lectures, film, conversations, performances, and exhibits at the Dairy Center in Boulder. Waverly related his experiences in WW II. He was drafted in December, 1944, out of high school in Lawrenceville, Virginia in his senior year.

Waverly was sent to Ft. McClellan, Alabama for basic and advanced training. He was assigned to the 93rd Division, an all-black unit then currently fighting in New Guinea in the Pacific Theater. In mid-1944, Waverly arrived at Milne Bay, New Guinea. He was assigned to a security guard unit, which followed the assault forces to secure any captured areas. In 1945, Waverly and other troops were transferred to the Philippines to train for the final assault on the Japanese main islands. As part of the occupation forces, Waverly spent time in Kobe, Japan before returning to Ft. Lewis, Washington in 1946. By this time Waverly had attained the rank of First Sergeant. From there he took a troop train to Ft. Bragg, North Carolina for discharge, and at that time decided to join the reserves. As a sad reminder of the condition for blacks in our country, when Waverly got on a public bus in Fayetteville while wearing his uniform, the bus driver told him he could not sit up front. Waverly indicated he “blew up” at that affront, and told off the driver and said he would not move....and the passengers on the bus clapped! Thanks Waverly and all veterans for your sacrifices to protect our freedoms.

Foothills Kiwanis Club Membership Drive

-- by Bob Mohling

At our last Board meeting, President Adam appointed a committee with goal of at least five new members for our club. The committee is made up of: Dave Rogers, Bob Mohling, Matt Wilson, Adam Pauluhn, and Mary Schweitzer. The focus for perspective members is: 1) club member referrals, and 2) business owners/managers in close proximity to Basemar Shopping Center. Contact information for perspective members were collected from our club members before Thanksgiving that includes: name, email address, home/business address, and telephone number. An email of invitation with one-page flyer will be sent to all perspective members the week of December 1, with their RSVPs requested by December 8. A brief breakfast meeting for perspective members is planned at The Egg & I restaurant at 8:00 a.m. on December 9. The meeting will provide brief Kiwanis information with an emphasis on Q&A’s.

We need the help of all our Foothills club members. Please provide a list of perspective members that could include your friends, neighbors, relatives, and business persons with whom you do business (e.g., doctor; dentist, insurance, maintenance, and repair persons). Please email your candidates’ contact

information to Bob. The club urgently needs more “helping hands” to support our community-service projects. Contact Bob if you have questions.

Thanks to Foothills for Children’s Christmas Party in Kiev *– Sneja Shpak, Programs Coordinator, Kiwanis Club of Kiev*

In these difficult conditions for Ukraine, we in the Kiwanis Club of Kiev are trying to make the holidays happy for kids. Our Christmas children’s projects began in November and were very successful! Children love the holidays, it’s no secret! Unfortunately, not all children (due to family and financial problems) can have a holiday and presents. We decided to give our kids a fabulous Walt Disney Party! It was a truly memorable event and the best day! Some characters are especially loved by the kids, such as Mickey and Minnie Mouse, our “guests” for the party. We thoroughly prepared for the event, making decoration: big garlands, hats, pom-poms, medals, and much more. The atmosphere was fabulous. After the games and program, the children visited “The Wizard”, who pleased the younger children with gifts of toys and balloons. Each child got a personal gift. Of course, now they are members of the Mickey Mouse Club. Each child got a medal from the Mickey, and we photographed them together! And what’s a holiday party without a “sweets table”? There were various kinds of cupcakes, puce, ginger cookies, and other sweets. The kids ate everything to the last crumb. At the end of the party, all the kids got gifts from Mickey. Nobody wanted to leave, so the kids ran and jumped, and took pictures with the Disney characters. It was great party and a wonderful charity project. We’re glad to have this opportunity to serve children.

The members of our Kiwanis Club of Kiev and the kids extend to members of the Foothills Kiwanis Club big warm greetings, and thank you for your support and assistance. You have help make a great number of smiles in Kiev!))))))))

