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Second Sunday - On Sunday, March 10, a group of Eyeopeners, their families and friends met at the home of **Gene Apuan**. The group assembled slime kits (a toy) and filled plastic Easter eggs with candy for "Kids at Heart," an organization that provides support for foster and adoptive families. Thanks go to **Krista Taylor** for organizing this worthwhile project.



Plastic Easter eggs are filled with candies.



Slime kits are assembled.



The group of volunteers that participated in the Second Sunday meeting.

Samaritan House—On March 11, **Sarah Wasson** and a friend helped serve dinner to 40 hungry people at the Samaritan House. This included 5 children. They helped to prepare a lasagna dinner.

More Great Programs—At our March 7 meeting, Nancy Wiehagen invited CSU Volleyball defensive specialist Ruby Kayser t present her work on the CSU Volleyball team. Ruby was a Key Cub member in her high school in her home state of Oregon. She was awarded the Community Service Award at the 2023 CSU Student Athlete Advisory Committee meeting. Our March 11 meeting was cancelled due to a threatening snow storm. During ur March 21 meeting, Larry Howell invited Thad Anderson to talk about his work coaching Youth Baseball. For our March 28 meeting, Francis Aubichon invited two ladies from the Museum of Discovery in Fort Collins to review their program. Our Club Board of directors approved a \$5,000 donation to support their good work

Loveland Key Club Recharter Party— Several members of our Club, including **Jack Gainola, Ray Kepler** and **Krista Taylor** attended a party at the Loveland High School to recharter the Loveland High School Key Club. The Loveland Big Thompson Club will sponsor this Key Club. Our Club recruited Alison Williams, Key Club Lieutenant Governor of Division 3A for an Interclub.

A Special Attendee—For the past several meetings, Jaden Schaeffer, secretary of the Fort Collins Early Co;;ege Key Club has attended several of our regular meetings.

Program Schedule

April 4— Sue Ayala

April 11– Richard Bacon

April 14 —Second Sunday at **Krista Taylor's** home,1435 Massadona Place, Loveland, The project plan is a : clothing drive for local nonprofits

April 18 - Michael Baker

April 25 - Ryan Caldwell

Upcoming Events

Samanitan House (Formerly the Mission) **Bob** amd **Lisa Hansen** have volunteered for for the April 8 session.

Rocky Mountain District Convention— April 12-14, 2024, Cheyenne, Wyoming.

Club Officer Elections—May 2024

MS Walk - May 11

Timnath Safety Fair—May 18, 2024 from 11AM to 2 PM, Timanath Community Parrk. Swimsuit Lesson Books will be distributed.

Taste of Fort Collins—June 8-9 2024

Kiwanis International Convention, July 3-6, 2024 Denver, Colorado

Colorado Mission of Mercy—Help with dental care for those who are unable to afford it. Thornton, CO, September 27.-28.

Closing Thought— A frivolous gift is a gift nevertheless.

