

K-News

August 24, 2024

Monument Hill Club - Service Since 1974

Today's Program



Planning Committee Annual Report

RF Smith

President Scott Ross called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

Attending via Zoom were Rich Rima, Jim Clemans, Barrie Town, Steve Hall, Bob Evans and Marlene Bizub.

Larry Young was our Sergeant at Arms.

Member Concerns

Rich Hicks led members' concerns.

Rich Strom visited with Bob Hayes this week. Rich let us know that Bob is sharp, but his mobility is limited. Bob said that he is slowly recovering and would welcome visitors.

Bob Spidell told us that Rollie Johnson has returned home from Cordara rehab center and is on the mend.

Scott Ross reminded us that a few months back, Lily Poteet, President of the LPHS key Club led our Club meeting. Her father, Scott Poteet is the mission pilot the Polaris Dawn space mission scheduled to launch on August 28th. Scott Ross asked that we keep Scott Poteet and the crew of Polaris Dawn in our prayers for a safe launch and a safe journey.

Rich led a morning prayer: Heavenly Father, we are grateful for the gift of compassion that you've instilled within us. As we reach out to the members of our community, allow us to listen with open hearts and extend a hand of kindness to those who are hurting. Illuminate our path with understanding, leading us to truly comprehend the struggles of others. Amen.

Dick Salverson led the Pledge of Allegiance.



Visiting Kiwanians

Scott Ross welcomed our new D38 superintendent, Stacy Datteri, as an honorary Club member. Great to have you join us!

Upcoming Programs

- Aug 31, Grants from our club (Benny Nasser) and The Importance of Inter-Clubs (Loyd Mowery)
- Sept 7, Geneva Tech, Steve Hart
- Sept 14, Pillars With Purpose, Laura Shank, Brittney Martinez, Cindy Piepes
- Sept 21, Mike McGrath
- Sept 28, Changing of the Guard

Announcements

Membership Minute

Here is the calendar of upcoming events:

- Sept 6 Spirit Night Trails End Taproom, Downtown Monument, 3-10
- Sept 7 New Member Orientation after regular club meeting
- Sept 7 Rotary Golf Ball Drop to support Heart of Monument Playpark
- Sept 10 Happy Hour at Pike's Peak Brewery, 4 pm
- Sept 12 Konnectors will meet at 5:30 pm at Pikes Peak's Barr Room.







Heart of Monument Play Park Spirit Night!

Come out, support a great cause, enjoy some live music, craft food, and self-pour beverages at Trails End Taproom!

A portion of sales total will go to the Heart of Monument Play Park for all ages and abilities!

There's no need to mention the fundraiser or show this flyer, just come by and support your community while enjoying the awesome craft food and drink.

Friday, September 6, 2024
Trails End Taproom, 252 Front Street,
Monument, CO 80132
All Day - 3 p.m. to 10 p.m.

For more information about the Heart of Monument Play Park, go to: https://heartofmonument.org/











Tri-Lakes Dynamic Rotary Fundraiser, Saturday September 7th

The Tri-Lakes Dynamic Rotary Club are conducting their Second Annual Golf Ball Drop to benefit The Heart of Monument Play Park. The event will be held on Saturday September 7th from 11 AM to 1 PM at the park site. Last year they raised about \$5,000 for the

park. They asked for help with selling the golf balls that will be dropped (and the balls closest to designated areas will win money). They need help with the setup, parking, and cleanup. We can contact them at www.TLRotary.com.

Monument Hill Kiwanis 50 Years of History

Presenting memories from our old scrapbooks, Ed Hettler had history of our Sertoma and Kiwanis Club from 1997 to 2002. Ed had the actual scrapbooks on a table for perusal. Here is the entertaining video of his briefing



https://youtu.be/ig32LLmwOsU?t=862 and briefing slides.



SLP Update and Key Leader Conference

Mike Luginbuhl told us there will be a Key Leader session September 27-29 in Casper, Wyoming, and a second session the next weekend in Estes Park, October 4-6. It's a mini version of the Rocky Mountain Leadership Conference and Mike is looking 13 to 18 year old high-school kids to attend one of these events, especially the one in Estes Park, Contact Mike for more information.



Governor's Ball

Scott Ross told us about the annual Kiwanis Rocky Mountain District Governor's Ball where District Clubs host the RMD Governor. Sports balls are collected at the Ball, then distributed to area law enforcement who in turn hand the balls out to youth for positive engagement. More to come.

Christmas Party Update

Jim Johnston let us know that our Christmas party will be held on December 10th at Bear Dance Golf Course, 6630 Bear Dance Dr. in Larkspur. Jim thanked Larry Vliet for making arrangements. Details to follow.





Empty Bowls

Standing in for Dave Bailey, RF Smith provided an update for our Empty Bowls dinner scheduled for October 3rd. All proceeds from this event go to the benefit of Tri-Lakes Cares. Dave is still seeking a few more volunteers, especially people to deliver clean buckets to restaurants that have donated soup and to pick up soup for delivery to Lewis Palmer High School on October 3rd.

A sign-up sheet was passed around.



Football Pools

The NFL football season is rapidly approaching, and Jim Taylor briefed us on our football pools. We will start them on Sunday, September 8th.

- The Loser's Pool Pick 1 team to Lose each week
- Sally's Challenge Pick 1 team to Win each week
- The Glenn Scott Winners Pool Pick WINNERS for all games for the week

Jim said there is a special benefit because it does not cost you anything. He will give your name to Kathy, she will put it on your bill and you will never see it! Here is a link to <u>Jim's briefing</u> that includes the rules and more details for all these pools. RF Smith is ready to hand off the Glenn Scott Winners Pool after running it for several years – see RF to help.

We need volunteers to understudy Jim Taylor and RF Smith for their football pools. If we don't get a volunteer to maintain the Glenn Scott Winner's Pool, it won't be continued, so see RF about how to continue this pool.

News & Notes

Happy Birthday

Courtesy of Pete Peterson



Paul Gourley August 26

Sponsor - Bob Hayes, Joined 2015

- Foundation Granting Chairman
- Empty Bowls
- 4th of July
- Peaches
- Bell Ringing
- Food Distribution TLC
- Super Bowl



Liam Wynne

August 24

Sponsor - Frank Wynne, Joined 2024

- Peaches
- A/V alternate



Fun Facts

Aug 24

79 - Vesuvius Erupts Destroying Pompeii

1853 - Popular Legend has Potato Chips Invented in Saratoga Springs

Aug 26

1862 - Edmund Halley First Observes Comet Named

After Him

1843 – Charles Thurber Patents the Typewriter

Humor

Courtesy of Jim Head

A man goes into the barbershop and asks the barber if he is busy. The barber says he is really busy, so the man leaves. The next day he comes in again and asks the barber if he is busy. Again, the barber replies that he is busy and the wait is an hour or two. So, the man leaves and comes back again the next day. Again, the same interaction. The man comes in the fourth day and again the barber is very busy. The man leaves, so the barber asks a friend to follow the man and see



what he does. So, the barber's friend leaves to follow the guy. The friend comes back to the barbershop after a while and the barber asks, "Did you follow him? Where did he go?" His friend replies, "Your house."

Happy Bucks



Ted Bauman had a happy buck for Integrity Bank and Trust, which has been a strong Kiwanis backer over the years. He let us know that the bank will be sponsoring a free shredding day on Saturday, October 5th from 9am to 11am at their Northgate location, 13475 Voyager Pkwy, on the southeast corner or Northgate Blvd and Voyager Parkway. Ted also warned us that in two weeks he will be drafting for the renowned Kiwanis Band that will perform at the Changing of the Guard ceremony on September 28th – no tryouts needed!



RF Smith had two happy bucks. One for a recent conversation with Barrie Town, who assured RF he isn't drinking any more whisky. Of course, Barrie also added he wasn't drinking any less whisky. The other buck is for the return of Jim Taylor's woodworking artwork in the form of the Kiwanis traveling trophy. It is back home!



Terry McMullen had three happy bucks in honor of his senior-age softball team, which won their league championship on Friday. Another buck was for being able to see a clear path to elections. And the third was for Peaches pins he has for distribution to those who participated in the project.



Pete Peterson had a happy buck to recognize the loss of his grandson's slave labor. The young man is off to college at Mesa State. Now Pete has to mow his lawn by himself.





Frank DeLalla had fifty happy bucks. Five for the five meetings he's missed recently while out hiking our great mountains, and the other 45 to celebrate his 45th wedding anniversary to his beautiful wife, Melinda.
Congratulations!

Jack Fry had a happy buck to recognize District 38's new Superintendent, Stacie Datteri, who joined us today.



Weekly 50-50 Drawing

With only 4 chips in the black bag, Frank DeLalla had a good chance at \$108, but he found only red. The money rolls over with three chips next week.

Program

Planning Committee Annual Report

RF Smith

Scribe: Jim Ward



The program for our August 24, 2024 meeting was a 2 part presentation by R.F. Smith on behalf of the Board and the Planning Team.

Part 1: RF informed the members that a dues increase of \$25/year for all regular Kiwanis members had passed at this year's Int'l Convention. The Board considered five alternatives on how to handle the dues increase internally within the club, ranging from passing it through entirely, partially, cutting other administrative expenses to cover the increase, and combinations of all.

After an online club survey and board discussion, the membership is being presented with a proposal that dues for club membership increase \$25/year (including life members as well as regular members).

The proposal will be voted on at our 9/7/2024 regular meeting. 1/3 of the membership being present constitutes a quorum, and the required vote to pass the proposal is 50%+1 in favor.

Part 2: RF updated the club on the work of the Planning Team over the past year +.

The overall goal of the team was to provide the club direction that would ensure we remain relevant and beneficial to the community in coming years.

The last in-depth strategic planning concluded in 2019. Some of the findings from that undertaking:

- Don't change the character of the meeting the fellowship, strong programs, and sharing member concerns
- Evaluate the mix of projects between fund-raising and hands on service
- Evaluate projects on the basis of a "return on investment" i.e. did the amount of hours put into the project provide a good return in fundraising or direct benefit to the community

The Planning Team's Annual Report:

Membership:

- Improve new member retention through intentional orientation and involvement of the new member's sponsor. Ensure the member is quickly placed on committees and involved in projects, exposed to the club operations and board structure, and experience our SLP programs
- Grow not only in numbers, but in age, gender, and diversity

Communication: Optimize communications internally and externally through our website and other social media

Fundraising Efficiency: Continue to evaluate fundraising projects on the basis of return received for hours invested

Our membership now stands at around 120, down slightly from years past but still the largest in Colorado

Our Financial position is solid

Annual "What Does It Take" (CY23)

Annual What Does it Take (CT25)					
Summary	Cat	Member Hours	SLP Hours	NonMbr Hours	TOTAL HOURS
Bell Ringing	F	1,124	56	14	1,194
Craft Fair	F	476	40	32	548
DECA	S	294	0	0	294
Pools	F	384	0	0	384
SuperBoards	F	100	0	0	100
March Madness	F	24	0	10	34
SEW	S	115	32	0	147
Stars of Tomorrow	, F	802	120	68	990
CLC	S	960	480	1,440	2,880
RMYLC	S	600	0	2,520	3,120
Soap Box Derby	S	522	0	0	522
Parade	S	1,621	40	434	2,095
Peaches	F	496	0	8	504
Senior Meals	S	520	0	0	520
SLP	S	830	2,475	520	3,825
Empty Bowls	F	932	60	560	1,552
	Service	5,462	3,027	4,914	13,403
Fundraising		4,338	276	692	5,306
	TOTAL	9,800	3,303	5,606	18,709
	\$31.51	\$308,798	\$104,078	\$176,645	\$589,521

^{*} per PhilanthropyColorado.org

Above is a summary of volunteer hours for 2023

- 9,800 member hours/year
- Mean of 7 hours per member per month
- Does Not Include Saturday meetings
- Does Not Include Board or non-project work(e.g. bookkeeper, officers, VPs, directors, etc.)
- Is this accurate?
- · Can we sustain?

The planning team undertook questioning what parts of the 2019 strategic plan were still pertinent and valid:

- What impacts has the Covid pandemic had on the club?
- How do we adapt to changing demographics, in particular younger generations' reluctance to commit to long-term involvement but eagerness to serve in short-term situations, and general distaste for meetings and formal structures
- Noted that the club is estimated to provide 9800 service hours/year, which equals approximately 7 service hours/month per member