

K-News

September 28, 2024

Monument Hill Club - Service Since 1974

Today's Program



The Changing of the Guard

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

Joining us on Zoom today are Rich Rima, Bob Evans, Barrie Town, Jo Carrol, Alan Feldman, Jim Clemans, Jim Head, and Sue Reinecke.

Sergeant at Arms Today is Dick Salverson.

Mark Anderson was the program scribe.

Member Concerns

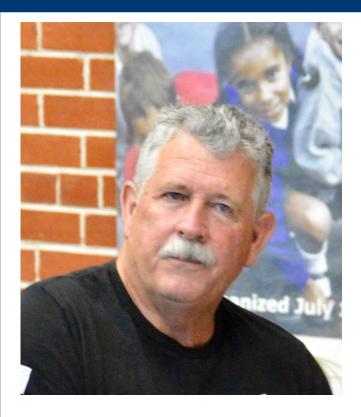
Dianne Everett led members' concerns. Dianne led the prayer: Our gracious Heavenly Father, we come to you this morning to ask your blessings of life. Help us as we serve our community to provide our youth with opportunities for growth with your guiding hand. Amen.

Dianne also welcomed back Chris Otto.

Rollie Johnson Services

John Spidell told us that a memorial service for Rollie Johnson will be on Wednesday, October 2nd at 1:00 at the Church of Woodmoor. Please keep his family in your prayers.





Visiting Kiwanian

Jeff Smith visited us from the Woodland Park/Ute Pass Club. Jeff will be the new Division 4 (El Paso Co) Lieutenant Governor, starting 1 October 2024. Jeff led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Guests

This is also a day with a number of guests. Scott Ross welcomed his wife Robert. Bill Kaelin introduced his family — his wife JJ, son Adam, and daughter-in-law Jenna.

Upcoming Programs

• Oct 5, 3 new member bios, tbd

- Oct 12, Teams/Leadership, Robert Ginnett, Part 1
- Oct 19, Teams/Leadership, Robert Ginnett, Part 2
- Oct 26 Friends of Club 21 Jared Anderews

Announcements

Membership Minute

Here is the calendar of upcoming events:

- Oct. 1 RMYLF Gala at Flying W Ranch
- Oct. 3 Empty Bowl at Lewis Palmer High School.
- Oct. 5 Member Orientation Brief
- Oct. 8 Happy Hour, 4-6pm, Pikes Peak Brewing Co
- Oct. 10 KONNECTORS, 5:30-6:30pm.
 Barr Room, Pikes Peak Brewing Company
- Oct 23 Heart of Monument Playpark Spirit Night at Jarrito Loco Restaurant



Join us for the 32nd Anniversary of the Rocky Mountain Youth Leadership Conference at the Flying W Ranch

DATE: Tuesday, October 1, 2024

TIME: 5:00pm - 9:00pm

LOCATION: Flying W Ranch, 3330 Chuckwagon Road,

Colorado Springs, CO 80919

COST: \$65 per person

Tables for 10 available at \$600

INCLUDES: Ranch activities, chuckwagon dinner, and

Flying W Wranglers performance

RSVP: RMYLF.ORG or use our QR code **

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New Members

Jim Wolf helped welcome new members Stacie Datteri and Marlene Bizbub. Stacie is the new superintendent of District 38 and she comes from Greeley. Marlene belongs to three other Kiwanis Clubs. Both these ladies are doctors.





Warm Hugs New Coat Drive

Drop Off

Last week Rotary Club brought a box for new coats for Kids in their Warm Hugs Program. Scott displayed the box the Rotarians brought last week and it is filling up and will be here again next week, so please help fill the box up. They will be distributed to school kids in early November.

Members Dues

Kathy Strom will be sending out statements for quarterly dues this weekend along with the extra \$6.25 for the Kiwanis International fund and will also include the football pools



SLP Update and Harvest of Love

Mike Luginbuhl stated we'll have an SLP meeting after today's meeting. We're still working on coordinating programs at some schools. Mike asked if anyone would be willing to drive down to District 20 to Compass Heights Elementary School to start a tutoring program. No volunteers.

Mike also covered the plan for Harvest of Love. We will be picking up boxes of food and delivering them to Tri-Lakes Cares on Wednesday, November 6th and Friday, November 8th.



Harvest of Love, our big food collection through the schools for Tri-Lakes Cares, is coming up with collections November 6th-8th.

Chuck Leggero passed along a sign-up for drivers for Harvest of Love. It's amazing the amount of food these kiids are able to bring in.



Empty Bowls

Dave Bailey gave us an Empty Bowl update. We will have soup bucket pickups on Tuesday, October 1st between 10 and 12 and have them delivered to the restaurants. We have sold about 75 tickets on line, probably represents about 150 actual tickets. There's usually a last minute flurry. We hope to have another 200 or so sold by Thursday.





Football Pools

Football pools. Dan Lopez reported Loser's Pool is brutal. Seven players are left on that. Next week he'll begin the Loser's Loser pool. A good number still remain on Sally's Challenge. You can send Dan the picks by email if you're traveling.

On Glen Scott pool Don Johnson won pool for week 2 and won \$25. On week 3 one individual picked 12 of 16, was Bryan Hardesty, and the Sacagawea goes to Bill Stoner with 6 out of 16.

News & Notes



Update from Mike McGrath

Mike McGrath gave us an update on his program presentation from last week. He reported that he survived this week's Lunar Standstill, which happens one every 18 1/2 year. Mike also told us that the VA backed out on the conference he spoke of last week, but did work with Congressman Lamborn's office and can send anyone interested a copy of the letter sent to the congressman's office regarding stolent valor. what he's working on.

Humor

Not This Week

Happy Bucks

No Pictures This Week

On Zoom, Barrie Town reported Happy Buck for \$54 for 54 years of marriage and also for being safe from the hurricane.

Marlene Bizbub had two, one for becoming a member and another for her Fall Mountain Farm, pumpkin patch/hayride/petting zoo that is great for kids on a little stretch of land against the foothills.

Dennis Beasley had two happy bucks. One for being happy to be back after three weeks down south, and was happy to have survived being the only ship stuck in a hurricane on the Tennessee River after the storm struck New Orleans. The second happy buck was for being involved in a club that has a place for Loser Losers.

Steve Keefer had a five dollar happy buck for having Chris Otto back with us today.

Randy Vernon had a happy buck in honor of his granddaughter, who is a senior at Windsor High School and who accepted a swimming scholarship from Western University in Gunnison.

RF Smith had two happy bucks, one for Scott Ross on his outstanding leadership of the club after this year, the second for incoming president Bill Kaelin, along with letting him know our prayers go with him.

Paul Zamuda had a couple of happy bucks. spent time with RF Smith at Bear Creek Elementary picking up pop tabs and enjoyed the great group of kids there. The other was for Ronald McDonald House. They turned their facility into an open house, and Cumulus gave time for six of their radio stations to broadcast from the house during the day, helping raise awareness and funds. \$33,000 was raised at the end of that day.

MJ had two happy bucks for the Heart of Monument Play Park. She was also the winner of the Rotary ball drop, one of her's, which she bought the chance for the previous evening, was a winner. Bill Kaelin had happy bucks for his family being present on this big day. His wife JJ arranged for son Adam and daughterin-law Jenna to come to Colorado from Indiana for this big day Zoomer Steve Hall had \$5 for Barrie and his wife for their anniversary, and surviving the hurricane. Three other Florida zoomers also fared well from the hurricane, for Chris Otto, and in appreciation of Scott Ross for all the great work he did this past year.

Weekly 50-50 Draw

This week's winner was new member Marlene Bisbub. After two straight winning weeks, Marlene picked one of the 9 RED chips to select, , so we'll add to the total and try again for that blue next week.

Program

Changing of the Guard

Scribe: Mark Anderson





The Monument Hill Kiwanis Club changed out its leadership this Saturday. Club President Scott Ross turned over his gavel to incoming President Bill Kaelin. This change of command was accompanied by traditional pomp and circumstance, and Benny Nasser was master of ceremonies.

Our Club Band, outfitted in dignified uniforms, marched around the club to kick off the festivities.

Benny welcomed outgoing President Scott Ross to a rousing ovation. From his previous position, Scott was sent to become part of the Club Band.

New President Bill Kaelin was then introduced. Bill then began to shed several levels of coats and jumpsuits, most from previous professional endeavors, but they all fit. Bill flew the T-38 instructor and the F-15 in the US Air Force. As an American Airlines pilot, he served in several roles in a number of aircraft: 727, MD 80, MD 11 and finally the 767 flying internationally.



The New President's wife, JJ Kaelin, serenaded our new commander with a parody on the old Laura Nyro/5th Dimension song, "Wedding Bell Blues," retitling it to "Kiwanis Blues." Her version was an absolute show-stopper. JJ could be a headliner.

Mr. Nasser then quizzed the New President on the Kiwanis by-laws and was had several questions to assure all the members he was up to his new responsibilities.

President Kaelin knew the answer to the first question: True of False: Has any Monument Hill Kiwanian served twice as president? False.

When was Monument Hill formed? 1974, so 50 years ago. How long as a Kiwanis Club: Formed in 2010, 14 years.



The final question was how many club presidents have been named Bill? Bill had to use a lifeline to name all those presidents but was able to do so successfully. He passed the test and will become the 6th president named Bill.

Benny then led the entire club in the Monument Hill Cheer.



Benny then presented President Kealin with the Key to Success.

Jeff Smith, our incoming district lieutenant governor, then to helped supervise the changing of the guard. Scott Ross then pinned Bill and then installed Bill as our President.

Both Scott Ross and Bill Kaelin then made short remarks. The new 2024-25 Board Members came forward for photos. Ed Tomlinson for Programs, Bob Harrigan for Communications, Mark Zieger for IT, Dan Lopez as Treasurer, Mike Luginbuhl for Service

Leadership Programs.

Both Scott Ross and Bill Kaelin then made short remarks, acknowledging all the members for the work they did this past year. Bill thanked Scott and the Board, speaking to those and thanking everyone for being a great club. He said he felt like he'd been handed the keys to the Cadillac — "Just Drive It, Don't Wreck It."



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In-person attendance is encouraged. Zoom is available.

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