



Kiwanis®
Monument Hill Club

K-News

November 8, 2025

Monument Hill Club - Service Since 1974

Today's Program



Into the Woods
Lewis Palmer High School
Musical Director Madeline Douthit and Cast



President Jim Head began the meeting at 8:00 a.m. Zoomers participating were Rich Rima, Barrie Town, Jim Clemans, Don Johnson, Ben Bellis and Marlene Bizub.

Dave Bailey was Sergeant at Arms.

Jim Murphy led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Bob Harrigan was this week's program Scribe.

Member Concerns

Rich Hicks led member concerns and a morning prayer.

O Lord, bring healing to those in our community who are hurting. Help us to be instruments of your healing and to provide support to those in need. Amen



Guests and Visiting Kiwanians

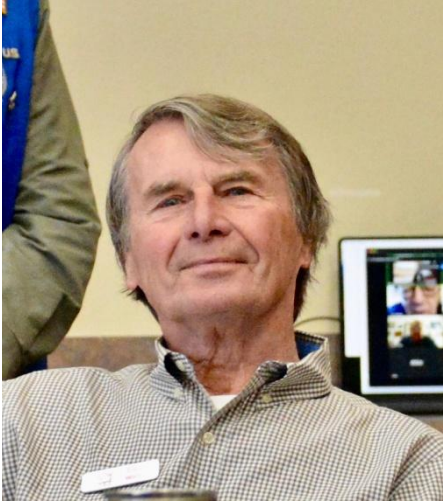
Scott Ross introduced soon-to-be new member, Terri Carver. Thanks for joining us!

Mark Anderson invited a friend to the meeting, Cheryl Hawkins. Welcome!

Haley Chapin, Executive Director of Tri-Lakes Cares introduced Katie Guillory from TLC who was the lead for the Empty Bowls silent auction. Welcome to you both!

It was great to have Dave Watts with us again!

We were again joined by D38 Superintendent of Schools Amber Whetstone. Great to see you!



Upcoming Programs

- Nov 15 - Angels of Americas Fallen - Joe Lewis
- Nov 22 - Bios - Club Members
- Nov 29 - No Meeting
- Dec 6 - Palmer Lake Historical Society - Diane Kokes

Membership Minute

Bill Stoner led the Membership Minute. Here are upcoming events for the membership.

- November 11 - Happy Hour at Pikes Peak Brewery 4:00 pm
- November 12 - Wine Seller Fundraiser
at the Margarita @ Pine Creek
- November 13 - Konnectors at Pikes Peak Brewery 5:30 pm
- November 15 - MHKC Board Meeting
- November 18 - DECA in Castle Rock
- December 6 - North Pole at Tri-Lakes Craft Fair
- December 9 - Christmas Party at Bear Dance Country Club





New Member Terri Carver

Bill Stoner welcomed our newest member, Terri Carver. Terri received our normal accoutrement of Kiwanis hat, vest and pin as well as a membership packet. Terri talked a little bit about her background. She lives in Rockrimmon and has always been enormously impressed by all the Monument Kiwanis support of the community. The great job with the parade and all of your other activities of supporting the community and patriotism. Terri has 29 years of active duty and reserve service in the Air Force and is retired. She was a JAG officer. Her husband was also an Air Force JAG officer. She was assigned to Peterson Air Force Base in Space Command Building One and they decided to stay in Colorado. She served as a Colorado State representative for 8 years in the Colorado legislative from 2014 to 2022. She is active in American Legion, Tri-Lakes Post 9/11. Terri said she was so pleased to be part of our group. Thank you.



Empty Bowls Finale

Heidi Baker presented a check to Haley Chapin and Terry Guillory from Tri-Lakes Cares, representing proceeds of \$15,654.69 from our recent Empty Bowls fundraiser!

Haley thanked us very much for our hard work and helping to put on Empty Bowls. She said their hope is to continue to raise more funds because the community keeps growing and is in need of our support. So they thanked us from the bottom of their hearts, and on behalf of those that are the recipients of their services.

Haley also said that Tri-Lakes Cares is co-hosting an upcoming film screening about educational and advocacy outreach around the nonprofit sector. This is designed to understand how the world of philanthropy intersects with the non-profit sector. She invited all of us to attend that free screening. Details are in the graphic below.

JOIN US FOR AN IMPACTFUL
FILM SCREENING

11.14.25

Doors open at 2:30 PM, program is from 2:45-5 PM
Popcorn and water will be served during the screening of UnCharitable

UnCharitable

LOCATION
Library 21C Venue
1175 Chapel Hills Dr. 80919

RESERVE YOUR SEAT
RSVP@Tri-LakesCares.org

MORE INFO
Inspired by Dan Pallotta's book Uncharitable, the film explores how outdated views on charity have stifled four major American efforts. Through powerful stories and expert voices, it reveals how embracing bold, modern approaches can unlock charity's true potential to build a better world for all. A panel discussion by the leaders of our host nonprofits will follow the screening.

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Catholic Charities of Central Colorado
HOMEWARD PIKES PEAK

Bell Ringing for the Salvation Army

The Bell Ringing season is fast approaching and Jeff Baker filled us in on the plan. We will ring from November 28 to December 24. Jeff and Mark Zeiger met with Major Stephen Ball from the Salvation Army who expressed the need for help is great. We will ring on Wednesdays, Saturdays and Sundays at Walmart and King Soopers. Here is the [link to register and signup](#) for scheduled dates and times. We will also have help from Tri-Lakes Women's Club, LPHS Key Club and LP Middle School.





Giving Tree

Benny Nasser handed out 25 Christmas ornaments available for us to pick up to fulfill someone's wish. 11 ornament wishes have been fulfilled and handed back to him. He hopes to get the remainder back by next week. He also encouraged us to donate food or money because there are a lot of people that are struggling right now, and Tri-Lakes Cares can help. Our Harvest of Love project will also greatly help.



North Pole Craft Fair

Dick Salverson said the date for the North Pole Craft Fair is quickly approaching, December 5 and 6. Dick said we have a couple of unique challenges this year. One, the Craft Fair will be held at a new location, Bear Creek Elementary School. Second, Dick said we have a couple of new managers in the form of himself and Jim Ward. They will be looking for help from all the people who are old hands working in the Craft Fair. Please help and advise if adjustments need to be made.

In Vino Veritas Wineseller Fundraiser

The "In Vino Veritas" fundraiser will be held at the Margarita at Pine Creek on Wednesday, November 12th from 6:30-9 pm. This has been put on each year by Dirk Stamp at the Wine Seller. Dirk views this as his PREMIER wine tasting event of the year!

- Taste over three dozen PREMIUM wines and spirits and enjoy GOURMET hors d'oeuvres from the Margarita at Pine Creek's kitchen.
- Bid on world-class bottles of wine at the silent auction!
- But the best part is supporting your community with proceeds benefitting the Monument Hill Kiwanis Club!

The funds raised will be going to the Heart of Monument Playpark, and all funds raised will be matched.



Tickets are \$75 and can be purchased at the Wine Seller or by calling Dirk at 719 488-3019.

'In Vino Veritas'

The Wine Seller Fundraiser

November 12th
6:30 – 9:00pm
\$75/person

The Margarita
@ Pine Creek

All Proceeds go to Heart of Monument Park



DECA

Ed Hettler reminded us about the upcoming DECA, the high school marketing competition. The regional competition will be held on **Tuesday, November 18** at the Castle Rock Fair Grounds.



There are 92 students at Palmer Ridge participating in DECA. Lewis Palmer High School also has a large number of participants. DECA helps build confidence, public speaking skills, and helps these young people learn how to solve problems quickly and think under pressure.

The competition is from 7:30 am until a little after 1:00 pm on November 18th and includes a free breakfast, lunch and unlimited coffee & tea. To be a judge, no experience is necessary. Those of us who have done this can attest that it is not difficult and it is a very rewarding experience. These young students have aspirations in business and their abilities will boost your confidence in the next generation. Here is the signup link: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScNmSe_a3i4XZiZ-zIMu7EI0V045naKdy-PVH1MNtOaIWLkVA/viewform

Contact Ed Hettler (719-641-3349) with any questions.



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DECA Judges Needed



- DECA District Competitions are **Tuesday November 18th 7:30 - ~1:30**
- PRHS & LPHS DECA will compete in **DECA District 11**
- Held at **Douglas County Fairgrounds, 500 Fairground Drive, Castle Rock**
- Event cannot happen without the volunteer judges
- Looking for as many volunteers as possible
- **No experience necessary**, Judging involves role playing with Students
- **Judges check in 7:30-8:00am; event ends ~1:30pm**
- Breakfast, lunch, coffee and tea will be provided
- If you know others who could judge, please share with them
- **Signup from QR code or using this link:**
 - https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScNmSe_a3i4XZiZ-zIMu7EI0V045naKdy-PVH1MNtOaIWLkVA/viewform



"Wow, that was impressive! I have a renewed faith in the next generation!"

Review from a DU professor who participated in DECA

Positive
Making a ^ Difference for Youth and Our Community

Monument Hill Foundation

Rich Strom reminded us that the end of the year is coming up and that now is an excellent time to contribute to our Foundation. One great way to give to do that is through the required minimum contribution (RMD) of an IRA. A qualified charitable distribution (QCD) is a tax-free vehicle to make a contribution to a non-profit organization such as our Foundation. Amounts distributed as a QCD can be counted toward satisfying your RMD for the year, up to \$100,000. Here is [a link to Rich's document](#) with more detail.

Rich said our Foundation is run by volunteers who don't take any money. Last year, we gave about \$62,000 to the community and we carefully vet all the applications for grants. Rich gave a shout out to Jo Carrol, Mark Zeiger, Jim Head and many, many others who worked really hard at bingo to bring a lot of money to the Foundation. Thank you!



Christmas Party

Larry Vliet provided an update on our Christmas Party that will be held at the Golf Club at Bear Dance in Larkspur on December 9th from 5:00 pm to 9:00 pm. Cocktails begin at 4:00 pm with a no-host bar. The price for the evening is \$50 per person. The Buffoons from CU Boulder will be entertaining us again so it will be a great evening of entertainment accompanied by the announcement of our Kiwanian of the Year.

Remember - December 9th! Here is a [link to signup for the party!](#) Reservations must be made and paid by Wednesday, November 26. You can pay online or see Dan Lopez to pay by check.



MHKC Christmas Party



TUESDAY DEC 9TH

- ▲ THE GOLF CLUB AT BEAR DANCE
- ▲ TIME – TBD (1700-2100 ISH)
- ▲ MEAL – TBD (BUFFET LIKE LAST YEAR)
- ▲ ENTERTAINMENT – THE CU BUFFOONS



NFL Pools

Dan Lopez updated us on the football pools for week 9. For Sally's Challenge, Rich Rima and John Spidell are still competing for first and second place. Mike Luginbuhl has won the Loser Loser pool!

The Glenn Scott competition this week had a total of 26 participants. 2 players had 10 of 14 correct selections, 8 players had 9 of 14 correct selections,1 players had 5 of 14 correct selections. The winner through a tie breaker was Dan Lopez. The Sacagawea this week went to Jim Wolf.

In addition to his other duties, Dan has agreed to run the Super Bowl boards this year. Thank You Dan!!



News & Notes

Birthdays

Courtesy of Frank Wynne

Birthdays 8 – 14 NOV 2025



Dave Collins Nov 14th

**Joined 2019
Sponsor Mark Zeiger**



On Nov 14th in HISTORY

- **1940:** The German Luftwaffe bombs Coventry, England.
- **1945:** Tony Hulman buys the dilapidated Indiana Motor Speedway.
- **1982:** Lech Walesa, the leader of Poland's Solidarity movement, is released from prison after eleven months.

HUMOR



Humor

Courtesy of Frank Wynne

A union boss walks into a bar next door to the factory & is about to order a drink, when he sees a guy close by wearing a Trump for President button, a Trump hat and two beers in front of him. He does not have to be an Einstein, to know that this guy, is a Republican.

So, he shouts over to the bartender so loudly that everyone can hear, "Drinks for everyone in here, bartender, but not for the Republican."

Soon after the drinks have been handed out, the Republican gives him a big smile, waves at him then says, "Thank you!" in an equally loud voice. This infuriates the union boss.

The union boss once again loudly orders drinks for everyone except the Republican. As before, this does not seem to bother the Republican. He continues to smile, and again yells, "Thank you!"

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The union boss asks the bartender, "What the hell is the matter, with that Republican? I have ordered three rounds of drinks for everyone in the bar but him, and all the silly ass does, is smile & thanks me. Is he nuts?"

"Nope," replies the bartender. "He owns the place!"

Happy Bucks



Jim Wolf was happy that the second Honor Bell has been delivered. It was cast overseas, shipped to Cincinnati, etched and is now in Colorado. After a delay because Pike's Peak National Cemetery is closed, the first ringing of the Bell will be on Monday, November 17th at 2:00 p.m. at Mount Carmel Veterans Center.



Mark Anderson had a happy Buck for the Lewis Palmer Elementary School students for all their work with the Harvest of Love. They collected almost 1200 pounds of food and \$156. Mark was also happy that the Tri-Lake's Chamber has their annual non-profit night on Tuesday, November 18th where our club has a chance to promote itself to the community. Mark would like some help at this event.



Ed Hettler had three happy bucks: 1) To Heidi Baker for all the hard work she did on Empty Bowls. 2) To Chuck Leggiero for all the work he did on Harvest of Love - that was a huge effort. 3) Not to be outdone, Ed said his kids at Palmer Lake Elementary raised 1,400 pounds of food and \$500 in cash. Ed added that he and his wife went to the Wizard of Oz show at Palmer Ridge on Friday night and that it was an outstanding show!



Tony Trifiletti was eternally grateful to the Air Force Academy for losing to Army in the football game last week.



Scott Ross was happy since he and his wife, Roberta are taking a trip to Iowa sweet sea to see two of the cutest grandkids, 5-year-old, Maddie and 1-year-old Eli. He also had thanks to all who have donated to Heart of Monument Play Park. He had a matching check of over \$20,000 for these donations! Jim Head thanked Scott and their family foundation!

Mike Luginbuhl was happy for Chuck Leggiero, since we collected a total of about 11,000 pounds of food for Harvest of Love. Terrific!



Bill Kaelin had a happy buck for the 10th St. Peter annual Christmas concert that will be held. Friday, December 12th at 7:00 p.m. Bill's wife, JJ will again be the lead vocalist! All proceeds go to Tri-Lakes Cares. See below.



Weekly 50-50 Drawing

\$104 was at stake and Chris Wilson won the chance to draw from the black bag. He pulled out a red chip so the money moves on to next week with two chips left!

Program



Into the Woods **Lewis Palmer High School** ***Musical Director Madeline Douthit and Cast***

Scribe: Bob Harrigan

Students from Lewis Palmer High School

The main focus of the meeting was an introduction to the cast of the musical "Into the Woods", directed by Madeline Douthit and produced and performed by students from Lewis Palmer High School. It featured performances of two songs and an explanation of the audition process. The cast members shared their experiences and roles in the show.

Lewis Palmer High School presents Into the Woods performed November 13-15. The cost is \$11.90 and the show will be presented several times. Showtimes: Thursday, Nov. 13: 7 pm, Friday, Nov. 14: 7 pm, Saturday, Nov. 15: 1:30 pm Matinee and Saturday, Nov. 15: 7 pm. Here is the link to purchase tickets online:
<https://cur8.com/22832/project/133937>.

The musical intertwines the plots of several Brothers Grimm fairy tales, exploring the consequences of the characters' wishes and quests. The main characters are taken from 'Little Red Riding Hood', 'Jack and the Beanstalk', 'Rapunzel', 'Cinderella', and several others. The musical is tied together by a story involving a childless baker and his wife and their quest to begin a family (the original beginning of the Grimm Brothers' "Rapunzel"), their interaction with a witch who has placed a curse on them, and encounters with other storybook characters during their journey" according to en.wikipedia.org.

Following their performance, students answered questions from assembled Kiwanians and in the tradition of LPSP 38 students their answers were mature, insightful and represented themselves, their parents and their school well.

Performers from left to right in the attached photo are; Leah Reyes (Cinderella), Amelia Whetstine (Little Red Riding Hood), Johnathan Lilley (Jack in the Bean Stalk), Madeline Douthit (director), Ted Bauman (Kiwanian and past D38 superintendent), Johnathan Uzmann (the Baker) and Linda Gichuki (the Witch).



The video of today's meeting is at this link: <https://youtu.be/P6rfPrTMBol>

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(click on a name to email us directly)

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