



**Kiwanis**  
CLUB OF PUEBLO

## PDI JOINS CLUB AS NEW CORPORATE MEMBER

Our Club has enjoyed a great partnership with Pueblo Diversified Industries (PDI) over the years. First and foremost, PDI hosts our Aktion Club. Kiwanis members have collected cans to help with their recycling activities, and had a blast participating in Aktion Club's annual bingo fundraiser and PDI's annual golf tournament.

I could not be more pleased to announce our partnership with PDI has grown to a new level. PDI is now officially a Corporate member of our Club! The potential this new level of partnership has for increased collaboration between our organizations is truly exciting.

**Thank you, PDI!**



# Kaktus

January 2026

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### UPCOMING EVENTS

JANUARY 7

First meeting of 2026  
Walking Stick Restaurant  
11:45 a.m.

MARCH 7

Mid-Year Rally, Fort Collins  
10 a.m.-4 p.m.

MARCH 25-27

Lt Governor Summit  
Indianapolis, IN

AUGUST 14-16

District Convention, A  
Family Fiesta, Pueblo  
Convention Center

### JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

9 Andy Sanchez  
27 Carol Chiarito  
31 Cora Zaletelt

### JANUARY ANNIVERSARY

1 Bill and Sandy Yalotz



Welcome, charter members representing the newly revived La Junta Club!



## GUEST SPEAKERS

**January 7** - Joey Gavato,  
Junior Achievement

**January 14** - Bill Dohle, Pastor  
King of Kings Church

**January 21** - Linda McMillan, Esq.,  
Estate Planning

**January 28** - Dan Mahoney,  
Pierpoint Marketing

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# KIWANIS CHRISTMAS 2025



**Two-day total raised: \$1,475!!**



Members gathered at a lively white elephant exchange on Dec. 17 and delivered gifts to our adopted family at the Posada temporary shelter.

# Message from the President

Greetings, everyone.

I hope you all experienced a joyous Christmas holiday. Unbelievably, 2026 is just one day away. I extend to you my very best wishes for a happy, healthy and prosperous New Year. As we look back at 2025, it's important to acknowledge the good work of our members. We completed an impressive amount of projects despite a relatively small number of members. To that I say, thank you. Thank you for your resilience, dedication and hard work. It is the strength of our base that gives me confidence that we can get the job done in 2026.

By the time we get back together for our January 7 meeting, we will have had a nice long break from Club and Board meetings. I hope you found time to relax and enjoy the break. Please note that I will be calling on everyone to gear up for a work session as soon as possible in January to identify/solidify our club goals and activities for 2026. To ensure success, we need to have all board members attending the work session. It will probably have to be an evening or weekend meeting. Finally, as we look to 2026, it is my hope for experiences that bring positive and constructive growth for each of us, our Club, the Pueblo community, and especially the children.

Appreciatively,  
John Cannon, President

## K-Kids Rock @ Irving



Front Row: Irving Elementary K-Kids Club President and Vice President, Idris Nava and Lennox Sanchez. Back Row: Parents Ayesha and Adam Nava, Irving Principal Jaime Schwab, and Mom Brittni Sanchez.

## Fremont InterClub



Pueblo Kiwanians Gordon Racine, Sharon and John Cannon, and Carol Martin enjoyed an interclub with the recently revived Fremont County Club on Dec. 18.