



Kiwanis[®]
Monument Hill Club

K-News

May 31, 2026

Monument Hill Club - Service Since 1974

Today's Program



Denver Transplant Games of America

Mark McIntosh



President Jim Wolf called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

Zoomers were Rich Rima, Dr. Marlen Bizub, Don Johnson, Barrie Town, Larry Young, Ben Bellis, and Jim Head.

Dick Salverson was Sergeant at Arms.

Mark McIntosh led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Scott Ross was this week's Scribe.

Member Concerns

Rich Hicks led member concerns. Several members have been in contact with Larry Young earlier this week. Larry is recovering from his surgery and hopes to be able to attend our meetings soon.

Rich led us in prayer: Heavenly Father, We give thanks for our many blessings, for the fellowship we share, and for our partners in service. Guide us as we continue

our commitment to support those in need. Remind us that every act of kindness matters and that by lifting others, we strengthen our whole community. Amen.



Guests and Visiting Kiwanians

Gov Vaughn's guest, Greg Yamaguchi, joined us again on Saturday and brought a check and his membership application! Welcome back!

Upcoming Programs

- June 6 - Serving Hope - Lisa Martinez
- June 13 - Another View of the Vietnam War - Darrel Whitcomb
- June 20 - Market Outlook - Frank Wynne
- June 27 - Member Bios
- July 4 - Independence Day Parade - No Meeting

Membership Minute

Jim Wolf gave us an update on upcoming events:

- June 4 - RMD E-Meeting 5-6 p.m.
- June 6 & 7 - Soap Box Derby, Pueblo
- June 9 - Happy Hour, Goat Patch Brewery, 4-6 pm
- June 11 - Konnectors, Goat Patch Brewery 5:30 pm

SHIP
SLEEP IN HOMELESS PEOPLE

NO KID SLEEPS ON THE FLOOR IN OUR TOWN

Help Build & Fundraise

Kiwanis
COLORADO SPRINGS

Bed Build
Saturday, June 6th
9:00 am - 12:00 pm
1089 Ford Street
Colorado Springs, CO

Fundraiser at Bubba's 33
5807 Constitution Ave
Colorado Springs, CO

After the Bed Build, we'll provide a flyer to show to your server and present when you order. Bubba's will donate a percentage of sales to our Colorado Springs Kiwanis Foundation to support local youth.

Bubba's 33
FUNDRAISE

JOIN US ON SATURDAY, JUNE 6th AT BUBBA'S 33 AS WE TEAM UP TO SUPPORT COLORADO SPRINGS KIWANIS. ENJOY A GREAT MEAL WHILE SUPPORTING AN INCREDIBLE ORGANIZATION!

FOOD for ALL.

Kiwanis
COLORADO SPRINGS

BE SURE TO SHOW THIS FLYER TO YOUR BARTENDER, OR TO-GO HOST. WE WILL DONATE 15% BACK TO THE COLORADO SPRINGS KIWANIS FOUNDATION! DISPLAY THIS FLYER WITH YOUR ORDER TO-GO FROM BUBBA'S 33.

(719) 576-1223
5807 Constitution Ave, Colorado Springs, CO
Open 9am - Midnight

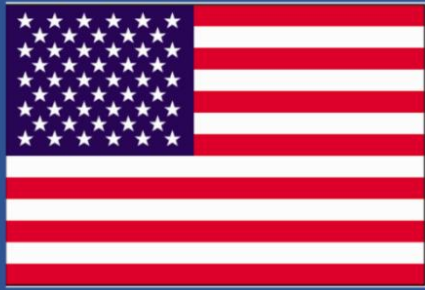
Colorado Springs Kiwanis Sleep in Heavenly Peace Bed Build and Fund Raiser

Last week, Dan and Cheryl Kerbs of the Colorado Springs Kiwanis Club invited our club members to participate in bed building for the Dream In Heavenly Peace program, which works to provide beds for underprivileged families in Colorado Springs. The plan is to gather to put together beds from 9-Noon on Saturday, June 6th, at 1089 Ford Street near Powers and Platte. The Kerbs also invited members and anyone else to dine at Bubba's 33, 5807 Constitution Avenue, on the 6th of June following the bed building. 15% of proceeds will be going to the Colorado Springs Kiwanis Foundation.



Heart of Monument Play Park

The Town's Heart of Monument Public Bid Opening is happening Thursday, June 4, 2:00PM at the Monument Town Hall. **Scott Ross would love to have many Kiwanians in our blue vests there to show support for and help celebrate the Heart of Monument Play Park.**



July 4th

250 Years of Freedom 150 Years of Colorado Statehood

4th of July Parade Update

Our Independence Day Parade is just 5 weeks away, Saturday, July 4th. This is our Club's largest manpower project and is a joint effort between MHKC, the Tri-Lakes Chamber of Commerce, and the Town of Monument. We are about halfway through the registration process for parade participants and so far there are 53 entries.

Parade Director Frank DeLalla is looking for help to fill in volunteers for many positions and passed around a signup sheet. Contact a parade team lead below to volunteer for their area:



- Parade Marshals (45) – RF Smith
- Lineup Team (10 to 12) – Ted Bauman
- Judges (4) – Greg Bielanski

- Announcers (3) – Scott Ross, Ed Tomlinson
- Publicity & Photography (2) – Bob Harrigan
- Infrastructure (2 to 3) – Rich Strom
- Downtown Greeters (3) – Alan Thompson
- LPHS Greeters – ???
- Starters (3) – Jim Murphy
- Children's Parade (3) – Ofie Lopez
- South-side Parking (4 to 6) – Mark Pfoff
- Van Driver – Dirk Stamp

Questions, contact Frank at 719-339-3567 or fdelalla@aol.com.



PIKES PEAK SOAPBOX DERBY

Brad's House

IMPORTANT DATES

- Registration Deadline: May 1, 2026
- Practice Day: June 6, 2026
- Final Inspection: June 6, 2026
- Race Day: June 7, 2026



Soap Box Derby

We'll have one Brad's House entry for the upcoming Soap Box Derby this year and the last race car build session is Thursday. Car inspections are set for Saturday, June 6th, with race day on Sunday, June 7th. The event will be held in Pueblo this year because Higby Road is under construction this year. Greg Bielanski told us they are still looking for volunteers to help with track preparation on Saturday and Sunday mornings, June 6th

and 7th. Contact Greg to help (719-761-1875).

CLUB RESPONSIBILITIES

Audio Visual – Frank Delalla
Birthdays – Frank & Liam Wynn
Bookkeeper – Kathy Strom
Club Recognition – Ted Bauman
Fundraising – Rich Strom
Humor – Frank Wynne
K-News – Mark Anderson & Rich Strom
Member Concerns – Rich Strom
Mr. Coffee – Steve Sutherland
Scribe Scheduler – Mark Anderson
Sergeant-At-Arms – Dave Bailey
Senior Meals Delivery Drive Scheduler –
Service Projects – RF Smith

CLUB PROJECTS

Christmas Party - **MT**
Club Socials – **MT**
Empty Bowls – Dave Bailey & Sue Ross
July 4th Parade – Frank Delalla
North Pole Craft Fair – Richard Salvorsor
Peaches – Terry McCullen
Stars of Tomorrow - **MT**
Heart of Monument Play Park – Scott Ross/K
Kneedler/Sheila I

MHKC Annual Meeting

President Jim Wolf kicked off our Annual Meeting by acknowledging important roles played by Club members that are not on the Board of Directors. Above left titled Club Responsibilities are ongoing responsibilities, and those that are highlighted in blue are looking for a replacement. These members will be happy to mentor anyone willing to take on one of these positions. Above right titled Club Projects, lists big projects. Those denoted MT (MT = empty) are projects that need new leadership. Again, previous leaders are happy to mentor.

Below is the first reading of the new slate of officers for 2027, beginning in Oct 2026. In breaking news, Jim Hatley has agreed to take the Programs positions. A vote to approve the 2027 Board of Directors will be taken in two weeks.

Jim Wolf thanked everyone who is currently on the Board for their work the past year!



2027 BOARD OF DIRECTORS



President – Jim Wolf
Immediate Past President – Jim Head
Past President – Bill Kaelin
VP Membership – Bryan Hardesty
VP Operations – Dean Snow
VP Youth Outreach – Mike Luginbuhl
Deputy* - **MT**
Communications – Mark Anderson
Info Technology – Mark Zeiger
Secretary – Scott Ross
Treasurer – Dan Lopez
Planning – Mark Galle
Programs - **MT**
Monument Hill Foundation Rep* – Rich Strom
President Elect – Dave Bailey

* Non-voting Board Member

Birthdays 30 May – 5 JUN 2026



Dave Foster

JUN 1st

**Joined 2024
Sponsor Bill Stoner**

On JUN 1st in HISTORY



- **1495:** Scotch whisky is invented. A monk name Cor.
- **1974:** The **Heimlich maneuver** is published.
- **1980:** The Cable News Network begins broadcast (CNN) One of the first satellite-distributed television stations.

Here is a quick look at notable figures born on this date:

Marilyn Monroe (1926) – Iconic American actress and pop culture
Morgan Freeman (1937) – Award-winning American actor (*The Shawshank Redemption*, *Driving Miss Daisy*).

Jim Hatley

JUN 3rd

**Joined 2017
Sponsor Marianne Black**



On JUN 3rd in HISTORY

- **1539:** Hernando de Soto claims Florida for Spain. Landed in Tampa Bay.
- **1621:** The Dutch West India Company receives royal charter
- **1943:** The Zoot Suit Riots begin on the West Coast over excessive material usage.

Notable historical figures and celebrities born on this day include:

Tony Curtis (1925): Popular American actor known for *Some Like It Hot* / **Allen Ginsberg** (1926): Influential American poet and a leading figure of the Beat Generation.

Joe Kneedler

JUN 3rd

**Joined 2021
Sponsor Frank Bittinger**



On JUN 3rd in HISTORY

- **1861:** Union forces are victorious in the Battle of Vicksburg, Mississippi.
- **1937:** The Duke of Windsor marries Wallis Simpson.
- **1981:** The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention unknowingly announces the discovery of AIDS.

Notable historical figures and celebrities born on this day include:

Jefferson Davis (1808): President of the Confederate States of America.
George V (1865): King of the United Kingdom and Emperor of India.

Mike Luginbuhl

JUN 3rd

**Joined 2015
Sponsor R. F. Smith**



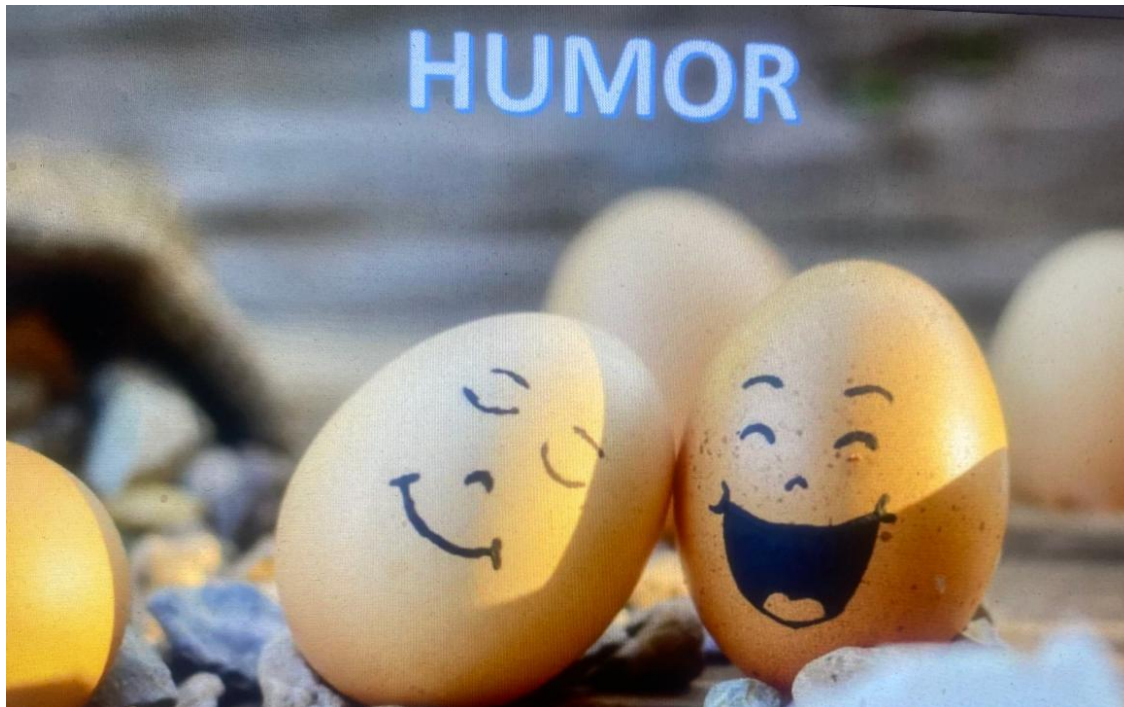
On JUN 3rd in HISTORY

- **1965:** Gemini 4 is launched. First spacewalk Ed White
- **2025:** The same three things that happened on Jim Hatley's Birthday
- **2025:** The same three things that happened on Joe Kneedler's Birthday

Here is a quick look at notable figures born on this date:

Jim Hatley, Monument Hill Kiwanian since 2017.

Joe Kneedler, Monument Hill Kiwanian since 2017



Humor

Courtesy of Frank Wynne

The guys were all at a deer camp.

No one wanted to room with Bob, because he snored so badly. They decided it wasn't fair to make one of them stay with him the whole time, so they voted to take turns.

The first guy slept with Bob and came to breakfast the next morning with his hair a mess and his eyes all bloodshot.

They said, "Man, what happened to you? He said, "Bob snored so loudly, I just sat up and watched him all night."

The next night, it was a different guy's turn. ...In the morning, same thing, hair all standing up, eyes all bloodshot. They said, "Man, what happened to you? You look awful!

He said, 'Man, that Bob shakes the roof with his snoring. I watched him all night.'

The third night was Fred's turn. Fred was a tanned, older cowboy, a man's man..

The next morning, he came to breakfast bright-eyed and bushy-tailed. "Good morning!" he said. They couldn't believe it.. They said, "Man, what happened?"

The Cowboy said, "Well, we got ready for bed. I went and tucked Bob into bed, patted him on the butt, and kissed him good night on the forehead. Bob sat up and watched me all night."

Happy Bucks



Gov Vaughn had six happy bucks for Warren Gerig, Jim Johnston, Charlie Brown, Bob Hayes, Rich Hicks, and himself. Gov thanked those five gentlemen for attending the memorial service for Major General Warren Moore Thursday afternoon. Major General Moore was a fighter pilot in Korea and Vietnam, commanding general, leader in business and philanthropic activities, and a member of Monument Hill Kiwanis.



Jack Fry was happy to attend the graduation of his granddaughter at Northfield High School in Denver on Thursday. She will attend CU in the business school and honors program. They had a great time!



Terry McMullen has been to Nebraska three times during the last month, graduating one grandchild from high school and another grandchild from college. Terry also updated us on peaches. Luckily the farm we buy from was in a valley not hit by the freeze earlier this year, so things are looking good. Finally, after his shoulder surgery, Terry has been cleared to play softball by his doctor!



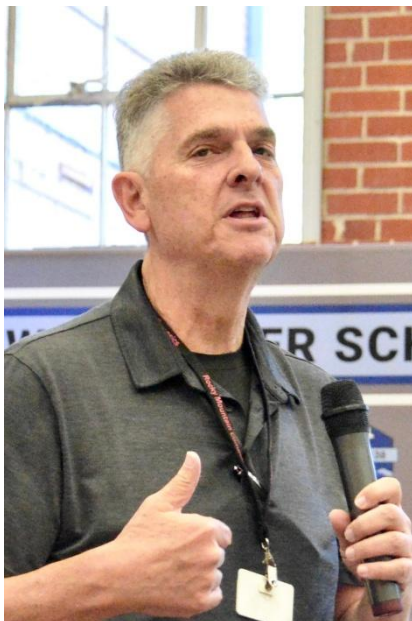
With \$46 in his hand, Scott Ross was happy since Sunday is his 46th anniversary with his bride, Roberta. Congratulations!



Dean Snow had happy bucks for Mark McIntosh, who he watched on Denver CBS sports news for a number of years. He was glad to see him here at our meeting.



Thankfully, Frank Wynne had his email with birthdays for Saturday. They were: Dave Foster, Jim Hatley, Joe Kneedler, and Mike Luginbuhl.



On Saturday, Pete and Vicki Peterson start another season of grilling at the

Mark Pfoff is leading south end parking for the parade and would like to find 2 - 3 people to help. He promises heavy drinking after everyone is on their way. Also, Mark just got his Medicare card in the mail, something he's going to have to live with for the rest of his life. What a crazy system.



Ed Tomlinson was happy that Mark McIntosh returned to visit us after our meeting was canceled two weeks ago. Secondly, for the golf league the tee time is moved to 7:30 a.m. on Tuesday to try to get ahead of the thunderstorms. Finally, Ed went to see the new movie, "Pressure" about weather forecasting on D-Day. Ed said

Woodmoor Country Club outdoor pool. Last year they did about 2,000 units. Secondly, they just returned from a four-week trip to the Baltic, Scandinavia and fjords. That was awesome. Pete said he will leave the details to your imagination.



Mark McIntosh said this group is special and he wanted to come back on Saturday. This group has a strong military background and his late father was a Marine. It's a real honor to be here.

it was bordering on factual. It is interesting and he recommends it.



Weekly Drawing With A Guaranteed Winner

We started all over again with a 1 in 10 chance of pulling a blue chip. Pete Peterson found red.

Program



Denver Transplant Games of America

Mark McIntosh

Scribe: Scott Ross

Mark McIntosh, former sportscaster for Channel 4 in Denver, shared his personal journey with kidney failure and organ donation advocacy. He discussed how his rare and incurable blood cancer called amyloidosis led to kidney failure, requiring dialysis and chemotherapy treatment. He had a kidney transplant three years ago which changed his life.

Mark explained how his experience inspired the creation of "Drive for Five," an initiative aimed at recruiting 5,000 live organ donors to prevent 5,000 people from needing dialysis.



He discussed the Transplant Games 2026 coming to Denver, June 18-26, which will be a sports and wellness festival attracting ~12,000 people to celebrate organ donation and raise awareness about the need for more donors, particularly in communities of color. The discussion included information about the recovery process for organ donors, with Mark sharing his own experience and encouraging others to get tested for organ donation eligibility.

Mark shared that there is an organ donation crisis in America, highlighting that 120,000 people need kidney transplants while 550,000 are on dialysis, with projections of one million on dialysis in the next decade.

His mission with the Transplant Games is to increase the number of organ donors with a four-part plan -

Celebrate - Celebrating second chances, his example is living to become Grandpa with a newborn baby

- Honor - Honoring Donors and Healthcare Professionals
- Educate - Educating, especially our youth through the formation of collegiate SODA Chapters - Student Organ Donation Advocates
- Inspire - Increase Colorado's organ donations & take Colorado back to being 1st in the nation health-wise

Mark shared several links that might be of interest to our members and friends -

National Kidney Registry - <https://www.kidneyregistry.com/> - Consider signing up to become a kidney donor.

The National Transplant Games 2026 -

<https://www.transplantgamesofamerica.org/2026-transplant-games> - consider becoming a volunteer


Team Rocky Mountain - <https://www.coloradogives.org/organization/Team-Rocky-Mountain> - a part of Colorado Gives Day to support transplant recipients, donors, and family members

Mark can be contacted at -

Email: mark@seekvictory.com

Website: www.transplantgamesofamerica.org

Phone: 303-667-5957



The video of today's meeting is at this link: <https://youtu.be/dUW60PepZHw>

Quick Links

[Monument Hill Kiwanis Website](#).....[Monument Hill Foundation Website](#)
[Facebook](#).....[Instagram](#).....[Twitter](#)

Special Thanks

Senior Meals Drivers & Scheduler - Jim Murphy

Deliveries: Tues, Wed, Thurs; Senior Center; Grace Best Education Center

Photographer: Warren Gerig

Media Support: Frank DeLalla and Liam Wynne



Virtual Meeting Reminder

We need YOU to help with the K-News weekly.

It's FUN and a great way to support the club's communications efforts.

Contact one of us to learn more!

[Rich Hicks](#) * [Mark Anderson](#) * [RF Smith](#)

K-News Crew

(click on a name to email us directly)

Members receive a link to each week's meeting via email.

In-person attendance is encouraged. Zoom is available.

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