

Rocky Mountain Round Up

Wind Down?

Not Us, New Clubs, Chairs & Momentum

A note from Carol Chiarito, Rocky Mountain Region Governor. So much is happening as we begin to wind down our Kiwanis year. Congratulations to Kiwanis Club of Anthem Ranch for increasing their membership by 19 so far this year! Everyone still has time to invite friends to join this year.

We are in the process of opening a new club in Delta, CO, the Kiwanis Club of Grand Mesa, sponsored by the Kiwanis Club of Grand Junction. Follow them on Facebook! Later this month, we will be opening a club in Pine Bluffs, Wyoming, sponsored by the Kiwanis Club of Cheyenne.

Thank you to James Martin and Kristy Tolan for stepping into the Membership chair position as co-chairs. They are already hard at it, so watch for the membership survey that will be going out this month. They are gathering information to create a plan for next year.

We are still looking for Lt. Governors for Divisions 2 and 3. Please contact me or Andrea Weule if you are interested in learning more.

Don't forget to update your "Engage" with your new officers for next year, if you haven't already.

It's been a good year! Let's finish it ROCKY MOUNTAIN STRONG!



Tackling Bike Parking Chaos

Turns out Windsor has a bicycle parking problem, and the Windsor Kiwanis Club decided somebody had to be brave enough to fix it. Enter: Valet Bike Parking at the Boardwalk Park concert series.

This latest event was their biggest night yet, with more bikes, more chaos wrangled, and more money raised than ever before. All proceeds go straight to supporting the Key Club at Windsor and Severance high schools, so those two-wheeled traffic jams are turning into real opportunities for local students.

Nice work, Windsor Kiwanis, who knew bike valets could be this much fun and for a good cause?

Pancakes and Purpose

The Kiwanis Club of Cheyenne once again fed Cheyenne Frontier Days with their legendary pancake breakfast, and this year came with some extra star power. The club welcomed Kiwanis International President Michael Mulhall and Rocky Mountain District Governor Carol Chiarito to the griddle and hosted an inter-club luncheon where clubs from around the region gathered to connect and hear from both leaders.

The numbers alone tell the story of Pancake Week at Cheyenne Frontier Days: while serving pancakes, the following is consumed: 5,000 pounds of pancake mix, 9,200 cartons of milk, 520 gallons of coffee, 630 pounds of butter, and 475

gallons of syrup, all served up with true Kiwanis hospitality. Great work, Cheyenne Kiwanians!



100 Years Strong: Longmont Keeps the Parade Rolling!



Big things are happening in Longmont; the Longmont Kiwanis Club is celebrating 100 years! And for over 66 of those years, they've been the driving force behind the Boulder County Fair Parade, one of the largest in Colorado.

This year didn't disappoint: 94 entries cruised down Main Street to the delight of hundreds of spectators. A century of service, decades of parades, and still going strong.

Happy 100th, Longmont Kiwanis; here's to many more!

Serving Up Hope at Pathways Shelter

The heart of Kiwanis is simple: we love our community, and one of the ways we show it is through service. This month, members of the Kiwanis Club of Grand Junction rolled up their sleeves to serve dinner at Pathways Shelter. Like most Kiwanians, their members are committed to hands-on service projects that make a difference right in their own backyard.

Pathways provides shelter, case management, and supportive services to families experiencing homelessness in Grand Junction, helping them stabilize, regain independence, and move toward long-term housing.

No fanfare, no fuss, just a group of Kiwanians showing up to make sure families had a warm meal and good company. That's what Kiwanis is all about.

Good job to everyone who came out to help! Community served one plate at a time.



Flippin' Fantastic!



The Kiwanis Club of Grand Junction did it again! The 58th Annual Kiwanis Pancake Day & Funfest brought the community together for a morning of stacks, smiles, live music, and kids' activities galore.

Over 500 neighbors showed up, and Kiwanians flipped their way to more than \$45,000 raised for Mesa County nonprofits supporting local kids, that's a lot of syrup-fueled generosity!

The club would like to give huge thanks to everyone who came out and gave back. Here's to 58 years of pancakes with purpose, and many more to come!

Fueled by the Triple Bypass - Literally!

If you've never heard of the Triple Bypass, buckle up (or should we say, clip in): it's a brutal 120-mile bike ride over three mountain passes, Juniper, Loveland, and Vail, all at altitude. Team Evergreen kicked it off back in 1988, and somewhere along the way, at least two Blue Spruce Kiwanians decided this looked like a great excuse to get involved. They rallied a group to run what's now known as Aid Station #1 at Echo Mountain Lodge, keeping cyclists fed, hydrated, and moving forward.

This year, clubs from across Division 5 jumped in to help Blue Spruce pull it off, and the teamwork paid off big time; the event was a huge success! Even better, a portion of the payment from the event organizer will be split among the participating clubs to support our charitable work.

A big thanks to everyone who volunteered; it was a great Division event, and a good time was had by all!



Caught in the Act of Service

