



Kiwanis Club of the

Foothills

Club Website: www.foothillskiwanis.org
Meetings: Mondays at 7:00 am at The Brewing Market, 2770 Dagny Way, Lafayette, CO 80026

Aug 5, 2024

Coming up . . .

- 8/5/24 – Board Meeting at Brewing Market
- 8/12/24 – Reports from International Convention by Attendees
- 8/19/24 – Kurt Gerwitz, The Fun Financial Guy
- 8/26/24 – Club Social at 5 pm at Bambei Brewery, 100 Superior Plaza Way, Superior
- 9/2/24 – Roundtable at Brewing Market; Happy Labor Day!
- 9/9/24 - Board Meeting at Brewing Market
- 9/16/24 – Allie Schmidt & Steve Higgins, Investments Update
- 9/23/24 – Officer/Director Installation
- 9/30/24 - Club Social Party, 5-7 pm at Bambei Brewery

Program Chairpersons:

- August – Lori
- September – Bob M
- October - Vince

Snippets from Recent Club Programs

7/15/24 – Joe Girard, Travel Tips

Joe and Audrey are avid travelers, maybe topped only by Sharon and Rudi for the total number of trips taken overseas! Joe shared traveler tips in the following areas: doing your homework, trip planning, on the plane, packing, and money safety. In trip planning, Joe suggests not overscheduling, leaving time for serendipity, planning early, and referring to Rick Steves’ travel books and videos. In packing, he suggests using carry-on bags, washing your own clothes (non-cotton and non-wool), using vacuum bags, bringing a variety of batteries and cables, carrying no books, and packing a music boom box. Joe is a strong proponent of the manbag. (**Note:** your Editor will have to work up to this!) He provided many suggestions of critical items to pack including extra glasses, medical kit, toilet paper, paper maps, cold medicine, sunscreen, and shopping bags. Joe concluded with the things that he misses (and doesn’t like) about Europe. Thanks, Joe, for these tips from a savvy traveler!



7/22/24 – Pam Behler, MyChoice Resource Center Update

Per their website, MyChoice Resource Center educates, supports and empowers women and couples facing unplanned pregnancies with compassionate and professional medical care. Our club member, Pam, is the Executive Director of the center. The center offers free tests and ultrasound examinations. Pam tries to find out what the individuals (couples) are thinking by getting into their hearts. The center has doubled its space in the past year. Pam just hired a new staff person; there are 15 volunteer helpers at the center. There has been a 170% increase for pregnancy literature. The center is on track to offer 50% more pregnancy tests this year over last year. The center serves the metro area; their site gets great reviews. Pam mentioned that MyChoice Resource Center does not offer or refer for pregnancy terminations or birth control. Information is provided as an educational service and should not be relied on as a substitute for professional and/or medical advice. Thanks, Pam, for educating and updating us on the center!



Club Officers

- President**
Bill Duclos
- Past President**
Matt Frederick
- President-Elect**
Bill Lester
- Secretary**
Bob Mohling
- Treasurer**
Joe Girard
- Board of Directors**
Bill Anderson
Alan Boeve
Norm Cizek
Brian Coleman
Lori McLean
Vince Van Zago

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Snippets from 2024 Kiwanis International Convention

a) 7/5/24 - Sponsored Leadership Luncheon Recognition --Vince Van Zago

Foothills Kiwanis members Bob Mohling, Dave Rogers, and Vince Van Zago all went “downtown” to attend the SLP Luncheon. The main reason for the visit was to support Prisha and Sophie: 2023/2024 president and vice-president, respectively, of the Peak-to-Peak Builders Club. The P2P club was picked along with K-Kids representatives from Cheyenne to showcase the success of these Kiwanis youth organizations in the RMD.



Sophie and Prisha

All the kids were interviewed by KI-KCF Executive Director Paul Palazzolo. Sophie spoke to the packed luncheon about the P2P club’s “Connect



Activities” such as Reverse Charades, Hallway Bowling, the Human Knot, and Hucklebuckle. Prisha’s presentation emphasized the club’s service projects which included disinfecting desks, teacher appreciation cards decorated (by the kids), cookies, Easter cards for the Lafayette Memory Care Unit, and Prisha’s favorite, picking up trash around the campus. Both girls spoke clearly and eloquently and were most impressive. Our Foothills Club is proud to be the P2P Builder’s Club sponsors and of Prisha and Sophie.

b) 7/5/24 - Sponsored Leadership Keynote Speaker --Bob Mohling

Teo Nicolais, an MIT and Harvard graduate and now employed by the Harvard Extension School, spoke to the SLP luncheon group on the topic of World Population Growth. Teo got his start in Kiwanis as a Key Club member at Alameda West. In his senior year, he became the 2001-02 International President of Key Club.



Teo described how our demographics are changing with increasing life span. For example, in 1700 our world life span was 28.5 years; in 2021, it is 71 years. Our population is getting older and he added that next year in the US there

will be more adult diapers sold than baby diapers! People have more time available on their hands. He challenged us to invest more time with our K-Family students. He spoke of megatrends and Kiwanis’ contributions to the world with our Project Eliminate and IDD projects. Teo is a shining example of Kiwanis’ training investment in Key Club leadership and service!

c) 7/6/24 - Annual Meeting Elections --Matt Frederick

On Saturday Dave, Matt, Vince and Bob attended the KI

Annual Meeting held in the Bellco Theater. Delegates at the meeting were Matt and Bob. Several leadership roles were voted upon with a high level of competition. A strong



representation of international members made an appearance and this is shown with the diverse leadership group selected. Our new international president is Lee Kuan Yong of the Malaysian District. President elect, Michael Mulhaul of NJ and Vice President, Hope Markes, of Eastern Canada and The Caribbean District were voted into their roles. Three Trustee positions were filled as well. Many spoke about active leadership and being involved in giving back to the children and community. I am excited to see what the future holds as these groups work together.

d) 7/6/24 – Annual Meeting Amendments -- Dave Rogers

Ten proposed amendments to the Kiwanis International Bylaws were addressed at the Delegates Assembly on July 6, 2024. Four were approved, four were rejected, and two were withdrawn after action on earlier proposals. The dues increase amendments #1 and #2 are given here; the others will be described at our 8/12/24 club meeting.

1. A onetime increase of annual dues - Approved

Tier 1. Increase of US\$25 from \$52 to \$77

Tier 2. Increase to US\$34.

The tier to which each club is assigned is determined by national location, with poorer countries being in Tier 2. The new levels are dependent on passage of Amendment 2.

2. Reduction of tiers from 3 to 2 - Approved

The current tier structure has 3 tiers. Amendment 2 eliminated the middle tier and moved all those clubs to the new Level 2.

Upcoming Community Service/Kiwanis Events

- **August 25, 2024** – YoungLife Golf Tournament at Todd Creek Golf Course
- **September 14, 2024** – MyChoice Clay Shooting Tournament

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