

Club Website: www.foothillskiwanis.org

Meetings: Every Monday at 7:00 a.m. at the Spice of Life Event Center, 5706 Arapahoe Ave., Boulder CO

# Kiwanis Club of the





## Coming up . . .

2/28/11 – Ed Reinhart, "Recovering from my football injury"

3/3/11 7:00 a.m. - Foothills Board Meeting at Parkway Restaurant in Boulder

3/7/11 – Lilly Glairon, "My Amigos de Americanas Project in Cusco, Peru"

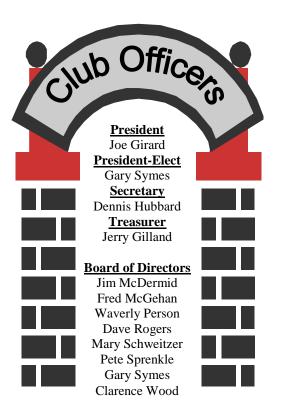
3/14/11 - Dick Over, "10th Mountain Division"

3/21/11 - Rudi Baumann, Travelogue

3/28/11 - Tania Leontov, "FOCUS Offender Reentry Mentoring Program"

#### **Program Chairpersons:**

February – Rudi Baumann March – Gary Symes



### Snippets from Recent Club Programs

Feb. 28, 2011

### February 14 - Manny Gomez, Arvada Center for the Arts & Humanities

Manny Gomez, Marketing Director for the Arvada Center, spoke to our club about the history, development, and programs at the Arvada Center. Started in 1976, with funding from the city and the Arts Foundation, the center has art galleries, a history museum, banquet facilities, and multiple theaters. In the summer, there is an outdoor theater and summer camps for children. Local artists are used whenever possible. Manny can be reached at 720-898-7273 or mgomez@arvadacenter.org. After his presentation,



he offered club members a discounted price of \$28 (instead of \$49) for performances of "Cabaret" at the Arvada Center on any weekday from March 16 through April 15. Call or send email to Manny to get tickets. The website for upcoming shows is www.arvadacenter.org.

### February 21 - Sharon Caulfield, "Colorado Haiti Project"

Sharon Caulfield informed our club of the Colorado Haiti Project and how it was started in the 1980's as a community development project in Petit-Trou de Nippes, a town of 18,000 people. It is eighty miles but eight hours drive from Port au Prince. Services have been expanded due to the many people moving to the country after the earthquake last year. Some of the projects have included building a school and promoting community health. Water projects with wells drilled by Mennonites, microcredit, agronomy,



disaster relief, and yearly health checkups are a few of their many programs to help the people of Haiti. Sharon also spoke about the dangers of cholera and the rehydration project which Terry Hardie has been a part of. It was also interesting to hear about the history of Haiti. The website for more information is www.coloradohaitiproject.org. To call about supporting a student in Haiti through the "Konbit" Haitian Student Sponsorship Program for \$25 per month, call 303-938-5021.

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### Kiwanis Midwinter Conference-"Renew the Spirit, Rekindle the Flame" by Gary Symes



On Friday, February 25, Kiwanis International President Sylvester Neal and Roy Hedeen from International spoke about the growth goals for Kiwanis this year and how local clubs are the key to attaining those goals. Everyone is needed to set Kiwanis "on fire." The three International goals are:

- 1. Grow existing clubs and build new ones
- 2. Improve the club experience
- 3. Work smarter

Keys to reaching those goals are encouraging all clubs To grow by at least plus one. Syl named clubs in our District that had grown, and the list was long. More service projects are important along with our project to eliminate tetanus. He wanted to improve clubs and make more impact on children. Using technology is critical to working smarter. Improving the club experience is about fun, fellowship, and service. Both presenters spoke about personal experiences in bringing in new members to Kiwanis and how it was important to have a membership chairman in your club. Ideas were shared on successful ways to gain membership and attract more women members as well as younger members. Those in attendance came away motivated for achieving club excellence with new tools from Kiwanis International. I for one was very impressed with our International President. He is a humble person with a desire to serve others, especially children. He also is very cost conscious and tries to save money wherever he can to help avoid dues increases. I was very impressed that he came to Colorado especially after hearing that he had been in Europe the previous week and then flying to Seattle for a meeting before coming to our Midwinter Conference. I recommend that all of our members attend the conference when they can. It is worth it.

### Why Develop a 501(c)3 Club Foundation? Midwinter Conference Forum-by Gary Symes

Jack Forham, District Foundation President, and Bob Garretson, Governor-Elect of our District, presented a very informational presentation on what it takes to set up a 501(c)3 at the club level. Both Joe Girard and I were in attendance and came away with ideas we can share at this week's Board meeting. Main points were that there are several steps in the process:

- Use forms from Kiwanis International to create articles and bylaws of your proposed nonprofit foundation.
- Review these completed forms with legal/CPA help to determine that they meet Colorado requirements.
- Submit paperwork to Kiwanis International for their approval
- Prepare and submit Form 1023 to the IRS along with an application fee for their approval.

This process could take anywhere from three to six months to complete. Once the original paperwork is done and approved, there is very little paperwork on a yearly basis. Having our own foundation would give Kiwanis Club of the Foothills more control over our fundraising and open doors to new contributors. Many companies will not contribute to an organization unless it has a 501(c) 3.

### **Taste of Downtown Boulder Update**

At press time, the number of restaurants signed up for the Taste stood at eleven. Pete Sprenkle and his committee are working to get 14-15 restaurants.

#### March 12 Fundraiser for Pete's Girls' Softball

There will be an "All You Can Eat Pancake Breakfast" to support the Boulder Stars 14U girl's softball team led by Pete Sprenkle at **Applebee's on 28<sup>th</sup> Street from 8:00-10:00 a.m. on Saturday, March 12.** The cost for the breakfast is \$7.00 per person. You can buy a ticket at the door.

#### **Foothills Kiwanis Reminder**

- For the first club meeting of each month, bring either –
- Snack items, or a grocery coupon for buying snack items, to help Blue Sky Bridge kids in counseling
   OR –
- Bar soap, toothbrush, toothpaste, and other personal care items to help Sister Carmen in-need families
- -- that will be forwarded to these organizations by Woody or another club member. Thanks for your contributions!