

Club Website: www.foothillskiwanis.org

Meetings: Every Monday at 7:00 a.m. at the Egg & I, 2574 Baseline Rd, Boulder, CO 80303, 303-494-0555

# Kiwanis Club of the



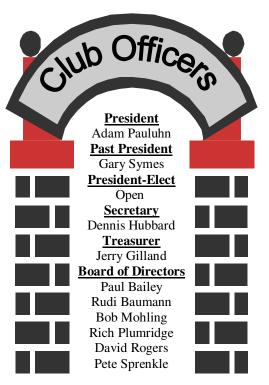
# Coming up ...

11/2/15 – Peggy Watson, "The Bird Conservancy of the Rockies"
11/5/15–7:00 a.m. Foothills Board meetings at the Egg & I in Basemar Shopping Center
11/9/15 – Bill Obermeirer, Update on the Dairy Renovation
11/16/15 – Mike Fellwos, "Scenes of Honor Flight Program" in Washington, DC
11/23/15 – Captain Mario Ruiz, "Salvation Army Bell-Ringing"

11/30/15 – Joe Baghadjian, ISIS or Dr. Andrew Steffel, SWR Institute on Kepler- 452b (Earth's Close Cousin) (Tentative)

### **Program Chairpersons:**

October – Dave Rogers November-Bob Mohling



# Snippets from Recent Club Programs

### October 12 - Mike Fellows, "Honor Flight Program in Washington, DC"

Mike spoke about the Rocky Mountain Honor Flight Program that transports veterans to Washington DC for two days of remembrance, honor, and celebration for their service and sacrifice in serving our country. Priority is given to the most senior veterans who served in World War II and Korea, as well as vets who served in combat who are terminally ill. Of the 16 million men and women who served during and after World Ware II, with less than 900,000 still alive, and 500 of these veterans pass away every day. Mike will be a "Guardian" for Foothills Kiwanis veteran



Waverly Person when they travel to Washington, DC from October 22-24 with a group of 27 other World War II and Korean War veterans from the Denver and front-range areas. On Friday, September 23, the group will take a special tour of the World Ware II Memorial, Marine Memorial, Air Force Memorial, Vietnam War Memorial, and Arlington National Cemetery, as well as other sites on Saturday morning before returning to Colorado later that day. Mike and Waverly will speak about their trip on November 16. If you'd like to be a Veteran Guardian, volunteer, or sponsor with the Rocky Mountain Honor Flight Program, see -- www.rockymountainhonorflight.org.

### October 19 – Heather Ehle, Founder/CEO and Kara Pappas, Development Director, Project Sanctuary non-profit helping vets

Heather began the presentation about Project Seminary (a 501-c3 non-profit) by explaining how she got inspired to do this in 2007 as an RN working in a hospital, and seeing many veterans and their families who were in serious need of family counseling and personal care. She started Project Sanctuary completely on her own with financial assistance, and today it is providing counseling program that encompasses spiritual, physical and emotional healing to vets and their families through outdoor retreats in Colorado and elsewhere, with 14 retreats held in 2014. Kara also spoke about the challenges of serving many vets with only four Project Sanctuary staff members and an annual budget



of about \$30,000. As the wife of a vet, Kara also talked about the challenges of keeping a military family together with constant changes in a soldier's pay, long periods of absence, and emotional stress. Project Sanctuary is a founding member of R4 Alliance, a membership of programs of excellence providing therapeutic and community-based recreation services to military families. You can get more information and donate to Project Sanctuary at - http://projectsanctuary.us.

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### President Adam Gets a Coon-Skin Cap

During our September 21 club meeting, President Adam brought up some trivia about Missouri and Davey Crockett, he lamented that during his childhood, he never had a coon-skin cap. During the next week, club member Mary Schweitzer found a coon-skin cap, and presented it to Adam during the September 28 club meeting. Now we just need to find some deer-skin clothing for him, and he'll be able to look just like Dave Crockett. Thanks Mary for giving Adam this gift!



### **Update on Monarch High School Key Club**

This year's Monarch High School Key Club (led by co-Presidents Leah Matsumoto and Kylie Boren) have started their community-service projects for the 2015-2016 school year by volunteering every week to sort food at the Louisville Community Food Bank. They are also planning to do a fundraiser for the Kiwanis International "ELIMINATE Project" by holding some kind of competitive sports tournament (probably kick-ball or ping-pong). Currently, there are 22 students in the Key Club, with the possibility of adding five more students to the roster. As Monarch Key Club members have done for the past five years, they will be helping our club's bell-ringing campaign by ringing at the Louisville South Boulder Road King Soopers the first two Saturday's in December. They have designed a Key Club T-shirt that will be sold to Key Club members for \$10 each.



Key Club Co-Presidents Leah Matsumoto and Kylie Boren



Monarch Key Club meeting on Thursday, October 22

## <u>Kiwanis Celebrated 50<sup>th</sup> Year in Asia During July 2014</u> Kiwanis International Convention in Japan

Chinese New Year is only the beginning of celebrations for Kiwanis International members in Asia last year. Members in Tokyo, Japan, celebrated that club's 50th anniversary—which also marks the first time Kiwanis established a presence in Asia. Kiwanians in Chiba City hosted the 99th Annual Kiwanis International Convention in July 2014, which drew 3,000 attendees from all over the world.

Here are some interesting facts about Kiwanis clubs in Asia.

- -- Since the Tokyo club was established on Jan. 24, 1964, Kiwanis has flourished throughout Asia, with 321 clubs in the Taiwan District alone. The Japan District has 29 clubs with more than 1,700 members. Other Asian clubs that are "Serving the Children of the World" represent countries as diverse as Malaysia, the Philippines and Korea.
- -- The Far East Club of Taipei is among the largest in Taiwan, with 146 members. The average club size in Taiwan is 43.
- Women make up about 30 percent of the total membership of Kiwanis clubs in Taiwan.
- -- Japan and Malaysia are among the districts leading the way with fundraising for The Eliminate Project, an initiative by Kiwanis to eliminate maternal and neonatal tetanus throughout the world. As of December 2013, Japan already had exceeded its goal to raise US\$1.04 million. Malaysia has raised US\$754,000 toward eliminating the disease, which claims the lives of nearly 60,000 newborns each year.
- -- Japan's commitment to The Eliminate Project is especially noteworthy, considering it was hit with an earthquake and tsunami in 2011. Tokyo members recalled struggling with the idea of donating to The Eliminate Project when so much was needed to rebuild Japan. However, they noted how much disaster relief Japan had received from all over the world and decided to wholeheartedly give back.
- -- Kiwanis is widely recognized throughout Asia. Government officials have publicly recognized members for their commitment to helping build communities.