



# Kiwaniis Club of the FOOTHILLS

Club Website: [www.foothillskiwanis.org](http://www.foothillskiwanis.org)  
 Meetings: Mondays at 7:00 am at The Brewing Market, 2770 Dagny Way, Lafayette, CO 80026

Dec. 2, 2024

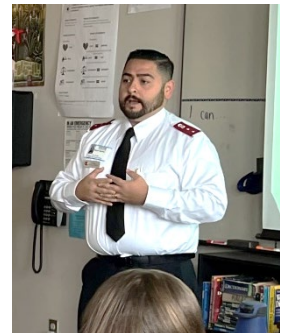
## Coming up . . .

- 12/2/24 - Board Meeting at Brewing Market
  - 12/9/24 – Mike Traxler, Iraq Experience
  - 12/16/24 – Open
  - 12/16/24 – Christmas Party at Duclos home, 5-8 pm, 13970 Cortez Ct, Broomfield, CO
  - 1/6/25 - Board Meeting at Brewing Market
  - 1/13/25 – Bill Lester, Technology Update
  - 1/20/25 – Bill Duclos, Membership Planning
  - 1/27/25 – Club Social Party, 5-7 pm at Bambei Brewery, 100 Superior Plaza Way
  - 2/3/25 - Board Meeting at Brewing Market
  - 2/10/25 – Builders & Key Clubs Update
  - 2/17/25 – Assemble Homeless Street Corner Car Kits
  - 2/24/25 - Club Social Party, 5-7 pm at Bambei Brewery, 100 Superior Plaza Way, Superior
- Program Chairpersons:**  
 December – Bob G  
 January & February – N/A  
 March – Bill D

## Snippets from Recent Club Programs

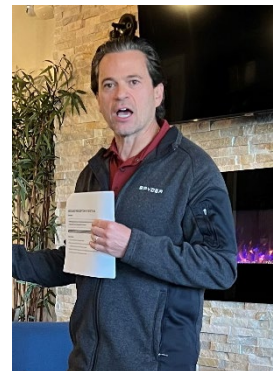
### 11/11/24 – Capt. Miguel Morales, The Salvation Army Red Kettle

Capt. Miguel Morales provided us with a thumbnail of his calling to faith and to The Salvation Army, a history of the Army, and programs underway and new ones planned. Originally from Turlock, CA, part of his faith calling was triggered when he accidentally/on-purpose seriously injured the pastor of the youth program he was visiting during a soccer match. The Army is a recognized part of the greater Christian community. Officers are ordained. Founded in 1865 as the “East London Christian Mission” to serve the poor, sick, hungry, homeless, uneducated and disaffected – who suffered as consequences of the rapid growth of the Industrial Revolution. Realizing that sharing the word to people so afflicted, the effort from the beginning included addressing these basic human needs. Through programs like Kids Club they provide after school and summer day camp opportunities for children (and their parents!). They have multiple opportunities to provide community service beyond bell ringing. Broomfield Army is teaming with Broomfield FISH to provide fresh vegetables for their food program. With Home Depot material donations the garden beds have been prepared and await spring planting.



### 11/18/24 – Doug Davidson, Medicare Specialist, 2025 Updates

Doug Davidson, a Broomfield resident, is a graduate of University of Utah in Business Management. He has a wife of 25 years and two teenage children. He is a runner and loves to travel. Doug gave a presentation to help explain the program and price changes to the 2025 Medicare Healthcare Program. Most adults think the cost of prescription drugs is unreasonably high. The Inflation Reduction Act was passed in 2022 to increase access to treatments, provide affordability, and make the Medicare program more sustainable. The Part D improvements include an out-of-pocket cap at \$2,000 for the year and a Prescription Payment Plan to spread out-of-pocket prescription costs for the year. Doug suggests that we review our current plan, keep a list of current medications, and go to medicare.gov to determine their costs. Thanks for educating us on the 2025 Medicare Healthcare changes.



## Club Officers

	<p><b><u>President</u></b> Bill Lester</p>	
	<p><b><u>Past President</u></b> Bill Duclos</p>	
	<p><b><u>President-Elect</u></b> Open</p>	
	<p><b><u>Secretary</u></b> Bob Mohling</p>	
	<p><b><u>Treasurer</u></b> Joe Girard</p>	
	<p><b><u>Board of Directors</u></b> Bill Anderson Alan Boeve Norm Cizek Bob Greenaway Lori McLean Lt. Tania Morales</p>	

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**10/25/24 – Peak to Peak Builders Club Meeting**

**--Vince VanZago**

Vice-President Lindsey called the Halloween Builders Club Meeting to order and led the club in the pledge. There were 27 attendees including six Key Club members. The group played three rounds of “Huckle Buckle” and because there was so many playing, it was chaotic, but a lot of fun. For the first service project, the members started with 6 slotted orange pieces of paper. On each strip, they wrote something that made them feel grateful. Many wrote down family members, good friends, their parents, and their pets. Then, they spread the slots into a pumpkin shape and secured them with colorful cutouts. They also made Boo Pops out of Tootsie Roll Pops. This consisted of putting napkins around the pops and drawing funny faces on the napkin. Each member made two Boo Pops—one for themselves and one for someone not in the room.



Club members with their gratitude pumpkins

**11/28/24 – Thanksgiving Meal Distribution**

Four Foothills members and their family members helped Lt. Tania and Capt. Miguel Morales of The Salvation Army (TSA) deliver Thanksgiving meals to the residents of Silver

Crest and Park Forest facilities in Broomfield. The volunteers were Bill Anderson, Dave and Erik Rogers, and Bob Mohling with grandchildren Sam, Kate, and Adam. The meals were prepared in TSA Denver kitchen and delivered by Capt. Miguel for distribution by the volunteers to seniors in the Broomfield facilities.

**11/2/24 – Packing Event for Sweet Dream in a Bag**

On November 2 at The Salvation Army gym the Foothills Kiwanis members and their guests assembled 100 bedding kits to be distributed by Sweet Dream in a Bag to foster children and other kids in need throughout Colorado. Over 60 volunteers worked in teams of 3-4 to assemble the bedding kits. The kits include a colorful, themed coverlet, sheets, a pillow, a blanket, a plush toy, and a toothpaste/toothbrush kit. Sweet Dream in a Bag is a nonprofit run by Wayne and Susie Fox, who, in 14 years, have distributed more than 22,000 of the kits. Susie describes the kits as life-changing for many of the kids who are sometimes sleeping on the floor with a threadbare blanket. See photos below of the packing event.

**2/17/25 - Homeless Street Corner Car Kits**

President Bill presented a one-and-done club meeting project for our membership to complete. A hygiene kit will be made to offer to area homeless. Some members will request toothpaste kits from their dentists; the remainder will be purchased with Foundation funds. We agreed to pack the kits at our February 17<sup>th</sup> club meeting. The Board approved this project.

**Upcoming Community Service/Kiwanis Events**

- **November 25 to December 24, 2025** – Red Kettle bell ringing at KingSoopers at 136<sup>th</sup> and Zuni
- **February 17, 2025** – Assembly of Homeless Street Corner Car Kits



Group photo of the 60 volunteers in The Salvation Army gym with the finished bedding kits

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Young Life had a large turnout of volunteers



Peak to Peak Key Club members with finished kit



Many hands make light work – the group finished 100 kits in less than three hours!



Susie Fox shows off a completed kit



Mark, his family & friend start a bedding kit

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