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Nancy Wiehagen Gives a District Update



Above, Dave Finlay, Jess Kadel, Charles Hadley, Nancy Wiehagen, Rogers Coke, Barbara Fink, Greg Lefferdink. Front, Dotti Imel.

Nancy, who is Executive Director of the Rocky Mountain District of Kiwanis, was happy to be visiting our club. Nancy told the club about happenings in the Rocky Mountain District. Nancy said the Durango Kiwanis Club has an all-day pancake breakfast as a fundraiser. She is excited about what ideas and concepts the current and incoming officers are bringing to the district. The district recently held a new member campaign “blitz” where Kiwanians targeted locations and knocked on doors to invite people to join Kiwanis. As a result, two clubs were founded, and one has already been chartered. One of the clubs is in Commerce City. Six more people are ready to join. The Kiwanians went to places where there were no Kiwanis clubs.

Special points of interest:

- The next club meeting is Tuesday, April 24, 2018 at 9:00 AM at Frasier Meadows Retirement Center in the Community Room. The presentation will be: “I Have A Dream Foundation” Speaker: Stephanie Will.
- On January 27, 70 Key Club members from New Jersey Division 13 prepared 16,000 meals for families experiencing food insecurity in their state. In New Jersey, one in every eight people struggle with the issue, as do one of every five children. “The rate of children struggling with food insecurity in New Jersey is higher than the national average, yet many people in New Jersey are unaware of this issue,” explains Madeleine Eichorn, a junior at Hunterdon Central Regional High School and the lieutenant governor of Division 13.

Trivia Question courtesy: <http://trivia.fyi> What is the only U.S. state without a rectangular flag?
Answer below.

Nancy Wiehagen (Continued)

Nancy reminded us that “Kids Need Kiwanis” and Kiwanians also need kids in their lives. Nancy said the district currently has 82 clubs and 2700 members. Another goal of the district is to strengthen current clubs and have clubs partner with other clubs on projects.

Nancy’s Ft. Collins Eyeopeners club has 32 members. The club holds a “Taste of Ft. Collins” fundraising event which needs 654 volunteers to hold, so it is a community-wide effort, as well as needing help from other Kiwanis clubs. Kiwanis Key Club members staff the pop and water booths. Nancy said the Greeley Kiwanis Club sponsors 11 Key Clubs. The Estes Park Kiwanis Club sponsors a Builder’s Club and a Key Club. Key Clubs support the “Thirst Project”, which raises funds to bring clean drinkable water to people around the world. The keynote speaker at the district convention in August will talk about the project. Nancy commented that the CSU CKI club is involved in making origami items.

Dave said his daughter’s car was damaged when it hit a mountain lion that was running behind a deer. Fortunately, the car was hit in such a way that all the pieces were connected and just had to be put back in place. Dave had this trivia question: “Who was the shortest astronaut?” The answer is Pete Conrad, the third person to walk on the moon. Pete was 5” 6” tall. Dave said that Wikipedia is a great resource and suggested we have a speaker from Ecocycle come to explain the new procedures in recycling.

Barbara said that Helen Hall is welcoming visitors from the hours 9:30 to noon and before 5:00 PM. We can email Hillary at Hillary.hall.bc@gmail.com to set up a time to visit Helen.

Barbara went to the University Women’s Club’s scholarship meeting. The Club is very active. When Barbara belonged, the club went on hikes and had a bridge group among its activities. She and Joan Knaub, her friend, went to see the movie, “A Quiet Place”. It was a horror movie which was scary. The family portrayed in the movie had to live in silence.

Greg Lefferdink said he is going to have a great granddaughter in his family. Greg’s granddaughter has a Master’s Degree from Denver University.

Trivia Answer: Ohio

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Club Officers:

President: Charles Hadley

Vice President: Jess Kadel

Treasurer: David Finlay, Secretary: Rogers Coke

Our club meets every Tuesday at 9:00 AM at Frasier Meadows Retirement Center, 350 Ponca Drive, in Boulder. For information, contact Rogers Coke, (303) 444-1924.