Kiwanis Program - April 15, 2017

Member Bio's

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Member Concerns

Rich Munsell updated member concerns:

- Due to international tensions, Rich was mindful of the men and women in uniform serving in South Korea.
- Rich offered a prayer for blessings during this special season of Passover, Easter and spring. Watch over our families that are traveling and our youth that approach graduation and decision. Keep us in your care and bless this time.

Warren Wieland led the Pledge of Allegiance.
President-Elect Barb Broshous

Called the meeting to order at 8:00 am.

Guests

Rosalyn Bellis accompanied her father Ben Bellis. Great to have you with us!

ANNOUNCEMENTS
Rich Rima presented pins and rockers to recognize members that donated $100 or more to the Monument Hill Foundation during the last quarter. Recognized were Rich Munsell, Jim Head, John Spidell (not pictured) and Jack Fry. Since 2003 the foundation has grown from $58,000 to almost $400,000. Jack Fry pointed out that our foundation donates over $40,000 in discretionary funds per year to the local community. This is in addition to our other fundraisers that include Salvation Army, Empty Bowls and Crafts Fair. The foundation website is at http://monumenthillfoundation.org.

Ted Bauman announced that our Monument Hill Foundation was selected as the 2016 Non-Profit of the Year by the Tri-Lakes Chamber of Commerce! Ted asked past and present board members to come forward for a picture.
Harry Brandon told us that our Division might host a District conference next year. Harry is also planning to attend the Paris convention in July, so see him, Barb Broshous or RF Smith if you want to attend as one of our two delegates. Our Division is working to increase membership - retaining, getting new, and opening new clubs.

Jim Head asked for a show of hands for members that might want to attend a tour of the USAFA small satellite laboratory facilities. It will be right after our meeting on June 3rd, about 10:30 to noon.
Barb Broshous said our annual meeting will be next Saturday, April 22. The new member orientation will be held on April 29. She also said Mark Zeiger had bell ringing patches.

We begin our annual Deaf and Blind Golf program April 24. The Colorado School for the Deaf and Blind program is a two-month program where we spend some time with the kids at the Cherokee Ridge golf course a couple of days a week helping them to get some exposure to golf. No real golf expertise is needed - just a willingness to lend a hand to some really good kids. Please see Bill Stoner for details.
The Kiwanis International Conference is in Paris from 13-16 July. No big issues for us, but we can send two delegates, so see RF if you want to be a delegate!

HAPPY BUCKS
Bedpan in hand and under close supervision, Steve Keefer was happy to be filling in for Paul Short as Sergeant at Arms.

Jerry Losey had good news: 1) Pat's birthday today and 2) they had their house up for sale for four days and sold it! By the way, they have a dining room set for sale and will make a great deal!
Returning from D.C. for a couple days to see his son's performance of the comedy "The Game's Afoot" at Discovery Canyon High School, Skip Trahan was glad to be back. His move went fine and his job at FEMA is very interesting. Skip remarked that D.C. and Monument are very different. He was grocery shopping at the Ft. Myer's commissary last week and ran into Defense Secretary Mattis who was doing the same thing.

Frank Wynne's happy buck was for a recent visit with family in Florida where he was introduced to a new drink, a Geriatric (two ounces of really cold vodka and two ounces of almost frozen prune juice)!
Watt Hill's daughter arrives from California today at noon!

Spry Barb Broshous had a birthday happy buck because her eight year old grandnephew recently said Barb "did not walk like an old lady." Good for you!

There are two free, easy ways to donate money to the MHKC. One is by getting a gift card (available from Mike Wangeman that comes with $5 credit) for Safeway or Kings Soopers. You can then indefinitely add money to the card. Also, at Amazon.com Smile, you can designate Monument Hill Service Club as your charity organization and purchase items through Smile. Then Amazon donates .5% of all your purchases to our club.
Frank Wynne provided us with a fun joke and member birthdays for the next week:

- Pat Losey
- Barb Broshous
- John Magerko
- Mark Zeiger

**Progressive Drawing**

April 15, 2017

**Winner this week is:**
Bill Stoner

Kiwanis Progressive Drawing Stats:
Date of drawing: 4/15/17
Chips this drawing: 8
Carry over from last week: $77
Today's 1/2 ticket sales: $47
Total for today's drawing: $124
Amount won & donated back: $0
Amount won and kept by winner: $0
Available for next week's drawing: $0
Chips remaining for next week's drawing: 7

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Scribe: Mike Luginbuhl

As is usual, Member Bios turned out to be one of our most interesting programs. I urge everyone to talk with Bill and Fred to gain more insight into their very interesting lives and experiences.
Bill has been a member of the Club since 1998 (even though he doesn't look that old). His claim is when he joined he was the youngest member of the club...and no one seems to be disputing that. He was born in Louisville, KY, one of five children. His father was an engineer and a private pilot (both facts that would influence Bill later in life) that immigrated to the United States from Switzerland. This fact also influenced Bill as he holds dual citizenship in the United States and Switzerland.

As a boy, Bill was a Boy Scout and made a trip to Colorado with the Boy Scouts. That trip eventually led him to Colorado University, Boulder where he majored in Aerospace Engineering and joined Air Force ROTC. Following the pilot path inspired by his father, Bill was determined to fly, which he did in the Air Force - and beyond. While at CU Boulder Bill met JJ, whom we all know as the best thing about Bill.

Bill went to Vance Air Force Base for pilot training and stayed after receiving his wings to instruct in T-38s. Following that tour Bill and JJ headed for Holloman Air Force Base (another of the Air Force garden spots) to fly F-15s. Following this tour Bill decided to get out of the Air Force and went on to fly for American Airlines. Bill later came back to the Air Force Reserves, although not in a flying capacity. He retired from the Air Force Reserves after 23 years' service. Bill retired from American Airlines in 2015. I will leave the math for the number of years up to the reader. Later this year (October) Bill and JJ will celebrate their 38th wedding anniversary.
Two additional interesting facts: (1) Bill has flown across the Atlantic over 500 times...and six of those trips have been in a light twin-engine airplane; and (2) Bill and JJ have a son in Flight Training. He is not in the Air Force, though, but the Army at FT Rucker. Go Figure.

Fred Fletemeyer

Fred has been a member of the Club since 2015. Fred's opening statement was I am a Lutheran, therefore I do not share. His follow-on to that was when his parents were married there were no name changes - they were cousins. That is one you will definitely need to discuss further with Fred.

Fred graduated from Colorado State University with a degree in Construction Management. He owned Fred Fletemeyer CO for over 40 years. Extremely humble, Fred told the crowd he hadn't built anything we would recognize. He then proceeded to tell us he built the Memorial Park Cycling Track and the 15,000 square foot Field House at the Olympic Training Center.

Fred tried multiple times and in many ways to join the military. He was, at one time, about to be sworn in when a corpsman pulled him out of the proceeding. His draft classification was 1Y (I actually had to look this one up. It means qualified for service only in time of war or national emergency and it was abolished in 1971). Many years later Fred was finally able to obtain an active role with a program called Employer Support of the Guard.
and Reserve. Fred served for 21 years, traveled the world, became Chairman at the State level, was given 2-Stars and the Freedom Award. His best memories, though, are from his association with the 302nd Air Lift Wing where he was given honorary status as Wing Commander, Chief Master Sergeant, and Enlisted Member of the unit. This is definitely a chapter you will want to hear more about personally from Fred.

Fred can say "been there, done that" about many impressive things. He is a past Chairman of the Colorado Springs Fire Board. He has served on the Board of Directors for Ronald McDonald House. He taught Economics at the high school level for Junior Achievement. Fred has been active with Chins Up, Big Brothers/Big Sisters, Navy League, Coast Guard Auxiliary, and Boy Scouts. Fred is an Alumnus (Emeritus) at all three of the major military branch War Colleges.

Happy Trails!

See you Saturday at:

Lewis Palmer D-38 Administration building
(a.k.a. Big Red)
146 Jefferson Street, Monument, CO 80921.
Please use the West or North entrances!