



# Rotary Club of Centennial Colorado



Centennial, Colorado

November 28, 2017



Kevin Skeens from The Children's Foundation is shown receiving the book plate for his presentation.

The Children's Foundation is a foundation operating out of Loveland, CO and operates an orphanage, Casa Hogars Los Angelitos, in Manzanillo, Mexico. Manzanillo, Mexico is a port city in Mexico and has a lot of orphans or distressed children as a result of prostitutes not taking care of their children the result of sailors and prostitutes.

The orphanage is about 20 years old and got its start as a soup kitchen for children on the streets. It gradually grew into a "full service" orphanage providing room, board, and education for the children they take in. In Mexico, education is only free through the 6th grade. Casa Hogars pays for the education of their children through college if they decide to go to college. It also provides a home for the children through college. The orphanage provides tutors for all of their students, which has improved their performance. The orphanage also has a psychologist on staff to help the orphans. Many of the kids at the orphanage are the top kids in their classes.

To further the kids education and well being, the orphanage offers an arts program. A part of the arts programs is dance. They have a dance ensemble that has travelled internationally.

The orphanage cares for approximately 90 children. They are always looking for donors and financial assistance. It cost approximately \$600 per year to pay for a child's education past the 6th grade. The Children's Foundation has a program for sponsoring a child. To sponsor a child, it cost \$40/month and it takes about 6 sponsors for a child per years. This is equivalent to 2 Starbucks a

week.

There are different ways to provide assistance to Casa Hogars. One is by direct donations to the The Children's Foundation. Another way is to sponsor a child. A third way is through Amazon. Going to smile.amazon.com and picking the charity, a percentage of what you purchase will support the foundation. Go to smile.amazon.com and click on a charity. You will have to type in "The childrens foundation and feed scholarship fund" and this will bring up a link to select the charity. It was suggested at the meeting that you might give a gift to the The Children's Foundation in the name of someone you might give a gift to.

This February, Centennial Rotary is planning a project to the orphanage. The trip is to do repairs at the orphanage and do out reach to the community. Cost is approximately \$900—1,000 per person. More details will be discussed at the meeting next week, Dec 5.

## BUSINESS MINUTE



Jeanne Henschen spoke about the Eagle Eye Ranch which is owned by her boss. The ranch is available to rent. It is located near Granby, CO. See the web page at [www.eagleeyeranch.com](http://www.eagleeyeranch.com). It is beautiful.

## GOOD NEWS

Katherine Henschen got engaged over the holiday.

Andres Osuna's wife came through surgery with no difficulty. Her tumor was determined to be benign.

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

NOV 29-PRIME TIMERS HAPPY  
HOUR LONGHORN STEAK-  
HOUSE 4-6 PM

DEC 2-HOLIDAY PARTY, HER-  
ITAGE EAGLE BEND CLUB  
HOUSE, 6 PM

DEC 5-ANNUAL MEETING, DIS-  
CUSS TRIP TO MANZANILLO,  
MEXICO FOR CASA HOGAN

DEC 6-BOARD MEETING

DEC 9,10-CHRISTMAS TREE  
PROJECT

DEC 12-LT. COL ERIC HAUFF,  
DIR INT'L BUS DEV, SIERRA  
NEVADA

DEC 13-SANTA CLOTHES,  
KOHLS 7 PM

DEC 19-RYLA AND YOUNG  
RYLA STUDENTS EXPERIENCE

DEC 26-CLUB IS DARK

## CLUB BUSINESS

- Karen Fleck as part of her initiation went and visited another club and brought back one of their flags.
- Holiday Party is this Saturday at the Heritage Eagle Bend Club House. Set up for those that are helping to set up is at 3 PM. Guests are to arrive starting at 5:30 PM.
- K Hope said that the Christmas Tree Project is on schedule. Ornaments are to be sorted on Dec 9 and the trees will be given away on Dec 10. There are currently 77 people receiving the trees. Volunteers are still welcome.
- Mary Alice Jackson gave an update on the PrimeTimers. There is a bus tour of the downtown lights by bus. The bus is full. They have started a monthly hike.
- The Polio Plus pigs netted the club \$450.

## TRAVEL GIFTS

- Anne West brought back a vase from Taos, NM.
- Phil Chipouras presented a plate and a rock pendant.
- Col Heckle brought back some cinnamon infused moonshine from Tenn.

## BLUE MARBLE

Barb Median was not able to find the blue marble so the pot rolls over to next week.