



From the editor: Wow! We are starting a new year with high hopes for less chaos and more calm in our worlds. There are still unknowns ahead, but we know how important it is to be so strong that nothing will disturb our peace of mind! Nancy DeNiro

## Lots of Fun at the Holiday Party!

The Holiday Party was held this year at the Dam West Clubhouse, courtesy of Jeanette Thompson. Congratulations to the Friendship Committee for another successful party. Guests included District Governor Nicole Powell and Lt Gov Mary Grace Wake.



Friendship Committee L-R Pearl, Toni, Sally, Abigail, Dee, Sheryl, Sherry & Lea



Dee and Shermalee



Abigail & Lt Gov Mary Grace



L-R Barb, Joy, Lois Jean, Abigail & Jan



L-R Gov Nicole, Sherry, Nancy O, Hatty, & Sandy M



Nancy K & Linda



Bonnie, Cindy, & Sue M



Judy B & Kathy S

## November/December Programs

November 4



**Ernie Clark**

**Second Chance  
Bicycles  
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November 11



**Gloria Scharton  
Kenya's Kid's Program  
(school in Kenya)**

November 18



**Bill Cassel**

**Noah's Ark Autism  
Kits**

December 2



**Rich Hopkins**

**Win Anyway - reaching  
your goals**

December 9



**Ingrid Pyka**

**Time Architect, who  
suggested ways to help  
us manage our time.**

December 16



**Steve Day, Principal**

**Cherry Creek  
Innovation Campus  
CCIC Programs.**



## December Programs

### December 30

TOC Board members planned and hosted a **New Year's Eve party** featuring appetizers and desserts provided by members, and libations prepared by Loretta. Multiple table games were played, rotating between tables. 29 members spent a very enjoyable evening welcoming in the New Year (early)!



Optimism in  
2022!!!



## Follow up From Happy Bucks Recipient

**Ernie Clark**, one of our speakers from November, didn't have slides to show us, but below are some pictures Judy Barrow took at **Second Chance Bicycles** non-profit charity that refurbishes and donates used bicycles to disadvantaged children, homeless and veterans.

These pics give an idea of how many bikes Ernie and the volunteers fix and give out. Happy Bucks awarded him with \$500 to help with his cause, and he came and accepted the check from **Claire Merrill** from the committee.



### OF NOTE:

The Brain Bowl has been cancelled for in-person training and tournaments due to the current state of Covid Omicron transmission. The committee will be evaluating the possibility of a virtual contest like last year, or postponing until later in the year. More information will be available later in the month.



## Christmas Gifts for Holm Families

Joy Criminger

The committee this year was Barb Althouse and Joy Criminger. The school selected 6 families with 22 kids total among them. **Barb** was the liaison with school social worker who gathered the names, addresses, phone nos., email addresses. She also sorted gifts by family and prepared for social worker pickup, and provided Christmas cards for the King Soopers gift cards

**Joy** was responsible for gift signups, publicizing at meetings, wrote articles for newsletter and Tidbits, and secured gift cards from treasurer. She started signups in Nov. for 22 students and siblings gifts, and collection of those gifts was from 11/11 to 12/11.

**Specifics for gifts** was 2 gifts to each child – pants/shirt and book, socks and underwear with a \$40 spending limit for each gift. Each gift was wrapped (gift receipt included), labeled with the proper info, and taken to Barb or Joy until time for delivery to the school social worker to pick up and take to families. In years past, members were able to deliver to the families. Tamarac also provided a \$50 King Soopers gift card for each family.

This project engages a lot of members, and reaches families most in need during the holidays. A huge thanks to all who participated!



Jae McQueen, Social Worker



<b>Karen Gutjahr</b>	<b>Dec 6</b>
<b>Sherry Pearn</b>	<b>Dec 8</b>
<b>Tricia Toney</b>	<b>Dec 19</b>
<b>Cindy Eley</b>	<b>Dec 21</b>
<b>Sheryl Overton</b>	<b>Dec 26</b>



<b>Nancy Wright</b>	<b>Jan 4</b>
<b>Roxie Strong</b>	<b>Jan 5</b>
<b>Hatty McGuire</b>	<b>Jan 10</b>
<b>Jeanette Thompson</b>	<b>Jan 13</b>
<b>Sue Morgan</b>	<b>Jan 24</b>
<b>Joyce Laman</b>	<b>Jan 25</b>

## GOG (Girls on the GO) in December

The only GOG was the Cheyenne Christmas House on December 3. It was a bit cold and windy that day. You know Wyoming it's windy!! We have no pictures. We had 5 ladies carpooled, and stopped in Loveland and ate Breakfast at Cracker Barrel. A trolley shuttled everyone to the Christmas House to tour and purchase crafts and lots of goodies! Afterwards, the group met Charlie and Gunar Neumann for tea and then went downtown to shop and have lunch. Everyone had a great time!



## First Super Citizen at Mission Viejo

Diane Zitek

### Super Citizen slides into Plan B

With some creativity and cooperation, our club managed to work around all the pandemic regulations and still provide Mission Viejo Elementary School with 2 mornings of Super Citizen pride.

In lieu of an assembly, **Principal Andrea Peterson, Diane Zitek and Judy Borrow** visited each classroom to award selected students with a Super Citizen Certificate. When the applause died down, Diane and Judy alternated walking the winners down to the main office to pick up their shirt and a book. All in all, it was two mornings of super fun.



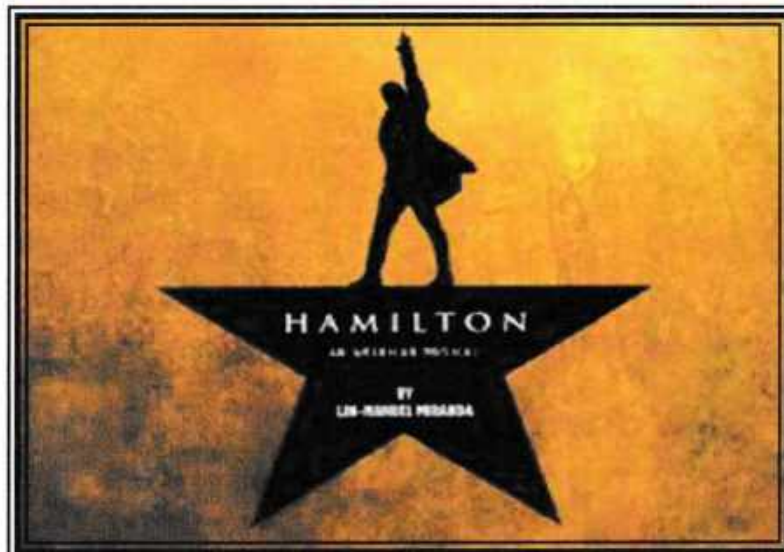
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Windsor members will come to our meeting with tickets!



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## RAFFLE FUNDRAISER



**1ST PLACE 2 TICKETS TO HAMILTON**

**March 5 -- 2:30 pm -- DCPA**

2ND PLACE \$100 GIFT CARD TO KINGS SOOPERS

3RD PLACE \$50 GIFT CARD TO AMAZON

4TH PLACE \$50 GIFT CARD TO TARGET

**\$10 TICKETS ON SALE JANUARY 3 - FEBRUARY 11**  
**AT THE ACTIVITIES DESK**

DRAWING FEBRUARY 16

Provide hope, positive vision, and bring out the best in youth, our communities and ourselves.