Kiwanis, Sertoma ring the bell



Above: The Monument Hill Kiwanis Club has rung the bell for the Salvation Army for 26 years, and this annual Christmas season's service project produces over \$40,000 each year for needy families and individuals in the Pikes Peak region. Here's club photographer Bonnie Nasser taking a shift to help. These funds are utilized by the Salvation Army for "Doing the Most Good" serving over 17,000 families each year. Services include operating a 24/7 emergency shelter, a nutritional meals program, a transitional housing service, and many programs for children and youths. Assisting the club each year are the D38 high school Key Clubs and middle school Builders' Club students. Local Boy Scout Troops 93, 85, 17, and 8 also participate in this important community outreach project. Others assisting include the D20 Schools' Discovery Canyon Campus Cheerleaders, employees of King Soopers, and other local firms' CEOs. The Monument Hill Kiwanis Club is a 501(c)(3) public charity that meets each Saturday morning. See www.monumenthillkiwanis.org or write to P.O. Box 102, Monument, Colorado 80132. Come visit the club and enjoy breakfast and an interesting guest-speaker program. Photo courtesy of Monument Hill Kiwanis.

Below: Legacy Sertoma Sergeant at Arms Berry Huffman helped collect donations for the Salvation Army's Red Kettle Christmas Campaign in December. The donations provide food, toys and clothing to over 6 million people during the Christmas season and help more than 34 million Americans recovering from all kinds of personal disasters nationwide. See www.legacysertoma.org/ for information about service activities and dinner meetings. *Photo courtesy of Legacy Sertoma*.



Yule Log Hunt, Dec. 11



At the annual Palmer Lake Yule Log Hunt on Dec. 11, participants trekked up into The Glen in search of the Yule Log. Daniel Leidenberger, the finder of the Yule Log, shared the honors in cutting the log in half using the saw used for the Yule Log Ceremony for the past 84 years. The first half is used in the fire, and the second half is saved for next year's ceremony fire. Leidenberger rode the Yule Log back to town and got the first cup of wassail. Non-hunters stayed warm indoors with carols and stories. **Above:** Daniel Leidenberger, the proud finder of the Yule Log, smiles for the first ride on the log as hunters drag it back into town. **Below:** Leidenberger shares the honors in cutting the log in half using the saw used for the Yule Log Ceremony for the past 84 years. The first half is used in the fire, and the second half is saved for next year's ceremony fire. *Caption by Audrey Burkart. Photos by Molly Porter.*



Overhead myth, Dec. 20



Above: Haley Chapin, executive director of Tri-Lakes Cares (TLC), spoke about the "Overhead Myth" at Outpourings, a Tri-Lakes United Methodist Church group event on Dec. 20. Pictured from left are Kim Whisenhunt, TLC operations manager; Joe Dague, board president of TLC; and Chapin. Chapin talked about what the Overhead Myth really means, what is acceptable, and what donors should be looking for when deciding which nonprofits to support. The talk focused on learning new paradigms and not using false, albeit common, conceptions about funding in charities. *Photo by Janet Sellers*.