

Kiwanis Club of Columbine

Weekly Newsletter for October 16, 2024

This Week's Presenter is Ken Sweet
Topic "Presidential Visions"

Pledge: Thomas Durkin

Invocation: Mike Jepkes

Kiwanis is a global organization of volunteers dedicated to
improving the world one child and one community at a time.



Club Officers:

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Executive Director/Secretary Josephine Young

Membership Dues are being updated
Guest and Interclub Breakfasts are \$11.50 each,
payable to the Treasurer.

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Oct 16 George Kinzer

Oct 21 Gary Householder

Oct 22 Mel Roghair

Attendance Last Meeting

At our meeting on October 09

Speakers: Students of the month

Number of Guests: 19

Satellite Meeting: 8

Speakers:

Number of Guests:

Wednesday Meeting in person

6:45 Social, 7:00 Meeting

4G's Restaurant

5950 S Platte Canyon Rd, Littleton, CO
80123

Satellite Meeting – Tue Oct 15 – 12:30



Links for signups and
reporting hours

[PROJECTS SIGN UP](#)

[VOLUNTEER HOURS](#)

Upcoming Club Programs

Oct 23	Lance Willians	Prin – Ken Caryl MS
Oct 30	Social	

Future Club Events and Service Projects

Oct 15	Tue	Satellite Club – George / Charlie
Oct 15	Tue	South Jeffco Business. Alliance Ken
Oct 17	Thu	Sharing with Sheridan - Ferris
Oct 22	Tue	Kiwanis After Dark Old Chicago 5:00 PM
Oct 28	Mon	Project Cure

Nourish Meals on Wheels

(Note – some changes have not been recorded)

Oct 16	Wed	Terri & Cleve McKinney
Oct 17	Thu	Ron Routh & Ken Sweet
Oct 18	Fri	Ken Sweet & Logan MacMillan
Oct 21	Mon	Denny Brehm family
Oct 23	Wed	Terri & Cleve McKinney
Oct 24	Thu	Rod & Karen Hunley
Oct 25	Fri	Les and Mary Ann Burns & Sally Kingman
Oct 28	Mon	Jan & Jerry Clayton
Oct 29	Tue	Riggs & Bobbi Smith
Oct 30	Wed	Terri & Cleve McKinney
Oct 31	Thu	Mel & Julie Roghair
Nov 01	Fri	Abe Baltazar & Jim Foley
Nov 04	Mon	Will Knoblauch & Jim Johnstone

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Columbine Hills Elementary

INCREDIBLE OPPORTUNITY AWAITS

Columbine Hills Elementary is looking for a few good volunteers to help their students.

As we all know, the elementary students were severely impacted by the pandemic. As a result, the schools are still striving to bridge that gap. Although much progress has been achieved, there remains a need to one-on-one help with some of the students. As was discussed in a recent meeting with their principal, she has requested our assistance with this project. Anyone interested will be required to complete two forms – a background check and a confidentiality form. These have to be submitted to the Paige.Orcutt@Jeffco.K12.co.us or by dropping them off at the school. If anyone is interested, I will have copies of these forms for you to complete at our next (10/16) meeting. If a satellite member is interested just contact me at cdurks@aol.com and I will email you these documents.

The most current needs are:

Kindergarten from Monday –Friday from 8-9am; Second grade from Monday-Friday from 8:15-9:30am; and first and/or fifth grade Monday-Friday from 1:30-2:30pm.

Thanks for your consideration in helping. - Tom Durkin

Columbine Key Club

Several of our Key Clubs are hosting Trick or Treat activities for their communities on or about October 26. They need treats! If you can bring a bag or two of candy, we will divide it among the Key Clubs that need it.

This week, students discussed Trick or Treat Street themes. The event happens on October 26.

Also, the assistant principal asked if any Key Club members wanted to form and sponsor an activity Club at Dutch Creek Elementary school. The principal there is hoping to provide more opportunities and activities for students after school, from around 2:30 until 3:30. This may present an opportunity for our Kiwanis Club to sponsor a club, too. Sports, arts, crocheting, cooking, board games, anything to engage kids grades K-5. - Karen Hunley

Dues 2024-2025

We voted at the September 11, 2024, meeting to increase the Columbine Kiwanis Club Dues. We voted on the item below.

Change the regular member dues to \$700 per year, also change the Project Member / Satellite Member dues to \$240 per year.

Note: Regular Members will be billed \$175 per quarter and Satellite / Project Members will be billed \$60 per quarter.

We will be paying dues on a quarterly basis. This simplifies our accounting.

There are two levels of dues: dues including breakfast (regular meetings) and dues without breakfast (satellite club, project members, and those on leave of absence).

	Annual	Quarter
with meals	\$700.00	\$175.00
without meals	\$240.00	\$60.00

The new fee for breakfast is \$12.25. This will apply to non-breakfast members attending regular meetings.

The new members joining fee will be:

Initiation fee	\$25.00	
Background check fee	\$25.00	
3 months with meals	\$175.00	Total \$225.00
3 months without meals	\$60.00	Total \$110.00

Ken Sweet
President

Satellite Group

Hi, Kiwanians -

The Satellite Group will meet next Tuesday, October 15th at 12:30 PM at the Colorado Credit Union, 10026 W. San Juan Way (west side of Kipling, just north of C-470). We will have a guest speaker from Foothills Park & Rec, and our new president, Ken Sweet, will give a preview of the coming Kiwanis year.

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Arapahoe Key Club

The Arapahoe Key Club is off to a great start – “We Rise by Lifting Others”. Held events for Sweet Dreams in a Bag packing for kids in need (they pack over 200 bags/yr), created personalized journals for elementary school Terrific Readers and Writers, participated in the Warrior Way Clean-up, and packed “You Matter” health care kits for students struggling with mental health. This last project works in concert with the school counselor community providing a mechanism for students to identify others that are potentially struggling with mental health and provide them with a package that says “We Care and You Matter” along with some tools and resources for relieving stress and anxiety. The kits are delivered to the counselor groups for distribution at both AHS and the 4 LPS Middle Schools.

Preparations are underway for Key Club 2024 Trick or Treat Street (indoor Sat. Oct. 26th) designed **for families that have small children that want a smaller, more individualized safe trick or treat experience and special needs kids are especially welcome.** Arapahoe High School students host about a dozen themed decorated rooms with games, crafts, activities and treats, along with face painting. If you know someone that might be interested, please invite them to come anytime from 8:30 to 11:30 am. - Don Buck

South Jeffco Business Alliance

A chance to learn and tell people about our great Kiwanis Club.



Speaker: Foothills Foundation

When: Tuesday, October 15, 9:00 - 10:30 a.m

Where: [Peak Community & Wellness Center](#), 6612 S. Ward St., Littleton, CO 80127

How: Please RSVP so we can plan for breakfast and seating. Please only RSVP if you are going to attend. Continually RSVPing and not attending meetings wastes the resources of our generous sponsors. You can also RSVP by replying to this email. If you don't RSVP come anyway, I will vouch for you.

Breakfast graciously provided by [Foothills Park & Recreation District](#).

Executive Director Ron Hopp will briefly discuss Ballot Question 6D.

Student of the Month Recognition

At the Oct. 9th Club Meeting, our guests included 3 Students of the Month (SoM) and many family members and school administrators / teachers continuing a recognition program for students that demonstrate a positive influence in their school communities through personal development, service to others and informal leadership. This month, we welcome the addition of Ken Caryl Middle School to the project and appreciate Principal Lance William's attendance.

Adrianna Gonzales-Doiel, a Senior at

Arapahoe HS, brought her two bros and older sis along with Mom and Dad as well as her school counselor to share in her recognition.

Adrianna is much invested in her studies with good grades with an emphasis on English Lit. with a "side" interest in Greek Mythology. She is very active in a program/club called Latino Studies Alliance as well. Additionally, she is taking online courses for cosmetology while also, after graduation from AHS, intending to major in psychology at university. All of the above is accomplished while working at a job 25 hours a week at Chick-fil-A. Adrianna's counselor states that "she is kind, smart and resilient" and that the staff at AHS is very proud of her and to have recommended her as an Arapahoe HS SOM.



Danna Bautista, of Powell MS, is an 8th grader stepping up this year finding personal and academic success at Powell while also recognized for her consistent best efforts, kindness and care for others. She was supported by 7 family members ranging from an infant brother to her grandmother and uncle. She is very interested in visiting Mexico City and Trujillo Peru where her parents are from and meet her extended families and has learned how to cook some unique foods of those cultures. Danna loves art and is fascinated by how a blank form can transition into something magical. Helping to care for her younger brothers coupled with a wonderful experience in her Anatomy class has focused her interest in



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caring for children to become a doctor and be part of something that will bring babies into the world and care for them like she does with her little brothers. We wish her success in pursuing her dreams at Arapahoe next year.

Raleigh Poe, an 8th grader at Ken Caryl middle school was nominated by his counselor Joni Ellis, as the first ever Student of The Month from Ken Caryl. Also present to support the award was the school principal, Lance Williams. His award was due to previously uneven academic results which he pledged to change and now astoundingly has straight A's! When asked what made such a difference, he said he wasn't happy with himself for not doing the work and now he is. Pretty simple but extremely hard to do. His favorite subject is history which fits very well with so many Columbine Kiwanians. Raleigh was supported at his Kiwanis recognition breakfast by several family members including his grandma, Sherry. She spoke of her pride when observing him at the age of 8 and how he acted with a bully whom he befriended, somehow sensing that was what the loner kid needed to change. Raleigh has obviously continued that sensitivity and was complemented by his counselor for being such a good friend to others. He faced challenges in his earlier life, losing his mother to illness a few years ago so resilience is also a character trait. Raleigh is an impressive young man who merits the recognition the Club has provided.



SWS (Sharing with Sheridan)

As Yogi Berra said, it's deja vu all over again, as we again served 198 families on a beautiful fall day. For the upcoming distribution on Thursday, we can use egg cartons

Bring Egg Cartons into Ferris or Abe.

Thank you much for your support,
Stephanie

Kiwanis and orchestra volunteers had an enjoyable afternoon at the Jefferson Symphony. The season opener was a success with nearly 400 patrons, including School of Mines and Jeffco students who attend for free. JSO musicians, staff and board can't thank the Kiwanis enough for our commitment and support!

Mark your calendars for the JSO Holiday Concert, December 8th, 3 PM, Green Center, Mines Campus, Golden



Columbine Hills Elementary

Megan and Karen...met with the principal at Col. Hills last week and she/they are ambitious towards collaborating with Col HS as to the Terrific Readers and Writers program and suggested doing the 1st gathering in Nov.

Anyway, this is contingent on Key Clubbers being recruited to engage with kids at Col. Elem. after school during the recognition but also to begin gathering from home their old readings from their "youth" and donating them for lettering credit to be distributed to the kiddoes.

Therefore, can I encourage you to get this on the meeting agenda for today perhaps to get the enthusiasm going for making this connection between Key Club and these elem. kids and their literacy?

My problem for today is that it is the monthly members meeting at Arap. HS that I need to attend, However, I will be joining y'all again for the rest of the month.

Much thanks for your engagement...rick