

# Kiwanis Club of Columbine

Weekly Newsletter for March 12, 2025

This Week's Topic is Student of the Month

Pledge: Bill Hursh

Invocation: Brian Counterman

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



Mar 13 Jim Foley  
Mar 14 Ferris Forar

**Club Officers:**  
President  
President Elect  
Secretary  
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Past President

Ken Sweet  
Lane Andrews  
Tom Durkin  
Ruthann Moomy  
Will Knoblauch

**Directors:**

2023-2025: Jim Roos, Logan MacMillan, Ferris Forar

2024-2026: Mike Jepkes, Susan Markley, Rick Sutton

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## Attendance Last Meeting

At our meeting March 05

Total attendance - 36

## Wednesday Meeting in person

6:45 Social, 7:00 Meeting

4G's Restaurant

5950 S Platte Canyon Rd, Littleton, CO  
80123

Satellite Meeting

Next Meeting: Tuesday, Mar 18th, 12:30 PM

Project Hours 252

Links for signups and reporting hours

Scan QR or click on link



[PROJECTS SIGN UP](#)

[VOLUNTEER HOURS](#)

Please report hours

## Upcoming Club Programs

Mar 19	Debbie Fox	"Romance Fraud"
Mar 26	Annie Thompson	"Boys & Girls Club" (p)
Apr 02	Alex Koons	"Second Wind Fund" (p)
Apr 09		"Student of the Month"
Apr 16		"Social Hour"
Apr 23	Lane Andre	"Increasing Membership"

## Future Club Events and Service Projects

Mar 11	Tue	Kiwanis after Dark - George / Abe 303 Sports Bar 5:00
Mar 13	Thu	Sharing with Sheridan - Ferris
Mar 17	Mon	Blood Drive - Tom D
Mar 18	Tue	Satellite Club - Charlie
Mar 22	Sat	Spring Leadership Conference - Ken
Mar 25	Tue	Kiwanis after Dark - George / Abe 303 Sports Bar 5:00
Mar 30	Sun	Jefferson Symphony - Jim R
Mar 31	Mon	Project CURE- George
Mar 31 - Apr 04		JA 3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade - Tom D
Apr 23	Wed	Open House

## Nourish Meals on Wheels

(Note - some changes have not been recorded)

Mar 13	Thu	Will Knoblauch & Sally Kingman
Mar 14	Fri	Denny Brehm Family
Mar 17	Mon	Steve & Debbie Barns
Mar 18	Tue	Riggs & Bobbi Smith
Mar 19	Wed	Terri & Cleve McKinney
Mar 20	Thu	Mary Rome & Geri Reinhart
Mar 21	Fri	Mel & Julie Roghair
Mar 24	Mon	Tom Durkin & Friend
Mar 26	Wed	<b>Need Help</b>
Mar 27	Thu	Scott Story & Jim Foley
Mar 28	Fri	Nancy Bierman & Janet Woodhull
Mar 31	Mon	Jerry & Jan Clayton

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# Blood Drive

Join us on St. Patrick's Day!

Patients are very lucky blood donors like you are willing to take the time and donate so they can survive and thrive. When you donate at our blood drive on 03/17/2025 from 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM, you could be lucky, too, and win big.

All donors who come to give blood March 1-31, 2025, will be automatically entered for a chance to win one of two \$5,000 gift cards.\*

Please sign up today to give blood at our blood drive, Monday, March 17!

Make your appointment today to donate at:

Riverwalk Clubhouse  
2751 W Riverwalk Circle  
Littleton, CO 80123



Schedule your life-saving blood donation by visiting [donors.vitalant.org](https://donors.vitalant.org) and search using Blood Drive Code: 0572 or select the direct scheduling link below.

<https://donors.vitalant.org/dwp/portal/dwa/appointment/guest/phl/timeSlotsExtr?token=ivmMbU%2FVYEQqkEYtc3fahKBsDj8w8msPEgmYSChIH%2Fc%3D>

Signup to help on Signup Genius

## Meals on Wheels

I am sure that Ken mentioned this to you at meetings, but I remind you. Several key volunteers have had to take their names off our Meals on Wheels list because of health issues. **We need more volunteers!!!** Before I make the quarterly schedule out, I send a request for you to tell me the dates you are unavailable to avoid conflicts. **We could sure use your help with Meals on Wheels volunteering.** As of now, we deliver Route 18 every day of the month except 2. please email me at [Riggs39@aol.com](mailto:Riggs39@aol.com) or call me on my cell phone on 303.489. 0898 if this interests you.

### So, this is how a typical day works:

You are teamed up with another Kiwanian or a family member if you wish. There are always two folks who

volunteer each day. About 9:30 am you would drive to Meals on Wheels location at Arapahoe RD and just east of Broadway to pick up the Meals. **They supply you with a client list, addresses and a suggested route.**

At the center you sign in on a slate with your route number 18. This indicates you are there. Your meals to deliver are brought out in an insulated bag and they announce the Route number. Ours is Route 18. You generally depart the center between 10 am and 10:30 am. Usually, one person drives and the other bags up the meals in plastic bags and delivers them to the door of the client. Hopefully we will visit a moment with the client, if they wish.

We are usually finished by 12:30 pm so our total time is about 3 hours. The only thing that is required by Meals on Wheels to be a volunteer is an application (Meals on Wheels provides), and a copy of our driver's license and Proof of Insurance.

If you decide to help, you will be rewarded, I can assure you. These clients are so appreciative of the meals and the short visit. You will go home "just feeling good" about the experience. As you heard from other volunteers, we have become very attached to some of these clients.

Most of our volunteers drive and deliver 2 or 3 times per quarter. I do the scheduling, but I always find out first each



volunteer's availability. Each quarter I send out the schedule. If you are interested, I can team you up for a "trial run" with some other volunteers first, if you would like to do that. - Riggs Smith

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## King Soopers Community Rewards

Support your Columbine Kiwanis Club by enrolling your King Soopers Card in the Community Rewards Program. King Soopers will donate to the club based on a percentage of your purchases.

To enroll, go to [www.kingsooperscommunityrewards.com](http://www.kingsooperscommunityrewards.com); create a digital account and link your card to Columbine Kiwanis Club.

## Kiwanis District Leadership Conference

A chance to meet other Kiwanians and share ideas. I plan to attend, join me. More information will be coming.

Dive into the future of **fundraising with new online strategies**, and expert insights on artificial intelligence, directly from KI. Elevate your leadership skills with Club Leadership Education sessions focusing on responsibilities and best practices. Discover innovative ways to boost your club's impact and explore strategies for opening new clubs. Celebrate outstanding achievements with well-deserved recognition. Get the latest news from our Foundation and network with fellow Kiwanians at our inter club luncheon, to expand your network with invaluable connections that will strengthen your Kiwanis journey. Plus, stay ahead of the curve with the latest updates on the District and ICON conventions for 2025. - Ken

**Estimated Cost:** \$50 per member

**Date:** March 22, 2025

**Location:** Fort Collins area

Rocky Mountain District  
All-Membership  
Spring Leadership  
Conference

March 22nd | 10am - 4pm  
Doors open at 9am



**THE SPACE**  
A Historic Fort Collins Venue  
The Agave Room - above The Rio

## Jefferson Symphony

**Next concert: Sunday, March 30, 2025, volunteer shift 1:30-5:30 pm.**

Program: Our favorite Overture (it's a secret), the Brahms Symphony No. 2, and features our 2025 Young Artist Winner, 16-year-old Li Yuqing performing the Tchaikovsky Violin Concerto. It will be a full concert with intermission this time!

**Put on your calendars for Sunday, May 18, 2025.** We are doing TWO performances at 1 pm and 4 pm of a multi-media Star Wars family concert. This will be a longer day, so if we need two shifts that is not a problem.

## Young Artists Concert

Sunday, March 30th, 2025 at the CSM Green Center



**MAR 30  
2024**

Young Artist Concert  
2025 JSO\*YAC Winner - Li Yuqing



## Open House

The Membership Committee has decided to have an 'Open House' April 23rd. It is the first Wednesday after Easter. This will be the first of a few Open Houses of the year. Be thinking about the people that you would like to invite. All our welcome for a free breakfast.

They might ask: What is Kiwanis? The name Kiwanis is a Native Language Phrase meaning 'To Share Our Talents.' Our primary focus for sharing our talents is with Children, one child at a time. Come share your talents with us!  
Mary Rome



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## Upcoming Elections

As strange as it might sound, it is time to start the nomination process for the club officer and board member positions that need to be filled for the fiscal year that starts on October 1, 2025. Kiwanis' rules require that we have new officer elections completed by mid-May.

Here are the positions that we need to fill:

- Club Secretary, term is from October 1, 2025, through September 30, 2026 (1 year). No candidates at present.
- President Elect, term is from October 1, 2025, through September 30, 2026 (1 year). The President Elect will then become the club president for the following fiscal year. No candidates at present.
- Treasurer, term is from October 1, 2025, through September 30, 2026 (1 year). Ruthann is resigning as the treasurer at the end of this fiscal year. Tom Durkin has offered to take over as treasurer. Other candidates are welcome to run for this office.
- We have three positions on the Board up for election. These Board members will serve for two years from October 1, 2025, through September 30, 2027. No candidates at present.

Lane Andrew is the current President Elect. He has agreed to be the club President for next fiscal year and will run unopposed.

If you want to run for any of the open positions or want to nominate someone for any of these positions, please let me know. Also, let me know if you want to participate on the nominating committee.

Will Knoblauch [wknoblauch@icloud.com](mailto:wknoblauch@icloud.com), (303) 881-1446

### OLLI (Lifelong Learning)

At OLLI at DU, we believe that "Curiosity Never Retires." Our vibrant, member-driven learning community is dedicated to providing an exciting and intellectually engaging curriculum tailored for individuals aged 50 and better. With over 120 classes per term and more than 2,000 active members across the Denver metro area, we offer a diverse range of learning opportunities that inspire seasoned learners from all walks of life.

Spring semester is starting, over 100 classes are available both in person and on line.

<https://olli.du.edu/duolli/category/category.aspx>

Ken

## Kiwanis Family Friends,

We are excited to announce the opportunity to be a part of this year's Rocky Mountain Key Club District Convention as we celebrate the centennial of Key Club International!

In past years, the Kiwanis Family Reunion was a highlight of Saturday at DCON. With the shift to holding our convention at the YMCA of the Rockies Estes Park Center, we're no longer able to host a luncheon. However, we've retooled our Sunday to focus on celebrating the Kiwanis Family of which we're so proud to be a part.

Sunday will feature a service project, inspirational remarks from Kiwanis Family Leaders, visits from our International Trustee Nidhi Rao and 2024-2025 Key Club International President David Robaina, the retirement of our 2024-2025 District Board of Trustees and installation of our coming year's servant leaders.

**We hope you'll consider joining us for our Kiwanis Family Celebration!** For \$25, we'll be providing the opportunity to join us along with celebratory treats and momentos celebrating our 100 years of service.

We hope you'll be part of the fun. And we'd even encourage you to consider getting your club together for a weekend retreat in beautiful Estes Park! Check out our District Convention website at [www.rmdkeyclub.org/dcon](http://www.rmdkeyclub.org/dcon) for more information. [You can register here](#) to join us (be sure to click "more prices" and select Kiwanis Visitor - SUNDAY ONLY).

If you have any questions or need more information feel free to reach out. And, of course, please feel free to share the invitation with all your Kiwanis Family Friends. We look forward to seeing you in Estes Park!

In Service,  
Elisa Williams, Governor  
Shane Miller, Administrator  
Rocky Mountain District of Key Club

**Shane A. Miller**

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