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Attendance Last Meeting

At our meeting April 30

Total attendance - 44

Guests: 2

Volunteer Hours MTD: 527

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, May 06, 12:30 PM

Colorado Credit Union building, 10026 W. San Juan Way

Links for signups and reporting hours

Scan QR or click on link



[PROJECTS SIGN UP](#)

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Please report hours

Kiwanis Club of Columbine

Weekly Newsletter for May 07, 2025

This Week's Topic is "Student of the Month"

Pledge: Connie McLaughlin

Invocation: Need Volunteer

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



None This Week

Upcoming Club Programs

May 14	Ken	Election of Officers
May 21		TBD
May 25	Arok Garang	"Seeds of South Sudan"

Future Club Events and Service Projects

May 05	Mon	Columbine Kiwanis Board meeting all welcome – Ken
May 06	Tue	Satellite Club – Charlie – Colorado Credit Union
May 08	Thu	Sharing with Sheridan – Ferris
May 10	Sat	Postal Drive Food Collection
May 13	Tue	Kiwanis after Dark - George / Abe 303 Sports Bar 5:00
May 18	Sun	Colfax Marathon Water Station Signup – Rod
May 18	Sun	Jefferson Symphony - STAR WARS Family Concerts
May 20	Tue	Satellite Club – Charlie – Colorado Credit Union
May 20	Tue	South Jeffco Bus alliance 9:00 AM Ken
May 27	Tue	Spirit Night Fundraiser at Chick-Fil-A – Will
Jun 02	Mon	Project CURE- George
Jun 09	Mon	Blood Drive – Tom Durkin
Jun 09	Mon	Columbine Kiwanis Blood Drive – Tom D
Jun 18	Wed	Action Center Stamp Out Hunger
Aug 15-17		District Convention

Nourish Meals on Wheels (Note – check with master list)

May 07	Wed	Tom Durkin & friend
May 08	Thu	Karen Hunley (Red Can't Drive need helper)
May 09	Fri	Dennis Brehm family
May 12	Mon	Mike Greunke & Mary Rome
May 14	Wed	Ken Sweet and Geri Rinehart
May 15	Thu	Gene & Chris Clark
May 16	Fri	Will Knoblauch & Ferris Forer
May 19	Mon	Jerry & Jan Clayton
May 20	Tue	Riggs & Bobbi Smith
May 21	Wed	Steve & Debbie Barnes
May 22	Thu	Scott Story & Jim Foley
May 23	Fri	Mel & Julie Roghair

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Leawood Elementary Science Fair

Abe Baltazar, Don Buck, Karen Hunley, Ken Sweet, Rick Sutton and I judged some remarkable science fair projects at Leawood Elementary School on Tuesday, April 29th. This is an annual event that showcases the innovative and scientific talents of students from kindergarten through fifth grade. Each year, young scientists present their experiments and projects, demonstrating curiosity, creativity, and an understanding of scientific principles. The fair encourages hands-on learning and fosters a love for science.

We were all impressed with the choice of scientific experiments chosen as well as the poise of the students explaining their projects to us. We were asked to use a scale of 1 to 5 for each item to be judged as well as rating the students' presentation. I can't speak for my fellow judges, but I learned some new scientific facts about gummy bears, magnets, and eggs! -Dayle Axman



Sheridan Food Bank

THANK YOU!

SwS is a frugal organization with no paid staff and minimal overhead for storage and transportation and has maintained financial stability throughout its history. In recent years, grant funding has allowed us to purchase foods in high demand by our neighbors such as milk and eggs. As grant opportunities dwindle, donations and our partnerships with Food Bank of the Rockies, the Food Exchange Resource Network (FERN) and Southwest Food Coalition are even more vital.

We are grateful to the support received from:

Arapahoe County	Polidori Sausage Company
Columbine Kiwanis Club	Sheridan Health Services – Jason Greer
Counterman Insurance, Inc.	Community Health Provider Alliance 1212
Concordia on the Lake	People & Staff of St. Philip Lutheran Church
Foothills Crop Walk	Sheridan School District No. 2
Englewood Elk Ladies' Auxiliary 2122	South Suburban Parks & Recreation
Hercules Industries	Southwest Food Coalition
Holy Name Knights of Columbus	St. Luke United Methodist Church –
Home Aid Colorado/Builders for Babies	Feeding of the 5,000
ITW Foundation	US Postal Service
Johnson Foundation	VFW Auxiliary Post 6944
Project Our Town	Numerous generous individuals

Clement Park Cleanup

Thank you so much for attending the “Trash Bash Connect” on Saturday, April 26th!

We were thrilled to have had the help of Kiwanis, West Metro Chamber, and others with cleaning up Clement Park, and we know Foothills Parks and Recreation were grateful as well!

We really value making a positive impact in our communities and we just wanted to extend our appreciation by offering you a bonus of \$200 when you sign up for a free checking account at Ent Credit Union! To take advantage of this amazing offer all you need to do is put \$5 in the savings, \$100 in the checking, and activate your debit card that we print onsite!

We are currently looking at doing more community-focused events like this one, so keep an eye out for more updates in the future!

Please feel free to reach out in case of any questions.

Warmly,

Joe Wood and Joe Oetken
Ken Caryl- 720-833-3510



NOTE: Ent donated \$500 to our pancake breakfast last year. They are great supporters of Kiwanis. Thank you both Joe's

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Colfax Marathon Water Station (Sign up NOW)

On May 18, our club will again be operating the water station in front of the Burger King at 6345 W Colfax. The organizers have adopted a new method for registering volunteers and are using software similar to Signup Genius. They are requiring all water station volunteers to sign up by April 10 (very short notice, I understand). I have created a Signup Genius signup sheet for the event and will use that info to enter your name into the Marathon's system. Please indicate your T-shirt size in the comments section in Signup Genius. It is required that I enter your name, address, email address, cell phone number into their system. I will use our roster to enter that info into their system.

Volunteers will then get emails directly from them about the event. I understand that this is different from previous years, but I didn't have any input on the change. -Rod Hunley

Kiwanis Spirit Night Fundraiser Chick-Fil-A May 27th is the date!

Chick-Fil-A on South Wadsworth is the place! Chick-Fil-A will donate 15% of sales from 5-8pm on the date of the fundraiser. The more people we get in the door the more money we raise!

For the order to count towards the fundraising total, have your people tell their cashier that they are here for the Spirit Night. If they forget to tell the cashier until after the order is placed then all they need to do is bring their receipt to a manager and it will count towards the fundraising total. Tell everyone you know – Let's make it a big event for our club! It would be fun to have a bunch of us show up at the same time and make a social event of it too! Will

Upcoming Elections

Will is traveling, I don't any updates for candidates. The positions are rewarding and lets you know what goes on with our club. - Ken

Elections for open positions will be Wednesday, May 14th during our regular weekly meeting. 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.

Will Knoblauch wknoblauch@icloud.com, (303) 881-1446

Jefferson Symphony STAR WARS Family Concerts

Sunday, May 18, 1 pm and 4 pm

This multi-media, family concert celebrates 48 years of the Skywalker Saga!

Come in costume and save \$5!

CSM Green Center, 924 16th St, Golden

Sign up online to volunteer

Hi Everyone,

I know many of you are volunteering at Colfax Marathon and there are lots of graduations happening, so we don't have our usual cadre of outstanding Kiwanis this time.

If you ARE available, from 11:30-2:30 (first concert at 1) OR 3:00-5:30 (second concert at 4) please reply to me!

I'm working on getting lunch provided for volunteers who can work the entire shift.

If you have friends, kids, grandkids or anyone who likes Star Wars and wants to help, please bring them along! Star Wars costumes (Arturo and musicians will be dressing up) or Star Wars t-shirts encouraged but not required.

If you know anyone who just wants to wear a costume and be friendly in the lobby OR they build robots and want to show them off, please forward this email to them!

PS. Anyone wearing a costume gets \$5 off tickets at the door! (it's free for kids 11 and under!)

Athena Lansing
General Manager
Jefferson Symphony Association



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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. This year so far we have received over \$400.00 for our foundation, it is significant,

To enroll, go to www.kingsooperscommunityrewards.com; create a digital account and link your card to Columbine Kiwanis Club.

Blood Drive Save the Date

If you can't donate bring a friend. You don't need to tell them where you are going. Once they get in the door Tom and Abe will not let them out. Promise them anything, perhaps a bag of peanuts.



BLOOD DRIVE SAVE THE DATE

DATE: Monday, June 9, 2025

TIME: 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

LOCATION: Riverwalk Clubhouse
Littleton, CO 80123

Because of you, life doesn't stop



Satellite Group

The Kiwanis Satellite Group will meet on Tuesday, May 6 at 12:30 PM in the Colorado Credit Union Community Room, 10026 W. San Juan Way (South on Kipling almost to C-470, on West side of Kipling).

Our guest presenter will be Gina O'Keffe, who will share her experiences "Sitting with an Open Heart Among the Homeless."

All are welcome to join us for her interesting presentation. - Charlie Boyer

Key Clubs

Columbine Kiwanis Club Supports 6 Key clubs. A big thank you to our Kiwanis Advisors.

School Name

Columbine High School	Karen Hunley
Dakota Ridge High School	Rod Hunley
Chatfield High School	Rod Hunley
Heritage High School	Jim Foley
Heritage High School	Dave Devanny
Littleton High School	Brian Countermand
Littleton High School	Denny Brehm
Arapahoe Key Club	Rick Sutton
Arapahoe Key Club	Don Buck

Project Cure

Thank you for participating in our visit to ProjectCURE on April 28. Whether you were working on Date Sorting or Match Sorting, we went through a tremendous number of items. Good work to all! Thank you for your help!

Our next visit to ProjectCURE would normally be on Memorial Day but ProjectCURE is closed that day. We will delay our next visit by one week and volunteer there on Monday, June 2 and a SignupGenius page will be available soon for you to make your reservation to participate. - George

Project cure met on Monday; we had a great group that showed up--12 Kiwanians. They split us into two groups, one that did date sort and one that did match sort. And at the end we sorted a lot of products. - Lane



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Columbine Kiwanis Meeting Schedule

Regular Meeting

Every week
Wed 6:45 AM
4G's Restaurant

Satellite meeting

1st-3rd Tuesday
12:30
Colorado Credit Union

Kiwanis after Dark

2nd and 4th Tuesday
5:00 PM
303 Sports Grill

Action Center (Update)

We have two projects lined up with the Action center,

Postal Drive Food Collection

The postal carriers will be bringing non-perishable food to the Bear Valley Post Office at 7555 W Amherst Ave Denver 90227 on Saturday May 10 from 3:30PM to 7:70. PM If you can't work the entire time come anyway. We will be helping to sort the food and put it in bins. It will be both heavy lifting, sorting food, and checking for expiration dates.

Signup on SignUpGenius. I have told the Action Center that we would have 10 people.

Action Center Stamp Out Hunger

The nonperishable food from the post office carriers will need more sorting before it is distributed. We (me) volunteered to help on Wed June 18 from 9:00-12:15 at Action Center Warehouse, 8035 W Colfax, Lakewood. It will be sorting and putting food in containers for distribution, not a lot of heavy work.

Signup on SignUpGenius. I have told the Action Center that we would have 5 people. - Ken

Castle Rock Golf Tournament

Still time to signup.

REGISTER NOW!	JULY 21	\$230*	FOUR PLAYER SCRAMBLE 9AM SHOTGUN START BREAKFAST BURRITO CANTINA BUFFET LUNCH \$100,000 HOLE-IN-ONE CONTEST** PRIZES GALORE!	
	MONDAY 2025	PER PLAYER		

<https://castlerockkiwanis.org/golf.html>

Tragic

Sad news — the inventor of auto-correct collapsed in the street yesterday. He was taken by ambience to the nearest horse piddle.



Key Club Advisors

Have you personally thanked each of our Key Club advisors, if not do it today.

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ISN'T MUCH
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