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#### **Attendance Last Meeting**

At our meeting May 14 Total attendance - 45

Guests: 5

Volunteer Hours MTD:230 Program: Student of the Month

And Club Elections

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 20, 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

**VOLUNTEER 4HOURS Please report hours** 

# **Kiwanis Club of Columbine**

Weekly Newsletter for May 21, 2025

This Week's Presenter is Dom Breton
Topic "Humor and Membership"
Induction of Kerry Urbaniak

Pledge: Kathy Athens Invocation: Geri Reinhart

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





May 21 Mike & Colleen Jepkes May 23 Connie & Terry McLaughlin May 25 Russ & Jane Jackson May 26 Dayle Axman May 26 Hazel Kinzer

## **Upcoming Club Programs**

May 25	Arok (	Sarang	"Se	eds of Sou	th Sudan"	
<b>Future</b>	Club	Events	and	Service	Projects	
May 20	Tue	Catallita	Club	Charlia	Colorada Cradit Union	

May 20	Tue	Satellite Club - Charlie - Colorado Credit Union
May 20	Tue	South Jeffco Bus alliance 9:00 AM Ken
May 22	Thu	Sharing with Sheridan – Ferris
May 27	Tue	Spirit Night Fundraiser at Chick-Fil-A – Will
May 27	Tue	Kiwanis after Dark - George / Abe 303 Sports Bar 5:00
Jun 02	Mon	Project CURE- George
Jun 03	Tue	Satellite Club - Charlie - Colorado Credit Union
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 21	Wed	Steve & Debbie Barnes
May 22	Thu	Rick Sutton & Jim Foley
May 23	Fri	Mel & Julie Roghair
May 28	Wed	Mitch Waldman & Ken Sweet
May 29	Thu	Rod & Karen Hunley
May 30	Fri	Don Buck & Abe Baltazar
Jun 02	Mon	Mike Greunke & Ferris Forar
Jun 03	Tue	Riggs & Bobbi Smith
Jun 04	Wed	Denny Brehm family
Jun 05	Thu	Mary Rome & Ruthann Moomy
Jun 06	Fri	Will Knoblauch & Mitch Waldman
Jun 09	Mon	Geri Rinehart & Mike Greunke
Jun 11	Wed	Will Knoblauch & Ferris Forar
Jun 12	Thu	Ken Sweet and Scott Story
Jun 13	Fri	Mel & Julie Roghair

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## Student of the Month

The membership was introduced this week to our 2nd Student of the Month from Arapahoe HS for May: Ms. Jessica Isadora Martinez.

She is a 17-year-old graduating senior that has several interests including reading, writing, drawing, gardening and acting in school theater. Also, she has a part-time job that requires 15 hours a week...AND... she is taking college classes for 3 hours a day 3 times a week to acquire certification for becoming a nurse (CNA). after graduation.

She is animated about volunteering in the community and in her words, "giving back to the community" in collaboration with her friends; one of which she brought to our meeting.

She is obviously a caring young lady that has aspirations of becoming a nurse and being a contributor to her community. Her nomination for Student of the Month was well deserved and wish her good fortune moving forward. - Rick



Blood Drive MONDAY, JUNE 9 10 AM - 2 PM RIVERWALK CLUBHOUSE 2751 W RIVERWALK CIRCLE, LITTLETON

Link: https://tinyurl.com/ycywr7xp



# 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

#### Meals on Wheels

Thanks to you, we've officially delivered 1 million meals since opening our location at Broadway and Arapahoe in 2020! That's one million deliveries filled with kindness, connection, and nourishment made possible by the dedication of volunteers like you. We're so grateful to have you as part of this milestone moment.

As we head into the busy summer travel season, we're seeing a high need for substitute drivers. If you have any flexibility in your schedule, please check the portal for open shifts. Even one extra delivery can make a big difference.

Thank you for all you do to keep our mission moving forward—one meal, one visit, and now one million meals at a time!

NOTE: Meals on Wheels is needing help. Delivery and kitchen. You can send a message to Sheila at <a href="Volunteers@NourishMealsonWheels.org">Volunteers@NourishMealsonWheels.org</a> or reply to the newsletter.

Riggs

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## **Sheridan Food Bank**

It was a beautiful day and easy work serving just 122 families (401 neighbors). For next Thursday's distribution, we can use:

- canned tomatoes
- canned vegetables
- canned beans
- dry pasta

At the current time, we are well-stocked with paper and plastic bags and egg cartons.

Thank you for your support. - Stephanie

## **Elections Results**

Last week on May 14 we had our club elections. The following candidates were elected by acclimation. We had a large turnout and a enough for quorum. Thank you for coming. The new candidates will take over at the next fiscal year, October 2025,

President - Lane Andrew Secretary - Mike Jepkes

Treasurer - Tom Durkin

Board of Directors 25/26 - 26/27 - Geri Reinhart

Board of Directors 25/26 - 26/27 - Shavon Forte

Board of Directors 25/26 - 26/27 - Gary McCombs

Board of Directors 25/26 (finishing the term vacated by

Mike Jepkes) - Jim Foley

Continuing board of directors: Susan Markley, Rick

Sutton

# 2025 DISTRICT CONVENTION:

Estimated Cost: \$225 per member

Date: August 15-17, 2025

Location: Denver Tech Center area

Join us for our biggest Kiwanis event of the year! Connect with fellow members from around the district, celebrate your achievements, and get inspired to serve

the children of the world.

## **Action Center -Food Sorting**

Due to the low amount of food collected this year at our annual "Stamp Out Hunger" postal event, We are cancelling your shift at the warehouse.

2024: Collect 53,000 lbs.

2025: 20,000 lbs.

Thank you for signing up, understanding and your continued support.

We want to extend our heartfelt thanks for your incredible support during this year's Stamp Out Hunger food drive. Your time, energy, and dedication helped make this event a success—and your efforts made a real difference in the lives of individuals and families facing hunger in our community.

Thanks to your help, we were able to collect 4,000 lbs & 19,806 lbs total from our 4 locations. Whether you helped sort donations, staffed a collection site, spread the word, or lent a hand behind the scenes, your contribution mattered.

We're so grateful to have such a compassionate and committed team of volunteers. Thank you for being part of this important cause. - Monica

# **Columbine Kiwanis Meeting Schedule Regular Meeting**

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

**Satellite meeting** 

1st-3rd Tuesday 12:30

12:30

Colorado Credit Union

**Kiwanis after Dark** 

2nd and 4th Tuesday

5:00 PM

303 Sports Grill

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#### South Jeffco Business Alliance

A chance to learn and tell people about our great Kiwanis Club. Fun speakers. Ken will be going, join him.

**Speaker:** Colorado Office of Economic Development and International Trade (OEDIT)

**When:** Tuesday, November 19, 9:00 - 10:30 a.m.

Where: Peak Community & Wellness Center, 6612 S.

Ward St., Littleton, CO 80127



# **Project Cure**

Our next visit to Project CURE would normally be on Memorial Day but Project CURE 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

#### **Sharing with Sheridan**

It looks like we had about 120 families altogether for last Thursday. Anyone else finding it weird, working with so few guests?

Anyway, let me know if you are available.

Also, if you are around the neighborhood of Ft Logan on Wednesday around 10:00, 10:15, look to the skies. We are having the ceremony for David's dad Fred at Ft Logan, and six planes are scheduled to do a fly-over and missing man formation.

Galen

## **International Kiwanis Convention**

The International Kiwanis convention is in Pittsburgh this year. If you plan to go let me know. There will be some important votes. - Ken



Hi Lori,

Arok did in fact make it to Colorado. We are very happy. Arok will be at Kiwanis on May 28th with Brian. I'm not sure yet if I can make it. Do you want him to present at well?

I'm planning an event for June 1st at Cultivar Cafe. 7595 W Yale Ave. This is at the summer Molly Brown House. If there is anyone interested in hearing



more and becoming involved, you are welcome to attend. I have attached a flyer for the event and please feel free to share at Kiwanis and with your next week.

Best regards,

Sue Counterman

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