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Attendance Last Meeting

At our meeting May 14

Total attendance - 40

Guests: 4

Volunteer Hours MTD:539

Program: Dominic Breton- District presentation
 Rick Balassari, Bill Worthington - Candidates for
 District President elect

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

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Kiwanis Club of Columbine

Weekly Newsletter for May 28, 2025

This Week's Presenter is Arok Garang
Topic "Seeds of South Sudan"

Pledge:

Invocation:

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



May 30 Jim & Betty Johnston
 May 31 Kerry & Paula Urbaniak

Jun 01 Gene Clark
 Jun 03 Tom Powis

Upcoming Club Programs

June 04 TBD

Future Club Events and Service Projects

May 27	Tue	Spirit Night Fundraiser at Chick-Fil-A – Will-KAD
May 29	Thu	Sharing with Sheridan – Ferris
June 1	Sun	Seeds of South Sudan Growing Ethical Leaders
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 10	Tue	Kiwanis after Dark - George / Abe 303 Sports Bar 5:00
June 25-28		International Kiwanis Convention
Aug 15-17		District Convention Ken

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

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
Jun 16	Mon	Gene & Chris Clark
Jun 17	Tue	Riggs & Bobbi Smith
Jun 18	Wed	Tom Durkin & Friend
Jun 19	Thu	Scott Story & Jim Foley
Jun 20	Fri	Janet Woodhull & Nancy Bierman
Jun 23	Mon	Jerry & Jan Clayton

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Kiwanis Spirit Night Fundraiser

May 27th is the date! Chick-Fil-A on South Wadsworth (5260 S Wadsworth Blvd, Littleton) 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 our fundraising total. Tell everyone you know – **Let's make it a big event for our club! See Will or Ken for flyers that you can hand out to friends, relatives and neighbors to remind them and encourage them to have dinner out as well as support our Kiwanis Club!** It would be fun to have a bunch of us show up at the same time and make it a social event too! - Will



We want to help support our club with this fundraising event. For this one session, our **Kiwanis After Dark** event will be at this Chick-fil-A. We plan to corral several tables so we can sit together. Hope to see you there. - George Kinzer

Blood Drive

MONDAY, JUNE 9

10 AM - 2 PM

RIVERWALK CLUBHOUSE

2751 W RIVERWALK CIRCLE, LITTLETON

Link: <https://tinyurl.com/ycywr7xp>



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

Colfax Marathon Sunday May 18

Perfect weather made for ideal conditions for the volunteers at the 2025 Colfax Marathon. Twenty-four members and guests of the Kiwanis Club of Columbine served water and sports drinks to the runners at the water station at W Colfax and Lamar St in Lakewood. Our club has volunteered for this event since the inception of the Colfax Marathon. Thanks to the volunteers for their help at a very early hour on a Sunday morning. We had a few first-time volunteers and hope to see you all back in 2026. - Rod Hunley



NOTE: This seems to be one of our easy projects, THANKS TO ROD. He has every detail worked out. – (of course Karen deserves big thanks) Ken

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.

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Seeds of South Sudan

Join Us for early Dinner and Conversation with Seeds of South Sudan Founder Arok Garang: Growing Ethical Leaders

Come learn of his mission: To nurture and educate refugee children to become seeds of change for South Sudan

When and Where:

Sunday June 1, 2025, 4-5:30 pm

Cultivar Café 7595 W. Yale Ave Denver, CO 80227

This is a free event sponsored by South Jeffco Rotary

Progress of Seeds to date:

Total students being educated: 187

High School graduates: 82

HS grads in college & other schools: 24

College graduates: 12

Graduates awaiting support for college: 34

How to Help: Our goal is to raise \$5000 towards the college fund to support underfunded students to remain in college. Our big audacious goal is to find a sponsor for Yar Deng Mayen who you will hear about in the presentation. She is Seeds top female graduate of the class of December 2024. Sponsorship for college is \$5400 per year for four years. This includes tuition, fees, books, room and board, and medical.

If you can't attend, please consider donating to our students. Learn more about Seeds of South Sudan and make a life-changing donation here:



Jeffco Library

You may have heard we are having some interim services and programming at the future home of the South County Library, 11100 Bradford Rd, Littleton, CO 80127, starting this summer.

The Ken Caryl Bookmobile stop became South County Bookmobile stop and moved from its former location to 11100 Bradford Rd. on Saturday, May 3rd. The Bookmobile will be at the future home of the South County Library every Saturday from 11am to 3pm. Folks may access help from friendly staff, return items, check out items, pick up holds and participate in Bookmobile programs.

Starting on Friday, June 6th there will be a weekly story time "Family Time at South County" on the lawn from 10:15 to 10:45 am which will run through August 29th (excluding July 4th). There will also be programs happening throughout the summer on the lawn and some inside the building in the meeting room throughout June and July. For more information, please visit the project website at <https://jeffcolibrary.org/south-county/>

Thanks,
Rene Yaws

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

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

Jefferson Symphony

To our wonderful Columbine Kiwanis volunteers: Abe, Connie, Veronica, Kathy, Lori, Mary, Jim, and Jo, you helped to make the Jefferson Symphony Orchestra's closing 2024-25 concert a great success!



The orchestra hosted back-to-back shows at the Colorado School of Mines Green Center, where hundreds of "Star Wars" and symphony fans packed the house

for both performances. Link to the CCM article -

<https://coloradocommunitymedia.com/2025/05/21/jefferson-symphony-orchestra-star-wars-concert-2024-2025-season-finale/>

Please mark your calendars for the JSO summer 2025 concert on August 17th at Heritage Lakewood Belmar Park.

Athena Lansing
JSO General Manager

 **Kiwanis**



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

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Summer is a critical time for blood donations as demand remains high while supply may decrease due to vacation travel and summer activities. Donating blood is essential to ensure that blood products are readily available wherever and whenever they are needed.

Schedule your blood donation appointment by visiting donors.vitalant.org and search using Blood Drive Code: 0572 or scan the QR Code.

For more information visit us at vitalant.org or call 877-258-4825. **Because of you, life doesn't stop.**

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