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Attendance Last Meeting

At our meeting June 11
 Total attendance - 36
 Guests: 1
 Volunteer hours for May: 902

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, June 17, 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 June 18, 2025

This Week's Presenter is Ken Sweet
Topic "Lies from the bush – Mining Stories"

Pledge: TBD

Invocation: TBD

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



June 21 Gary & Janet Householder
 June 22 Tom & Karen Econopouly

June 18 Logan MacMillan
 June 24 Russ Jackson

Upcoming Club Programs

June 26 TBD

Future Club Events and Service Projects

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| Jun 17 | Tue | Satellite Club – Charlie – Colorado Credit Union |
| Jun 19 | Thu | Sharing with Sheridan - Ferris |
| Jun 24 | Tue | Kiwanis after Dark - George / Abe 303 Sports Bar 5:00 |
| Jun 25-28 | | International Kiwanis Convention |
| Jun 30 | Mon | Project CURE- George |
| Jul 01 | Tue | Satellite Club – Charlie – Colorado Credit Union |
| Jul 03 | Thu | Red, White and You – Mike |
| Jul 04 | Fri | 4th July Party- Mike & Cindy |
| Jul 08 | Tue | Kiwanis After Dark- George / Abe 303 Sports Bar 5:00 |
| Jul 15 | Tue | Satellite Club – Charlie – Colorado Credit Union |
| Jul 22 | Tue | Kiwanis After Dark - George / Abe 303 Sports Bar 5:00 |
| Aug 15-17 | | District Convention - Ken |

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

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| Jun 18 | Wed | Rick Sutton & Logan MacMillan |
| Jun 19 | Thu | Scott Story & Ken Sweet |
| Jun 20 | Fri | Janet Woodhull & Nancy Bierman |
| Jun 23 | Mon | Jerry & Jan Clayton |
| Jun 25 | Wed | Steve & Debbie Barnes |
| Jun 26 | Thu | Rod & Karen Hunley |
| Jun 27 | Fri | Need Volunteers |
| Jun 30 | Mon | Ruthanne Moomy & Mary Rome |
| Jul 01 | Tue | Riggs & Bobbi Smith |
| Jul 02 | Wed | Teri & Cleve McKinney |
| Jul 03 | Thu | Ken Sweet & Geri Rinehart |
| Jul 07 | Mon | Les & Mary Burns & Sally Kingman |
| Jul 09 | Wed | Teri & Cleve McKinney |
| Jul 10 | Thu | Scott Story & Ken Sweet |

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June Blood Drive

On Monday June 9th your club hosted our quarterly blood drive. Through your generous donation of time and blood, we were able to collect 17 units. The need is constant but during the summer months the donations decrease as did ours. Yet these much-needed donations will help fill that gap as the demand is constant. Help get the word out by reminding your friends and family to join us on September 15th at the Riverwalk Clubhouse. Let's make it our goal to make this the best drive of the year. Thank you for your continued support of this project

Hi Tom,
I know drive day counts are not always accurate. I can confirm 17 units collected:

6 whole blood donations
3 Power red donations for 5 units (one was a single unit return)
3 Red/Plasma donations for 6 units (3 single red/3 plasma)
Thank you again, and please let me know if you have any additional questions.

Lori Freerksen
Account Manager
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Denver, CO

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4th of July party on the 4th

Mike and Cindy Tanner will be hosting a 4th of July party on Friday the 4th. The fireworks will be shot off on the 4th. Come about 6:00 and stay for the fireworks.

This year bring your own food, eating utensils, and chairs. Mike and Cindy will provide drinks, BUT it is good to bring drinks to share. Mike will provide a large cake for dessert. It is not a potluck this year. There will be no grill.

If you choose to, bring a nonperishable item to donate to



a
local
food
bank.
-
Ken

Kiwanis after Dark

On the evening of June 10, a dozen Kiwanis Members and friends gathered for a social time at 303 Sports Grill. Discussion varied widely and was enjoyed by all attending. We all got to know one another better through this event.

Attending, as shown left to right in the photo are - Hazel Kinzer, Betty Johnston, Jim Johnston, Karen Hunley, Steve Sandifer, Helmi Sandifer, Rod Hunley, Charlie Boyer, Ferris Forar, and Abe Baltazar. Not shown are Lane Andrew and George Kinzer.

The next Kiwanis After Dark social is scheduled for Tuesday, June 24 at 5pm at the 303 sports grill. All members and friends of Kiwanis are welcome. - George



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Red White and You Beer

I invite you to sign up for "Red White and You beer serving" at SignUpGenius!. Jul 3 5:00 PM-9:30:PM

Friends and adult family members are eligible. About 30 or more volunteers needed to staff two beer locations. Event includes free concert and fireworks show. NOTE: This is a fundraiser. Parking passes will be provided if desired. Let me know of questions. Mike Greunke. 303-809-4716.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080D4EAEAF2FA1FF2-57067194-redwhite>

NOTE: *this is a separate Sign-on-genius than our normal one.*

Sheridan Food Bank

Hi all,
Last week we provided food and sundry for 184 families (600 folks). Let's do it again!
Let me know if you are in. - Galen

Thanks

We have so many things to be grateful for, but do we ever thank people. If you want to thank someone in the newsletter let me know, I will add it here.

This week I want to thank Ferris for setting up and taking down the meeting room. It does not set up by itself. He is gone much of July, please volunteer. Of course he is also involved with almost everything else. Please thank him personally, - Ken



Executive Secretary leaving

Dear Fellow Kiwanians,

It's with mixed emotions that I share an important update regarding my role: I will be resigning from my position as Executive Director of the Rocky Mountain District, with my last day of employment being June 30, 2025.



This decision is for the betterment of my family, as I have accepted an exciting new position as Executive Director for the Platte County Economic Development.

It's been an immense privilege to serve this District for the past six years. Every interaction, every project, and every moment spent with you all has been a true joy and a significant part of my journey. I'm deeply grateful for the opportunities and experiences we have shared.

My absolute priority during this transition is the continued health and success of our District. I have a firm plan in place to ensure a smooth handover, especially with the upcoming District Convention in mind.

I look forward to continuing to serve alongside you all as an active Kiwanian and seeing all the great things to come!

Lift Up Littleton

Billboard

Kiwanis Club of Columbine, Will Knoblauch – participating in Red, White, and You event at Clement Park on July 3; Sharing with Sheridan Food Pantry every Thursday in Sheridan Rec Center parking lot, multi shifts during 10:30 PM – 5:00 PM.

Nourish Meals on Wheels, Nancy Falk – theater night fundraiser June 18 at Town Hall Arts Center, also online silent auction, tickets still available.

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Meals on Wheels Schedule

Riggs is in the process of making the new Meals on Wheels driver schedule. I think he also needs a big thank you for this scheduling and his presentations at the meetings.

Meals on Wheels! The delivery of hot meals to (mostly) Senior Citizens is one of our Kiwanis Club's main projects.

I am the contact for this project, and the purpose of this letter is -- **we need more people to participate**. It is very rewarding, and only takes part of a day, 2 or 3 times every three months, so please consider volunteering.

It's easy. On the date you are assigned, you will work with a fellow Kiwanian. We work in pairs, and usually one person drives while the other gets the next delivery ready. Some of us work with another Kiwanian, and others work with our spouses or friends

We go to the Nourish Meals on Wheels facility at 92 East Arapahoe Road, near the corner of Broadway and Arapahoe Road. We arrive about 9:30 a.m., sign in, and pick up the meals and route. Ours is Route 18 and we usually have 11-15 addresses to deliver.

After picking up the meals, we follow the route sheet and deliver the meals. Usually, we are done by 12:30 or 1 p.m. The bags that the meals were packed in can either be taken to a Kiwanis meeting and turned over to the next set of drivers, or can be brought to my house and I will take them back.

Most of our clients have been on the route for a long time and after you work Route 18 a time or two, it gets easy. I will schedule you to "ride along" on the route with a current driver to "get acquainted" with the process of getting the meals, and the route itself. Some of the clients like to visit, so we often visit for a few minutes. This may be the only human contact they have that day, so we encourage our volunteers to visit briefly.

You will need to fill out an application to volunteer at Meals on Wheels, take a short tour of the facility, and provide proof of vehicle insurance.

We could use your help! - Riggs Smith

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

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

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.

Kiwanis Engage

Kiwanis International has finally come out with their new online database. It is primarily for club secretaries and presidents; but could be useful to members. Check it out: - Ken

[learning resources webpage](#)

South Jeffco Business Alliance

Join us for a special networking event at beautiful Clement Park! Bring plenty of business cards and come prepared to get to know other business leaders in your community.



We'll also be hosting a hygiene supply drive to benefit The Action Center, so don't forget to bring toothpaste, toothbrushes, shampoo, conditioner, soap, deodorant and feminine hygiene products to help our neighbors in need!

Breakfast graciously provided by Erin Acheson with **West Metro Chamber of Commerce**

When: Tuesday, June 17, 2025, 9 - 10:30 a.m.

Where: Clement Park, 7306 W. Bowles Ave., Littleton, CO 80123

Shelters J, K & L, near the large playground and the amphitheater. [RSVP](#) to receive a map of the location.

How: Please [RSVP](#) so we can get a breakfast head count and to receive a map of the park to help you find us. Please respect our breakfast sponsor and only RSVP if you are going to attend. South Jeffco Business Alliance meetings are always FREE and open to anyone who wants to meet local business leaders.

This is a fun event and a great chance to recruit Kiwanis members.

Ken

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

DISTRICT LEADERSHIP ROLES! WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Rocky Mountain District of Kiwanis is looking for help in the following areas for next year's team....

- Membership: Club opener specialist
- Membership: Club nurturer specialist
- Aktion Club administrator
- Circle K Assistant administrator
- Club Coaches (2-3 in each division)

Kiwanis
Rocky Mountain District

Contact us today to learn more!

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