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#### **Attendance Last Meeting**

At our meeting on September 17 Total attendance – 39

Speaker: Jan Philpy - Sharing with Sheridan

Guest: Don Thompson

Columbine HS Key Club Executive Board: Linda Doa, Megan Kelly, Amelia Dehn, Mckenna Balzhiser, Bryce Lingenfeld, Billy Chen, Winston Phan

Project hours MTD for Sept 284.5

Wednesday Meeting in person 6:45 Social, 7:00 Meeting 4G's Restaurant

5950 S Platte Canyon Rd, Littleton, CO 80123

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 September 24, 2025

This Week's Presenter is Rick Baldessari Incoming Lt-Gov Induction of Club Officers

Greeter / Pledge: ??? Invocation: ???

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





Sep 24 Will Knoblauch Sep 29 Dawn McEwen

#### **Upcoming Club Programs**

Oct 01 New President Presentation - Lane Andrews

#### **Future Club Events and Service Projects**

| I utule | Club | Events and Service Projects                           |
|---------|------|---|
| Sep 22  | Mon  | Blood Drive – Tom D                                   |
| Sep 23  | Tue  | Kiwanis After Dark - George / Abe 303 Sports Bar 5:00 |
| Sep 24  | Wed  | Longer Table Littleton – Will K                       |
| Sep 25  | Thu  | Sharing with Sheridan – Ferris                        |
| Sep 29  | Mon  | Project CURE – George                                 |
| Oct 07  | Tue  | Satellite Meeting - Charlie - Colorado Credit Union   |
| Oct 12  | Sun  | Jeffco Symphony Concert – Jim R                       |
| Oct 14  | Tue  | Kiwanis After Dark - George / Abe 303 Sports Bar 5:00 |
| Oct 18  | Sat  | Sweet Dreams in a Bag                                 |
| Oct 21  | Tue  | Satellite Meeting - Charlie - Colorado Credit Union   |
| Oct 24  | Fri  | BOO-refic Bash and Splash – Lane                      |
| Nov 15  | Sat  | Sweet Dreams in a Bag                                 |
| Dec 13  | Sat  | Christmas Party - Dawn/Connie                         |

#### Nourish Meals on Wheels (Note - check with master list)

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# MONDAY SEPTEMBER 22 9 AM 1PM RIVERVALK CLUBHOUSE 2751 W RIVERWALK CIRCLE LITTLETON, CO 80123 Kiwanis of Columbine Community Blood Drive

Below is also the direct link to sign up to donate <a href="https://donors.vitalant.org/dwp/portal/dwa/appointment/guest/phl/timeSlotsExtr?token=ivmMbU%2FVYEQqkEYtc3fahAY4nEXpDeLFGbgu%2BbB%2Fokc%3D">https://donors.vitalant.org/dwp/portal/dwa/appointment/guest/phl/timeSlotsExtr?token=ivmMbU%2FVYEQqkEYtc3fahAY4nEXpDeLFGbgu%2BbB%2Fokc%3D</a>

# **ProjectCURE**

Kiwanis Friends -

We have planned our next visit to ProjectCURE for Monday, September 29. Our time at the warehouse will be 9:30am to Noon. For anyone wanting to carpool, we will leave the 4Gs parking lot promptly at 9:00am that morning. - George Kinzer - GRKinzer@gmail.com.

# **Sharing with Sheridan**

Columbine Kiwanis donated \$1000 to the Sharing with Sheridan Food bank. Jan, centered under the Kiwanis logo, gave a very informative presentation. The rest are Kiwanians that regularly work with the Sheridan Food Bank.



# **Longer Table Littleton September 24th**

The table is a single, long table where people of all walks of

life and diversities share a meal. When we eat together, the table reveals our shared humanity and fundamental sameness and holds the explosive potential to increase our sense of belonging, cultivate understanding and honor our differences. Our hope for this experience is that the Littleton Community will strengthen its resilience and improve our health as we connect with others. Visit the website at <a href="https://www.littleton.ong.Table">The Littleton Long Table</a>, also, here is a link to a great article in the Littleton Independent about our event: <a href="https://www.littletonindependent.net/news/article\_569">https://www.littletonindependent.net/news/article\_569</a> 03bed-b10c-4261-b875-1294362717fa.html check it out!

#### Coming Down to the Last Call!

Columbine Kiwanis, as part of the Lift Up Littleton Collaborative, is proud to be involved putting on this big community event in a couple of ways:

We are a Super Host for the event which allows us to invite twenty or more people (members, family and friends) to be guests (at no cost) for the event. This is a big deal for Columbine Kiwanis and our community – Please show your support by sharing dinner with your friends and neighbors at the table.

We are also spearheading the set up and tear down for the event. Please volunteer if you can, we still need a lot of volunteers!



Follow up with your family, friends,

neighbors, church – whomever you can think of to (1) ask them to volunteer to help us, and (2) participate in the event as a guest at the table.

Here is a QR code and a link to sign up: Or you can sign up from this

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## **Arapahoe Key Club**

Kicked off the year with about 60 students at the first Club meeting while others were tied up with sports or homecoming preparations. We have a new advisor this year who is engaged with the Club and its mission. Planning has started for the Oct. 25th Trick or Treat Street and events for Sweet Dreams in a Bag packing, writing cards for Hospitalized Kids, Toys for Tots sorting/wrapping, Warrior Way Clean-Up, individual service activities including Unified Sports and packing "You Matter" health care kits for students struggling with mental health. This last project works in concert with the school counselor community providing a mechanism for students to identify others that are potentially struggling with mental health and provide them with a package that says "We Care and You Matter" along with some tools and resources for relieving stress and anxiety. The kits are delivered to the counselor groups for distribution at both AHS and the 4 LPS Middle Schools. - Don Buck

# **Key Club Visit**

Five officers and Columbine High School Key Club sponsor Ms. Kelly visited our club meeting on September 17. After they enjoyed pancakes and bacon, the officers told the Club about their plans for Homecoming parade and Trick or Treat Street. Currently, there have been more than 40 students attending meetings. The Club is partnering with Denver Community Ministries to sponsor food and clothing drives. They are also looking into sponsoring school blood drives, as the teacher who used to do it has retired. Karen



# **Outdoor Lab**

Do you remember when we helped build this? If so send us a short article for the newsletter.



## **Evergreen High School**

Two days after the unfortunate shooting event at Evergreen High School on September 10, I contacted Kristi Tolen (our current Division Lt Governor) as a member of the Blue Spruce/Evergreen Kiwanis Club to offer our fellowship and suggestions. Several of our local Kiwanis members were deeply involved in the Columbine High School shooting recovery back in 1999, and I thought Kristi might find some of our experiences and observations helpful.

Our 1999 efforts were directed through the JeffCo School Central office and provided members to "guard" the doors when the school sessions resumed - but we found we did more "listening" to students than "guarding". The students just wanted to talk to a non-judgemental person, and we were there to listen. We initiated a Kiwanis Heroism Award for slain Columbine teacher, Dave Sanders. Kristi now knows about this possible recognition for any Evergreen "Heros" if appropriate.

She will also contact the Kiwanis International Office in Indianapolis in case other Kiwanians are volunteering to help Evergreen. We received a giant outpouring of gifts, scrapbooks, and even a grove of trees, in the wake of the Columbine event. Finally, the Key Club at Evergreen HS has been actively supporting their members and other students as they deal with the aftermath of the current event, and Kristi is working with the Evergreen HS Key Club Advisor on this.

We send our sentiments of support to our fellow Kiwanis members in Evergreen, as well as to all those impacted by this unfortunate event. - George Kinzer

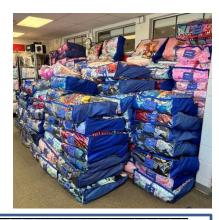
# **Sweet Dreams in a Bag**

The following dates, help us.

Littleton Public Schools East Community Center

5933 S Fairfield Street Littleton, CO 80120 (Just west of Orchard & Broadway)

October 18, 2025 November 15, 2025



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#### **Chatfield SH Key Club**

Chatfield SH Key Club met on 9/9/25 with more than 50 in attendance. They discussed service projects that they will help with. Homecoming week is Sept 22-26 and they are planning for Fall Fest. Fall Fest is an annual event, held during Homecoming Week, that features fun activities for the school and community such as face painting, games, bounce houses, dunk tanks, food trucks. The Key Club will be operating a cotton candy concession as part of their commitment to the event. - Rod Hunley

# Dakota Ridge HS Key Club

Dakota Ridge HS Key Club held their first meeting of the year on 9/16/25 with 25 in attendance. Their club will meet once a month on the third Tuesday of the month. This meeting was devoted to planning for Trick or Treat Street on Oct 29. Key Club is responsible for planning the event for the entire school, and gets to determine the theme(fairy tales) and gets the first pick of a theme for their club(Snow White and 7 Dwarfs). Their next meeting is Oct 21 at 7:15. - Rod Hunley

#### Friends, sad news

I'm sorry to deliver this message but Barb Fuller has passed away. Stephanie went to Barb's house this morning as usual to do laundry and found her in the bathroom.

Stephanie has some other relatives in town who are with her now, and her brother is flying in from California.

I'll let you know other details as they are available. Please keep Stephanie and her family in your thoughts and prayers.

Take care.

#### Annette Lana

For thinose that did not know Barb, she was one of the "doers" in our Kiwanis Division along the front range. Any time there was a project, she was in the middle of it.

I will miss her.

Ken

#### **BOO-terific Bash and Splash**

BOO-rifle Bash & Splash is a fun, indoor event for the whole family that includes trick-or-treating, bounce houses and swimming. Kids get to show off their costumes while parents interact with local businesses

Friday, October 24, 2025 • 6-8 p.m. Ridge Recreation Center 6613 S. Ward Street, Littleton, CO 80127

We may participate in fun and publicity. Anyone willing to help let me know. - Lane / Ken



#### **Election Columbine Kiwanis**

#### **Outgoing**

Ken Sweet - President to Past President Lane Andrew - President Elect to President Ruthann Moony - Treasurer Will Knoblauch - Past President Tom Durkin - Secretary to Treasurer

Outgoing Board 2023-2025 Incoming board 2025-2027 Continuing board 2024-2026 Jim Ross, Logan MacMillian, Ferris Forar Shavon Forte, Gary McCombs, Geri Reinhart Susan Markley, Mike Jepkes, Rick Sutton

Jim Foley will replace Mike Jepkes (Mike is incoming secretary)

Incoming officers:
Lane Andrew - President
Ken Sweet - Past President
Tom Durkin - Treasurer
Mike Jepkes – Secretary



Andrew, Lane



Sweet, Ken



**Durkin, Tom** 



Forar, Ferris



Foley, Jim



Forte, Savon



Jepkes, Mike



Knoblauch, Will



MacMillian, Logan



Markley, Susan



McCombs, Gary



Moony, Ruthann



Reinhart, Geri



Roos, Jim

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