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Attendance Last Meeting

At our meeting on October 01

Total attendance – 40

Guests: Don Thompson (New Member)

Josephine Thibodeau (Guest of Geri Reinhart)

E.J. Rivet (Guest of Dave Devanney)

Project hours for Sept 665

Project hours MTD for Oct 54.5

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



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Please report hours

Kiwanis Club of Columbine

Weekly Newsletter for October 08, 2025

This Week's Topic
 "Student of the Month"

Greeter /Pledge: Mary Rome

Invocation:

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



Oct 08 Ron & Lorri Zinter

Oct 09 Rick & Bette Sutton

Upcoming Club Programs

Oct 15 TBD

Future Club Events and Service Projects

Oct 07	Tue	Satellite Meeting - Charlie – Colorado Credit Union
Oct 09	Thu	Sharing with Sheridan – Ferris
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 - Savon
Oct 21	Tue	Satellite Meeting - Charlie – Colorado Credit Union
Oct 24	Fri	BOO-refic Bash and Splash – Lane
Oct 27	Mon	Project CURE - George
Oct 28	Tue	Kiwanis After Dark - George / Abe 303 Sports Bar 5:00
Nov 15	Sat	Sweet Dreams in a Bag - Savon
Dec 13	Sat	Christmas Party – Dawn/Connie

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

Oct 08	Wed	Cleve & Terri McKinney
Oct 09	Thu	Denny Brehm family
Oct 10	Fri	Rick & Betti Sutton
Oct 13	Mon	Ferris Forar & Jim Foley
Oct 15	Wed	Cleve & Terri McKinney
Oct 16	Thu	Ken Sweet & Scott Story
Oct 17	Fri	Ken Sweet and Geri Reinhart
Oct 20	Mon	Mike Greunke & Bob Bushacher
Oct 21	Tue	Riggs & Bobbi Smith
Oct 22	Wed	Cleve & Terri McKinney
Oct 23	Thu	Les & Mary Burns & Sally Kingman
Oct 24	Fri	Janet Woodhull & Nancy Bierman
Oct 27	Mon	Les & Mary Burns & Sally Kingman
Oct 29	Wed	Cleve & Terri McKinney
Oct 30	Thu	Jim Foley & Scott Story

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Longer Table Littleton

THANK YOU TO OUR SUPER-HOSTS



Sharing With Sheridan

Last Thursday we had the highest traffic of the month; unusual for a 4th Thursday. We served 181 families (552 neighbors). For the coming distribution, we can use:

- canned fruit
- canned tomato products
- pasta
- pasta sauce
- dry macaroni and cheese

We continue to be well-stocked with egg cartons and have no additional storage room.

Thank you for your support. - Stephanie



Junior Achievement

Tom Durken sent a list of opportunities for volunteering. If you are interested in working with JA, contact Tom Durkin.



"Another nice day at Sheridan. The refrigerated trailer is used to hold our milk and eggs for distribution."

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)
10:00 AM-noon
October 18, 2025. November 15, 2025



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Meals on Wheels

I am not very good at saying "Thank You:" but I need to today.

Kiwanis Club donated \$1000 to Nourish Meals on Wheels and they asked me how long we had been volunteering. I was not sure but I think it has been nearly 20 years. I joined Kiwanis in 2001 and I believe it was not very many years after that.

We had a member that delivered and volunteered for Meals on Wheels years before I started. His name was Dick Baxter. So, we must give Dick credit for getting us started.

Another Kiwanian that truly believed in Meals on Wheels was Jerry Derr. After Jerry passed away, Cleve and Terri McKinney started delivering Meals every Wednesday to Honor Jerry and they continue to do every Wednesday to this day. A special "shout out" to them.

In any event, my thanks goes out to Columbine Kiwanis for their continued financial support and to all you members who volunteer your time and efforts to deliver meals each year. You make my job as the coordinator of this project so much easier and the clients appreciate each of you so much.

Anyway, "Thank You" !!!!

Riggs



Satellite Group

Just a note to let you know that our Satellite Group will meet next Tuesday, October 7th at 12:30 PM at the Colorado Credit Union, 10026 W. San Juan Way. Mike Jepkes will be presenting a session about coin collecting. All are welcome!

Charlie Boyer

Trick or Treat

There is an opportunity for anyone from Columbine Kiwanis to participate in a Trunk or Treat at the future home of the South County Library.

Event: Trunk or Treat at South County

Date: Friday, October 17th

Time: 4-6pm

2:00-3:45pm - Arrival time for community partners and people with vehicles / trunks to decorate may arrive from 2pm-3:45pm.

Please bring treats / stickers for 200.

Flier:

<https://jeffcolibrary.bibliocommons.com/events/68cb0cdd023ff3280079b346>

Need ideas? Here are a few:

<https://www.thepioneerwoman.com/holidays-celebrations/g37157570/trunk-or-treat-ideas/>

If you do a Google search you can find many more. Also, Amazon and other retailers actually have kits for sale if you don't want to make your own.

In case you or someone you know wants to attend, this program is coming up next weekend!

- Celebrate Hispanic Heritage at South County, Sugar Skulls - Saturday, October 4th - 11am-12pm
 - o <https://jeffcolibrary.bibliocommons.com/events/68a4c5194fe01d1a0ccb9636>

This program is for Adults, School Age, Teens and Tweens

Thanks René

BOO-terific Bash and Splash

BOO-rific 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](https://www.google.com/maps/place/6613+S.+Ward+Street,+Littleton,+CO+80127)

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

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From the desk of Tim Sheppard
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October 1, 2025

An Open Letter of Thanks and Gratitude to the Rocky Mountain District

Dear Fellow Kiwanians of the Rocky Mountain District,

I am filled with gratitude and humility as I thank you for your incredible support in electing me to serve as a Trustee of Kiwanis International. Your belief in me and in the vision we share means more than words can express.

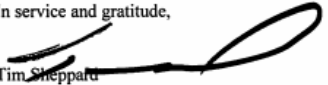
The Rocky Mountain District has been my Kiwanis home, my foundation, and my inspiration. It is where I first felt the true heartbeat of our mission—to serve the children of the world—and where I learned what it means to lead with purpose, compassion, and commitment. Your mentorship, friendship, and encouragement helped prepare me for this next step, and I carry your spirit with me into this new role.

I love Kiwanis. I love what we stand for, what we do, and most of all, the people who make it possible—you. As your International Trustee, I am committed to helping our organization grow: in meaningful service, in strong and vibrant clubs, and in passionate, engaged membership. Together, we can build on our proud legacy and chart an even brighter future—for our communities, our kids, and our fellow Kiwanians.

Thank you for your confidence, your partnership, and your unwavering dedication to Kiwanis. I'm proud to represent the Rocky Mountain District on the international stage—and even prouder to call myself one of you.

Let's Grow!

In service and gratitude,


Tim Sheppard
Kiwanis International Trustee
Proud Member of the Rocky Mountain District

ProjectCURE

Gary, Ferris, Ken, Hazel, Lane, and Dave.

Thank you for volunteering today at ProjectCURE. While we don't particularly like doing the "Match Sorting" activity, I think most of us took the opportunity to develop a new way to approach the task in a way that did not rely on memory of locations and excessive walking among the bins. Good for all who did this. I must admit, I found it much more fulfilling the way we did it today.

Our next visit to ProjectCURE is scheduled for Monday, October 27. Hazel and I expect to be out of town so Lane or Abe can lead our effort.

George Kinzer

We had seven people today at project cure. We were sorting incoming boxes of medical supplies hoping to find duplicate products. When different hospitals bag up expired medical supplies, it all comes in in a flood. They need to enter each item into the computer for inventory. An important step is to group together as many of the same items as you can in a bag, so that data entry is easier and more time efficient. - Lane

