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Attendance Last Meeting

At our meeting on October 15

Total attendance – 40

Guests: 2

Larry Borger, who presented on the City Ditch

Marilyn Borger, Larry's wife

Project hours MTD for Oct are 294.5

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 October 22, 2025

This Week's Presenter is Sandy Austin

Topic "Empowering Kids to Care" (y)

Greeter /Pledge: Connie McLaughlin **Invocation:**
We need people to signup – Sign up Genius or contact Lane

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



Oct 22
Oct 26



Mel Roghair
Brian Counterman

Upcoming Club Programs

Oct 29	Social Meeting
Nov 05	TBD
Nov 12	Student of the Month
Nov 19	Elementary School Teachers

Future Club Events and Service Projects

Oct 21	Tue	Satellite Meeting - Charlie – Colorado Credit Union
Oct 21	Tue	South Sheridan Business Alliance Ken
Oct 23	Thu	Sharing with Sheridan – Ferris
Oct 24	Fri	BOO-refic Bash and Splash – Lane/Ken
Oct 27	Mon	Project CURE - George
Oct 28	Tue	Kiwanis After Dark - George / Abe 303 Sports Bar 5:00
Nov 03	Tue	Columbine Kiwanis Board Meeting - Lane
Nov 04	Tue	Satellite Meeting - Charlie – Colorado Credit Union
Nov 05	Wed	Decca Rick / Don
Nov 10	Tue	Kiwanis After Dark - George / Abe 303 Sports Bar 5:00
Nov 15	Sat	Sweet Dreams in a Bag - Shavon
Dec 13	Sat	Christmas Party – Dawn/Connie
Dec 14	Sun	Jefferson Symphony Orchestra – Jim R

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

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
Oct 31	Fri	Abe Baltazar & Mitch Waldman
Nov 03	Mon	Tom Durkin & friend
Nov 04	Tue	Riggs & Bobbi Smith
Nov 05	Wed	Terri & Cleve Mckinney
Nov 06	Thu	Rod & Karen Hunley
Nov 12	Wed	Terri & Cleve Mckinney

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Littleton HS Key Club

We had 35 kids at the Littleton High School Key Club on Friday. They decorated canvas bags for Urban Peak and filled each bag full of toiletries. Urban Peak provides a full convergence of services solely focused on one of the most vulnerable populations in our community: youth ages 12 through 24 who are experiencing homelessness.

Thanks and Peace!

Brian Dee Counterman (and Denny Brehm)

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.

Set up 4:00-5:15

Ridge Recreation Center

[6613 S. Ward Street, Littleton, CO 80127](https://www.riidgarecreationcenter.com/6613-S-Ward-Street-Littleton-CO-80127)

We will have a 6-foot table and hand out candy or some such. We will hand out brochures and let people know about Kiwanis. It will be a fun event.

I have candy, need help with setting up the table and putting out Kiwanis Literature. We are hoping to let people know about Kiwanis. Let me know if you can help, I will try to put it on SignupGenius. - Ken / Lane



Jefferson Symphony Orchestra



Jefferson Symphony opened its 2025-26 season to an applauding house of patrons. Special thanks to our Kiwanis Club volunteers, who bring enthusiasm, energy, and a great spirit of service to every concert!

Jefferson Symphony Musicians and Staff

*Mark your calendars for the Holiday Concert, Sunday, Dec 14

The City Ditch

At last Monday's meeting, Larry Borger talked about the history of the City Ditch and Littleton. He followed up with the two following weblinks for those who might want to find more information on the subject. If members have questions for Larry or want to be updated from time to time on Littleton developments relating to the Ditch, you may contact him at larryborger6188@gmail.com. For general information about the City Ditch search the web for: Denver Public Library-City Ditch



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Sweet Dreams in a Bag

The following date remains, help us.

November 15th

Littleton Public Schools East Community Center

5933 S Fairfield Street

Littleton, CO 80120

(Just west of Orchard & Broadway)

10:00 AM-noon



Seeds of South Sudan

Seeds of South Sudan invites you to our Fall Luncheon. See details at the attached link.

Please use this link to RSVP

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0448AEAE2FA4F58-59492671-cultivation>



DECA Judging Volunteers

Join several of us on Thursday, Nov. 20th, in Castle Rock (Fairgrounds) for the DECA District 5 Competition-7:30 am-2 pm. Half of the High Schools in this event are those we sponsor Key Clubs. DECA prepares emerging leaders and entrepreneurs for careers in marketing, finance, hospitality and management in high schools and colleges around the globe. Students will have a brief period of time to analyze a business scenario and develop a solution to the task or challenge outlined in their scenario. These scenarios will typically involve a sales, promotion or operations situation or related customer service concerns in one of 13 business areas including Entrepreneurship. Students will then have up to 8 minutes to meet with a judge and present their response in an interactive "role playing" format. Each competitor will be attempting to solve the identical business challenge. Judges will be provided with a copy of the challenge, suggestions about how to interact with the competitors and a detailed, task-specific score sheet for each student. Judges interact with each team and then score and rank them based on how well they accomplished the tasks listed on the score sheets. This is great fun interacting with very engaged students. See more at <https://www.coloradodeca.org/competitive-events> and sign up at

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfF3zU99DyydbYR1qAp4ggTRMWzsrDdUDvEcGu22dpziWIGJA/viewform>.

Any questions-see Rick Sutton or Don Buck

Meals on Wheels

Friday Ken, Mary and Erin delivered meals on wheels. The recipients really liked visiting with the young man, Erin's son, . They liked talking to Erin also.

If you have not tried delivering Meals on Wheels, join and see much fun it is. — Ken



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Sharing with Sheridan

Community-Centered Innovation Update Partner Spotlight: Sharing with Sheridan We're thrilled to celebrate Sharing with Sheridan, who recently completed the full Building Belonging Program! Their team took part in the online training and carried out the Community Food Preference Survey across four of their weekly Thursday drive-through pantry distributions. Sharing with Sheridan serves upwards of 400 families each month. Their surveys collected 120 responses from the neighbors they support, a powerful step toward making sure their pantry offerings reflect the foods their community members want and need most. As part of the survey, one of their neighbors, Yumeis, won a \$100 King Soopers gift card, and Sharing with Sheridan received \$1,000 in food credits to put toward responding to their community's preferences! We're grateful for their dedication to listening to neighbors and for their leadership in making pantries more inclusive and culturally responsive. If you'd like to learn more about Building Belonging or the opportunity to receive funding to survey your own community to receive a customized community food preference resource, please reach out to partnersolutions@@foodbankrockies.org and our Community-Centered Innovation team will be in touch!



South Jeffco Business Alliance

A networking opportunity to talk to prospective Kiwanis members that are already involved in the community. Free coffee and often other food.

When: Tuesday, October 21, 2025, 9 - 10:30 a.m.

Where: [Peak Community & Wellness Center](#), 6612 S. Ward St., Littleton, CO 80127

How: Please [RSVP](#) so we can plan for breakfast and seating



Project Cure

Kiwanis Friends - We plan to make our monthly visit to Project CURE next Monday, October 27 from 9:30am to Noon. There is a SignUpGenius page for volunteers. Several of our regular volunteers will not be available for this event, so if you have been thinking about joining us one of these months, now would be a good time to do so. - George Kinzer

Junior Achievement

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



Social Media

At last month's board meeting, we discussed the need to tell members about our growing social media presence. We are now posting regularly to:

Facebook

<https://www.facebook.com/columbinekiwanis>

Instagram

<https://www.instagram.com/kiwanisclubofcolumbine/>

X.com (formerly known as Twitter)

<https://x.com/KiwanisCOL>

As we get more videos, we hope to post more to Youtube and Snapchat.

Please visit our sites and like our posts. This boosts visibility out to the people you know and are linked to your account.
Lane

NOTE: I am posting on NextDoor. - Ken

Hope House

Susan and I met Andrea at the Governor's Ranch Elementary School. Andrea is excited about Hope House. I told her we might consider working with them, particularly if Andrea would take the lead.

Hope House provides free self-sufficiency programs to parenting teen moms in three key areas. The Empower Program provides opportunities for personal, educational and economic self-sufficiency for teen moms. The Housing Support Program provides metro-Denver's only Residential Program for teen moms, and additional housing services through various partnerships. The Early Childhood Education Program includes our licensed child care center, providing full-time, quality care for 104 children, as well as our Early Learning & School Age Program, which serves children while their moms are on site in the resource center. All programs are designed to transform the lives of two generations at Hope House.

Andrea (School volunteer)

An Exclusive Evening at the Denver Zoo Lights

Get ready for a magical night made just for **Coldwell Banker agents and their guests!** Join us on **November 15** for a **private evening at the Denver Zoo Lights** — before it opens to the public. Stroll through glittering displays, enjoy free carousel and train rides, and take in the beauty of this Colorado holiday favorite, **without the crowds.**

Join us for an exclusive **Coldwell Banker Night at the Denver Zoo Lights!**

Experience the magic before it opens to the public — fewer crowds, more sparkle, and unforgettable memories.

Light up your night — before the public does!

Coldwell Banker's exclusive Denver Zoo Lights event is your chance to enjoy the magic without the lines.

