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Attendance Last Meeting

At our meeting on October 29
Total attendance – 35
Guests – Sean Austin, who presented on B.I.O.N.I.C, Michael O'Brien of the Salvation Army and Anita.

Project hours MTD for Oct are 590

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](#)

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Please report hours

Kiwanis Club of Columbine

Weekly Newsletter for November 05, 2025

**This Week is a Presenter is Connie Ward
Topic "Optimal Aging - Medicare Solutions"**

**Greeter /Pledge: Connie McLaughlin Invocation: Don Thompson
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.



Nov 05 Tom & Dawn McEwen

Upcoming Club Programs

Nov 12	Student of the Month
Nov 19	Area Elementary School Teachers
Nov 26	TBD
Dec 03	Major Mike O'Brian – Salvation Army

Future Club Events and Service Projects

Nov 04	Tue	Columbine Kiwanis Board Meeting - Lane
Nov 04	Tue	Satellite Meeting - Charlie – Colorado Credit Union
Nov 06	Thu	Sharing with Sheridan – Ferris
Nov 11	Tue	Kiwanis After Dark - George / Abe 303 Sports Bar 5:00
Nov 11	Tue	Veterans Day – Several Schools
Nov 13	Thu	Sharing with Sheridan
Nov 15	Sat	Sweet Dreams in a Bag – Shavon
Nov 18	Tue	Satellite Meeting - Charlie – Colorado Credit Union
Nov 25	Tue	Kiwanis After Dark - George / Abe 303 Sports Bar 5:00
Dec 8	Mon	Blood Drive – Tom Durkin
Dec 13	Sat	Christmas Party – Dawn/Connie
Dec 14	Sun	Jefferson Symphony Orchestra – Jim R

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

Nov 05	Wed	Terri & Cleve Mckinney
Nov 06	Thu	Rod & Karen Hunley
Nov 07	Fri	Abe Baltazar & Jim Johnston
Nov 10	Mon	Jerry & Jan Clayton
Nov 12	Wed	Terri & Cleve Mckinney
Nov 13	Thu	Denny Brehm family
Nov 14	Fri	Rick & Betti Sutton
Nov 17	Mon	Ferris Forar & Will Knoblauch
Nov 18	Tue	Riggs & Bobbi Smith
Nov 19	Wed	Terri & Cleve McKinney
Nov 20	Thu	Mary Rome & Sandra Legge
Nov 21	Fri	Jim Foley & Mitch Waldman
Nov 24	Mon	Steve & Debbie Barns

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Sharing with Sheridan

For a second consecutive week we experienced a surge in demand, likely due to the impending cutoff of SNAP benefits; we served 194 families (610 neighbors). For the coming week, we can use

Pancake mix, jelly, canned black and pinto beans, tomato sauce, canned applesauce, pineapple
dry pasta, dry macaroni and cheese

Thank you for your continued care of our neighbors.
Stephanie

Veterans Day

Several of the local schools and other Venues have veteran day celebrations.

We will try to list them here as we learn about them.

Columbine High School

Tuesday Nov 11 11:30:PM to 1:00PM (Lunch at 12:00)

RSVP by Nov 7

303-982-4400 or Tamra.VanNorstrand@jeffco.k12.co.us

Leawood Elementary

Time to be determined

Columbine Kiwanis will help with the setup - Ken

Governors' Ranch Book Sale

Book Fair Schedule

Mon 11/10 - After School Only 2:35-3:15

Tues 11/11 - 9:15-3:15 (Come shop after the Veteran's Day assembly)

Wed 11/12 - 7:30-3:15 (Come shop with your kids during Family & Friends Luncheon!)

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Fri 11/14 - 7:30-10:00am (closing early to pack up)

They need volunteer help: to volunteer sign up here

[Sign-Up Genius Link](#)



Arapahoe HS Trick or Treat Street

Trick or Treat Street on the morning of 10/25 was an outstanding success again this year - surpassing 2024's attendance. So much more than just candy - families typically spend an hour or more visiting. Over twenty classrooms, staffed by nearly 100 high school students, were decorated with creative themes, activities/games and of course candy for kids ranging from under 2 to middle school siblings, along with facepainting stations and a constant line for balloon creations. Led by the Key Club with FBLA and Honor Society partners, it was a very safe, creative and interactive event the kids (and parents) loved, was very nurturing for those kids needing special attention, and had constant lines for balloons and facepainting. The students, kids and even parent costumes were very creative. Rick, Don, Dave and Bob from our Club helped out where needed, interacting with the kids and doing a lot of greeting families as they arrived, many for the first time and wondering what it was all about. - Don Buck / Dave Devaney



Key Club Advisors

We support 6 (six) Key Clubs. We don't give enough thanks to our Key Club advisors. They are listed below, please thank them.

Columbine High School Karen Hunley

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Best regards, Mike.

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Seeds of South Sudan

THANKS TO ROTARY AND KIWANIS CLUBS FOR SUPPORTING SEEDS

Seeds deeply appreciates the support of Denver area Rotary and **Kiwanis Clubs** this year. The South Jeffco Rotary sponsored an event with Arok Garang in June at the Cultivar Café and the Arvada Kiwanis gave Seeds a check for \$500 to support our mission. Cindy Rold, Governor for Rotary District 5450, traveled to Kenya and invited Seeds university students to join her on a service day in a Nairobi slum.

BOO-terific Bash and Splash

Ken and I worked the Halloween boo party at Ridge Recreation Center. It is very interesting. We had a table set up around the gym. Several hundred kids showed up. Some of them were just so extremely cute. We had a wonderful time, and the kids had a lot of fun, and a few parents even had some interesting costumes. I was amazed at how many adults took brochures and signed up for our newsletter. Ken took some brochures and worked the room to spread the word about Kiwanis. Charlie



Sweet Dreams in a Bag

The following date remains, help us.

November 15th

Littleton Public Schools
Community Center
5933 S Fairfield Street
Littleton, CO 80120
(Just west of Orchard & Broadway)
10:00 AM-noon.

Shavon



East

Junior Achievement

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



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Nourish Meals on wheels Thank You

We receive a nice form letter fro our donation of \$1000 to Nourish Measl on Wheels plus a handwritten thank you.

Your generosity ensures that Nourish is there each day, bringing freshly-made meals and reassurance when it matters most.

With gratitude,

Nancy Falk
Executive Director
Nourish Meals on Wheels

We truly appreciate our long-time partnership and all you do for Nourish!

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Blood Drive Dec 8

MONDAY, DECEMBER 8
10 AM - 2 PM
RIVERWALK CLUBHOUSE
2751 W RIVERWALK CIR, LITTLETON
Kiwanis of Columbine
Community Blood Drive



<https://donors.vitalant.org/dwp/portal/dwa/appointment/guest/phl/ti/meSlotsExtr?token=ivmMbU%2FVYEQqkEYtc3fahB8UrvTluxZKnjiaDZwKgPw%3D>

Membership / Publicity meeting

We are going to have a membership-publicity meeting on Saturday Nov 7 at 9:00 AM. We will meet at the Enchanted Grounds 3615 W Bowles Ave Littleton. NOTE: This is a change in location. We will discuss what we have tried and come up with more ideas or continue with the old. If you are interested in working with the publicity committee let Ken Swee (kensweet#kencomineral.com or 303-910-0084). Even if you cannot attend the meeting let me know if you are interested.

It should be a fun and interesting meeting (yeah right).

I am taking over from Lane, he is now president.

Ken

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