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Attendance

At our meeting on December 16

Total attendance – 42

Guests – Lee Seaman

Service Hours MTD 913

Project hours MTD for December is 722.2

Wednesday Meeting
6:45 Social, 7:00 Meeting

4G's Restaurant
5950 S Platte Canyon Road, Littleton, CO 80123

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Kiwanis Club of Columbine

Weekly newsletter for December 31, 2025

This Week Presenter is Chelsea Tegtmeier
Topic: "South Metro Fire Rescue"

Greeter /Pledge: Rick Sutton **Invocation:**

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



Jan 01 Jim & JoAnn Roos
Jan 03 Brian & Sue S. Counterman

Upcoming Club Programs

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|--------|--|
| Jan 07 | Jamie Sorrells, Arapahoe DA - Consumer Fraud |
| Jan 14 | Student of the Month |
| Jan 21 | Kristy Tolan - Corn Hole Tournament |
| Jan 28 | Topic - City of Littleton |

Future Club Events and Service Projects

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| Dec 29 | Mon | Project C.U.R.E. – George Kinzer |
| Dec 30 | Tue | Sharing with Sheridan - Ferris |
| Jan 06 | Tue | Satellite Meeting - Charlie Boyer- Colorado Credit Union |
| Jan 08 | Thu | Sharing with Sheridan - Ferris |
| Jan 13 | Tue | Kiwanis After Dark – George Kinzer, 303 Sports Bar 5:00 PM |
| Jan 20 | Tue | Satellite Meeting - Charlie Boyer- Colorado Credit Union |
| Jan 27 | Tue | Kiwanis After Dark – George Kinzer, 303 Sports Bar 5:00 PM |

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

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| Dec 31 | Wed | Terri & Cleve McKinney |
| Jan 02 | Fri | Denny Brehm family |
| Jan 05 | Mon | Don Buck & Rick Sutton |
| Jan 06 | Tue | Riggs & Bobbi Smith |
| Jan 07 | Wed | Cleve & Terri McKinney |
| Jan 08 | Thu | Scott Storey & Ken Sweet |
| Jan 09 | Fri | Steve & Debbie Barnes |
| Jan 12 | Mon | Mike Greunke & Bob Bushacher |
| Jan 14 | Wed | Terri & Cleve McKinney |
| Jan 15 | Thu | Rod & Karen Hunley |
| Jan 16 | Fri | Abe Baltazar & Rick Sutton |
| Jan 19 | Mon | Tom Durkin & friend |
| Jan 20 | Tue | Bobbi & Riggs Smith |
| Jan 21 | Wed | Terri & Cleve McKinney |
| Jan 22 | Thu | Les & Mary Ann Burns & Sally Kingman |

Bell Ringing

Another good year. Collection as shown.

| | | Chatfield | Pierce | Total |
|--------|-----|-----------|--------|----------|
| 14-Dec | Sun | \$473 | \$619 | \$1,092 |
| 14-Dec | Mon | \$386 | \$340 | \$726 |
| 16-Dec | Tue | \$452 | \$252 | \$704 |
| 17-Dec | Wed | \$310 | \$535 | \$845 |
| 18-Dec | Thu | \$543 | \$605 | \$1,148 |
| 19-Dec | Fri | 543 | 767 | \$1,310 |
| 20-Dec | Sat | 309 | 698 | \$1,007 |
| 21-Dec | Sun | 491 | 676 | \$1,167 |
| 22-Dec | Mon | 824 | 1003 | \$1,827 |
| 23-Dec | Tue | 1011 | 1127 | \$2,138 |
| 24-Dec | Wed | 2793 | 838 | \$3,631 |
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| | | total | | \$15,595 |

We rang 82, 2-hour time slots, most by one person sometimes by several. We had help for the Key Clubs and friends on Columbine. A big thank you to those that rang several times, particularly Anita and Ferris. We helped a lot of kids,



Project Cure

"... We have been able to deliver 245 semi-truck-sized containers this calendar year. That is a record amount of medical relief, thanks to your generous support".

"This is important because each of those containers represents thousands of lives impacted by our collective generosity. We collect data on the number of people who are physically served by our recipient hospitals each year. We know that an average of 30,000 to 50,000 people are impacted by the delivery of one of Project C.U.R.E.'s containers. The donation of 245 containers provides supplies and equipment to hospitals serving over 7.5 million people".



"We measure many more things in addition to the number of patients impacted. The results are truly life changing. And I hope that such a tremendous impact is an encouragement to you that, together, we can do some remarkable things for people around the world . . .".

"Project C.U.R.E. was quick to provide relief for the victims of Hurricane Melissa in Jamaica. Our airlifts were followed by semi-truck-sized containers of medical relief to help rebuild the hospitals. Our work to save the lives of victims of violence in Ukraine continues. We have delivered millions of dollars of medical relief to people in Malawi, Zambia, Ethiopia, Nigeria and other places around the world".



Thank you to Mary



Lane is presenting Mary with a thank you for her excellent service. We appreciate her efforts in ensuring we have plenty of good food, with possible help from Al.

Sharing with Sheridan

On Tuesday, our festive volunteers welcomed just 94 families (268 neighbors) to our abundant distribution. We will be distributing again on Tuesday December 30th, in advance of the New Years holiday. Due to the overwhelming, generous donations we've received over the past many weeks we are well-stocked and



and and lack nothing for the upcoming distribution. May the year end on a joyful note for you,
Stephanie

Christmas Party

Hi Fellow Kiwanians -

Just wanted to inform you of our latest fundraising from the Silent Auction and Christmas Party on Dec 13th. First, we would like to thank all the volunteers that helped Connie and I for setting up the auction and party at CUC beforehand. Rod Hunley provided and set up all the beverages, Karen, Ken and Peggy Sweet, Tom McEwen, Geri Reinhart, Bunny, Abe, John Marchetti. Thanks to Geri, Kathy Athens for all their help in the kitchen and all of the same people to help clean up.

We had a wonderful party – there were about 66 attendees and SO much food!!!! The desserts took up half of the kitchen working areas. And it was all so good. Thanks to you all for the “potluck” portion – you did an amazing job !

The auction was successful – we raised \$8,700 last year and to date, with some last-minute donations, we are now up to \$8,200. That's pretty good considering how tight some people's budgets have gotten this year. So, thanks to all of you fellow Kiwanians for your auction item donations and your purchases. I think we were successful.

Connie and I will be handing out your tax donation receipts in January.

I know we are meeting on Dec. 31st, but we will have the forms ready by the next meeting.

The Columbine Kiwanis Club is an amazing club, and we come together and celebrate each other and do great things for our community and each other.

Merry Christmas to all,
Dawn ☺



Blood Drive

As 2025 wraps up, I want to take a moment to express our enormous gratitude. You were at the heart of helping Vitalant achieve our Mission to save and improve lives.

You, Kiwanis of Columbine, and Riverwalk collected a total of 77 lifesaving Red Cell units at your four blood drives this year. Because of your support, more than 77 lives were positively impacted.

Thank you for being part of our story. We're even more excited to see the amazing impacts next year will bring. We look forward to our next blood drive in the new year with you all on March 16, 2026.

Thank you from Dutch Creek

Dear Kiwanis Club of Columbine Members:

On behalf of the students and staff at Dutch Creek, we want to express our appreciation and gratitude for the \$1,000.00 donation to our school. This money will be used to help all our students participate in various school-sponsored activities and attend field trips throughout the school year.

We know how lucky we are to have your support at Dutch Creek Elementary.

Thank you,

