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Attendance

Attendance at the April 29 meeting 38, including one guest: Toni-Anne Nunez, who was our guest speaker from CASA.

Project hours MTD for April is 612.

Best regards, Mike.

Wednesday Meeting

6:45 Social, 7:00 Meeting

4G's Restaurant

5950 S Platte Canyon Road, Littleton, CO 80123

Links for signups and for 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 May 06, 2026

This Week's Presenter is Stephanie Ratke
 Topic "Shiloh House" (p)

Greeter /Pledge: Connie McLaughlin Invocation:

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



None this week



Upcoming Club Programs

May 13 Student of the Month
 May 20 Election of Officers
 May 27 Jackson Majerus Key Club RMD Governor
 Jun 03 George Kinzer - Normandy Invasion Site today 50 Things you did not know about it.
 June 10 Connie McLaughlin – TP
 June 17 Scott Storey - Being the District Attorney

Future Club Events and Service Projects

May 05	Tue	Satellite Meeting - Charlie Boyer– Colorado Credit Union
May 07	Thu	Sharing with Sheridan – Ferris
May 12	Tue	Kiwanis After Dark – George Kinzer, 303 Sports Bar 5:00 PM
May 17	Sun	Jeffco Symphony Concert – Jim R
May 17	Sun	Colfax Marathon – Rod
May 19	Tue	Southy Jeffco Business Alliance - Ken
May 19	Tue	Satellite Meeting - Charlie Boyer– Colorado Credit Union
May 26	Tue	Kiwanis After Dark – George Kinzer, 303 Sports Bar 5:00 PM
Jun 02	Tue	Satellite Meeting - Charlie Boyer– Colorado Credit Union

Nourish Meals on Wheels (Please check master list)

May 05	Tue	Riggs & Bobbi Smith
May 06	Wed	Terri & Cleve McKinney
May 07	Thu	Karen & Rod Hunley
May 08	Fri	Ferris Forar & Jim Foley
May 11	Mon	Tom Durkin & friend
May 13	Wed	Terri & Cleve McKinney
May 14	Thu	Sandy Legge & Geri Reinhart
May 15	Fri	Denny Brehm family
May 18	Mon	Mike Greunke & Bob Bushacher
May 19	Tue	Riggs & Bobbi Smith
May 20	Wed	Terri & Cleve McKinney
May 21	Thu	Rick & Bette Sutton
May 22	Fri	Abe Baltazar & Mitch Waldman
May 25	Mon	Memorial Day

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CASA Presentation

At our Wednesday meeting Toni-Anne Nunez, from the non-profit organization CASA gave a presentation to our club about CASA. CASA is a group of volunteers who help shepherd neglected children through the legal system. She explained the program and encouraged us to spread the word to other people. This is a volunteer opportunity that takes 1 or 2 hours a week that works directly with children. They're always looking for volunteers in particular male volunteers. Any age.



Jefferson Symphony

Music of the Spheres: Sunday, May 17, 2026 3pm

Guest Artist: Denver Children's Choir Smetana The Moldau Holst The Planets

Chatfield SH Key Club

Chatfield SH Key Club held their final meeting of the year on April 21. Officer elections were held and elected a sophomore-to-be as president. Thirty-seven members volunteered 1246 hours for the year, 17 members lettered, and 12 seniors will be graduating. Pizza was enjoyed by all.
-Rod Hunley

Satellite Group

The Kiwanis Satellite Group meets next Tuesday, May 5th at 12:30 PM at the Colorado Credit Union, 10026 W. San Juan Way. All are welcome to join us! It's "Cinco de Mayo" so we'll feature a brief review of the day's significance in Mexican history.

Point to Ponder: The easiest way to find something lost around the house is to buy a replacement. - Charlie Boyer

Colfax Marathon Service Project

Colfax Marathon Service Project and Fundraiser

UPDATE - The 20th annual Colfax Marathon is Sunday May 17. Our club has volunteered for this event since its inception by handing out water and energy drinks at a waterstation on the full marathon route. Our waterstation location is in front of the Burger King on West Colfax near Casa Bonita. What has changed this year is the registration process. In order for the event organizers to be better informed about the number of volunteers, they elected to use Volunteer Local(similar to Signup Genius) to manage the registration process. *Each person that wishes to volunteer has to fill out their own registration.* The **link(below)** goes to a signup page specific to our club. Besides the basic info, you will need to indicate our Organization name(Kiwanis Club of Columbine), Group Captain(Rod Hunley), number of years group has participated(5+years), and T-shirt size. The volunteer will also have to accept the waiver in order to register. After the volunteer submits the registration, they will receive an email acknowledging the registration. Our club as provided about 25 volunteers in past years and we will need at least that many again this year since the number of runners is expected to increase. Any questions about the registration process either prior to or during, contact Rod Hunley @ rod_hunley@comcast.net or 303-519-0758 .

[https://colfaxmarathon.volunteerlocal.com/volunteer/?id=110268&job_password=KIWCOLUMBINE26&shifts_filter=\[8774656\]](https://colfaxmarathon.volunteerlocal.com/volunteer/?id=110268&job_password=KIWCOLUMBINE26&shifts_filter=[8774656])

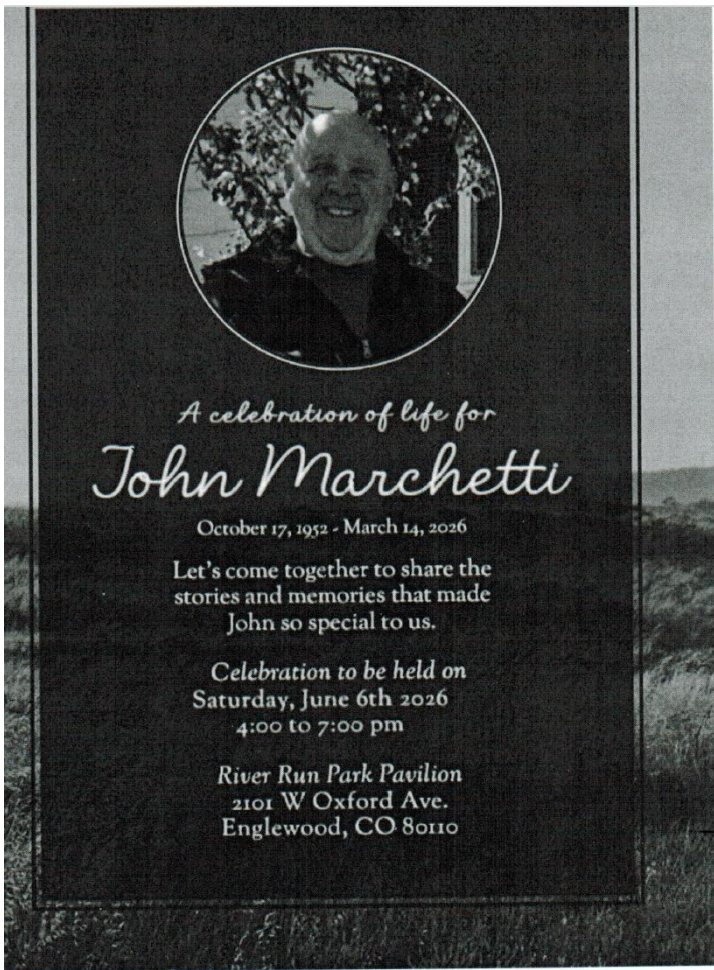
Adaptive Baseball Program

Foothills Parks and Rec sponsors an adaptive baseball program for kids with mobility challenges. Games are held on Jason Jennings adaptive field at the Foothills complex at Hampden and Kipling. Columbine HS Key Club volunteered to assist on May 2, and needs at least 20 volunteers, and may need a few Kiwanians to reach that number. Duties include shadowing a player and assisting as needed during the game. Training will occur at 8:30 on game day, May 2, and the game will take place at 9 until about noon.

Afterwards, at about 12:45, Key Club will have their end-of-year picnic at Clement Park, just north of the Columbine HS parking lot on Pierce Street. Come and meet some energized kids and their dedicated, awesome sponsor, Ms. Kelly. (Bring food)

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RSVP to Barb Marchetti by 5/23/2026

Text - (303) 916-1911

[View & RSVP](#)

Project Cure Update

Our monthly ProjectCURE schedule will be slightly modified for the next 3 months because of the occurrence of national holidays. We will not visit ProjectCURE on Memorial Day this month, but will go on Monday, June 1 instead. Next, we will visit a second time in June on June 29. For July, we will return on the regularly scheduled date of July 27.

Our activities there usually involve sorting medical and surgical supplies, either by expiration date or by type of object. These items will later be shipped to third-world countries to provide medical care and services for residents of those countries. Our members and friends are welcome to join us on any visit. Instructions will be provided for all participants. - George Kinzer

Project Cure

Monday, April 25th, seven Kiwanis members volunteered at project cure. We go there once a month and sort donated medical supplies for placement in shipping containers sent to needy parts of the world. No prior medical knowledge or experience is needed for volunteers. Just the ability to stay focused for a couple hours doing sorting tasks either standing or sitting. For more information contact George Kinzer, project lead.



South Jeffco Business Alliance

A great place to network and possibly recruit new members. Join Ken and help pulpitis Kiwanis.

Please **RSVP** using the link below!

When: Tuesday, May 19, 2026, 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.

South Jeffco Business Alliance meetings are always **FREE** and open to anyone who wants to meet local business leaders.

[RSVP for May 19 Meeting](#)

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Nomination for Club Officers

Our present club officers are:

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President	Lane Andrew
President Elect	vacant
Secretary	Mike Jepkes
Treasurer	Tom Durkin

Board members:

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All office positions are open. Current officers are welcome to repeat their position.

The Board Members for 2025-2026 will remain on the board. As the past president I will be the chairman of the nomination committee.

If you are interested in running any of the offices let me know. It is OK to suggest a fellow member. I will get permission from any of the candidates before an election.

Call or email if you have questions

Ken Sweet 303-910-0084



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9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

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DENVER, CO

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TopGolf 2026 Fundraiser

This year's TopGolf Fundraiser and Silent Auction was a big success. We had 72 contestants participating in the tournament and we raised over \$7K to support our local community, but most importantly everyone seemed to have a great time. Thanks to all companies that donated and people who supported this year's fundraiser.

This year's tournament winners:

- 1st Place Lord of the Swings
- 2nd Place The South Restaurant
- 3rd Place Conner Construction Co.



CHANGING LIVES, ONE SWING AT A TIME THROUGH THE KIWANIS CLUB OF COLUMBINE FOUNDATION