

Kiwanis Club of Columbine

Weekly newsletter for May 20, 2026

This Week is the Election of Officers

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.

Club Officers:
President Lane Andrew
President Elect
Secretary Mike Jepkes
Treasurer Tom Durkin
Past President Ken Sweet

Directors:
2024-2026: Jim Foley, Susan Markley, Rick Sutton
2025-2027: Shavon Forte, Gary McCombs, Geri Reinhart

Past Governor Kathy Williams
District Governor Carol Chiarito
Division 5 Lt. Governor Rick Baldessari
Executive Director/Secretary Kirstin Litz

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May 21 Mike & Colleen Jepkes
May 23 Connie & Terry McLaughlin
May 25 Russ & Jane Jackson
May 26 Dayle Axman
May 26 Hazel Kinzer

Upcoming Club Programs

May 27 Jackson Majerus - Key Club RMD Governor
Jun 03 George Kinzer - Normandy Invasion Site today
June 10 Connie McLaughlin – TP
June 17 Scott Storey - Being the District Attorney

Future Club Events and Service Projects

May 19	Tue	Southy Jeffco Business Alliance - Ken
May 19	Tue	Satellite Meeting - Charlie Boyer– Colorado Credit Union
May 21	Thu	Sharing with Sheridan – Ferris
May 26	Tue	Kiwanis After Dark – George Kinzer, 303 Sports Bar 5:00 PM
Jun 01	Mon	Project CURE - George
Jun 02	Tue	Satellite Meeting - Charlie Boyer– Colorado Credit Union
Jun 08	Mon	Blood Drive – Tom D
Jun 09	Tue	Kiwanis After Dark – George Kinzer, 303 Sports Bar 5:00 PM
Jun 29	Mon	Project CURE - George

Nourish Meals on Wheels (Please check master list)

May 20	Wed	Terri & Cleve McKinney
May 21	Thu	Rick & Bette Sutton
May 22	Fri	Abe Baltazar & Mitch Waldman
May 25	Mon	Memorial Day
May 27	Wed	Terri & Cleve Mckinney
May 28	Thu	Scott Story & Mitch Waldman
May 29	Fri	Les & Mary Ann Burns & Sally Kingman
Jun 01	Mon	Geri Reinhart & Ruthann Moomy
Jun 02	Tue	Riggs & Bobbi Smith
Jun 03	Wed	Terri & Cleve McKinney
Jun 04	Thu	Karen & Rod Hunley
Jun 05	Fri	Mitch Waldman & Kathy Athens
Jun 08	Mon	Les & Mary Ann Burns & Sally Kingman
Jun 10	Wed	Cleve & Terri McKinney

Attendance

Attendance at the May 13 meeting 49, including 15 guests: Our program was Student of the Month, with the following guests: Kayleigh Lttons from Powell MS, with Mom Kristin and Dad Preston, grandparents, AP Logan Meier and Counselor Dawn Gustafson; David Whitfield from Ken Caryl with Dad Josh, grandparents and Counselor Jessica Dietchel; and Rosalyn Rivera with Mom Katherine and Dad Shane.

Project hours MTD for May is 344.

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](#)

[VOLUNTEER 4HOURS](#)

Please report hours

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Upcoming Blood Drive

Save the Date

MONDAY, JUNE 8

10 AM - 2 PM

RIVERWALK CLUBHOUSE

2751 W RIVERWALK CIRCLE, LITTLETON

To schedule your lifesaving blood donation, please visit donors.vitalant.org and search using Blood Drive Code 0572 or select the QR Code



ProjectCURE

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



RSVP to Barb Marchetti by 5/23/2026
Text - (303) 916-1911

[View & RSVP](#)

Governors' Ranch Changes

Ryan Lucas, Principal of Governors Ranch elementary, is moving to the principal position at Bera Creek K-8. He has been a great contact for Kiwanis. We will miss him

Ken

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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](#)

Satellite Group

The Kiwanis Satellite Group meets Tuesday, May 19th at
12:30 PM at the Colorado Credit Union, 10026 W. San Juan
Way. Jim Johnston will lead the meeting with some thoughts
and insights about Norway. All are welcome!

Our regular meetings are on the first and third Tuesdays of
each month at 12:30 PM. You are always welcome to join us!

Point to Ponder: Did you ever notice that when you put the 2
words "The" and "IRS" together it spells "Theirs."

Charlie Boyer

Club Elections

Our Kiwanis Club Elections for officers will be on May 20 at
our regular morning meeting. The new officers will start next
October 2026. The present officer sill serves until September
2026.

The nominating committee has selected some candidates for
the new positions. Nominations for the positions are still
open; you can self-nominate. If you nominate someone else,
make sure you have their permission. Present officers are
allowed to be reelected.

Candidates for officer positions as of May 9 are:
(1 selected for each position)

President	Lane Andrews
President Elect:	No candidates
Secretary	Mike Jepkes
Treasurer	Tom Durkin

Candidates for board of directors 2026-2027
(3 selected)

Kathy Athens,
Rod Hunley
Steve Sandifr
McNellis Pat
Chuck Anglin

Our present club officers are:

Past President	Ken Sweet
President	Lane Andrews
President Elect	vacant
Secretary	Mike Jepkes
Treasurer	Tom Durkin

Board members:

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Student of the Month

Kiwanis was introduced to **Rosalyn Rivera** as Student of the Month for May, from Arapahoe HS. She was accompanied by her parents, Katherine and Shane Rivera. She will be attending ACC this fall and has already acquired her CNA license which will allow her to begin pursuing her career choice. Namely nursing (which she recognized as wanting to be "along the way"). She currently is working (30+ hours a week for all her 4 years of high school) as a Jiu-Jitsu coach for virtually all ages as well as social media manager. Rosalyn enjoys reading and participating in art which includes dress making, drawing and ceramics...much diversified to be sure. She follows hockey with not only her father and brother's play but also as an AVID fan of the Colorado Avalanche. She admits to having "non-existent free time" but her work ethic and pursuit of her interests and ambitions appear to be intentional and therefore, to be just justified. Quite an impressive young lady and an obviously appropriate nominee for SOM.



David Whitfield was the student of the month from KC middle school. Cited by Jessica, his counselor as a best friend to everyone, he certainly showed that humility and empathy. He's also a young man with high future goals. He plans to use his love of math to eventually apply to the Colorado School of Mines (pleasing alums Rod Hundley and Ruth Ann) to study AI robotics. His Dad Josh and grandparents Paul and Bernadette all chimed in to laud David's hard work in school and contributions to family activities. Other interests have



included school theater and basketball. The club was delighted to get to know David, another KC high achiever.

Kayleigh Lyons, is an 8th-grade student at Powell Middle School and an outgoing, confident, and caring young lady. She attended the breakfast with her parents, Kristin and Preston, as well as her grandmother, all of whom shared their pride in Kayleigh and offered thoughtful reflections on her compassionate nature and eagerness to help others. Kayleigh has been dancing since the age of seven and began competitive dance at eight. In sixth grade, she discovered a love for music when she picked up the flute—an instrument she has truly embraced. Next year, she will attend Heritage High School and has already begun marching band practice there, proudly following in her mother's footsteps as a fellow flutist from Arapahoe High School.

Kayleigh enjoys making new friends and values the close relationships she builds with her teachers. Her Vice Principal, Logan, and one of her teachers, Dawn, spoke highly of her strong work ethic, her kindness, and her willingness to learn and support those around her.

Kayleigh is a remarkable young woman with a bright future ahead. Whatever path she chooses, she is sure to go far.



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