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Pool Cues: Ranch House Pool Construction Update

They say a picture is worth a thousand words, so check out the latest developments regarding the Ranch House pool's construction! Recently, outdoor showers, a new swim team shed and a tiered area for towels and chairs overlooking the pool was installed.



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Master Association Board Adopts 2021 Budget

By Victoria DeSair, Master Association Executive Director

On Oct. 20, the Ken-Caryl Ranch Master Association Board adopted the 2021 budget. There will not be an increase in dues in 2021. Dues will remain at \$56 per month for residential properties, \$44 per month for apartments and \$40 per month, per acre or portion of an acre, for commercial properties.

A large portion of the 2020 budget included funding for the Ranch House Pool, and minimal funding is needed for the pool

in 2021. With this funding need behind us, the Board was able to fund some operational increases as well as several one-time projects in 2021 without raising the dues.

Some notable operations expense increases are:

- Increased Ranger Staffing: \$56k
- Trash/Recycling Contract Increase: \$20k
- Water Utility Rate Increase: \$20k
- Drainage Repairs Contribution: \$50k
- Irrigation System Replacement Contribution: \$50k
- Increased Security Patrols: \$22k
- Cost of Living Adjustments for Staff: 3% pool

There are also many projects planned for 2021. For a list of projects and to view the entire budget, visit www.ken-carylranch.org and click on Budgets & Reports under the Administration tab. If you have any questions or comments, please reach out to me at victoriad@kcranch.org or 303-979-1876, ext. 122.

NO INCREASE IN 2021 DUES

\$56 per month for homes and condos. Annual dues payment is \$672.



Payment options at www.ken-carylranch.org. Click on "Pay My Dues" at the top of the page.

Correction:

Last issue featured a review of HiLo Restaurant, located in Ken-Caryl. Their website is www.hilolittleton.com



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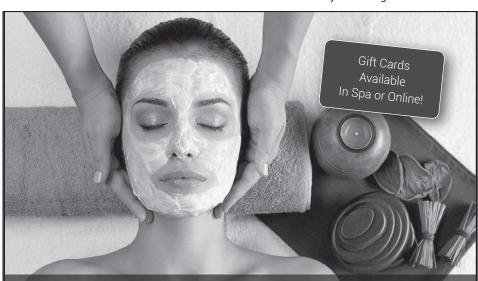
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8	9	6 p.m. MD Board Meeting	1 p.m. Historical Society Meeting *Online	7:30 a.m. Architectural Committee Meeting	13	14
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13	14	6 p.m. MA Board Meeting	4:30 p.m. Covenant Committee	17	18	19

All meetings and activities are at the Ranch House unless otherwise stated.

*Information regarding audio and video conferencing options for public meetings will be communicated as it becomes available. See website at www.ken-carylranch.org for details.



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MD Board Meeting Summary

The Metropolitan District Board met on Tuesday, Oct. 27 for its regular board meeting. The following is a summary of that meeting:

- Director Kirkpatrick and Director Tugman provided an overview of the Oct. 20 Master Association Board meeting. The Board approved the 2021 budget. The MA Board discussed committee vacancies, the boundary study and a biologic study.
- Director Levy indicated he and Director Sawatzky will be attending the Oct. 28 Open Space Committee meeting to provide an update on the South Hogback and request assistance from the members.
- District Manager Wieland presented the proposed 2021 budget and offered the Board a review of the budget's purpose which includes guiding policy, influencing operations, compiling complete financials and serving as a communications tool. The philosophy behind the 2021 draft budget is to be extremely conservative with regard to spending given the great deal of uncertainty the District still faces with COVID, state and federal mandates, the future of the Residential Assessment Rate and difficulty in retaining skilled employees. The budget process includes two additional meetings, Nov. 10 and Dec. 1, where the public hearing will continue and ultimately close with the approval of the budget. The following highlights were provided:
- Budget management was critical to endure the COVID pandemic. Staff worked to reduce costs as much as possible while many costs, such as utilities and unemployment, were out of the District's control.
- Due to the COVID pandemic, the best comparisons for Board and community review are to compare 2019 actual to 2021 budget. Also, due to financial system and staff changes, it is important to look at the bottom line for program areas.
- One of the simplest metrics used to gauge the condition of the budget is excess revenues over expenditures. District Manager Wieland informed the Board of the 2020 projected excess revenues over expenditures is close to the 2020 budgeted figure.
- The main source of revenues for the District includes property tax and fees. Property tax revenues are stable through 2021; however, the future of the RAR is uncertain. Program fees are budgeted at approximately 75 percent of 2019 actual revenues, mainly due to the COVID pandemic.
- The main source of District expenditures is wages and benefits. This is not uncommon since the District is a service organization, which requires a strong and consistent workforce. Due to efficiencies, total wages have been reduced by 10 percent over 2019 actuals.
- Six capital projects are planned and funded for 2021. This includes the Ranch House tennis court lighting replacement, Ranch House tennis court resurfacing (three courts), a piece of mow/snow removal equipment, Community Park block wall replacement, Community Park playground resurfacing and two Parks maintenance vehicles. The Master Association approved funding assistance for the tennis court and mow/snow removal equipment.
- District Manager Wieland provided an overview of the District's classification and compensation plan and philosophy. The District struggles with providing competitive pay and benefits which creates retention issues. The classification and compensation pay

included an audit of every position, a review of years of service, comparison to other parks and recreation districts, and the ultimate creation of a minimum and maximum pay grade. From this study, District Manager Wieland recommends pay adjustments, ranging in percentage, the inclusion of short-term disability insurance, and a PTO carry over policy. Additional information will be presented to the Board in November.

- The fee schedule was presented to the Board with information for each major program area. A majority of the program areas include a 1-5 percent fee increase for 2021. Cost recovery trends were presented.
- District Manager Wieland informed the Board that there is work to be done before the next meeting. Staff will be refining the budget and additional information will be presented to the Board on Nov. 10.
- Audience participation included resident John Fosholt who asked about the cause of the fire on the South Hogback Open Space.
- An Executive Session was held pursuant to C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(f) to discuss a personnel matter regarding the performance evaluation of the District

The Board's next regular meeting will be held Nov. 10.

Covenant Clips

Be Prepared for the Dark and Stormy

By Brian Yowell, Community Administrator

As the day light hours get shorter and shorter and temperatures continue to drop, the need for safety and comfort are top of mind. Before you grab your Snuggies and hot cocoa and settle in to binge watch Netflix, please make sure you're ready for Jack Frost and good old Mother Nature.

Be sure that exterior hoses are disconnected from hose bibs, that gutters are clear of leaves and debris and that your sprinklers are turned off and drained properly.



As the snow begins to fall, I also wanted to remind everyone that although Jefferson County does not enforce, or mandate, that individual home owners shovel their sidewalks or driveways, it is a disservice to your friends, family and neighbors not to do so within 24 hours of a storm. Snow packed and icy sidewalks and driveways can be treacherous to pedestrians – and holiday package delivery drivers!

Our amazing Ken-Caryl Parks team will continue to plow and shovel sidewalks, parking lots and walking paths that are located on Ken-Caryl Ranch Master Association

What is more dangerous than icy sidewalks? Abominable Snowmen? Maybe...unless they are Bumble. Rudolph on a bender? Quite possibly! Good thing you see him coming with his glowing nose! A dark and icy sidewalk? Absolutely!

Now is the perfect time to make sure your landscape lights are working, your front porch light bulb is fully functional and that the streetlights in your neighborhood are

Now, I bet you're wondering, how does one go about reporting a streetlight that is damaged or burnt out? It just so happens I have the answer.

It's pretty simple really! If you're located in The Ken-Caryl Plains, you will want to report the damage and burnt out bulbs to Xcel Energy. They will need to know where the streetlight is located, the number of the streetlight (which can be found on the base of the streetlight) and what the problem is.

You can go to www.xcelenergy.com and click on 'Outage & Emergencies'. At the bottom of the page, click on 'Report an outdoor lighting outage' and fill out the form.

If you're located in The Ken-Caryl Valley, you will want to report the damage and burnt out bulbs to IREA. They, too, will need to know the location of the streetlight and what the problem is.

You can go to www.irea.coop and click on 'Outage Center'. Scroll down to 'Report a Streetlight Outage" and fill out the form directly.

The more you know...

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Thank you, Ken-Caryl!

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Christmas Lights, Netted Play Equipment and Other Outdoor Items Can Cause a Hazard to Deer

By Sean Warren, Open Space Manager

In mid-October, the Rangers helped to rescue a mule deer buck that had gotten its antlers entangled in a portable soccer net that was in a Valley Resident's back yard. The Rangers did manage to free the animal, but were unable to remove all the netting from its antlers. Since then, we have received calls from folks concerned about the well-being of the buck. We ask anyone that sees this deer to observe if the animal's feeding, breathing or vision is impaired and if so, please contact the rangers by calling 303-979-1876, ext. 170. Otherwise, this condition does not pose a threat to the animal and the netting will eventually come off either through daily wear and tear or when the buck sheds its antlers during the winter months.



This incident reminds us that while it is not uncommon to see the occasional buck carrying around unwanted items in its antlers during the summer and fall

months, we definitely see an increase in this problem during the holiday season, as property owners put up their outdoor lights and other decorations.

Please remember to think about wildlife when decorating your property for the holidays. This time of year, Park Rangers receive many calls regarding deer entangled in light strands or even netting. Below are some tips from Colorado Parks and Wildlife to keep in mind;

- Wait to put up outdoor lights on posts, shrubs or small trees until after the peak of the deer rut, sometime after the first week of December.
- Trees with trunk diameters of two to

six inches are most likely to be rubbed by bucks, which entangle lights in their antlers. Only string lights on larger diameter trees.

- Use multiple short strands of wire plugged together versus one long strand so that if animals become entangled, they will have less wire to deal with.
- Avoid stringing lights "clothesline" style across areas — firmly attach lights to tree limbs, gutters, or fence posts.
- Place some flagging along the wired decorations so that deer can see where the wire is and avoid entanglement. These ideas can also apply to general

yard planning year-round. Wildlife can also benefit from:

- Removing yelloyball nots from their

 Removing volleyball nets from their posts during the winter – don't wrap nets around the post, as animals may still

- be enticed to rub their antlers on it and get caught.
- Disconnecting and storing water hoses, tomato cages and other gardening materials (netting, stakes, ties, etc.) until spring
- Taking down and storing hammocks and swings when not in use.

Ken-Caryl Ranch Park Rangers will investigate a report regarding a deer entangled in lights or netting only if it is impeding the deer's sight, feeding and/ or mobility. If the light strand or netting is not causing harm and is just a nuisance, rangers will ask the reporting party to casually observe the animal over the next few weeks to see if the situation worsens. If you have any questions, please feel free to call the rangers for more information at 303-979-1876, ext. 170.



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A Little Prep Key to a Safe Holiday Season for Pets

As hard as it's been to keep track of the days, weeks and months in 2020, one thing is for sure, the fall and winter holidays are upon us. Our holiday traditions present countless risks to our pets. However, there are several steps pet owners can take to help ensure that the November and December celebrations are enjoyable and safe for everyone in the house.

From turkey bones and holiday decorations, to seasonal plants and the added stress of guests in your home, your plans for the season should include some thoughtful pet preparation.

Holiday Foods: As hard as it is for humans to stay on a regular diet during the holidays, it's even more important to keep your pet on his regular diet over the holidays. Whether it's you or your guests looking to make a friend, do not let family and friends sneak treats to your pet.

Foods that can present problems include:

- Bones the holiday turkey or chicken will leave a lot of tantalizing bones, but don't feed them to your pet. Beware of steak bones, too. Small bones or bone chips can lodge in the throat, stomach and intestinal tract.
- **Grapes, raisins and currants** often found in holiday cakes, breads and cookies can result in kidney failure in
- · Sugarless gums and candies often



contain xylitol, a sweetener toxic to

• Fat - Those wonderful potato pancakes (latkes) made with hot oil, as well as gravies and poultry skin can cause severe gastrointestinal upset as well severe inflammation of the pancreas.

Holiday Ornaments and decorations: Enticing to your pet, however, if they bite into, or break one during play, the small glass pieces can lead to lacerations to the skin and mouth, as well as damage to the esophagus and gastrointestinal tract. Minimize dangling light strands that can be appealing to pets but result in electrocution or burns to the mouth.

Pine needles: Check around holiday trees and boughs frequently. Ingested pine needles can puncture your pet's intestines if sharp enough.

Holiday tree: Make sure your tree is well secured. If you have a tree-climbing cat or large dog with a happy tail, anchor the top of the tree to the wall, using strong cord or rope. Preservatives often used in the water in a tree stand can cause gastric upsets, so be sure it is inaccessible or not used. Avoid sugar and aspirin additives in the water as well.

Electrical cords: Holiday lights mean more electrical cords for kittens and puppies to chew. Be sure you have cords secured and out of the way.

Liquid Potpourri/Oils/Candles: Scented oils and dry potpourri may also cause chemical burns in the mouth and potential foreign bodies and gastrointestinal upset depending on the size of animal and amount ingested. Lighted candles should never be left unattended and that is even more important if left at kitty's eye level or within puppy's chewing zone. An exuberant tail, or a swat of a paw, and candles and hot

wax can quickly become disastrous. Anchor candles securely and away from curious faces and feet.

Tinsel: What looks like a shiny toy to your cat can prove deadly if ingested as the string can wrap around the base of the tongue or anchors itself in the stomach and is unable to pass through the intestines. Ultimately, pets run the risk of severe injury to, or rupture of, their intestines and treatment requires costly abdominal surgery.

Plants: Poinsettia plants are only mildly toxic. Far more worrisome are holiday bouquets containing lilies, holly, or mistletoe. Lilies are one of the most commonly used. Holly berries and mistletoe can also be toxic to pets. Florists have started to use Japanese Yew to make wreaths – all parts of this evergreen except for the flesh of the red aril are very poisonous, as they contain taxines, a cardiotoxin.

Alcohol: Alcohol poisoning in pets is more common than you think, as it can be found in surprising places! Rum-soaked fruitcake, or unbaked dough that contains yeast, result in alcohol poisoning and other problems. Ingestion of alcohol can cause dangerous drops in blood sugar, blood pressure and body temperature. Intoxicated animals can experience seizures and respiratory failure.

Ice Melt: There are numerous formulations available, many of which contain salt (sodium chloride). Small exposures typically lead to stomach upset and dermal and paw pad irritation. Larger ingestions may quickly cause salt poisoning which can result in a rapid onset of vomiting, excessive thirst and seizures.

Medications: Pet-proofing your house can work, but once the holiday guests arrive, that all goes out the window. Guests may leave open suitcases on the ground, where pets can easily get into prescription medications or other items not fit for consumption.

Stress: With everyone coming and going, watch out for open doors and frisky pets. Make sure your pets have collars and tags on in case of escape. Provide a special quiet place with a blanket and fresh water for your pets to retreat to when the festivities get too stressful.

If you suspect your animal may have ingested any of the substances above, or if your pet shows any of the symptoms mentioned, contact your veterinarian immediately. Take a sample of the suspected toxin, and its packaging with you to the veterinarian.

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Life at Ken-Caryl Celebrates Lives of Service this Veterans Day

Life at Ken-Caryl is paying tribute to all veterans this Veterans Day in honor of their current or past military service. Thank you to all of our residents who have shared photos of their loved ones who have valiantly served or who are currently serving our country.



Resident Michael Haskins, Vice Admiral, U.S. Navy, husband to Joanne Haskins, who submitted this photo to honor her husband this Veterans Day.



Photo of resident and veteran Christine Malkin Lydle, taken during basic training. Christine served in the Army from 1976-1980 and in the Reserves from 1980-1984.



Resident Julia Parrinello honors her father, Joseph, who served in the United States Navy, Rank AD2 (AW) and served on the USS Constellation. According to Julia's mother Lisa, who submitted the photos on her daughter's behalf, Joseph was enlisted from 1999-2007.



Watercolor, entitled "Tribute" painted by resident Merrie Wicks.



Resident Janet Spencer submitted this photo of her father and hero, Montana "Monte" Garfield Blackburn, who served in the U.S. Navy from 1951–1959. According to Janet, he was a Seaman First Class gunner's mate, in active duty from 1951 to 1954, and in the Navy Reserves until 1959.

In 1951, at the age of 19, Monte joined the U.S. Navy, served 8 years, and fought in three separate tours of heavy battle in the Korean War on the USS John W. Thomason destroyer. Monte married his wife Lois and had three children, Janet and her two brothers. Monte's upbeat outlook on life earned him a feature in the *Citizen Telegram* newspaper in Rifle, CO, on Veteran's Day in 2007. Monte passed away on July 26, 2009. Janet has honored her father with the purchase of an Honor Brick that is a permanent part of Ken-Caryl's Veterans Monument.



Photo of retired USMC Colonel Byron Wicks, submitted by his wife Merrie.



Resident Joan Chicota wanted to honor a special Veteran in her life, her husband Myron "Cork" Chicota, retired US Navy Petty Officer 3rd Class, PO3/E-4, for his valued service during the Vietnam War. In addition, Cork was instrumental in the development and construction of Ken-Caryl's beautiful Veterans Monument, located across from Shaffer Elementary School.



Honoring 24-year Ken-Caryl resident William "Bill" B. Baldaccini, First Sergeant, U.S. Army Infantry from 1949-1952; Korea, 1951-52. Bill served as the founder of the "Proud to Be an American" program. This photo was taken during a plaque presentation at Englewood High School in 2017 in honor of Bill's efforts in support of the program. Bill also served as a Ken-Caryl Veterans Monument Committee member.



Honoring long-time resident, Lt. 3rd Armored Cavalry Regiment, Al Gonzalez, who served in the Army from 1954-1977, where his duties included patrolling the East German and Czech border during the Cold War.



Chandra Rumbelow submitted this photo of her husband Brandon Rumbelow, father to Emma Grace, Caroline, and William Rumbelow. Brandon is a 2004 graduate of the United States Military Academy at West Point. He also completed two tours in Iraq as part of Operation Iraqi Freedom, was a Captain in the Army with the 101st Airborne Division and graduated from the US Army Ranger School. The Rumbelow family resides in the North Ranch.



Resident Judith Gamarano shared this photo of her husband Joe Gamarano, Captain United States Air Force veteran.

Thank you, Veterans!

124 Homes Planned Near Deer Creek Golf Course

The Jefferson County Planning Commission and the Board of County Commissioners will be reviewing the plat for 124 homes planned near Deer Creek Golf Course. These homes are within the boundaries of the Master Association, but the land is not owned by the Master Association. Please direct questions to the County's case manager, Ross Klopf, 303-271-8733, rklopf@jeffco.us.

Case Type: Preliminary - Final Plat

Case Numbers: 19-111655PF and 19-107872PF

Case Name: 8135 Shaffer Parkway

General Location: 7951 Shaffer Parkway and a portion of 8135 Shaffer Parkway.

Case Manager: Ross Klopf, 303-271-8733, rklopf@jeffco.us

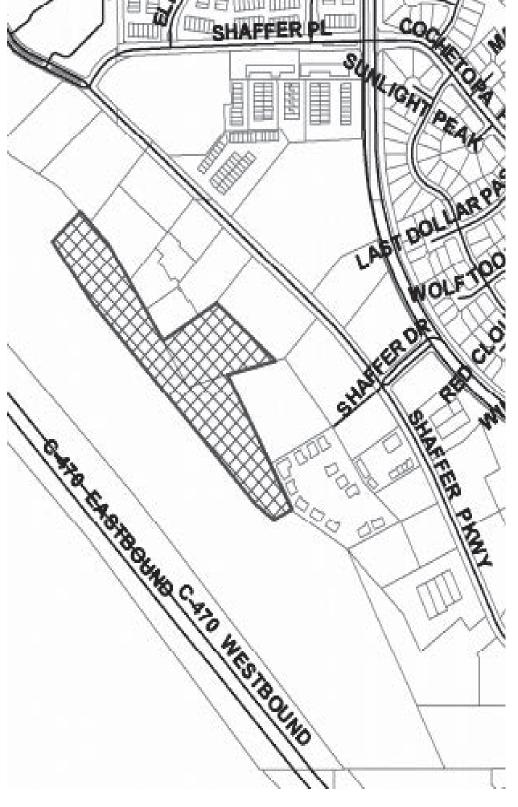
Planning Commission: Wednesday, Oct. 28 at 6:15 p.m.

Board of County Commissioners: Tuesday, Nov 17. at 8 a.m.

Public Testimony will be taken at these hearings. In order for written comments to be included in the Staff packets that are provided to Boards/Commissions, please submit your comments at least one week prior to the scheduled hearing.

Location of Hearings: Virtual hearings online due to COVID-19. Link to online hearing available at http://planning.jeffco.us on the hearing date. If planning to testify, please send a copy of any materials to the case manager at least 24 hours prior to the hearing. Documents for this case can be accessed through the Planning & Zoning Website at http://jeffco.us/planning-and-zoning/active-cases/ or by contacting the case manager.





• Our Community

Want to Get Involved? Consider Applying for a Committee!

Committee Application Deadline is Nov. 13.

Committees are a vital part of managing affairs of the community. Ken-Caryl Ranch is now accepting applications for new committee members for 2021 for the following committees:

- Architectural Committee (2 openings)
- Community Planning Committee (1-5 openings)
- Election Committee (1-5 openings)
- Historical Society (unlimited openings)
- Open Space Committee (1 opening)
 All committees are Master Association committees with the exception of the Community Planning Committee, which is a joint committee of the Master Association and Metropolitan District.
 Note: The Covenant Committee is still an active committee, but the committee does not have any openings for 2021.

All prospective committee members must apply for committee membership using the Committee Application. The application and additional information about each committee is available on our website at www.ken-carylranch.org.

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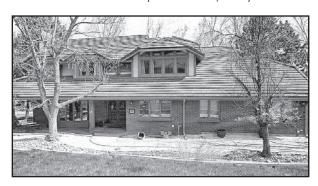
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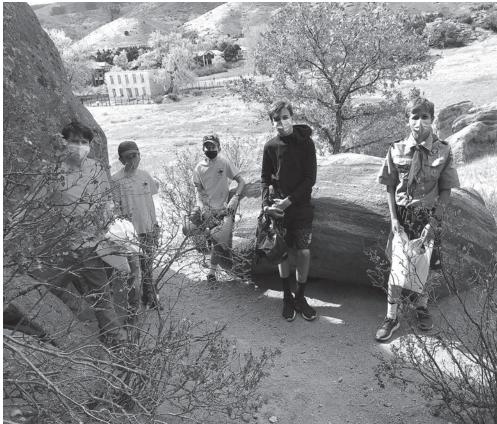
Scout Troop 686 Cleans Up and Teams Up

Submitted by Marisa and Jack Famariss, Residents

Scouts and leaders from Troop 686 cleaned up the broken glass and trash around the beautiful red rocks near the Bradford Perley house on Oct. 17. The troop was also treated to a private tour of the inside of the Bradford Perley house with Ken-Caryl Historical Society volunteer Jim Antes, as it was also archeological day.

If you know a girl or boy scout interested in interested in learning more about Boy Scouts of America, please contact the local Denver Council or our membership chair, Marisa Famariss, at (214) 681-1628 or via email at famariss4@gmail.com.







A Unique Opportunity to Build a Community

Here in South Jeffco, construction is about to commence for a unique intergenerational community that values diversity and inclusion. With 77 apartment homes, Trailhead Community will bring together active seniors, professionals and adults with developmental disabilities to create an intentional "extended family". Homes are available both for purchase and rent.



Amenities will include a 24/7 concierge staff, fitness room, sports court, media room, art studio, meeting rooms, covered courtyard and an active social schedule. Affordable monthly costs include robust WIFI and internet access, all utilities, and advanced techsafe home and smart-home features. Every home has a full kitchen but there will also be three meals a day served in the community dining room; in case you don't feel like cooking! All homes are ADA compliant.

The project is designed for people who would like to spend time developing meaningful relationships with other adults of various ages as abilities. Trailhead is currently accepting applications for purchase and is encouraging you to apply if you are a senior who does not necessarily want to live in an "all-seniors" community or an adult who wants to live in a community of good neighbors.

For more information, visit their website: www.trailheadcommunity.org.





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Be "Firewise": Protect Your Home from Fire

Wildfire doesn't have to burn everything in its path. As a homeowner, there are simple steps you can take to help keep your home, property and family safe!

In fact, cleaning your property of debris and maintaining your landscaping are important first steps in minimizing loss and damage. As a resource, our friends at Firewise have put together this checklist to help keep you, your family and your home safe!





Firewise tips checklist for homeowners

WILDFIRE DOESN'T HAVE TO BURN everything in its path. In fact, cleaning your property of debris and maintaining your landscaping are important first steps to helping minimize damage and loss.

The work you do today can make a difference. Follow these simple action steps now and throughout the year to prepare and help reduce the risk of your home and property becoming fuel for a wildfire:

- Clear leaves and other debris from gutters, eaves, porches and decks. This prevents embers from igniting your home.
- Remove dead vegetation from under your deck and within 10 feet of the house.
- Remove anything stored underneath decks or porches.
- Screen or box-in areas below patios and decks with wire mesh to prevent debris and combustible materials from accumulating.
- Remove flammable materials (firewood stacks, propane tanks, dry vegetation) within 30 feet of your home's foundation and outbuildings, including garages and sheds. If it can catch fire, don't let it touch your house, deck or porch.
- Wildfire can spread to tree tops. If you have trees on your property, prune so the lowest branches are 6 to 10 feet from the ground.

- ☐ Keep your lawn hydrated and maintained. If it is brown, cut it down to reduce fire intensity. Dry grass and shrubs are fuel for wildfire.
- Don't let debris and lawn cuttings linger. Dispose of these items quickly to reduce fuel for fire.
- Inspect shingles or roof tiles. Replace or repair those that are loose or missing to prevent ember penetration.
- Cover exterior attic vents with metal wire mesh no larger than 1/8 inch to prevent sparks from entering the home.
- Enclose under-eave and soffit vents or screen with metal mesh to prevent ember entry.

Learn more about how to keep your family safe and reduce your home's risk for wildfire damage at www.firewise.org.



• Our Community

The Future is Flexible: Ken-Caryl Ranked #1 in Colorado for Remote Workers

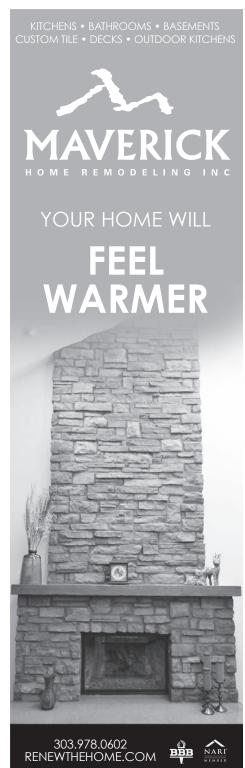
According to Zippia.com, an online resource for job seekers, remote work and flexibility are two of the most desirable benefits for workers. Many workers may choose to leave popular, expensive cities and call smaller, lesser known cities "home." Others may choose to live near friends and family, or in locations that personally speak to them. Regardless of where they choose to set up office, they will have more choice than ever before.

As workers become untethered from company location, more will be free to choose where they want to call home. Zippia recently hit the numbers to identify cities in each state where remote workers have all the tools necessary to work from home successfully and can save a bundle doing it. According to their findings, Ken-Caryl ranks #1 in Colorado for remote workers, providing them with what they need to personally and professionally thrive! So, it's safe to say, raise a cup of coffee in your pajamas in front of your laptop to celebrate, KCR!



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New 24/7 Library Services at Ridge **Recreation Center**

As temperatures dip, and we begin to embrace everything comfy and cozy, now's the perfect time to invest in a good book or movie. And, now, The Jefferson County Public Library has made it even easier! Pick up and return Jefferson County Public Library materials whenever you want, day or night! Access the Library Holds Locker, Lending Machine and Returns Bin at any time, seven days a week, outside the Ridge Recreation Center's lower entrance.

These services, in collaboration with the Foothills Park and Recreation District, give South County residents a new way to conveniently access Library services.

To pick up requested items from the JCPL Holds Locker, request materials online at jeffcolibrary.org, open a new window and select "Ridge Rec Center Holds Locker" as your pickup location. Once you're notified that your materials are ready for pickup, come anytime to the Holds Locker to check out your items.

Browse hundreds of new and popular books and DVDs for adults and children in our collection at the Lending Machine, both in English and Spanish. After you've enjoyed

your materials, you can return them to any Library location or the Returns Bin, available 24/7 outside the Ridge Rec Center.

Tell all your friends! If they don't have a library card, they might be interested in signing up to use the convenient JCPL Holds Locker and Lending Machine. It's easy! Fill out a Library Request Form online and they'll be issued a temporary card to use at all JCPL locations. When they visit a physical location, they can trade it in for a physical card.

Come visit the Library Holds Locker, Lending Machine, and Returns Bin outside the Ridge Recreation Center at 6613 S. Ward St., Littleton, CO 80127, and find your next great book or movie!

Staff Spotlight



Get to Know Youth **Programs Recreation Supervisor Lizz** Brock:

Two Truths and a Lie

Can you tell fact from fiction? Get to know Youth Programs Recreation Supervisor Lizz Brock in this issue's Staff Spotlight by playing Two Truths and a Lie.

- 1. I have a two-year-old bulldog named **Dolly Parton.**
- 2. I can solve a Rubik's Cube in under a minute.
- 3. I have eleven nieces and nephews.

Turn to page 18 for more information and to learn about Lizz!

Action Center Set to Provide **Grocery Boxes For** 5,700 Meals This **Thanksgiving**

The Action Center is preparing for its Annual Thanksgiving Distribution in which the human-service non-profit will provide over 1,400 meal kits to households in need this holiday season. These meal kits, filled with all the "fixin's," will create over 5,700 meals. This year's event will take place at Lakewood-based Terumo Blood and Cell Technologies on Sunday, Nov. 21 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

"I think we all know how nice it is to share a warm Thanksgiving meal with our friends and families, and yet nearly 1 in 3 Coloradans are facing food insecurity. Couple this with the fact that nearly 40% of Colorado households have seen a drop in income since the COVID-19 pandemic began; many of these households will face an uncertain and difficult holiday season," said Action Center Executive Director Pam Brier.

The Action Center will be able to serve these families quickly and efficiently through the unique drive-thru distribution at Terumo Blood and Cell Technologies, a medical device company with about 2,500 Colorado employees. Each household will receive a meal kit filled with goods such as potatoes, vegetables, stuffing, gravy, dessert mixes and a gift card for turkey or ham at local grocery stores.

"Supporting The Action Center's annual Thanksgiving meal distribution is a tangible way for our employees to help unlock the potential of our community by providing both financial and volunteer support," said Claudia Formiga, Director of Communications and Corporate Social Responsibility, Terumo Blood and Cell Technologies. "As many families face economic uncertainties, helping families share a Thanksgiving meal is especially meaningful in 2020."

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Featured Creatures: Helping Pets Find Their Furr-ever Homes

There's no better time than right now to find the purr-fect fur-ever home for a deserving pet! Here are the latest adoptable pets from Foothills Animal Shelter.



Jovani (#225142): Jovani is a threeyear-old, male Labrador Retriever

mix. This sweet pup came to the shelter as part of a rescue effort and is very eager to find an active forever family – one that will continue his positive reinforcement training using a gentle, encouraging approach (with lots of treats) that recognizes his initial reluctance and insecurity when greeting new people. Jovani has met several people and ultimately done well with all of them, but given his sensitivity to noises and sudden movements, he is best placed in a home with older children.



Maya (#224824): Maya is a oneyear-old, female

cat. This brindled beauty came to the shelter as part of a pet rescue effort in Houston, TX, and has quickly earned the label of being a "sassy cat" – Maya knows what she wants and is not afraid to tell the handler all about it. The move to Colorado, coupled with shelter life, has been a bit stressful for her. She would welcome the opportunity to become part of a calm, quiet household where she can take her time to assimilate to new surroundings and become the most loving, loyal companion imaginable.

All adoption fees include spay or neuter, vaccinations, microchip and a health check. Visit www.FoothillsAnimalShelter.org to find out more about Jovani, Maya and other special pets like them

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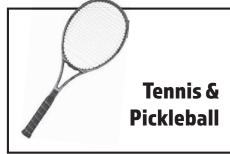
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Permanent Court Time

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Pickleball is back!

Announcing the return of Pickleball at the Community Center! Online registration for this beloved game available at www.ken-carylranch.org.

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Challenger Sports Thanksgiving Ken-Caryl Ranch is partnering with Thanksgiving Soccer Camp from 9

Challenger Sports to offer a three-day a.m. - noon, Nov. 23 - 25. This program focuses on developing the individual technical skills of each player with emphasis on ball familiarity, dribbling, individual moves, turns & tricks. The season camp will culminate with fun drills and games allowing the players to show their parents what they have learned. Free t-shirt and soccer ball included! For more info visit Challenger's website at https://www.challengersports.com/, and enter zip code 80127.

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Babysitting Clinic

This course is designed for pre-teens to help prepare them for those first babysitting opportunities. Students will learn to identify their own responsibilities and personal safety. Basic child care such including feeding, bathing and diapering will be covered. Participants will also learn basic child development and be able to provide activities for the many developmental stages, as well as home and fire safety and prevention and treatment of common injuries. This class is in person in the Bradford room at the Ranch House beginning in January 2021. Ages: 11 - 14 years. Register at www.ken-carylranch.org.

KC Nature Pod Learning-Outdoor Education

Are you looking for an outdoor learning opportunity for your remote learner this school year? Look no further than Ken-Caryl Youth Programs! Our team of educated and trained staff are offering a fourweek program, each week including a two-hour guided adventure for our remote learning families. Kids will get to explore a weekly theme while trekking through Ken-Caryl's beautiful open space. To ensure the health and safety of all participants, programming will be outside and follow appropriate health guidelines. We are committed to working with our families to build a program that fits their learning needs, so please reach out to youthprograms@kcranch.org or 303-979-1876 to get started today!

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Turkey Break Camp

As we prepare to break for turkey, parents can take advantage of our Turkey Break Camps to safely care for their kiddos during the Thanksgiving holiday break, Nov. 23 – 25. Two convenient camp locations are available at Dakota Lodge and the Ranch House. Programs may be combined due to number of registrants. For more information, and to register, visit www.ken-carylranch.org.

Winter Break Camp at the Ranch

Need care for your kiddo over winter break, Dec. 21 - Jan. 5? Then have your child join us for a fun-filled and activity packed schedule each day of camp. Winter Break campers will enjoy an offsite field trip, weather-dependent. Online registration closes Dec. 4.

Art Ventures 2021

Where a passion for art and nature come together... at Dakota Lodge! Students aged 3 – 6 years will have the unique opportunity to explore and connect to nature and local wildlife in new ways through artistic learning and outdoor exploration. Registration is now open online at www.ken-carylranch.org.

Outdoor Discovery 2021

Explore nature with experiments, hikes and opportunities to view wildlife in the community! This program, designed for kids ages 3 – 6 years, is ideal for preschoolers and children who are homeschooled. Registration in now open and available online at www.ken-carylranch.org.

Christmas Knits

Nothing says Christmas like comfy cozy knits! With Christmas just around the corner, learn how to knit some beautiful holiday décor items with our Christmas Knits class starting Dec. 2 at the Ranch House. Participants will learn how to make a classic stocking and a star ornament. For more information, and to register, please visit our website at www.ken-carylranch.org.



Forever on Thanksgiving, our hearts will find the pathway HOME! -Wilbur Nesbit

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2020 Third Quarter Review - Homes Sold

Ken-Caryl Valley Residential

Community	# of Homes Sold	Average Sales Price	Average % of List/Sold	Average Square Feet	Average Price per Square Foot	Average Days on Market
Barrington Ridge	1	\$1,425,000	89%	4,450	\$320	63
Bradford Place	4	\$840,750	99%	2,741	\$307	4
Bridle Gate	0	-	-	-	-	-
Carriage Hill	5	\$995,898	91%	3,471	\$287	59
The Colony	0	-	-	-	-	-
Deer Creek	4	\$614,500	97%	1,878	\$327	40
Deerwood Vista	3	\$1,203,000	98%	3,542	\$340	47
Eagles Pointe	1	\$906,000	95%	2,903	\$312	10
The Enclave	3	\$564,817	94%	1,846	\$306	39
Heirloom	6	\$802,333	100%	2,709	\$296	6
Legacy	5	\$895,000	97%	3,072	\$291	67
Manor Ridge	3	\$1,254,000	93%	3,618	\$347	46
North Ranch	15	\$1,132,365	95%	3,669	\$309	59
Retreat	3	\$778,333	99%	2,507	\$310	7
Shaffer Hill	3	\$654,333	95%	1,792	\$365	21
Shavano	0	-	-	-	-	-
Stallion Pointe	1	\$749,000	100%	2,571	\$291	40
Stratford Farms	4	\$720,800	98%	2,049	\$352	18
Traditions	6	\$639,817	100%	1,941	\$330	22
Wynterbrooke	2	\$939,500	100%	3,049	\$308	3
TOTALS YTD 2020	69	\$900,283	96.2%	2,873	\$313	37
TOTALS YTD 2019	62	\$871,714	95.7%	2,954	\$295	34
% Change 2019 vs 2020	+11%	+3%	+1%	-3%	+6%	+9%

33% of closed transactions went for at or over their asking price. 39% of closed transactions went under contract in 7 days or less.

Ken-Caryl Plains Residential

Community	# of Homes Sold	Average Sales Price	Average % of List/Sold	Average Square Feet	Average Price per Square Foot	Average Days on Market
Aspen Meadows	2	\$635,000	99%	2,123	\$299	12
Cimarron	6	\$547,233	100%	2,274	\$241	6
Quail Ridge	9	\$564,444	102%	2,115	\$267	11
Saddlewood	3	\$485,333	100%	1,853	\$262	4
Spread	6	\$720,583	99%	2,869	\$251	16
Territory	5	\$430,400	101%	1,509	\$285	5
Village	9	\$495,894	98%	2,004	\$247	17
TOTALS YTD 2020	40	\$550,699	100%	2,132	\$258	11
TOTALS YTD 2019	37	\$488,195	97%	2,024	\$241	17
6 Change 2019 vs 2020	+8%	+13%	+2.9%	+5%	+7%	-36%

73% of closed transactions went for at or over their asking price. 68% of closed transactions went under contract in 7 days or less.

Ken-Caryl Plains Condos & Townhomes

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Community	# of Homes Sold	Average Sales Price	Average % of List/Sold	Average Square Feet	Average Price per Square Foot	Average Days on Market
Mountain Gate	31	\$272,919	99%	1,077	\$253	20
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TOTALS YTD 2020	64	\$323,879	99%	1,319	\$246	20
TOTALS YTD 2019	47	\$301,650	97%	1,255	\$240	20
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Community Spirit Soars, Resulting in Huge Savings!

By Dawn Hendry, Resident

Turns out starting a noxious weed club during quarantine is a win-win for everyone! A huge thank you to the dedicated Ken Caryl Weed Warriors who took on the less than glamorous volunteer job of controlling the spread of mullein in our open spaces. Thanks also to the Ken Caryl Rangers who have tirelessly been fighting this battle for years.

From June through October 2020, these mullein marauders have either dug up or bagged the cones (filled with seeds) of 98,380 plants. This was from a backbreaking 408 hours worked!

Many volunteers joined us this season, but special mention must be made to Dave and Dorie Banning, Jodie Barr, Rebecca Fererra, Doug and Linda Graham, Rhonda Ingle, Janie Saul, Pamala Shrum, Gary and Kathy Webster and Paul Wood who all carried the lion's share of this work.

We are thrilled and grateful to report that as a result of our efforts, the Open Space Department was able to divert a portion of resources normally spent on mullein control to other noxious weed control challenges! In addition, a weeding club in Willow Springs has been working hard too, which will create a corridor of pure grasslands and improved soil and water health between our two communities. If you'd like to join our volunteer crew, call Dawn Hendry, 720-273-5998 or email dawnjeanine62@gmail.com. We've made good progress, but areas on the Cathy Johnson Trail and open spaces owned by Ken Caryl that flank Valley Parkway are still in huge need.

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Get to Know Youth **Programs Recreation Supervisor Lizz Brock:**

Two Truths and a Lie

(Continued from page 12) Did you correctly guess which one of Lizz's statements on page 12, was the lie? Well, if you guessed, #2, you may want to consider purchasing a crystal ball! While Lizz does in fact have an adorable bulldog affectionately named after the well-known country singer and eleven

- yes, eleven - nieces and nephews, unfortunately, she cannot solve a Rubik's Cube in under a minute.

Prior to joining Ken-Caryl Ranch, Lizz

proudly completed her bachelor's degree in Human Development and Family Studies at Colorado State University. From there, she completed her Elementary Education teaching certificate through Regis University. Lizz has been a part of Ken-Caryl's Youth Programs for over six

"These programs allowed me to carry out my passion for working with youth," said Lizz. "I value fostering a safe, positive, healthy and fun environment within our youth programs!"

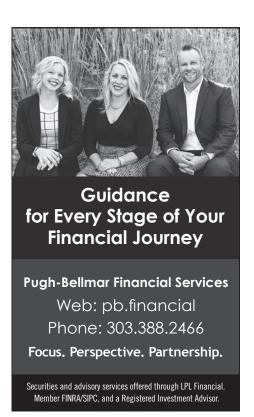
Another fun fact - Lizz and her husband also met while working together at Ken-Caryl! It's true!

"One of the many reasons to be grateful for this community and what it has provided me is in meeting my husband," said Lizz. "We are newlyweds with nine months under our belt! Nothing like starting off a marriage during a pandemic!"

Lizz feels fortunate to have grown up in a large family. She is the youngest of six, which may not surprise readers as to why she has 11 nieces and nephews! Growing up in that kind of environment and with the opportunity to have so many little ones around, prepared her and fostered a love for working with youth. Starting at a young age, her ability and joy for working with kids was evident. The rest is history!

"Each day is beyond gratifying knowing we prioritize the community's needs," said Lizz. "I feel incredibly lucky and honored to serve the Ken-Caryl Ranch families by helping to provide our highquality, recreational and kiddo-approved programming. Through the past few years, I have had the opportunity to build so many relationships and to have hopefully been a part of making a meaningful impact on these kiddos' lives!"

Stay tuned for more Two Truths and a Lie staff profiles in future issues of *Life at* Ken-Caryl.



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School News

Exhausted from the Election? These Pre-K and Kindergarten Voters May Brighten Your Mood

There's quite some time until The Primrose School of Ken Caryl prekindergartners and kindergartners turn 18, but that didn't stop them from practicing their civic duty on Election Day. Primrose School of Ken-Caryl celebrated Election Day by casting their own votes for their school's presidential Primrose Friend mascot as well as which presidential snack they will enjoy later in

Students lined up at the polls promptly at 10 a.m. on Election Day to determine who would be the presidential Primrose Friend mascot and what snack would be served that day.

To receive "I Voted!" stickers, students cast their ballots.

While the mock election's results may not be as impactful as the 2020 presidential election, the votersin-training will have the chance to become involved in the community and experience the process itself.

Election Day at Primrose School of Ken-Caryl is a fun way to help students understand the importance of civic involvement and citizenship. Children are introduced to these responsibilities through activities and projects that help

them become aware of their community of friends in their classroom and their neighborhood. The event featured the use of ballot boxes and "I Voted!" stickers to teach students about the voting process.

As for the results, Mia the Mouse won the class election by a small margin, squeaking into victory with 51 percent of the class vote over Percy the Rooster at 49 percent. The class also voted on their Election Day snack, with Goldfish and raisins taking the win!





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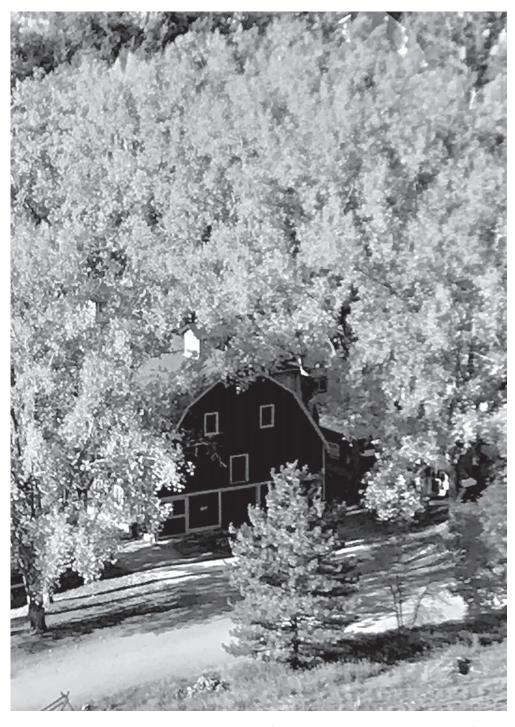


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The cold and snow don't seem to bother this stellar fella. Resident Joel Brokaw snapped this photo of a Steller jay from his home on Tamarade Drive.



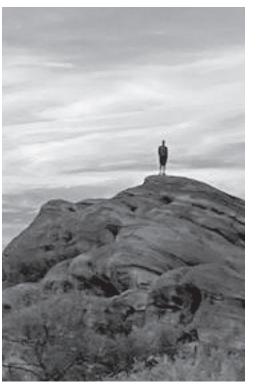
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Resident Sheri Brasher submitted these photos taken by her husband Doug, while working from home. According to Sheri, "This year has certainly been an odd one. The one constant in our lives has been our open space. We have loved living in the Valley and take advantage of all that it offers. I truly believe that our children had an idyllic childhood and continue to have respect for nature and the environment."

Above: A photo of the couple's son Trey, who just returned to Colorado, atop one of our area's red rock formations in the Valley.

Right: Here kitty, kitty! A bobcat makes an appearance; a great horned owl drops in.

Picture This! Nature at its Finest!





Caught 'red hoofed'! Resident Linda Ezell and her cat captured the culprit responsible for eating her decorative pumpkin! However, the buck did make up for his nefarious act by offering a 'lift' to several magpies.



Resident Janina Kozacka's photo pays homage to a healthy fall season!



"Love on the Rocks". Resident Nan Johnson's dog Benji enjoys the warmth of the Red Rocks during a stroll in Brannon Gearhart Park.





KIM DID IT AGAIN!

Wow, what a year!

My hope for each of you is that you have something to be thankful for this year, as I am thankful for each of you.



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Email to allisonh@kcranch.org. Deadline for Nov. 25 issue: Nov. 16 at 5 p.m.

Dear Editor:

I am a resident of the North Ranch. On Oct. 24, someone stole, yes stole, a political sign from my yard. I have every right to post political signs during an election season. You, do not have a right to trespass on my property and steal, yes steal, that sign. You have every right to get and post your own sign, but please respect other people and their right to post political signage. I am saddened by this kind of behavior in this community.

Gail Allen, Resident

Dear Editor:

I am very encouraged by the number of recent letters from Ken-Caryl resident's expressing concerns related to trail use and the health of our open space. I have become very concerned regarding the degradation of our open space caused by the number of new trails that have been developed that now crisscross our open spaces impacting the wildlife in the area.

I have written this letter to see if anyone is interested in forming some form of resident body that can collect our concerns and take them through to the Master Association for consideration as I think the challenge is that we are all responding as individuals and maybe a more coordinated effort is required to protect our environment for the next generation.

Due to COVID, and our ability to meet in person. I have created a temporary email account (Ken-CarylOpenSpace@gmail. com) for like-minded residents to indicate if they would be interested in supporting a coordinated effort. Please send an email to the address above if you are interested/agree with this proposal and to be part of this community effort.

Based on the feedback/response I will then figure out how best to go about coordinating this effort.

Doug Gray, Resident

Dear Editor:

Energy independence and free speech seem unrelated, but are actually interdependent. Firstly, IREA recently began paying its co-op members for solar power we create when we install solar panels on our homes. Whether we buy or lease the solar system, this makes immense

sense financially now that the cost of solar is significantly lower than the cost of coal. Three houses within a few blocks of ours all now have solar panels. You might not see them because they are installed so discreetly.

Climate change disproportionately impacts lower income communities. The prolonged periods of drought and increased temperatures, which result in mega-wildfires, impact us all, however, in order to start mitigating human caused climate change, please consider installing them on your home now that the benefits of net metering are available to KC residents. Finally, we are subject to reimbursement from IREA for power we generate to the electric grid.

That leads to the issue of social justice. Don't be fooled that our HOA can take away our 1st Amendment Freedom of Speech rights. Both our U.S. Constitution, and even more so, our Colorado Constitution, protect these rights. Numerous lawsuits are siding with homeowners when HOAs try to limit freedom of speech. Unless we all want to pay for the inevitable lawsuits that will be coming, please ask our HOA to rescind this rule HOAs especially get in trouble when

they try to impose their rules selectively, which is exactly what ours has done. They approved political signs 45 days before an election and school promotion signs but not social justice ones. Attempts at limiting free speech are insulting to our troops, like my father, who have fought and died protecting these rights. Please join me in calling Colorado Attorney General, Phil Wiser, Jefferson County Commissioners and Colorado ACLU until this selective rule is rescinded.

Climate justice and social justice are inextricably tied. We must use our voices to advocate for others experiencing trauma. What is your resolve to change our trajectory?

Dawn Hendry, Resident

Dear Editor:

I have been an environmental activist in this community twenty years, serving on the Ken-Caryl Ranch Foundation, joining Friends of the South Valley and leading the 14-Acre Task Force to save public lands from development of unique and sensitive parcels of land; never thinking that our private open space would be mismanaged.

The past decade, the Trail Club has packed the Open Space Committee, the

MA Board and the MD Board. A Founding Father of the TC now sits on the MA Board. In every survey that has been conducted, the results show there is large resident support for conservation and preservation. Leaders that have been elected rule as if their recreation-driven point of view is the only one that matters. We have been advocating, writing, speaking out, attending meetings and pleading to leaders to show some sign that they "hear" us. Quite the contrary. We are called "ignorant" and asked "to move if we don't like it." We are exhausted after a decade of pleading to be heard and acknowledged in some small way.

Every trail proposed in the TMP that was sold as "a guide to management and maintenance of the trails that exist today" has been built with legitimate objections from scientists, biologists and CDW, "The complete disregard for basic trail design and ecological resource value is alarming. I feel that enacting this plan (TMP) would be a great mistake and not in the best interest of the Ken-Caryl Ranch community," Yet, in 2016, the volunteer trail coordinators became "responsible for overall management, including ongoing maintenance and construction of backcountry single-track trails."

The packed MA Board approved a survey for Docmann South (a.k.a. Wildcat Gulch, a.k.a. South Foothills Open Space). We already know that it is sensitive and critical habitat as stated in Jeffco signage and surveys done on adjacent lands. The \$12,000 approved for a survey is a ticket to build a trail. It would serve a lot to mend the great divide in our community if the leaders did not build a trail on the last 10% of unfragmented backcountry. We might believe that they can "hear"





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Lillian Pool	720-985-1667	B, P	14	Bradford Place
Alec Prinzi	303-810-3221	B, L, P, S	12	Shaffer Hill
Nathan Rector	720-506-5616	S, L	12	Sunset Ridge
Joshua Reisinger	303-973-2469	L, P, S	14	Eagles Pointe
Seth Reisinger Max Ruszkowski	720-525-0078 720-517-9066	B, L, P, S L, P, S	17 17	Eagles Pointe Stallion Pointe
Sebastian Ruszkowski	303-960-9883	L, P, S	13	Stallion Pointe
Nic Sarkisov	720-470-1486	P, S	15	Heirloom
Megan Schuster	720-587-7265	B, P	18	Heirloom
Nicholas Schuster	720-990-7465	B, P	16	Heirloom
Ava Secondo	303-883-2592	B, P	15	Cimarron
Jacob Seybert	303-668-5987 303-668-5987	L, P, S	16 16	Saddlewood Saddlewood
John Seybert Maria Seybert	303-668-5987	L, P, S B, P	15	Saddlewood
Austin Skeffington	720-308-8704	L	17	Wynterbrooke
lan Soukup	303-482-6465	B, P, S	16	Eagles Pointe
Cameron Sternberg	303-949-3691	P	12	Aspen Meadows
Wesley Sternberg	303-949-3691	P	14	Aspen Meadows
Seumas Stevens	720-210-6065	B, L, P, S	14	Bradford Place
Abby Szabo Ben Szabo	720-745-1339 720-413-3072	B, P, S L, P, S	15 17	Aspen Meadows Aspen Meadows
Maddy Szabo	720-768-5452	Е, Г, З В, Р	15	Aspen Meadows Aspen Meadows
Cole Torgerson	720-291-9022	B, L, P	18	Legacy
Jack Torgerson	303-981-7617	B, P	15	Legacy
Zane Tweedie	720-688-9440	L, P, S	15	Deerwood Vista
Aiden Tyler	720-448-7638	P, S	15	Cimarron
Olivia Vangels Catie Watkins	720-292-6727 720-705-1656	B, P B, P	13 12	Village Manor Ridge
Charlotte Webster	703-655-4428	B,P	16	The Spread

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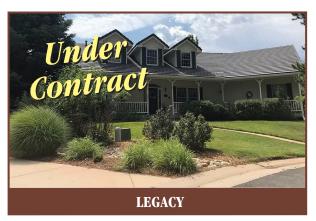
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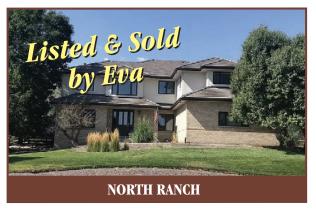
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