November 30, 2016



# **HOLIDAY HAPPENINGS DEC. 3**

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| COMMUNITY CENTER                 | DUES   | WELLNESS                               | HISTORICAL SOCIETY        | WILDLIFE   |
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### Christmas Tree Sale Dec. 3

The annual Christmas Tree Sale will be held at Dakota Lodge on Saturday, Dec.

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Try a Free

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3 from 8-10 a.m. A limited number of trees cut from forest management areas will be available to the public, on a first come, first served basis. Rangers are requesting donations in exchange for the trees, and the donations will be used to offset expenses in the open space program.

The Rangers harvested small-diameter trees (mostly Douglas Firs and some Ponderosa Pines) in the open space to improve wildlife habitat and overall forest health. The removal of the small trees reduces overcrowding and eliminates ladder fuels that can carry fire into a forest canopy. These trees are not bushy and manicured like those found on Christmas tree lots around town, but they will be fresh and fragrant. Trees that don't find a home are chipped and made into mulch. If you have any questions, contact the Ranger Staff at 303-979-1876, ext. 170.

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Veterans Day Celebration

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#### Manager's Column



### De-Stress with Parks & Recreation This Holiday Season

By District Manager Melissa Daruna The holidays are a beautiful time of year here in Ken-Caryl Ranch. But all the celebrating, hosting, cooking and shopping can also be stressful. Don't forget to take time out for yourself and your family! The Metropolitan District offers a variety of opportunities for you

to de-stress, work off that holiday food, or just enjoy time with family and friends. Here are our top five ways to handle that holiday stress with parks and recreation: 1. **Opt Outside** – Take a snowshoe hike, walk along the greenbelts, play on a new playground or visit the sledding

hill. Taking time to get outdoors is proven to help curb stress and is a great way to connect with your kids or show off the community to visiting family. 2. **Skip that Santa Line** – Holiday Happenings, our annual holiday event, is Saturday, Dec. 3. Santa makes a special visit to Ken-Caryl Ranch, and residents can get a free ticket with a set time to see him. No waiting in long lines at other venues! Stay and enjoy games, crafts and other festive activities!

3. **Maintain, Don't Gain** – Exercise is another tried and true method to keeping your cool during the holidays. We are running a special program – Maintain, Don't Gain – through the holidays. For \$10 you can get tips on staying healthy and have help being accountable for fitness. Did you know our fitness center is open as early as 5:30 a.m. Monday through Thursday? Get that workout in early! See the website for more details.

- 4. Drop off the Kids Need some extra time to shop? Not sure what to do with the kids? We have the answer! Winter Break Camps run Dec. 22-Jan. 6. Choose as many or as few days as you'd like. Each day includes an exciting field trip. Pre-registration is required and some trips fill quickly! Visit the website for registration details.
- 5. Light it Up You and your neighbors know how to deck the halls (or houses)! Head out for an evening stroll or drive with the whole family to see all the holiday lights in the neighborhood. Don't forget to swing by the facilities and see the great decorating done by the Parks Department, too!

#### • Board Meeting Summaries

#### **Metropolitan District Board**

On Nov. 14, the Ken-Caryl Ranch Metropolitan District held a Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors and discussed the following items and took the following actions:

- The Board received an update on insurance suggestions for the Veterans Monument.
- The Board decided to allocate funding in 2017 to pour post-tension concrete for courts 1 & 2 at the Community Center. These new courts will be used for tennis.
- Staff presented a summary for the aquatics programs from the summer.
- The Board reviewed and approved the 2017 Ken-Caryl Community Garden Gardener Agreement.
- Staff presented an update on the bond projects. Punch lists have been reviewed with the architecture team and will be worked through by the construction contractors.
- Staff presented background information on the District's snow removal policy. The Board will discuss snow removal with the Master Association Board at the next Joint Study Session

### Master Association Board

The following is a summary of items from the Nov. 15 business meeting of the Ken-Caryl Ranch Master Association Board:

- A resident requested that the Board authorize funds to share in the cost of restoring the Retreat neighborhood sign to its original condition (raised letters). The Board's goal is to eliminate the neighborhood signs, and therefore they did not approve funds for this request.
- A resident addressed the Board regarding the neighborhood signs as well as expressed concern about the funds required to restore the former Prairie Dog colony land around the Manor House.
- Four residents addressed the board expressing concerns about the programming changes that have occurred at the Dakota Lodge. The Board explained that programming decisions are made by the Metropolitan District not the Master Association.
- The Volunteer Trail Coordinators updated the Board on October activities and plans for November.
- A motion was approved accepting

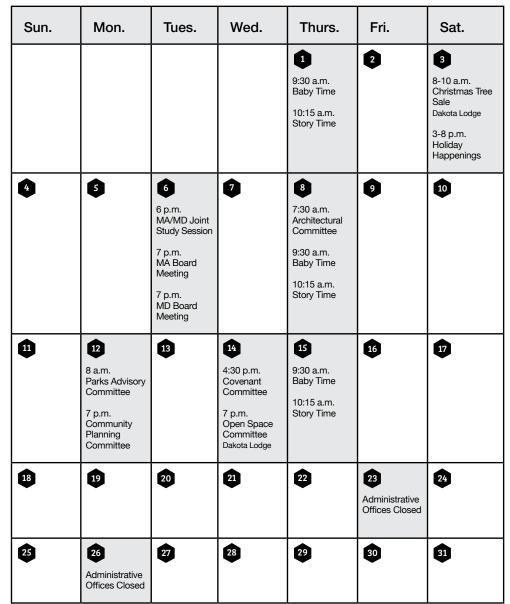
### • Community Calendar

November

All meetings and activities are at the Ranch House unless otherwise stated. Meeting dates and times are subject to change. Please see www.ken-carylranch.org for the most up-to-date information.

| Sun. | Mon. | Tues. | Wed.                                    | Thurs. | Fri. | Sat. |
|------|------|-------|---|--------|------|------|
| 27   | 28   | 29    | 30<br>7 p.m.<br>Open Space<br>Committee |        |      |      |

### December





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- Study Session.
- Staff presented a revised draft budget for the Board's review. Staff and the Board discussed staffing for 2017. The public hearing for the budget was continued with the 2017 budget scheduled for adoption on Dec. 6.
- Staff provided information on the renewal of the District's property and liability insurance for 2017 through the Colorado Special Districts Property and Liability Pool.
- Staff provided an update on ADA compliance efforts for the Ken-Caryl Ranch website.
- Staff reviewed and accepted a proposal from Schilling and Company for auditing services for 2016.
- The Board adopted a resolution setting the business meeting schedules for 2017.

Open Space Committee recommended revisions to the Group Events Policy with some additional edits by the Board.

- A motion was approved accepting biological and cultural survey reports for the Docmann Loop Trail.
- A motion was defeated regarding the Open Space Committee's recommendation on a revised gate and fence design for Massey Draw trailhead. The Board then provided some direction to staff to modify this installation and proceed with the installation.
- A motion was approved to continue the Volunteer Trail Coordinator Trial Program in 2017 (Dan Mullins and Jeff Lyslo, Volunteer Coordinators) as recommended by the Open Space Committee.
- A resolution was approved adopting the 2017 budget as presented to the Board of Directors with assessment levels of \$49 per month per residence, \$37 per month per apartment and \$33 per month per commercial acre or fraction thereof.

### T-F: 10AM-5:30PM SAT: 10AM-4:00PM ghrjewelry.com

#### **Trash and Recycling Information**

Waste Connections is the trash and recycling service provider for Ken-Caryl Ranch. Service is included as part of the Ken-Caryl Ranch Master Association monthly dues. Waste Connections can be reached at 303-288-2100 or www.wcdenver.com.

**Trash and Recycling Totes:** Residents have the option of using their own trash and recycling containers/bags or using 96-gallon totes provided at no charge by Waste Connections. The totes have wheels and are 42 inches tall, the top measures 30x34 inches, and the bottom is 24x24 inches. To order totes, send an email to kencarylco@wasteconnections.com, say that you want to sign up for totes, and provide your name, address, email address, and phone number. You can request both trash and recycling totes, just a trash tote, or just a recycling tote.

Holiday Trash Delays: Waste Connections observes the following holidays: New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Fourth of July, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day, unless they fall on a weekend. If your normal pickup day falls on or after a holiday, your collection schedule will run one day late that week.

**Auto-Dial Service:** Waste Connections offers an auto-dial service called Call Fire to notify customers of any changes in trash pickup days. You can sign up to receive a phone call online at www.wcdenver.com/contact/. Complete the required information, click on Residential Trash Service, then in the comment section say you are a Ken-Caryl resident seeking to sign up for the Call Fire service.

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#### Dues Info

### MA Board Adopts 2017 Budget; Dues Will Increase \$1 Per Month in 2017

At their November Business Meeting, the Ken-Caryl Ranch Master Association Board of Directors adopted the 2017 Budget. The new budget includes an increase in the monthly dues of \$1 per month. If you pay your residential dues through your bank's online bill pay, you will need to adjust the payment amount to \$49 starting in January. If your dues are paid by automatic withdrawal through the Master Association's Automated Clearing House (ACH) process, then you don't need to do anything. The amount will be adjusted automatically starting with the January payment.

The \$1 increase is primarily due to trash and recycling services. The budget is posted on our website at www.ken-carylranch.org under the Administration tab, then Budgets & Reports. If you have any questions please contact Chris Pacetti at 303-979-1876, ext. 116, or chrisp@kcranch.org.

#### • Community Center

### Update on Tennis Courts 1 & 2

At the Nov. 14 Ken-Caryl Ranch Metropolitan District Board meeting, the Board announced its decision to replace Community Center Tennis Courts 1 & 2 with new post-tension tennis courts in the spring of 2017. These courts will be used for tennis. The discussion regarding pickleball courts is tabled for now and will be addressed by the Board in the future.

#### • Covenant Clips

# It's Snow Laughing Matter

By Community Standards Administrator Rita Saunders It has been easy to suppress visions of blinding storms and snowdrifts with the incredibly warm, dry weather we've experienced this fall. But the first storm serves as a sharp awakening, jolting us back to reality. Colorado's snow and ice present challenges, so I'd like to share some helpful information.

Each winter callers complain about sidewalks not being shoveled, creating hazards for school children and other pedestrians. There is no Jefferson County ordinance or rule in our own documents that requires residents to shovel sidewalks. However, I will not offer a defense to those who habitually neglect the task, choosing convenience and indifference over safety and consideration. For the large percentage of people who respond diligently to this obligation, I offer my sincere thanks. Remember that postal regulations require residents to clear access to mailboxes and that Jefferson County can issue citations for snow pushed or blown onto county streets and rights-of-way.

Snow-packed, icy neighborhood streets present a hazard for people and vehicles. County plows may not be able to clear streets if parked vehicles restrict the safe, continuous operation of snow removal equipment. The ideal would be for vehicles to be parked in garages or driveways, but many homes have more vehicles than can be accommodated on the property. Neighbors can work cooperatively to optimize snow plowing effectiveness by moving cars across from the shady side of the street that never melts or forms dangerous ice slicks.

Jefferson County is responsible for clearing snow along 2,924 lane-miles of paved roads, so our neighborhood streets have lower precedence. Plowing operations occur in four phases according to descending priority levels: 1. main arterial streets; 2. major subdivision collectors, school zones and school bus routes; 3. residential roads carrying moderate to low traffic volumes; and finally, 4. cul-de-sacs with very low traffic. Phase I provides initial opening of all priority 1-3 streets in that order. Phase II involves plowing and sanding of problem roads with steep inclines, curves, bridges and overpasses. Phase III calls for removal of packed snow and ice on priority 1-3 streets where deemed necessary, along with plowing of priority 4 streets as resource availability allows. Phase IV continues improvements post-storm and prepares for future snow.

As you can see, this means most of the streets in our community don't benefit from plowing early in the course of a storm. Jeffco considers driveway approaches affected during Phases I-III as the responsibility of the property owner to clear. During Phase IV, driveways previously opened by the homeowner will not have additional snow plowed into them. Patience, thoughtfulness and cooperative efforts can ease the stressors generated by Mother Nature. Express gratitude to diligent neighbors who shovel and offer a friendly wave or thumbs-up to snowplow drivers. Lastly, enjoy the wonderland!

Ken-Caryl Ranch documents are available at the Ranch House and on our website at www.ken-carylranch.org. Please contact me at 303-979-1876, ext. 113, or email ritas@kcranch.org for any covenant concerns.



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#### • Ranger Field Notes



# Calling Rangers with Wildlife Concerns

By Open Space Ranger Matt Oven

Ken-Caryl Ranch Park Rangers have received a few injured wildlife calls in the past few weeks, which included a Big Horned Owl but mainly regarding mule deer. With the mule deer rut in full swing, bucks will receive more injuries sparring with other males and also running/ jumping into yards, open space and roadways to pursue does.

When a wildlife injury call is received, Rangers may investigate as time allows or determine over the phone if the animal should be left alone to let nature take its course. If the injury is minor for a small mammal or bird, our advice may also be to take it to a licensed rehabilitator.

The Rangers use the same policy as Colorado Parks and Wildlife. If a deer/elk is injured but can still feed and walk on its own, then we let nature take its course. However, if the deer/elk is injured to the point it cannot feed or walk on its own, listing to one side, head/ears lowered, then Rangers will respond to euthanize the animal (if on duty) or direct the caller to contact Colorado Parks and Wildlife.

- PARK RANGERS (303-979-1876, ext. 170) will only handle deer/elk. As time allows, a report of an injured or sick deer will be reviewed and any dead deer will be removed as soon as possible depending on the time of day and availability of a Park Ranger on duty. Many factors play into the response time including where the Ranger is on duty, trails, proximity to a truck, time of day, etc.
- JEFFERSON COUNTY ANIMAL CONTROL (303-271-5070) will remove any dead animals and advise on any other injured animals, for example, rabbits, squirrels, raccoons, etc.

Park Rangers keep a call log when reports come in referencing sightings and or concerns about animals in the open space and private property. The log assists the Rangers in detecting a pattern to behavior or injured activity of a certain animal and can report that information to follow-up calls by staff, Colorado Wildlife Officers or Ken-Caryl Ranch Master Association members.

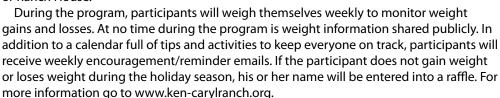
Due to infectious diseases and calls in the past, Park Rangers will advise the resident to contact Jefferson County Animal Control, and they may assist with any concerns and/or advise to call to the Jefferson County Health Department or Colorado Parks and Wildlife, too. If you have any questions feel free to call the Rangers at 303-979-1876, ext. 170.

#### • Wellness Info

### 2016 Maintain, Don't Gain Challenge

The average adult will gain five to seven pounds during the holiday season. The Ken-Caryl Ranch Metropolitan District is offering the Maintain, Don't Gain Challenge to help you fight off those holiday urges!

The goal of the 2016 Maintain, Don't Gain Challenge is to help participants avoid weight gain by encouraging weight maintenance and healthy decisions. The program runs Dec. 5 to Jan. 6. The cost is \$10 for residents, and \$15 for non-residents. Register for course No. 44428 online at www.ken-carylranch.org or at the Community Center or Ranch House.



archives. A collection of intact bottles

and an accelerator pedal were donated

to the archives by resident Mark Hanson.

Boy Scout Garrett Sondgerath donated a

learn about our past through our videos,

the Ken-Caryl website and Jefferson

the Open Space rules and inform the

Ranger staff.

stories and oral histories available through

County Public Library. We meet four times

a year, in January, April, July and October. If

you should find an artifact, please respect

The Historical Society encourages you to

handmade square nail he found.

#### Historical Society

### Artifact Day a Success

Submitted by Rosemary Lewis, Ken-Caryl Ranch Historical Society

The Ken-Caryl Ranch Historical Society was pleased to see so many people interested in prehistoric and historic artifacts found on Ken-Caryl Ranch. Several dozen Ken-Caryl residents joined archaeological experts Jack Warner and Dr. Bill Hammond on Nov. 12 to show off their treasures and learn about the origins and use of their objects. More than 60 prehistoric stone artifacts, most over 1,000 years old, were examined and photographed for the Ken-Caryl Ranch



Dr. Bill Hammond, far right, and Jack Warner, seated next to Bill, discuss artifacts with a group of residents.



This excellent collection included some very nice projectile points. On the top row, the fourth from the left is made from petrified wood and is from what archaeologists call the Archaic period over 2,000 years ago. The one to its left is over 1,200 old and is in nearly perfect condition.

#### • Open Space Rules

### Reminder from the Open Space Staff







### What are archaeological sites and why are they important?

Archaeological and other cultural sites throughout Ken-Caryl Ranch Open Space provide solid evidence of a story spanning thousands of years. An archaeological/ cultural site is a vault filled with historical and cultural artifacts with valuable information. Like items in a museum, artifacts are for observation only—not for removal as personal souvenirs.

When artifacts are removed, a piece of Ken-Caryl Ranch's story—one that we all have a right to share and understand—is gone forever. When trained professionals excavate a site, they make sure no significant information is lost. The artifacts remain available to the public for research, education and interpretation.

Archaeological and cultural resources located on Ken-Caryl Ranch Open Space are managed by the Ken-Caryl Ranch Master Association. These open space resources belong to all the members of the Ken-Caryl Ranch Master Association. They are our legacy to future generations.

Ken-Caryl resident Lindsay Erickson and her twin children

brought in this collection of prehistoric scrapers, flakes,

debitage, broken points and other historical artifacts.

If every visitor takes something, soon there will be nothing left for others to discover. Everyone should have the opportunity to visit an archaeological site that is undisturbed. In fact, collecting artifacts, including arrowheads, from Ken-Caryl Ranch Open Space is an open space rules violation. Rule #7 states: Unauthorized collecting, taking, gathering, possessing, destroying, mutilating, defacing, damaging or disturbing any wildlife, natural feature, archeological item, vegetation, or any other object is prohibited. Violators risk fine assessments and loss of privileges.

#### What is an artifact?

Artifacts are objects made or used by humans. Examples of artifacts include pottery, baskets, bottles, weapons, arrowheads, rock paintings, and carvings.



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Well done Ken-Caryl!



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### Ladies Holiday Wine Tasting Party

The Ken-Caryl Ladies Holiday Wine Tasting Party will be held on Wednesday, Dec. 7 at Black Arts Cellars Winery located at 11616 Shaffer Place #S-110. The event is hosted by Brean Small. Please RSVP by emailing to DrBrean@hotmail.com by Dec. 1.

### • Helping Out

### North Ranch Residents Come Together to Decorate for the Holidays

Armed with ladders and poles, a group of residents of all ages gathered on Sunday, Nov. 13 to string holiday lights in the trees along the median of the North Ranch entrance. Organizer Ric Holderith said he was not surprised by the number of volunteers who showed up to help. "We always get a good turnout for this." Thank you to everyone who came out!





#### • Fitness & Wellness

### Try a FREE Fitness Class!

Come start your day off right with a 6 a.m. full body workout at the Ken-Caryl Ranch Community Center Fitness Center! In the month of December, the fitness center is offering two FREE, 45-minute fitness classes at 6 a.m.: Dec. 5 and 7. This is a great opportunity to get your body moving and provide feedback on what type of classes would fit your needs. Cut out the coupon below and bring it with you to the Community Center on Dec. 5 or 7 for a class followed by coffee! If you have questions, please contact Janet Robbins, Fitness Coordinator, at J.Robbins@contactelevation.com.

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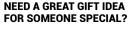
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### Share Your Joy, Give A Toy!

Submitted by Stacy Harvey and Brian Lee

"A Toy for Every Girl and Boy" is the mission of The Denver Santa Claus Shop. In support of this mission, the Colorado Rush Soccer Club and local agents from Colorado Home Realty will be coordinating a toy drive in the Ken-Caryl Ranch community. The concept is to provide free toys to children ages newborn to 11 years old who might not otherwise have gifts to open at Christmas. The Denver Santa Claus Shop sets up a huge toy store in a donated space and provides toys to nearly 13,000 children each vear. 9 Cares Colorado Shares endorses and supports this program.

We are making it easy to contribute to this great cause! Look for bags with flyers attached to be delivered to your door on or around Dec. 3. All you have to do is put toys in the bag and then set it out at the curb for pick up on Dec. 8. Your donation will be picked up and delivered to the Denver Santa Claus Shop. Our good friends at Gone For Good have generously provided a large truck to transport all the toys, so we are encouraging you to please give generously.

The Denver Santa Claus Shop seeks New and "Gently Loved" toys for children ages newborn through 11 years old. They ask for classic types of toys whose timeless appeal still delights children. These are the tried and true toys that children and their parents prefer every year:

- Dolls Barbie, Dora, Bratz, African-American, Native-American & Hispanic dolls: extra outfits (no porcelain or cloth dolls, please)
- Books paperback & hardcover
- New coloring books, crayons, workbooks

- Toy trucks & cars all sizes, metal or plastic, model kits
- Board games & puzzles new or in good condition with all parts and pieces
- Craft kits new only bead sets, weaving looms, yarn, knitting needles & crochet hooks, art sets, jewelry-making, etc.
- Infant & toddler toys and dolls prefer new ones
- Construction toys prefer new building blocks, Legos, Tinker Toys, etc.
- Balls regulation size soccer, footballs, basketballs, volleyballs
- Girls' toys tea sets, hair play, jewelry, etc. Please note: Violent toys (guns, knives, etc.) cannot be accepted.

The Denver Santa Claus Shop is an allvolunteer, nondenominational 501(c)(3) nonprofit that collects and distributes free toys to children who might not otherwise have a toy to open at Christmas. To learn more, go to denversantaclausshop.org.

For more information about the Ken-Caryl toy drive, contact Stacy Harvey at 303-921-6642 or stacy@ coloradohomerealty.com.







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### **Bradford Place** 10 White Alder • \$675,000

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### **North Ranch 3 Mourning Dove**



### Wynterbrooke 5 Mountain Pine • \$650,000

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**Stallion Pointe** 42 Willowleaf Drive

**Manor Ridge** 

8 Tamarade • \$1,199,000

Custom walkout Ranch style home in Ken-Caryl

Valley. Situated on over an acre of land with

mountain views. Four bedrooms, with a second

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floor master with a separate sitting room and

balcony, four-car garage, loft, kitchen with slab

granite and walk-in pantry, and tile roof.

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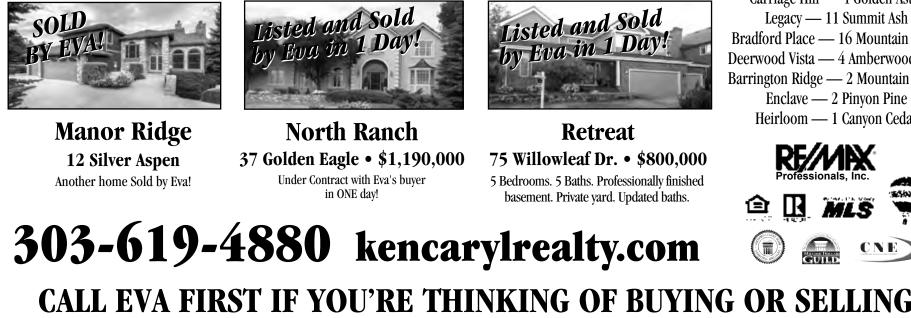


North Ranch 7 Ptarmigan • \$1,095,000



### North Ranch 16 Red Fox Lane • \$1,050,000

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### Be a Ken-Caryl Citizen Scientist in the 2016 Audubon Christmas Bird Count

Submitted by Tom Bush, Ken-Caryl Resident, Audubon Master Birder

Audubon's 117th Christmas Bird Count will take place this December. Denver has been part of the Christmas Bird Count for the last 63 years and will hold its count on Saturday Dec. 17. Denver is subdivided into 24 count areas that are each 15mile diameter circles. Ken-Caryl Valley is centered in count area number 17. Area 17 includes all of the North and South Valley between C-470 and the top of the foothills to the west.

As a resident of Ken-Caryl, you have the unique opportunity to become a "citizen scientist" and help to report on the birds that call it home. I have helped as the area compiler for the past 10 years and have thoroughly enjoyed the experience. The area has a wide variety of habitats that support some 100 species of birds, which range from Mountain Chickadees to Western Meadowlarks to American Kestrels to Golden Eagles. The extensive trail system in the Valley and foothills offers great opportunities to view species in their particular habitat.

To learn more and participate, call one of the Area Leaders listed below. No birding experience necessary! Each count group will be accompanied by an expert birder. After a day in the field, all participants are invited to attend the compilation meeting to feast, warm up, chat with other birders, and find out how the entire Denver count fared. It is a lot of fun. The compilation meeting will be at approximately 5 p.m. at the Chatfield State Park Headquarters (south side of the lake near the Heronry Overlook). A State Parks vehicle entry pass is required to enter and please carpool if possible. Feel



free to bring a dish or dessert to share!

Since the Christmas Bird Count began over a century ago, it has relied on the dedication and commitment of volunteers who count and compile all of the birds they see and hear that day in their assigned area. It's not just a species tally--all birds are counted all day, giving an indication of the total number of birds in the circle that day. The count is not just for hikers. If your home is within the boundaries of a Christmas Bird Count circle, then you can stay at home and report the birds that visit your feeder on count day as long as you have made prior arrangement with the count compiler.

The data collected by participants over the past century and more has become one of only two large pools of information for ornithologists and conservation biologists on how the birds of the Americas are faring over time. The long-term perspective is vital for conservationists. It informs strategies to protect birds and their habitat, and helps identify environmental issues with implications for people as well.

The Ken-Caryl results will be reported in Life at Ken-Caryl in early January. Audubon needs your help! It will take a number of dedicated counters to accurately cover the entire Valley. Please volunteer to go out on the trails with an expert bird guide or sign

up to report on the birds that visit your backyard. As a participant you will learn a wealth of knowledge about our resident birds and the different habitats of Ken-Caryl Valley.

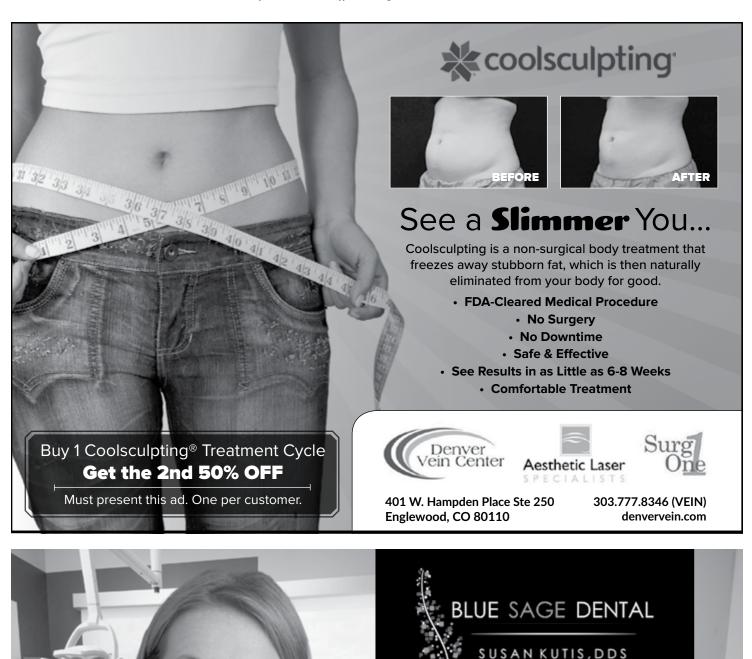
To learn more or to sign up to participate, call one of these Area Leaders: Count Leader/Compiler: Joey Kellner (303-978-1748), vireo1@comcast.net



Ken-Caryl Leader/Compiler: Tom Bush (303-919-5040), twbush@aol.com

Feeder Coordinator: Bob Shade (303-975-2476), wrshade3@gmail.com

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### **Veterans Day Celebration**

Thank you to everyone who came out to the Veterans Day event at the Veterans Monument in Community Park on Saturday, Nov. 12. Local veterans and residents celebrated and honored our veterans and dedicated the "Guardian of Freedom" bronze eagle statue. The 350-pound majestic sculpture by local artist Steve McCall sits proudly on an 800-pound black granite pedestal.

The Chatfield Senior High choir performed the Star-Spangled Banner and Lee Greenwood's "Proud to be an American."

As part of the event, Ken-Caryl Ranch was presented the "Proud to be an American" Award. This award is given to an individual or individuals who demonstrate their patriotism to the principles, rights and freedoms that are inherent to American citizens.

"American patriotism is all about expressing, sharing and enjoying love and pride for the United States of America," said Bill Baldaccini, Ken-Caryl resident and member of the Veterans Monument Committee. Bill helped plan the ceremony and served as the emcee for the event.

If you haven't had a chance to visit the Veterans Monument, you are encouraged to stop by. It is located at the southeast corner of Crestone Mountain and Sangre de Cristo Road in Community Park. Donations are still needed to continue to improve and enhance the monument. You can donate any amount or purchase a \$300 Honor Brick that will become a permanent part of the monument. All donations are tax deductible. Please make your check payable to Veterans Monument - KCRMD with "Veterans Monument" on the memo line and mail to:

Veterans Monument at Ken-Caryl Ranch Attn: Darrell Windes 7676 S. Continental Divide Rd. Littleton, CO 80127

You can download an Honor Brick Donation Form at www.ken-carylranch.org under the Community & News tab, then Veterans Monument. If you have any questions, contact committee members Cork Chicota at 303-973-8590, Byron Wicks at 303-979-5884 or Jeff Esbenshade at 303-972-3968 or stop by the Ranch House.

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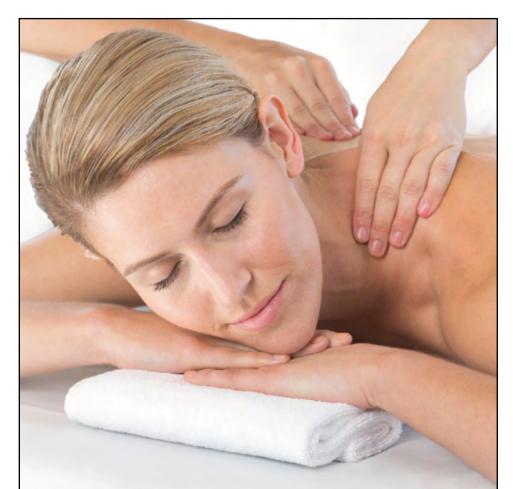
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### **Fall Ride**

Gina Brines, Scott Noble and Jeff Brines enjoyed an amazing fall ride near the top of Manor House Trail on Oct. 15. Photo by Ken-Caryl Ranger Gary Norton. Do you have a great photo taken in our community? Submit it to Life at Ken-Caryl Editor Victoria DeSair at victoriad@kcranch.org for publication consideration.



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Holiday Happenings Saturday, Dec. 3 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. Ranch House





Hayride, cookies, crafts and free photos with Santa! Attendees will need a ticket for a specific time slot to see Santa. Tickets for Santa are free and will be available at the Ranch House Recreation Office from 5-8 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 2. Any remaining tickets will be available at 1 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 3.

#### This Free Event is Brought to You by These Generous Sponsors!



### 3rd Annual Gobble Wobble 5K & Fun Run

Thank you to everyone who came out to the 3rd annual Gobble Wobble 5K & Fun Run on Saturday, Nov. 12! The event continues to be a blast for everyone who participates.

Kids 13 years and younger chased the turkey for the Fun Run portion of the event, while 5K runners and walkers took on Ken-Caryl's Hogback, Kiln and Lyons Trails for a challenging and scenic experience! Thank you to all the volunteers and sponsors who made the event a success.











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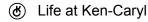












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# **RECREATION PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES**

#### • For Your Information



#### **Recreation Office Hours**

| Ranch House       |                 |
|-------------------|-----------------|
| Recreation Office | 303-979-4070    |
| Monday - Friday   | 8 a.m6 p.m.     |
| Saturday          | Closed          |
| Sunday            | Closed          |
| Community Center  | 303-979-2233    |
| Monday - Thursday | 5:30 a.m10 p.m. |
| Friday            | 5:30 a.m7 p.m.  |
| Saturday          | 8 a.m7 p.m.     |
| Sunday            | 8 a.m8 p.m.     |

#### How to Register for Classes & Events

The Ken-Caryl Ranch Metropolitan District has a new online registration system through Active Network. This is a new registration system, so your login information from the old system will not work. You will need to set up a new account. Go to www.ken-carylranch.org and click on Register for Classes at the top to get started.

#### • Fitness & Wellness

#### 2016 Maintain, Don't Gain Challenge

The average adult will gain five to seven pounds during the holiday season. The goal of the 2016 Maintain, Don't Gain Challenge is to help participants avoid weight gain by encouraging weight maintenance and healthy decisions. During the program, participants will weigh themselves weekly to monitor weight gains and losses. At no time during the program is weight information shared publicly. In addition to a calendar full of tips and activities to keep everyone on track, participants will receive weekly encouragement/reminder emails. If the participant does not gain weight or loses weight during the holiday season, his or her name will be entered into a raffle. For more information or to register, go to www.ken-carylranch.org. Dec. 5 - Jan. 6 Dates: Fee: Residents: \$10 Non-Residents: \$15

#### **Nursery at the Community Center**

### • Fitness & Wellness

and group retirement plans provide a gym membership to their insured at no additional cost. It only takes a few seconds to see if you qualify for a free gym membership to the Community Center. Stop by and we can put your name, address and birth date into the database to see if you qualify, or you can contact your insurance provider. For more information, please call the Community Center at 303-979-2233.

### **Tennis & Pickleball**

#### What is Pickleball?

Pickleball is played on a badminton-size court using a paddle slightly larger than a ping pong paddle with many similarities to tennis. The length of a pickleball paddle makes pickleball much easier to learn than tennis. All equipment will be provided for the lessons and open play.

#### **Pickleball Drop-In Open Play**

No registration is necessary for open play sessions. Paddles and balls will be provided. There will be limited instruction. Ages: Adults only Dates & Times: Sunday, Dec. 4, 2-4 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 10, 5-7 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 17, 3-5 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 27, 6-8 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 5, 6-8 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 7, 5-7 p.m. Location: Community Center **Residents:** Free Fee:

Non-Residents: \$5 (cash only) **Pickleball Lessons** 

#### Junior 11-12 Years Old

Dates: Wednesdays, Dec. 7, 14, 21 Time: 6-7 p.m. Location: Court #4 in the Tennis Building Fee: Resident: \$42 Non-Resident: \$51

#### Course #44300

#### Junior 13-14 Years Old

Dates: Wednesdays, Dec. 7, 14, 21 Time: 7-8 p.m. Location: Court #4 in the Tennis Building Fee: Resident: \$42 Non-Resident: \$51 Course #44301

#### SilverSneakers

Wednesdays, Dec. 7, 14, 21 Dates: Time: 12-1 p.m. Location: Court #4 in the Tennis Building

- \$33 if in our computer system Fee:
  - with a SilverSneakers membership. Otherwise, the fee is: Resident: \$42 Non-Resident: \$51

#### Adult Programs

#### **Positive Discipline Class for Parents** and Educators

Research has demonstrated the importance of social and emotional learning, even above academics. Positive Discipline parenting tools teach valuable social and life skills without using any form of punishment, rewards, praise, permissiveness and even logical consequences—at least hardly ever. Dates: 2 consecutive sessions, Jan 28 & Feb. 25 Time: 8 a.m. - 12 p.m. Location: **Ranch House** Resident: \$140/person, Fee: \$200/couple Non-Resident: \$168/person, \$240/couple Workbooks & materials provided. **Course #44402** 

### • Youth Programs

#### Winter Drama Workshop for Kids

| Ages:         | 6 to 12 years old            |  |  |
|---------------|------------------------------|--|--|
| Dates:        | Monday-Friday, Jan. 2-6      |  |  |
| Time:         | Monday-Thursday 9 a.m12 p.m. |  |  |
|               | Friday 9 a.m1 p.m.           |  |  |
| Location:     | Ranch House                  |  |  |
| Fee:          | Resident: \$60               |  |  |
|               | Non-Resident: \$72           |  |  |
| Course #44430 |                              |  |  |

#### Winter Break Camp

| Ages:      | Grades K-7th                       |
|------------|------------------------------------|
| Dates:     | Thursday, Dec. 22 - Friday, Jan. 6 |
|            | (No Program Dec. 26)               |
| Times:     | 6:45 a.m 6 p.m.                    |
| Field Trip |                                    |
| Times:     | Generally 9 a.m 4 p.m.             |
|            | Exact times will be listed in your |
| confirmat  | ion packet.                        |
| Location:  | Ken-Caryl Ranch House. We will     |
|            | travel each day.                   |
| Fee:       | Resident: \$40/Day                 |
|            | Non-Resident: \$48/Day             |
|            | All field trip costs are included  |
|            |                                    |



The Colorado Rush Soccer Club and local agents from CHR are coordinating a toy drive in the Ken-Caryl Ranch Community.

Look for a bag and flyer to be delivered to your door on December 3rd and then we'll be around to pick up your new and gently used toys on December 8th. It's that easy!

We hope you'll join us in this great cause!

Childcare is now offered on Mondays and Fridays from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the Community Center for patrons who are using the facility. You must sign up in advance by calling 303-979-4070, and payment is required at time of service.



#### **Healthways SilverSneakers Fitness**

Ken-Caryl has partnered with SilverSneakers to offer benefits to qualified members of AARP. Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield, Humana, Kaiser Permanente of Colorado and United Health Care. Healthways SilverSneakers Fitness program is also an insurance benefit included in more than 65 Medicare health plans. Through SilverSneakers, health plans

#### Course #44302

#### **Cardio Tennis**

Cardio Tennis is a fast, fun, fitness workout that includes quick tennis rotations and running. Please observe levels. Residents: \$10 Fees:

Non-Residents: \$13

Days Levels Instructor Times Tuesdays 10-11 a.m. 2.5-3.0 Devin Tuesdays 7-8 p.m. 3.5-4.0 Mark 8-9 a.m. 3.5-4.5 John/Leslie Fridays Fridays 9-10 a.m. 2.5-3.0 Mark/Leslie\* Fridays 3:30-4:30 p.m. High School Devin Saturdays 8-9 a.m. 3.5-4.5 Varies Pre-registration required by calling 303-979-2233 after 5 p.m. (unless specified) the night prior. Cancellations less than two hours in advance will be charged. \*Call by 6 p.m. Thursday



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#### Youth Programs

#### What to

Lunch, 2 snacks & appropriate Bring: attire for activities. We play outside every day! Please send your campers with a winter coat, boots, hat and gloves.

Winter Break Camp Schedule

Thursday, Dec. 22: Wings Over the Rockies & Great Lawn Park Friday, Dec. 23: Butterfly Pavilion Monday, Dec. 26: Happy Holidays! No Camp. Tuesday, Dec. 27: Arvada Center (Junie B Jones) & Majestic View Park Wednesday, Dec. 28: Pepsi Center Tour & Washington Park

Thursday, Dec. 29: KC Nature Program & Movie Day at the Ranch House Friday, Dec. 30: Family Sports Center

Monday, Jan. 2: Swimming at Golden Rec Center

Tuesday, Jan. 3: Denver Art Museum & **Centennial Park** 

Wednesday, Jan. 4: Skate City & Sledding Thursday, Jan. 5: Denver Museum of Nature and Science

Friday, Jan. 6: Four Mile Historic Park & **Garland Park** 

Field trips subject to change due to weather or unforeseen circumstances.

How Do I Register for Camp? Any of These Ways:

1) Download the registration form at www. ken-carylranch.org under the Programs & Activities link. Complete the registration form and return it to the Ranch House with payment.

2) Visit our website www.ken-carylranch.org and sign up online.

3) Call the recreation desk at 303-979-4070.

#### **Preschool Winter Break Camp**

Need a moment to prepare for or recover from the holidays? While school is out this winter, you can register your preschooler for one day or the entire session of our fun-filled mini-camp. We will be exploring nature in winter and learning about trees, animals and the weather. There are halfday and full-day options. Register for one day, several days or all days!

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| Ages:      | 3-5 years old                      |
| Dates:     | Thursday, Dec. 22 - Friday, Jan. 6 |
|            | (No Program Dec. 26 or Jan. 2)     |
| Times:     | Half-Day 7 a.m 12 p.m.             |
|            | Full-Day 7 a.m 5 p.m.              |
| Location:  | Community Center                   |
| Fee:       | Resident: \$20/Half-Day            |
|            | Non-Resident: \$25/Half-Day        |
|            | Resident: \$32/Half-Day            |
|            | Non-Resident: \$37/Half-Day        |
|            |                                    |

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#### • Youth Programs

#### Speed Stacks Sport Cup Stacking

Ever seen anyone stacking cups and wonder what they are doing? Did you know cup stacking is now a Junior Olympic Sport? Speed Stacks Inc. is coming to Ken-Caryl Ranch to show you how fun cup stacking can be! This amazing sport involving fitness, agility, concentration and quickness. All necessary equipment will be available during each class. If your child would like a set of their own stacking cups to take home, they will be available after class begins for \$20. 6 to 13 Ages: Dates: Wednesdays, Jan. 11 - Feb. 22 4:30-6 p.m. Time: Location: Ranch House Fee: Resident: \$65

Non-Resident: \$78

Course #44387

#### **Beginning Drawing 1**

Learn new techniques and skills from professional artist Patrick Maxcy. Each of the eight weeks Patrick will teach you a new skill to enhance your abilities. 5th-8th Grade Ages: Dates: Thursdays, Feb. 2 - March 23 Time: 5:30-7 p.m. Location: Ranch House Fee: Resident: \$105 (supplies included)

Non-Resident: \$125 (sup plies included)

#### Course #44386

#### **Story Time & Baby Time**

We have partnered again with Jefferson County Libraries to offer family fun while sharing our love of children's literature. Story Time is geared toward the preschool age group, but all ages are welcome. Baby Time is for children up to 2 years old, although older siblings are welcome to join the fun. No registration is required for either program.

#### **Baby** Time

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|-----------|------------------------------------|
| Ages:     | 0-2 years                          |
| Dates:    | Every Thursday (not Dec. 22 or 29) |
| Time:     | 9:30 a.m.                          |
| Location: | Ranch House                        |
| Fee:      | FREE!                              |
| Story Tim | e                                  |
| Ages:     | All ages                           |
| Dates:    | Every Thursday (not Dec. 22 or 29) |
| Time      | 10.15 a m                          |

Time: 10:15 a.m. Location: Ranch House Fee: FREE!

#### • Special Events

#### Holiday Happenings

Fee:

Free!

Celebrate the holiday season with festive fun and games and, of course, a visit from Santa Claus himself! There will be a hayride, cookies, crafts and free photos. Attendees will need a ticket for a specific time slot to see Santa. Tickets for Santa are free and will be available at the Ranch House Recreation Office from 5-8 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 2. Any remaining tickets will be available at 1 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 3. Santa is brought to you by Susan Schell with Metro Brokers, the free photos are brought to you by Hawk Construction, and the hayride is made possible by Colorado Credit Union. Refreshments and activities are brought to you by Nothing Bundt Cakes and Sage Financial Services. Thank you to these generous sponsors! Please see www.ken-carylranch.org for more information. Saturday, Dec. 3 Date: Time: 3-8 p.m. Location: Ranch House

# HOLIDAY TOY DRIVE

Ken-Caryl Ranch Metropolitan District's TRAILS Youth Committee is partnering with The Action Center of Jefferson County to support The Action Center's Santa Shop Program.



#### **Toys Needed for Santa Shop:**

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The Ken-Caryl Ranch e-News is a weekly newsletter distributed every Monday via email to all residents who subscribe.

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#### **Denver Zoo Program: Do You See** What I See?

The Denver Zoo outreach program is coming to Ken-Caryl Ranch to give an interactive presentation on patterns and colors in nature and how animals use them to survive!

- Ages: 3-10 years old with accompanying adult Date: Friday, Jan. 6 Time: 10:15-11 a.m. Location: Community Center -Mastodon Room
- Fee: Resident: \$8/child Non-Resident: \$10/child

Course #44423



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### Shaffer Elementary Preschool and Kindergarten Information Night

Shaffer Elementary's Preschool and Kindergarten Information Night for the 2017-18 school year will be held on Wednesday, Dec. 14 from 5:45-7 p.m. in the school's gym. The preschool portion of the presentation will be from 5:45-6 p.m.

Shaffer offers two kindergarten options: 1. Full day, fee-based program (\$300 per month) from 9:05 a.m.-3:35 p.m. Monday through Friday.

2. 2 ½ day program on Mondays from 9:05-11:55 a.m. and full days on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:05 a.m.-3:35 p.m.

Parents can also observe the kindergarten classrooms on Thursday, Dec. 15 from 11:45 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.

Registration will run Jan. 9-31. Birth certificate, immunization records and proof of residency are needed at the time of registration. Call 303-982-3901 with questions. For preschool inquiries, please call 303-982-3894.

### Chatfield Boys' Basketball Hosting Holiday Youth Camp

The 5A Jeffco League Champions Chatfield Boys Basketball program will hold its annual holiday basketball camp for boys currently in 4th through 8th grades.

The holiday basketball camp will focus on shooting and the fundamentals of basketball. The name of the game is to put the ball in the basket! Every player can become a good shooter with practice, but most great shooters have good shooting fundamentals. The camp will break down the shot and work on improvement and accuracy. Repetition is the next step. Each camper will be able to get many practice shots off in camp. We will also focus on the other fundamentals of the game, dribbling and passing. A great way to improve over break!

The camp will be held on Thursday and Friday, Dec. 22 and 23 at Chatfield Senior High School and will be run by CSH coaches. Boys in 4th, 5th and 6th grades will attend from 9-11 a.m. Kids in 7th and 8th grades will attend from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. The cost of the camp is \$50 for both days or \$30 for one day. Each player should come dressed in a t-shirt, shorts, socks and basketball shoes. Each camper should also bring their own basketball. Although early registration is encouraged, walk-in registrations will be accepted.

Please visit www.chatfieldbasketball. com for additional information and online registration. For other questions, please contact Coach Steve Schimpeler at sschimpe@jeffco.k12.co.us or 303-982-3523, ext. 0.

### Deer Creek Middle School Information Night

Prospective parents and students are invited to Information Night to learn about Deer Creek Middle School, including its STEM program and new Humanities program. Deer Creek offers the widest selection of elective programming among Jeffco middle schools. All prospective students and parents are welcome! There will be two dates:

Tuesday, Dec. 13 at 5:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 12 at 5:30 p.m. Deer Creek is located at 9201 W. Columbine Dr. in Littleton. For more information, call 303-982-3820.

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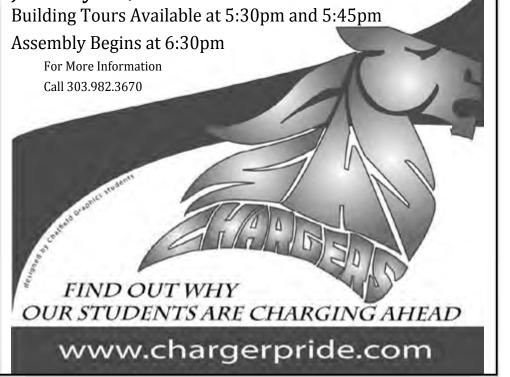




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Bradford K-8 South Principal Gene Lewis, Marin Miller, Camryn Celusniak, Elizabeth Smits and Elea Plotkin.

### Young Composers Shine at PTA Reception

Elizabeth Smits, 4th grader at Bradford Intermediate, daughter of Jan and Kate Smits, performed her original piano composition titled "Nature's Pathway" for the annual PTA Reflections Award Reception on Nov. 1 hosted at the Bradford Intermediate School for family and friends. Her piece will advance to compete at the District level in Jefferson County.

Alaina Wharton, Bradford 5th grader and daughter of Robert and Kim Wharton, will also see her piano composition titled "The Joy at My Fingertips" advance to the District level. Both Elizabeth and Alaina are piano students of Ken-Caryl music teacher Elea Plotkin.

Camryn Celusniak, 2nd grader at Bradford Primary and daughter of



Alaina Wharton will advance to the District level for her piano composition titled "The Joy at My Fingertips."

Kristen and Mark Celusniak, performed her original piano composition titled "Dream Catcher." She is a piano student of teacher Arlyce Black. Camryn's piece will also advance to the District level. Announcement of the winners will be on Dec. 4 at Red Rocks Community College. Those who win will compete at the state level.

Marin Miller, Bradford 3rd grader and daughter of Deanna and Brad Miller, received a PTA Reflections Certificate of Participation for her original piano and voice composition titled "Destiny."

The theme for this year's competition was "What Is Your Story?" Each composition is judged by its originality, musical content and technicality. The composers who win at the state level compete at the national competition. Prizes include cash, awards and recognition.

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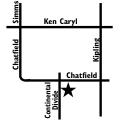
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| Universities            | Tuition  | Room & Board | Total<br>(4 years & 5% Inflation) |
|-------------------------|----------|--------------|-----------------------------------|
| Univ. Colo Boulder      | \$11,531 | \$13,590     | \$131,605                         |
| Colorado State Univ.    | \$11,000 | \$11,050     | \$115,519                         |
| Avg. Out of State Univ. | \$23,000 | \$10,000     | \$172,883                         |

Sources: https://bursar.colorado.edu/tuition-fees/tuition-and-fees-rate-sheets/. https://webcms.colostate.edu/registrar/media/ sites/29/2015/02/Undergraduate\_Colorado\_Resident\_Base\_Tuition\_and\_Fees.pdf

As a parent of two middle schoolers at Deer Creek these numbers grabbed my attention. One solution to keeping up with the costs of higher education is a taxadvantaged college savings plan called a 529 plan.

#### What is a 529 plan?

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#### How Does A 529 Work?

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#### **Dear Editor:**

I'm a biased tennis player, but regardless, I believe converting two Community Center courts to pickleball use is a flawed idea. The shortage of tennis courts, especially for league play, is well known, and removing two courts is not only a big negative, such action violates the spirit of the recently approved bond financed improvement package. Sorry pickleball fans, please look for a solution that doesn't heavily impact current facility users.

**Owen Hobson Ken-Caryl Resident** 

Editor's Note: At the Nov. 14 Ken-Caryl Ranch Metropolitan District Board meeting, the Board announced its decision to replace Community Center Tennis Courts 1 & 2 with new post-tension tennis courts in the spring of 2017. The discussion regarding pickleball courts is tabled for now and will be addressed by the Board in the future.

#### **Dear Editor:**

Neighborhood Sign for the Retreat

A majority of the 141 homeowners in the Retreat neighborhood of Ken-Caryl Valley have elected to keep and maintain the neighborhood sign on the corner of Barberry and the Valley Parkway. In September, the Master Association had informed residents that the sign would be removed unless they signed a petition and agreed to renovate the sign.

On Nov. 9, we presented a petition with 73 signatures to the Master Association. The residents who signed the petition preferred to restore the sign to the way it looked before it was vandalized seven or eight years ago. That means we want raised metallic letters, similar to the signs of our neighbors in the Deer Creek neighborhood. The original all-metal lettering (installed 32 years ago) would cost us nearly \$2,500 today. We found an alternative, raised acrylic lettering with a metal finish, for a total cost of about \$1,100.

Now we need to raise the funds for the renovation. Unfortunately, we cannot count on the Master Association to help us. The Master Association Board has refused to help us restore the lettering, now, which it declined to restore many years ago.

The position of the Master Association Board is that it wants "to promote one consistent Ranch-wide community." Yet, in every Board meeting, and in countless official documents, the Board locates and labels its actions according to names like the Retreat, Stallion Pointe, Heirloom and North Ranch. It is obvious that we can have neighborhoods and still remain a community.

I have always favored diversity, and I simply like the neighborhood signs because they tell us we are home. John Fosholt **Ken-Caryl Resident** 

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