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Rein in the Deer! Looks like even the four-legged residents are getting into the holiday spirit!

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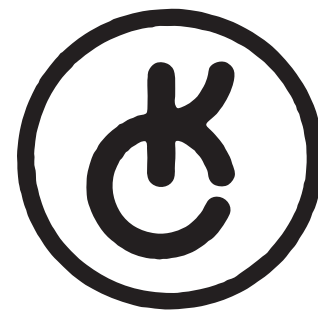
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'Thank You' from the MD Board of Directors

By Joe Levy, MD Board

On Dec. 1, the Ken Caryl Metropolitan District Board of Directors unanimously approved the District's 2021 Budget – the unceremonious Zoom meeting culmination of an extensive, thorough process under unprecedented circumstances that brought out the best in our staff and in the community.

What happened this year to bring that budget to the table was pretty remarkable and you deserve to hear the whole story.

The District – charged with managing community programming, maintenance of our parks, sidewalks, pools, community property and 900 acres of open space as well as managing all the fee-based programs for our facilities – derives 59 percent of its budget from property taxes, 31 percent from community fees and 10 percent from other sources.

COVID-19 shut-downs and dial-downs this year decimated almost all of our fee-based programs and drilled a massive hole in 2020 fee-revenues for the last nine months – forcing our staff to shuffle and redefine how everything in the District was accomplished in 2020.

Led by District Manager Traci Wieland – who began her job here just over a year ago – our staff rose to the challenge this spring by not only examining every line in the budget, but by scrutinizing how we do everything at every level. Every employee took part in finding and implementing new efficiencies that helped re-shape 2020 operations. Many took on new job responsibilities and helped find new ways to cut costs and do things.

Tough decisions were made, but were executed as part of an organized process. And that remarkable process not only kept the District operating in 2020, but also proved to be an important part of the re-examination of how the District's budget was built for 2021.

"This was not just numbers into systems," Traci told us. "This started with people on the ground getting better and faster, making suggestions and finding efficiencies, who reported up the chain to directors who were involved in what went into the budget."

Traci also recommended to the Board this summer that the 2021 budget process moving forward be based on a "cost-recovery pyramid" – standard procedure for most parks districts on how to rank operations from lawn maintenance, which is completely subsidized without fees, to programs like personal training, which is completely subsidized by user fees.

Take a look at the 2021 budget on the district's website and you'll see a full description of how "cost recovery" works. You'll see a document that is not just a spreadsheet, but sets up the Metro District in what truly is "year one" of a new blueprint on how the district can move forward to meet the community's expectations: fiscal responsibility while delivering on programs and services.

You'll also see how the Metro District and the Master Association are working together in new ways to identify areas where the two jointly benefit and how the community's needs can be funded moving forward. That level of cooperation is a key to keeping Ken-Caryl a desirable community in the future.

Challenges do lie ahead – we're not out of the COVID-era yet, and we do have long-term capital projects to consider – but the Metro District staff, led by Traci and Finance Director Lauren Feeney, have put us in a great position to properly analyze our position and make the decisions together as a community to meet these challenges.

Thank you to everyone who helped us emerge from 2020 with a better view moving forward.

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Dashing Through the Snow

By Brian Yowell, Community Administrator

*Dashing through the snow, in your 180 horse-powered sleigh.
Both hands on the wheel, eyes forward all the way.
Oh, a text, will I look right now?
No, it's not safe. My eyes I won't bow.
Look! A family out walking their dogs on this fine day.
I will give them a smile and a nod and be safely on my way!*

We all know that the holidays can be hectic. Places to go. People to see. Things to do. However, we all need to do our part to ensure the safety of our neighbors, families, pets and wildlife by obeying speed limits, slowing down for speed bumps – the idea isn't to see how much air you can get - coming to a full and complete stop at stop signs, paying attention to crosswalks, teaching safe driving habits and driving with awareness and foresight.

On the night of Halloween, we had a close-call in one of our neighborhoods when a driver, speeding and on their cell phone – head down, almost ran their car into a group of parents and their children. Luckily, crisis was barely averted. That would have been a horrible trick and definitely not a treat.

Remember, we have a lot of little elves, munchkins, puppies, deer, bobcats, foxes, children, speed-walkers, cats, squirrels, chipmunks, bunnies, runners, bikers, horses and even the occasional mountain lion sharing the streets, sidewalks, trails and paths in Ken-Caryl!

Now, you may be wondering what is my covenant hook? I don't have one. Just be safe!
At your service,
Brian Yowell



◆ Our Community

Illuminating the Holiday Spirit

Thank you to all residents for spreading holiday cheer with their merry and 'bright' holiday light displays! A big thank you to Plains residents, the Gramlich family, for once again delighting neighbors and residents with their festive timed music and lights display!



MD Board Meeting Summary

The Metropolitan District Board met on Tuesday, Dec. 1 for its regular board meeting. The following is a summary of that meeting:

- The public hearing was continued and subsequently closed on the 2021 proposed budget. District Manager Wieland presented updates on the recent COVID restrictions, which impacted the 2021 budget by approximately \$90,000. District Manager Wieland also provided property tax modeling for years 2022 to 2025 showing an estimated 10 percent increase in valuation years with a 1 percent increase in non-valuation years. The effect produces higher than anticipated property tax revenues; however, funding for ongoing infrastructure and capital projects is not consistent or sustainable. Additional work and conversation is necessary to develop policy direction. A resolution was passed for the 2021 budget and 2021 fee schedule.
- Staff presented an updated Employee Handbook that will go into effect Jan. 1, 2021. A motion was passed later in the agenda approving the revised document.
- The Board approved a letter of engagement with Schilling & Associates for the 2020 audit process.
- Staff presented an option for a new payroll provider. Currently, the District is using two different providers to accomplish timekeeping and payroll processes. Paylocity provides the components necessary for District options and has offered three months free and free W2 services. The Board approved a motion to migrate providers.
- Staff met with Jefferson County planning and North American Development Group regarding the District's options to request inclusion of new developments within Master Association boundaries but not District boundaries. Staff provided an update to the Board, and the Board discussed possible next steps.
- The Board discussed committee assignments now that the Board has been in place for six months. A revised slate of assignments was approved including the previously unfilled position with the Community Planning Committee.

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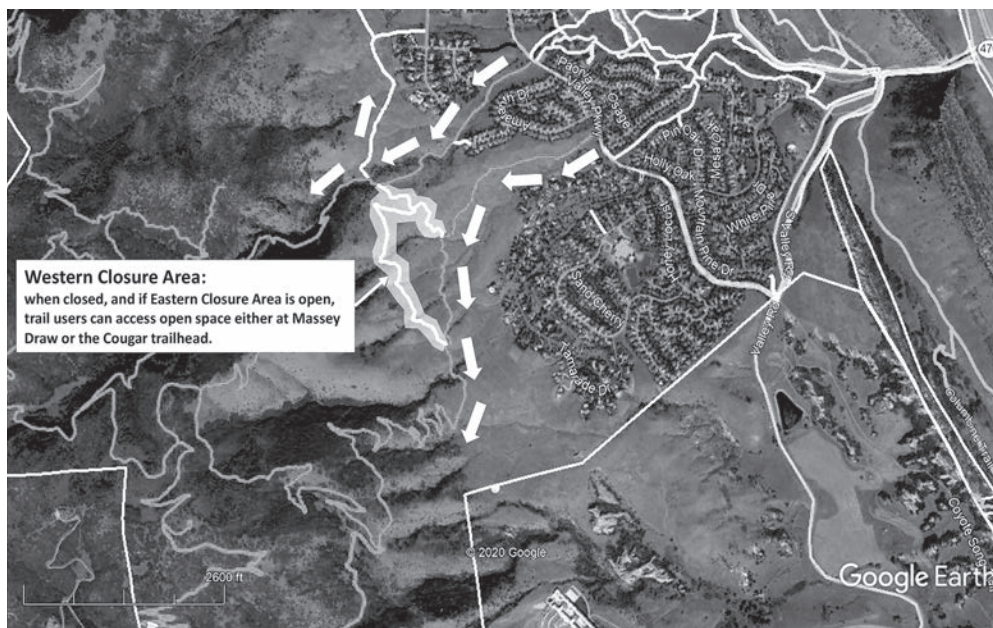
Update to Cougar Trail Closures During Muddy Conditions

By Sean Warren, Open Space Manager

Since 2017, during the months of October-April, the rangers have been monitoring trail conditions on lower Cougar Trail, Bluebird Trail and the segment of Colorow trail connecting Cougar and Bluebird Trails to Massey Draw Trail and when warranted, have implemented trail closures in this area when excessively muddy conditions exist. When the decision was made to close the trails, it was inclusive of all the trail segments listed above.

Over the past three years, the rangers realized that the area containing these trails was so topographically and vegetatively diverse that a single closure area was not meeting overall management objectives, including natural resource protection and preventing trail damage. Starting in January 2021, a new closure plan will be implemented, which will divide the area into two parts; the eastern closure area and the western closure area (see map). The eastern area usually becomes muddy first and can be closed independently while the western area can still be frozen/snow covered and can remain open. Likewise, when the western area thaws and is muddy it will be closed, but usually by this time the eastern area is dry and stable and will be opened. There could be periods when both areas are closed at the same time.

The rangers will walk the trail segments during times when mud is expected and based on visual inspection, will make the decision on which trail sections to close. If a closure is implemented, chain gates will barricade the effected trail segments and notifications on the KCRMA website and social media will be posted. If you are descending from upper Cougar Trail, please check trail closure status before your trip to open space and plan accordingly.



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Master Association Board Election

Two Board seats will be on the ballot for the Board election in March 2021. The expectations of a Board Member are attendance at the monthly Board Meeting, the monthly Joint Study Session and liaison meetings as assigned. Board members are also expected to communicate regularly and proficiently via email. Additional time or meetings may be necessary to fulfill the responsibilities as a Board Member.

Serving three-year staggered terms, a portion of the Board is elected each year. To run for a Master Association Board position, go to www.ken-carylranh.org under the Administration tab to complete the Board Candidate Application. Applications are due by Jan. 22, 2021 at 5 p.m.

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For more information, and to register for upcoming classes, please visit our website at www.ken-caryl-ranch.org.



Photos courtesy of Gwen Klebba

MA Board Meeting Summary

On Dec. 15, the Ken-Caryl Ranch Master Association Board held a regular meeting and discussed the following items:

- Victoria DeSair reported on two Master Association Board seats that will be on the ballot in March 2021. Applications and more information are available at www.ken-caryl-ranch.org.
- North American Development Group closed on their land purchase on Nov. 30. Approximately 700 units will be built within the Master Association boundaries.
- The Board reviewed the 2021 Annual Trails Plan with recommendations for specific projects for the upcoming year.
- Motions passed approving the following:
 - A conceptual trail design in the South Foothills Open Space to provide a focus area for a biological study.
 - A conceptual design of the Stove Prairie Trail Realignment for survey work.
 - An increase in the number of participants in the Ken-Caryl Ranch Master Association-Willow Springs Open Space Association Trail Use Agreement from 100 to 110.
 - The Master Association Check Signing and Expense Approval Policy.
 - The 2021 Master Association Committee Membership and new Board Liaisons.
 - A write-off in the amount of \$2,233.65 for a homeowner account that declared bankruptcy.
- Residents Neil Chandra, Brad Walsh, John Hamilton, John Brant, Greg Milano, Jason Uhlman and Patrick McCoy expressed support for the conceptual trail design in the South Foothills Open Space and the value of the Ken-Caryl Ranch trail system.
- Residents Philip Varley, Kathy Webster and Rilla Reinsma expressed concerns regarding the conceptual trail design in the South Foothills Open Space due to concerns for wildlife, aesthetics, habitat fragmentation and potential social trail

connections to Deer Creek Canyon Road. They requested the Board not approve the conceptual design.

- Resident Rilla Reinsma expressed concerns regarding the Stove Prairie Trail Realignment and resident Patrick McCoy expressed support for the realignment.
- Resident Joel Pankow requested the MA Board advocate for increased snow removal from Jefferson County in cul-de-sacs in Ken-Caryl Ranch. He expressed concerns regarding the increase in the number of participants in the Ken-Caryl Ranch Master Association-Willow Springs Open Space Association Trail Use Agreement.

Snow Shoveling for Safety

It's beginning to look a lot like... Christmas... snowfall and all! Although not mandated by the Master Association or Jefferson County, we kindly request that all residents do their part to shovel their sidewalks, walkways and driveways for the safety of family, visitors, mail carriers and fellow residents. We request that these areas are shoveled by noon following a storm.





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10 Ways to Safely Ring in the New Year!

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New Year's Eve 2021 will look a lot different than last year's celebration. Instead of heading out for a night on the town, many of us will be settling in for an evening on the couch. And in lieu of ringing in 2021 with dozens of friends, our guest lists will be limited to the people who live in our households. However, just because your 2021 holiday is different doesn't mean it can't be just as festive, celebratory and meaningful as years past. With the right amount of planning, you can throw an incredible New Year's Eve bash right at home.

This year, holidays are even more important than ever. The past few months have been challenging for many of us, and New Year's Eve is the perfect day to reflect and reset. Seriously, what better time is there to look back on all you've accomplished and overcome than the last day of the year? Before the clock strikes 12, grab a favorite bottle of bubbly and get ready to celebrate with these festive quarantine New Year's Eve ideas. From setting a creative New Year's resolution to planning an incredible New Year's Eve brunch, you're bound to find a few celebratory ideas you love.



1. Make a New Year's Brunch

Brunch is the best meal — and so you'll want to include it in your plans for the last day of the year. A festive dish, like strawberry cheesecake flapjacks, will do the trick in a pinch. Oh, and you'll definitely want to pour a mimosa (it's never too early for champagne on New Year's Eve!).

2. Get Dressed Up

Just because you're staying home doesn't mean you have to wear your PJs (although if you want to, you should!). Throw on your favorite holiday dress and some bold New Year's Eve makeup. Who cares if the only one who sees it is the cat?

3. Set Up a Photo Booth

Everyone loves a good photo booth. Buy some Insta-worthy props and set them up in front of a DIY backdrop. To make one quickly, tape silver or gold wrapping paper to the wall — preferably one in front of a window for some pretty natural light.

4. Be Resolute

Since you're staying home this year, you'll have extra time to work on your New Year's resolutions. Try to cover a range of baskets — things like career, health, finances and self-care — and get ready to have your best year yet.



5. Play a Game

The best thing about parties are the games — so make sure you've got a few on deck for New Year's Eve. You can find a ton of games like Scategories, Bingo and Family Feud on Etsy. If you're calling into a

party on video chat, there are also plenty of games to play on Zoom.

6. Concoct a Cocktail

New Year's Eve is all about the bubbly, but that doesn't mean you can't kick your glass up a notch by mixing a fabulous champagne cocktail. A cherry bomb fizz requires just a dash of maraschino liqueur and a cherry garnish.

7. Make a Memory Jar

Here's a fun idea for New Year's Eve: Decorate a "Memory Jar" to keep over the next 12 months. Every time something incredible happens, write about it on a piece of paper and put it in the jar. You can even include mementos like ticket stubs and cards. On New Year's Eve 2022, you can open the jar and take a walk down memory lane.



8. Make a Festive Dinner

The best way to ring in a new year is with a delicious dinner. Instead of going out to a local spot, whip up something at home. You can never go wrong with a roast chicken and some tasty side dishes.



9. Watch a Movie

Sure, the New Year's Eve movie genre isn't as established as the Christmas one, but there are a few classics you can always turn to. Light a few candles and settle in with some snacks and champagne for a

cozy holiday you'll always remember.

10. Watch the Ball Drop

To encourage social distancing, the Times Square ball drop will go virtual this year. Fortunately, the event will still feature performers and speakers, just like it has in years past. "The world desperately needs to come together symbolically and virtually to celebrate the people and things we love and to look forward with a sense of renewal and new beginnings," Tim Tompkins, president of the Times Square Alliance, said in a press release about the event.

No matter how you safely celebrate, it's safe to say we are all looking forward to bidding a farewell to 2020 and ringing in the New Year! Here's to a happy and healthy 2021!



◆ **Our Rising Generation**



Scouting for Good!

By Ryan Borchelt, Resident Historian for Boy and Girl Scout Troop 686

Over the past few weeks, the Boy and Girl Scout Troop 686 has helped many people in need during these very difficult times. During this time, they have donated hundreds upon hundreds of cans and non-perishable food items to people in need during the holidays. They have canvassed over 1,000 homes with flyers and managed to get three full truckloads of canned food. These cans were collected and donated to Waterstone Community Church and local food pantries. This was enough food to feed 30 families per week. Also, during this time, the Scouts have made over 20 blankets and around 80 cards. These items were made for elders in senior living homes, as they cannot have visitors. The blankets and cards were made in the mindset that they would cheer them up and maybe even bring back memories of their past.

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Jim and Mary Up the “Antes” When it Comes to KCR Preservation Efforts

When it comes to the dedication to preserving Ken-Caryl Ranch’s unique and rich history, Ken-Caryl Ranch Historical Society Chair Jim Antes and his wife Mary have gone above and beyond in their contributions to this community organization.

From community contributions, paper submissions, awards and online resources to help keep the community abreast of the organizations’ tireless efforts, the Antes have left their own legacy and inedible mark on not only the society, but for all of Ken-Caryl Ranch for decades to come.

Recent efforts included the production of a video to commemorate the 50th anniversary of Ken-Caryl Ranch’s transition from a privately-owned cattle ranch to be corporation-owned by Johns-Manville. The video features our community development from 1971 to the present time. Many colorful pictures and news

clippings tell the story of Johns-Manville moving its world headquarters from New York City in the 1970s through the construction of various neighborhoods, businesses and amenities that we enjoy today. This 14-minute video can currently be found on the Ken-Caryl Ranch website at www.ken-caryl-ranch.org.

Additionally, under Jim and Mary’s direction, the Landmark and Preservation Committee of the Jefferson County Historical Commission (JCHC) recently awarded the Ken-Caryl Ranch Historical Society (KCRHS) the recipient of this year’s Norm and Ethyl Meyer Award to recognize the Society’s historic preservation efforts. JCHC Commission Chair Lee Katherine Goldstein presented Jim with the award during a socially-distanced ceremony at the Bradford-Perley House in October.

“I can’t imagine this community without the Historical Society,” said Victoria DeSair, executive director of the Ken-Caryl Master Association. “They are truly one of the most active and dedicated volunteer groups on Ken-Caryl Ranch. I would love to give a special thanks to Jim and Mary Antes for leading many of the group’s efforts. Their commitment is amazing, and they do it all with a smile on their faces.”

The KCRHS is a hard-working volunteer organization that promotes awareness of and appreciation for the historical aspects of the Ken-Caryl Ranch, protects and preserves our historic sites and works to make them more accessible and usable to residents. Thank you to all of the men and women of the Ken-Caryl Ranch Historical Society for their unselfish service to make life even better in Ken-Caryl.

The Historical Society encourages all interested residents to join and participate in its activities. For more information on joining the Historical Society, please contact Jim Antes at jandmantes@comcast.net, or 303-993-6198.



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Why should the reindeer have all the fun this season? Resident and rider Kiera Meyers "Decked the Stalls" in celebration of the holiday for her horse, Griffin. Mom Kelly loves the added festive touch of the peppermint candies she included in his stocking!



Bobcats abound in KCR! This photo was taken by resident Scott Nardelli in the open space behind Bridlegate near the Equestrian Center.



We're going buck-wild for this incredible holiday card-worthy photo taken by resident Chandler Cole and submitted by his wife, Mandy!

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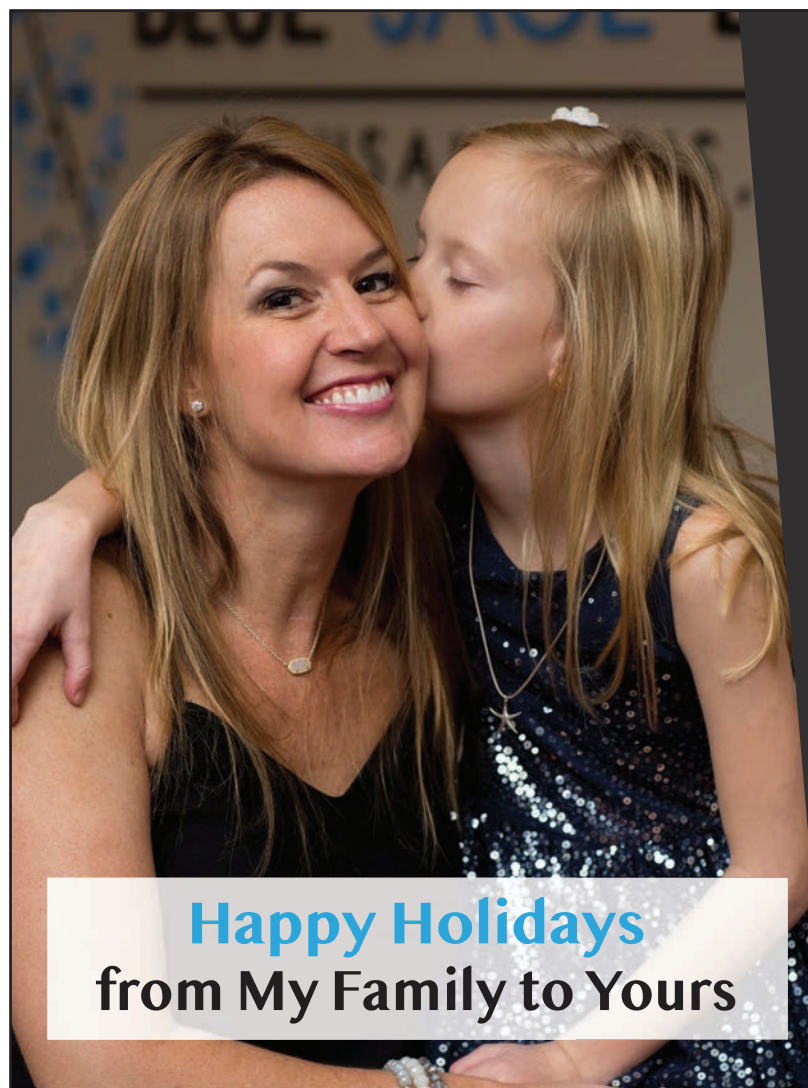
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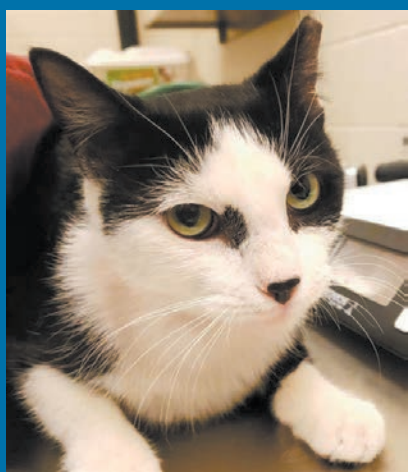
Featured Creatures: Helping Pets Find Their Furr-ever Homes

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.



Birch (#226053):

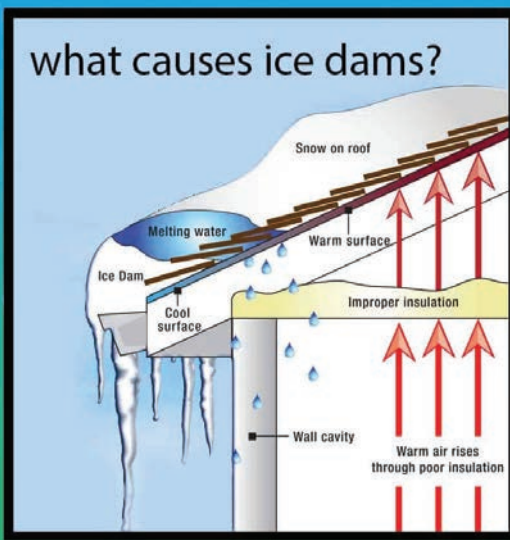
Birch is a 3-year-old, female Border Collie mix. Displaying her most endearing smile for the camera, beautiful Birch's world was turned upside down when she couldn't accompany her family on a move; and is looking forward to leaving the Shelter and decompressing with a new forever family. Birch allowed all handling and restraint during in-processing (she was easily leashed and walked comfortably with a helper dog); and would be best placed in a home without small children to mitigate her transitional stress, and one with a canine friend that can help show her the ropes.



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Many thanks to all of our ranger staff for their hard work at this year's event!



Resident and MD Board Secretary Joe Levy and his wife Cheryl were all 'smiles' at this year's Annual Christmas Tree Sale at Dakota Lodge.



The Kuhner family made picking out a tree a family affair!



TOP: Plains resident Mark Hallock gives a thumbs up on finding the perfect tree at this year's Christmas Tree Sale.

MIDDLE: The Harbaugh family finds the perfect tree for the holiday!

BOTTOM: Nothing feels more like Christmas than a green tree atop a red Jeep



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Santa “Sleighs it” in Ken-Caryl Ranch Holiday Parade

Santa Claus took a break from toy-building to kick off the Virtual Holiday Home Tour weekend in Ken-Caryl Ranch! St. Nick, along with resident and realtor Bre Small, helped to spread holiday cheer with a holiday parade throughout Ken-Caryl Valley.

Many thanks to residents Jason E. Goldberg, Bre Small, Carol Grape and Danny Henderson for helping to bring Santa safely around Ken-Caryl to spread some holiday cheer as part of this year’s Virtual Holiday Home Tour benefitting Trailhead Community. The Holiday Home Tour’s new virtual format was a success! According to Trailhead Community Executive Director Barbara Ziegler, as of Dec. 14, 165 tickets were sold to benefit the organization and its mission to help serve individuals with developmental disabilities to live meaningful and productive lives. Tickets are still available for purchase for \$20 through Dec. 31 at 12 p.m. at <https://www.trailheadcommunity.org>.

Many thanks to all of our wonderful residents who have opened their homes and their hearts to help those in need this holiday season!



Santa spreads holiday cheer in his electric car to the delight of Ken-Caryl Ranch families, Dec. 12. *Photo courtesy of Carol Grape.*



“You better watch out, you better not cry, you better not pout, I’m telling you why...” Santa is keeping a watchful eye on the residents of Ken-Caryl Ranch. *Photo courtesy of Jason E. Goldberg.*



Ken-Caryl is one of Santa’s favorite stops! *Photo courtesy of Carol Grape.*



From left, Santa and resident and realtor Bre Small ‘parade’ around Ken-Caryl Ranch as part of their efforts to support Trailhead Community during this year’s Virtual Holiday Home Tour. *Photo courtesy of Carol Grape.*

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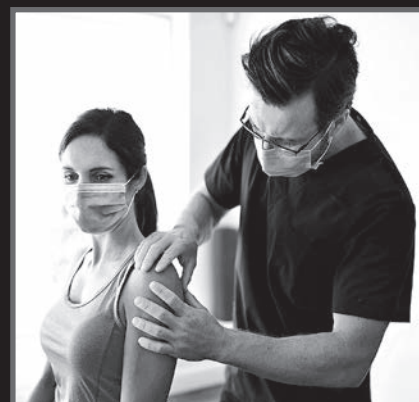
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Deadline for Jan. 6 issue: Dec. 28 at 5 p.m.

Dear Editor:

I was dismayed to learn that the Open Space Committee unanimously approved without comment an application from "Avout Racing Inspire Juniors" to use Ken-Caryl Ranch facilities twice weekly from March through October for racing practice for up to 40 riders, according to the forms made available prior to the committee meeting. For such privilege, "Avout Racing Inspire Juniors" will charge somewhere between \$495 and \$895 per participant (see <http://avourtracing.com/inspire-juniors-race/>) depending on the timing. Of that \$28,000 in income, what fraction would be used to reimburse the KCRMA for trail rehabilitation, among other things, were the application approved?

The Colorado Secretary of State's office informs that "Avout Racing Inc." is registered with the State as a non-profit corporation. I believe the Master Association Board would be neglecting its fiduciary responsibilities to consider an application from this enterprise if it will not show that it is operating legally and ethically.

The Master Association Board must consider the ramifications of effectively partnering with this organization by

granting permission to use the private recreational trails managed by the KCRMA. Given the litigiousness of our times, I wonder if even \$100,000,000 is sufficient liability protection when one of those up to 40 riders is seriously injured, injures a pedestrian, or causes a horse to spook and toss his rider. Who is going to pay for that? Who pays for the rescues?

Without exception, our open space trails cannot survive up to 40 riders in concert, twice each week, for 2.5 hours, over eight months. For proof of that, one need only look at what once was green space at Bradford North. Unless someone pays for remediation, that damage will be visible beyond your children's lifetime. Members of the Board have already heard many complaints from walkers, hikers and equestrians about the declining condition of our open space trails, also compromising safety and many complaints of conflicts on the trails.

I am opposed to Ken-Caryl trails being used for racing of any sort under almost any circumstances. Moreover, KCRMA private recreational trails should not be routinely used as a revenue-generating vehicle even by non-profit entities.

Geoff Coleman, Resident
Editor's Note: The Open Space Committee announced the Avout racing discussion on their agenda prior to the meeting and gave residents an opportunity to sign up to comment. The committee listened to concerns and made changes to the conditions of the permit to address concerns.

Dear Editor:

Recent actions by the Open Space Committee and the MA Board are continuing the policies of never-ending trail construction, ignoring those residents who would like to see our remaining open space preserved from such developments. Two new trails are in the pre-construction phase, Docmann South (renamed Wildcat Ridge) and Stove Prairie.

For Docmann South, the MA Board in November approved paying for an environmental study, which is the last legal hurdle before construction can begin. Previous studies concluded that new trails would cause environmental harm, yet construction proceeded. But for Docmann South, the issue is not merely that it will destroy the last remaining square mile of our open space, it is that it will provide access to Ken-Caryl trails for anyone, from Deer Creek Canyon Road.

On Dec. 2, an excellent illustrated presentation of the proposed route was presented to the Open Space Committee. One of the aerial images clearly showed a "social trail" which already exists through the south end of our property. How will access to our trails by trespassers be

prevented, if Docmann South is built?

And why should it be built anyway? There are no metrics justifying its construction. The trails are not overcrowded. Ranger staff data show that Docmann trail users are 20:1 bikers to hikers, so why should 4,000 households subsidize a trail which few will use? Consider also that more than 80 percent of bikers are non-residents, taking advantage of the 5:1 allowed guest to resident ratio, or other reciprocal, or racing agreements.

There are already 50 miles of trails in Ken-Caryl. To suggest, as the presentation did, that such new trail will "create interesting vistas" completely ignores the fact that as shown clearly by the first slide in that presentation, a mile-long gash across the Ken-Caryl facing slope of the hillside will be visible to everyone entering the Valley.

For those who want more interesting vistas, they should expand their territory to the 250 miles of trails maintained by Jefferson County. The responsibility of the MA Board should be to all Ken-Caryl homeowners, not a small special interest group.

Philip Varley, Resident

Dear Editor:

This Mountain Biker's perspective with three interesting concepts for KCR to consider in 2021.

1. A Dog Park on nearby Jefferson County Open Space.
2. A Conservation Area in KCR Open Space as recommended by two of the Biological Surveys paid for by the MA Board.
3. Our trails should be used to reach points of interest and not as a future mountain bike race course or for practicing dangerous mountain

biking activity. Yes, mountain bike races were held here in 2009 and earlier. Coincidentally, the Trails Master Plan appeared in 2009. To me, it resembles a race course. When the Trail Club presented this Trail Plan there was resident criticism and a comprehensive critique from our competent Ranger Staff Office as being too extensive and a great mistake drafted by the inexperienced. Then we heard this disputed inferior product was merely conceptual? Yet, that is not how some interpret this plan today.

First item of interest: I remember many requests by residents for a Dog Park in KCR. Parking and location were identified as the problem. Jefferson County Open Space just east of South Valley Road would be an ideal spot. There is a JeffCo parking lot already in place. The necessary fencing and gate could be hidden from view so it would not be seen from the road. When I was stationed in New Jersey, my dog loved going to the dog park. Dogs are social animals, and they get along just fine. The KCRMA could simply make the request.

Second item: Designating a fragile portion of our open space as a Conservation Area is a concept everyone can embrace. Open Space preservation is a good and worthy cause. Being able to reach points of interest and observe this area on foot is essential to its preservation rather than bicycling all over it. Other communities throughout the USA and in Colorado are doing this, why not KCR?

Third item: Having a mountain bike practice course is expensive for everyone and benefits the few. KCR should not be known for being the Bandimere Speedway of mountain bike racing activity.

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● **Teen Services**

This listing includes Ken-Caryl teens who babysit, mow lawns, house or pet sit, or shovel snow. To be included on the list, teens should email their name, number, age, neighborhood and list of services offered to Allison Hefner at AllisonH@kcranch.org or call 303-979-1876, ext. 108.

Services: (B) Babysitting; (L) Lawn care; (P) Pet or house sitting; (S) Snow shoveling

Name	Phone	Services	Age	Neighborhood
Olivia Anderson	303-902-5026	B, P, S	15	Aspen Meadows
Jade Atkinson	720-616-0063	P	15	Aspen Meadows
Katelyn Atkinson	303-916-7666	B, P	18	Aspen Meadows
Sierra Baliko	303-809-1117	B, P	18	Traditions
Colette Bennett	303-520-4411	B, P	15	North Ranch
Piper Blarr	720-255-6877	B, P	15	Colony
Aliza Bochner	319-338-4414	B, P	16	North Ranch
Eva Bochner	319-338-4414	B, P	14	North Ranch
Adam Brandland	720-376-1987	L, S	14	Settlement
Abby Burton	720-616-1333	B, P	13	Aspen Meadows
Bridget Cassidy	720-244-1359	B, P	16	Stratford Farms
Hope Cuttitta	303-517-8864	B, P	15	Deer Creek
Ella Daugherty	303-591-2004	B, P	14	Village
Quinn Daugherty	303-591-2004	B, P	13	Village
Brooke Ellis	720-988-9162	B, P	16	Heirloom
Megan Ellis	720-290-2033	B, L, P, S	14	Heirloom
Ella Famariss	303-588-4130	B, P	17	North Ranch
Kyla Fouts	303-668-0581	B, L, P, S	13	Mountain Gate
Abbie Gallant	303-517-8864	B, P	15	Deer Creek
Lila Garcia	303-475-0888	B, P	14	Legacy
Marcus Garcia	303-704-9796	L, P, S	16	Legacy
A.J. Giles	303-883-6303	L, S	17	Colony
Kyra Goudzwaard	720-552-0175	B, P	15	Barrington Ridge
Karmin Groom	720-980-9088	B, P	14	Sunset Ridge
Nicole Guarino	303-720-3036	B	17	Bradford Place
Cameron Guider	303-868-7198	B, P	12	Aspen Meadows
Will Guider	303-868-7198	L, P, S	12	Aspen Meadows
Kara Hammond	720-979-4069	B, P	13	Carriage Hill
Keegan Hardesty	720-484-9557	B, L, P, S	14	Cimarron
Michael Hefner	303-359-9052	P	10	The Spread
Trisha Henderson	732-915-1214	P	17	North Ranch
JJ Heupel	720-372-9476	B, L, P, S	16	Enclave/Traditions
Kellen Hodges	720-496-6113	B, L, P, S	17	Saddlewood
Maddox Hodges	720-472-2003	B, L, P, S	14	Saddlewood
Reece Hodges	303-667-2606	L, P, S	12	Saddlewood
Gunnar Holmes	720-505-6764	L, S	15	Carriage Hill
Amelia Hopping	720-626-7750	B, P, S, L	14	North Ranch
Erin Hurley	720-600-8261	B, P, S	12	Aspen Meadows
Hannah Johnson	720-879-1445	B, P	19	Bradford Place
Aubrey Jones	720-971-6680	B	16	Manor Ridge
Austin Karchut	970-217-7240	B, P	15	Bradford Place
Tyler Karchut	605-641-5672	P, L	12	Bradford Place
Harrison Kauffman	303-520-4819	L, P, S	17	Wynterbrooke
Salome Kekelia	801-201-1183	B	13	Territory
Eva Kiebler	303-478-6050	B, P	11	Cimarron
Sierra King	720-582-3334	L	14	Heirloom
Cadence Leal	303-725-9042	B, P, S	12	Sunset Ridge
Ethan Lehrke	720-295-2156	L, S	17	Cimarron
Andrew Lerudis	303-523-0765	L, P, S	13	Village
Daniel Lobelo	720-203-2912	L, P, S	14	Deerwood Vista
Payton Lott	720-415-3486	B, L, P, S	15	The Spread
Rachael Lott	720-415-3486	B, L, P, S	15	The Spread
Hadley Marx	720-380-4671	B, P	18	Shaffer Hill
Hannah Marx	720-380-4670	B, P	16	Shaffer Hill
Hayden Marx	720-588-7486	L, P, S	15	Shaffer Hill
Eric McCabe	720-951-9467	L, P, S	17	Heirloom
Bethany McCollough	720-749-0298	B, P, S	16	Stallion Pointe
Holly McCollough	720-492-0288	B, P, S	17	Stallion Pointe
Mitch McGatlin	703-850-0642	B, L, P, S	16	Legacy
Riley McGatlin	703-244-8558	B, L, P, S	14	Legacy
Raleigh Rose McMahon	720-375-3352	B, P	13	Stallion Pointe
Janey Millstone	720-668-1029	B, P	12	North Ranch
Hannah Mote	720-305-8757	B, P	14	Stallion Pointe
Hayden Nash	303-895-8117	B, P	12	Cimarron
Catherine Newsom	303-325-5232	B, P	15	Legacy
William Newsom	303-325-5232	L, S	18	Legacy
Ethan Pankow	720-217-8175	P	14	Heirloom
Samara Pirozzi	720-818-2203	B, P	16	Traditions
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	720-525-0078	B, L, P, S	17	Eagles Pointe
Max Ruzzkowski	720-517-9066	L, P, S	17	Stallion Pointe
Sebastian Ruzzkowski	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	L, P, S	16	Saddlewood
John Seybert	303-668-5987	L, P, S	16	Saddlewood
Maria Seybert	303-668-5987	B, P	15	Saddlewood
Austin Skeffington	720-308-8704	L	17	Wynterbrooke
Ian 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	720-745-1339	B, P, S	15	Aspen Meadows
Ben Szabo	720-413-3072	L, P, S	17	Aspen Meadows
Maddy Szabo	720-768-5452	B, P	15	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	720-292-6727	B, P	13	Village
Catie Watkins	720-705-1656	B, P	12	Manor Ridge
Charlotte Webster	703-655-4428	B, P	16	The Spread
Judah Webster	703-655-4428	B, L, P, S	13	The Spread
Ella Widmann	720-318-7927	B, P	17	Territory
Ava Yaley	970-946-8955	B, P	13	Carriage Hill

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