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Planting a Partnership for Trees

Historical Society and Conservation Club Team Up to Revitalize Bradford Apple Orchard

See page 15 for Details



Douglas Graham of the Conservation Club and Mark Rieger of the Historical Society work together to plant an apple tree in the Bradford Apple Orchard. Photo Credit: Kathy Webster

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Open Space Bracelets

Last year's green Open Space ID Bracelet is no longer valid. If you are still using a green bracelet, you may be stopped by a Ranger or Volunteer Patroller to prove membership. Users need to register and show proof of residency to get a new, three-year orange ID Bracelet at the Ranch House or Community Center. There is no cost. Two bracelets will be issued per household and can be temporarily transferred to house guests. You must present one of the following proofs of residency:



- Colorado Drivers License (valid with current KCR address)
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Thank You!

By KCRMA Executive Director Chris Pacetti

Victoria DeSair had a nice article in the last issue of the paper highlighting the success of this year's Recycling Day. I wanted to add a thank you to all of our partners: Waste Connections, the Metropolitan District Parks Staff, Techno+Rescue, Green Sheen Paint, Coloradoland Tire and Service, and our paper shredding partner Eva Stadelmaier with Re/Max.

In addition, the volunteers from the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office are a huge help with traffic control as are our community volunteers that work guiding participants through the maze of

opportunities: Bruce and Cathy Heise, Janet and Ed Raban, Brian Lee, Taylor Fortini, and Debby Koenig. Finally, thank you to Victoria DeSair for all of her efforts coordinating the day. For those that missed the day this year and others that are already planning for what they might bring next year, mark your calendar for Saturday, May 2.

As spring comes to the Ranch everything looks so fresh and exciting. The sounds of our summer staff getting ready have heightened the energy around the Ranch House. Fun time of year – wishing you all a fun summer full of adventures.

Ranch House Pool Closures for Swim Meets

The amazing Ken-Caryl Lightning Swim Team will host swim meets at the Ranch House Pool this summer. The pool will be closed on the following dates:

Saturday, June 1: Opens at approximately 2 p.m.

Friday-Saturday, June 21-22: Closed All Day

Saturday, July 13: Opens at approximately 2 p.m.

You are welcome to come out and cheer on the team! If you would like to swim any of these days, please consider visiting the Community Center Pool or Bradford Pool. Thank you for your understanding!

◆ Volunteers

Master Association Seeking Covenant Committee Member

Due to a recent resignation, there is one spot open on the Covenant Control Committee. The mission of the committee is: "To uphold the governing documents of the Ken-Caryl Ranch Master Association and to ensure enforcement in a fair and timely manner." To accomplish this mission, the Covenant Control Committee conducts hearings with and for property owners who are not in compliance with the governing documents. The group meets on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 4:30 p.m. at the Ranch House. To apply, please fill out the application linked at www.ken-carylranh.org under the Administration tab, then Committees & Task Forces. Applications are due by 5 p.m. on Monday, June 3. Questions about the Covenant Control Committee? Contact Jenny Bernal at jennyb@kcranch.org or 303-979-1876, ext. 113.

May

| Sun. | Mon. | Tues. | Wed. | Thurs. | Fri. | Sat. |
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| 26 | 27 Memorial Day Ranch House Closed 10 a.m. Memorial Day Event Veterans Monument | 28 | 29 | 30 10:15 a.m. Family Story Time | 31 | |

June

| Sun. | Mon. | Tues. | Wed. | Thurs. | Fri. | Sat. |
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| | | | | | | 1 Ranch House Pool Opens at 2 p.m. Due to Swim Meet |
| 2 | 3 2-5 p.m. Rules Working Group | 4 6 p.m. MA/MD Joint Study Session | 5 | 6 10:15 a.m. Family Story Time | 7 8 a.m. - 2 p.m. Community Garage Sale | 8 8 a.m. - 2 p.m. Community Garage Sale |
| 9 | 10 7 p.m. Community Planning Committee 2-5 p.m. Rules Working Group | 11 | 12 | 13 7:30 a.m. Architectural Committee 10:15 a.m. Family Story Time | 14 | 15 7:30 p.m. Flick & Float |
| 16 | 17 | 18 6 p.m. Master Association Board | 19 4:30 p.m. Covenant Committee | 20 10:15 a.m. Family Story Time | 21 Ranch House Pool Closed Due to Swim Meet | 22 Ranch House Pool Closed Due to Swim Meet |
| 23 | 24 | 25 6 p.m. Metropolitan District Board | 26 7 p.m. Open Space Committee Dakota Lodge | 27 7:30 a.m. Architectural Committee 10:15 a.m. Family Story Time | 28 | 29 8 a.m. Family Ninja Warrior Challenge Heirloom Park |

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

Trash Service Delay Week of Memorial Day

This is a reminder from the Ken-Caryl Ranch trash service provider, Waste Connections, that Memorial Day is an observed holiday. Trash and recycling for all customers will be delayed one day the week of Memorial Day.

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Tidying Up!

By Community Standards Administrator
 Jenny Bernal

One of the notices we send most frequently from our proactive inspections is for stored items in public view. We see all manner of items left out. Most commonly lawn mowers, ladders, pallets, and wheelbarrows are stored outside. Trash cans, sports equipment, and furniture are other items that should be properly stored away and/or screened from view when not in use.



Section 4.05 of the Master Declaration of Covenants, Conditions, and Restrictions, Unsightly Articles, is the rule that governs this enforcement. We recognize there will be times when having items out will be temporarily necessary, such as a charitable pickup, an improvement project in progress, or play equipment in use. Here are some things you can do:

- Play and Sports Equipment such as portable basketball goals, sports nets, toys, just to name a few, must be stored properly when not in use. The portable basketball goals must be stored at least half way up the driveway in an upright position; nets and toys should be stored out of public view when not in use. When your future Denver Nugget is outside practicing this, we'll keep on moving.
- Maintenance equipment like lawnmowers, snow removal equipment, ladders, yard tools, etc., must also be stored out of public view when not in use. The garage or an Architectural Committee approved shed are the best locations for these items.
- When having work done on your property, it is sometimes necessary for materials to be delivered and stored outside. If you are having rocks or mulch delivered, they should be kept in your driveway or on the property, but if the street is the only location, as a courtesy to your neighbors, please put a traffic cone or flag out to alert drivers of the obstruction. Any materials delivered should be delivered as close to the commencement of the project as possible to avoid several weeks of unsightly storage.
- Temporarily utilize a dumpster for demolition and improvement projects.
- There are many organizations that will take your unwanted items, including inoperable vehicles, and recycle, repurpose, or reuse them if they no longer spark joy. If you are donating smaller items or furniture to a charitable organization, placing the items neatly out front with a sign for the group picking up will let us know your intent. Many organizations offer a bag or tags for identifying the pickup.
- Trash cans must be stored in a location screened from public view on non-trash days. In the garage, behind a fence, behind an Architectural Committee approved screen or structure. Keep in mind your neighbor's view; your perfect trash storage area may be just outside their dining room window.
- If you receive a letter for stored items and you've already put them away, please consider folding your letter in an aerodynamic fashion, aim the letter at your nearest receptacle, and give it a toss with our thanks!

If you have questions, please contact me at jennyb@kcranch.org.

Master Association

On May 21, the Ken-Caryl Ranch Master Association held a regular meeting and discussed the following items:

- Resident John Fosholt expressed concerns about fireworks in the Valley and requested a reminder about fireworks on the marquee signs.
- Jim Moore from James Moore & Associates Accounting presented the 2018 Audit. Overall, the audit was smooth, and there were no significant findings. A copy of the audit can be found at www.ken-carylranh.org under the Administration tab then Budgets & Reports.
- The Board supported an \$11,000 expenditure for the Master Association's half of the cost to replace the current aging physical host servers that are no longer under warranty and pose a security issue. The cost will come out of the Special Project undesignated fund.
- Staff presented a five-year contract extension opportunity for trash and recycling services with Waste Connections. The Board will vote on the extension at next month's Board meeting.
- Staff presented Draft Amended Meeting Guidelines to help guide audience participation for the Board meetings. The Board supports the guidelines and will vote on them at next month's Board meeting.
- The Board reviewed a Draft Policy for Anonymous Communications at Board Meetings. The policy will be communicated to the community per the Communications Protocol, and the Board will vote on the new policy at next month's Board meeting.
- A motion passed authorizing staff to enter into a contract with Cowboy Fencing to replace 1,600 feet of rail fencing along the east side of the Aspen Meadows neighborhood at a cost of \$40,600. Funding source: Reserve Fund.
- A motion passed adopting the Amended Collection Policy.
- A motion passed adopting the Amended Fire Prevention Plan. Scotty Martin recommended adding information on pine needles and duff for future updates. John Fosholt recommended looking at fire prevention needs in encroachment license areas.
- A motion passed authorizing staff to execute the renewal of an agreement with resident Ed Galisewski to allow use of KCRMA Open Space for keeping bees.
- A motion passed adopting the Amended Open Space and Parks Rules, except for rule #2. Per the revised rules, Class 1 e-bikes are now allowed on natural surface and paved open space, greenbelt, and park trails. Class 2

e-bikes are only allowed on paved open space, greenbelt, and park trails. Class 3 e-bikes are only allowed on roads and parking lots where motorized vehicles are authorized to travel. Resident John Keahey expressed concern about the frisbee golf course being open until dark. The Board wants the Open Space Committee to revisit changes to rule #2, which discusses open space and park hours.

- A motion passed adopting the Amended Landscape Violation Policy and the Amended Open Space Management Plan.
- A motion passed authorizing staff to write off legal fees, interest, and late charges for account #35867.
- A motion passed authorizing the Board President to enter into the Ranch House Pool Agreement with the Metropolitan District.

Metropolitan District

On May 21, the Ken-Caryl Ranch Metropolitan District held a regular meeting and discussed the following items:

- The Board discussed the District Manager job description and posting plan. The Board will hold a Special Meeting on June 4 to adopt a resolution regarding the job description, job announcement, application open and close dates, posting sites, revised salary range, and process for application submission and review. The Board anticipates posting the opening online by June 7 and closing the application window July 12, at which time finalists would be announced.
- The Board discussed the timeline for the South Hogback Biological Survey and options for preserving natural resources in the area if such are identified.
- An audience member commented on the Amended Open Space Management Plan, Amended Open Space and Parks Rules, and Amended Wildfire Hazard Mitigation Plan.
- A motion passed approving the cooperative agreement with the Master Association regarding the Ranch House Pool replacement.
- A motion approving the Amended Open Space Management Plan was tabled until the June 25 Regular Board meeting.
- A motion adopting the Amended Open Space and Parks Rules was tabled until the June 25 Regular Board meeting.
- A motion adopting the Amended Wildfire Hazard Mitigation Plan was tabled until the June 25 Regular Board meeting.
- Board members asked management to consider revisions to the grandchild pool pass pricing structure.



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Be Aware of Ticks When Enjoying Open Space

By Open Space Manager Sean Warren

It is not uncommon to find ticks on your body after a hike in Colorado. Staff found ticks after conducting field work in the South Hogback Open Space on May 6. The information below from the Colorado Cooperative Extension Service provides important information about ticks including ways to avoid them when enjoying the outdoors this summer.

- In Colorado, Rocky Mountain wood tick and American dog tick are the most common ticks associated with people.
- Colorado tick fever is by far the most common tick-transmitted disease of the region. Despite its name, Rocky Mountain spotted fever is quite rare here.
- No human cases of Lyme disease have originated in Colorado.
- DEET is the most effective tick repellent. Apply it to pants or other areas of the lower body.
- To remove a tick, grasp it with blunt tweezers, as close to the skin as possible.

Ticks are blood-feeding parasites of animals found throughout Colorado. They are particularly common at higher elevations. Problems related to blood loss do occur among wildlife and livestock, but they are rare.

Avoid traveling through areas where ticks are abundant. Ticks are most active in spring and early summer and concentrate where their animal hosts most commonly travel. This includes brushy areas along the edges of fields and woodlands or commonly traveled paths through grassy areas and shrublands.

Use Tick Repellents

There are a few effective tick repellents. By far the most common is DEET (N,N-diethyl-metatoluamide), the active ingredient in most common insect repellents, such as Cutters and Off!. Apply DEET directly to the skin or to clothing. Repellents are most effective if applied to pants and other areas of the lower body likely to come into contact with ticks.

DEET can be an effective repellent for ticks as well as other biting arthropods, such as chiggers and mosquitoes. However, the following precautions are encouraged:

1. On children, do not use high concentration formulations (above 30 percent).
2. Apply the repellent to clothing, rather than to skin.
3. Do not apply DEET to hands or other areas that may come into contact with the mouth.
4. Do not apply to wounds or irritated skin.
5. After use, wash or bathe treated areas, particularly on children.

Permethrin (Permanone) is a new tick product. Apply it only to clothing, not to skin. It can kill ticks rapidly. Permanone also may have some repellent activity against ticks.

Wear Protective Clothing

Long pants, long-sleeved shirts, and other clothing can help exclude ticks or keep them from attaching to the skin. Ticks are usually acquired while brushing against low vegetation, so pulling socks over the bottom of the pants leg also is useful. Light-colored clothing can make it easier to find ticks that have been picked up.

Conduct Tick Checks

Ticks take several hours to settle and begin feeding. This gives you ample time to detect and remove them. The Rocky Mountain wood tick typically takes 12 to 24 hours to start feeding. Therefore, a thorough "tick check" can be an effective alternative to repellents. After walking through areas where ticks might be present, carefully look for and remove any ticks you may have picked up.

Controlling Brown Dog Ticks in a Home

Unlike the more common ticks (American dog tick, Rocky Mountain wood tick), the brown dog tick spends most of its life around the dog host. It is a subtropical species that cannot survive outdoors year-round in Colorado. Infestations most often develop in protected areas, such as kennels. After they have taken a blood meal, adult ticks may crawl up walls and lay eggs in cracks and corners of the room.

Treatment of the dog is essential, using one of the many flea and tick powders, dips, or collars. However, areas that the dog frequents, such as bedding and resting areas, also need to be treated to kill residual ticks. Vacuum cracks along baseboards where ticks may hide, and spot treat these areas with insecticide. Discard the vacuum bag and contents after treatment.

If possible, wash bedding and all other materials. Because these ticks are sensitive to cold, storing infested items outdoors

during very cold temperatures also can kill these ticks. It may take several weeks and multiple treatments to eliminate brown dog ticks.

Once a tick has become firmly attached to the skin, removal can be difficult and should be done with care. The mouthparts are barbed, so they may remain after removal and allow infection. Fortunately, the Rocky Mountain wood tick, is relatively easy to remove because it has fairly short mouthparts. The recommended procedure for removal of ticks is:

1. Grasp the tick with blunt tweezers, as close to the skin as possible. If tweezers are not available and you must use your fingers, cover them with tissue or thin plastic to avoid the possible transmission of any disease organisms, such as tularemia, that the tick may harbor.

2. Pull the tick slowly and steadily, straight away from the skin. Try not to crush the tick as you remove it.

3. After the tick is removed, treat the feeding site with a disinfectant. Wash your hands when done.

Many other methods have been popularized to remove ticks, such as covering them with petroleum jelly or touching them with a hot match. These methods are not effective.

A rare but potentially serious condition from tick feeding is tick paralysis. This occurs when certain ticks remain attached for a long period and produce an ascending paralysis. Early symptoms, such as difficulty walking, progress to more generalized symptoms, such as limb numbness and difficulty breathing. This condition is completely reversible when the tick is removed.

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Prospective Members Workshop of Nonprofit Women's Service Organization

One of the local chapters of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) was officially organized on Feb. 22 in the Ken-Caryl area. The chapter is named Red Rocks Chapter in honor of the memorable landscape feature prominent along the front range of Colorado and in the Ken-Caryl area.

The primary focus of the Red Rocks Chapter for the first two years is service projects to honor and support veterans and deployed military personnel and first responders.

If you are interested in DAR, please plan to attend a prospective member workshop at Columbine Library (7706 W Bowles Ave., Littleton) on Saturday, June 1 from 9:30 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. We are committed to assisting you in locating the DAR chapter that best fits your specific interests and schedule. Volunteers will be available to assist in the lineage research and application process. Any woman 18 years or older, regardless of race, religion, or ethnic background, who can prove lineal descent from a patriot who rendered aid to the colonists during the American Revolution, is eligible for membership. Patriots include not only those who fought in the Revolutionary War, but those who served on various committees or juries, were doctors or nurses, or paid supply taxes that funded the army.

To learn more about the work of today's DAR, visit www.DAR.org. Women interested in more information are encouraged to contact Carol Williamson, at cwilliamson1112@msn.com.

Items Hauled Away for Free

By Ken-Caryl Residents Brian Lee, Taylor Fortini, and Greg Milano

The Recycling Event has come and gone. The Community Garage Sale is past. Still got some stuff hanging around the house that you have been meaning to get rid of? Didn't get around to organizing that garage sale or summon the energy to get rid of that '80s sleeper sofa? What if there was a company that would come pick up almost anything you want to get rid of and haul it away? There is!

Local Real Estate Agents from Colorado Home Realty are sponsoring a pickup with Gone for Good for one item, large or small, on June 14 and 15 from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. on both days. For most items this service will be FREE; however, there will be charges for electronic items.

Gone for Good is an eco-friendly local company that will pick up most everything from trash to furniture, large or small, haul them away, and do everything they can to find them a new home or recycle them. Reid Husmer, owner and originator of the concept, and his crew work hard to resell items, donate items to charity, or break them down and recycle. Gone for Good can charge anywhere from \$150-\$650 for this service. The guys from Gone for Good will do all the heavy lifting and hauling for you, free of charge.

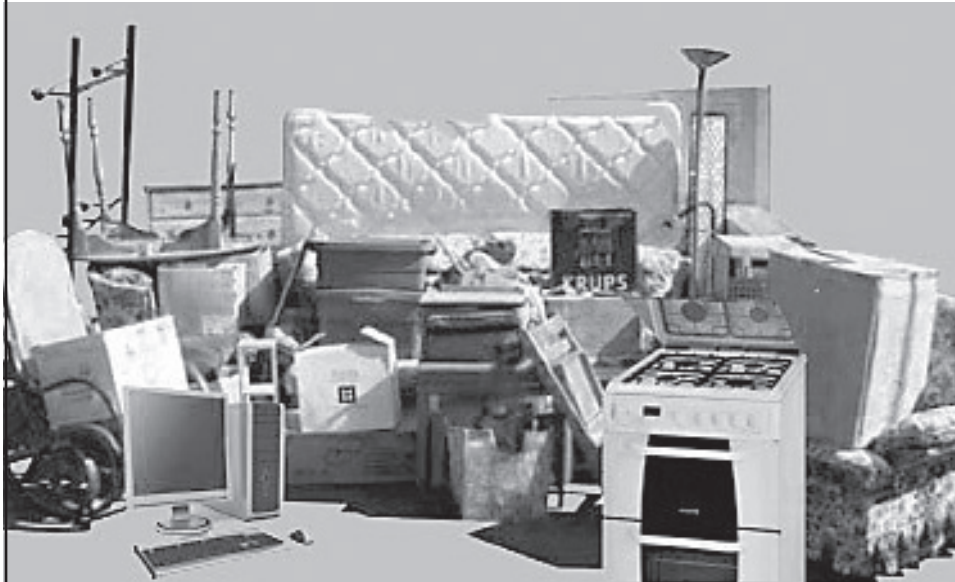
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◆ History

Historical Society Holds Hall of Fame Ceremony

Dolores Ebner, Donald Ebner, and Martin Burdick were recently inducted as the first members of the Ken-Caryl Ranch Historical Society Hall of Fame. A full story about their accomplishments was published in the April 17 issue of Life at Ken-Caryl. Their bios and photos can be found on the Ken-Caryl Ranch website at www.ken-caryl-ranch.org under the Community & News tab, then History of Ken-Caryl Ranch.

Plaques honoring Dolores, Donald, and Martin have been hung on a wall at the Ranch House, across from the Conference Room. A brief ceremony in their honor was held on Wednesday, May 8 at the Ranch House. Both Martin Burdick and Donald Ebner have passed away, but Dolores Ebner was in attendance as well as Martin's wife, Dottie.



Dottie Burdick, wife of Martin Burdick, and Historical Society Chair Jim Antes.



Dolores Ebner and Historical Society Chair Jim Antes.

◆ Our Rising Generation

Eagle Scout Project Brings New Picnic Tables to Bradford Perley House

Huge thanks to Scouts and parents from Scout Troop 686 for working on Ivan Martin's Eagle Scout project, building new picnic tables and pads at the Bradford Perley House. From left to right, Bella Jablonski, Steve Jablonski, Master Association Board Member Scotty Martin, Eagle Scout candidate Ivan Martin, Master Association Board member Dave Seagraves, Benjamin Jablonski, and Steve Tyler.



◆ Special Event

Community Garage Sale June 7-8

The Ken-Caryl Community Garage Sale will be held Friday and Saturday, June 7-8 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Join neighbors across the community by hosting your own garage sale. New this year: Please register to appear on our Community Garage Sale Map at <https://gsalr.com/n/ken-caryl-ranch-littleton-co>. The map will show addresses for all registered sales in the community. Staff will then advertise the community sale on various websites and include a link to the map.

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◆ Aquatics

Ranch House Pool Hours and Baby Pool Closure

We are excited to share some changes with our pools this year that we feel are a better fit for the community and the Metropolitan District. The Ranch House Pool will now close at 6 p.m. Monday-Thursday. Attendance was extremely low between 6 and 7 p.m. last year. This change allows our amazing swim team to begin practice an hour early, ending practice at 9 p.m. instead of 10 p.m. The Ranch House Pool will stay open until 7 p.m. on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday.



The baby pool at the Ranch House will not open this season due to structural and maintenance challenges. Please enjoy the baby pool at the Bradford Pool and the splash pad at the Community Center this year. We are thrilled to break ground for the new Ranch House Pool at the end of the summer and have a zero-depth entry area in 2020 for families with young children.

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Chatfield Girls Varsity Tennis Team Wins Top Honors

By Kristen Peterka, Master Association Staff

The Chatfield Girls Varsity Tennis Team pushed through a season of snow and ice to win 2nd in State for 5A Colorado High School Girls. Their dominance on the court was topped only by their academic excellence. In addition to 2nd in State, the team was also awarded the Colorado High School Activities Association (CHSAA) Les

Schwab Academic Award with an average team GPA of 3.99.

The unusually young varsity team has three freshman, three sophomores, four juniors, and only one senior. Assistant Coach Heidi Mueller said this combination of the young and seasoned players inspired the team.

"Because there were so many young girls, the returning members had to teach them the ropes," said Heidi. "The older girls included the new girls; the new girls inspired the older girls. It was incredible to watch them support each other, screaming

three courts down. It felt like a college tennis atmosphere."

The team has a history of success. They have won the Jeffco 5A league title as well as Regional Playoffs four years in a row. This year, the entire team qualified for the CHSAA 5A State Championships, which enabled all players to get points to secure 2nd place at state.

"One theme this season was the three freshmen who made a huge impact," said Coach Robert Campbell. "Christine Jevicky, at #2 singles, did not lose a set the entire season until the state final. Wesley Sternberg and Kaitlyn Speer, at #3 doubles, beat archrivals Cherry Creek in the finals at state to become state champions."

The team also secured other top honors including #1 singles for Mikaela Mueller, #3 singles for Natalia Smith, #1 doubles for Olivia Santangelo and Tedy Reed, #2 doubles for Lizzy Crane and Claire Hursta, and #4 doubles for Emma Dershem and Aubrey Jones. Other recognition includes MVP athlete for Jefferson County for Mikaela and the 2019 Phil Krous Sportsmanship Award for Natalia.

The team persisted through "the worst spring weather I have seen," said Robert, who has been coaching since 2006. "It stayed cold. We would continuously shovel but the ice wouldn't melt." Each snowy day the team would arrive at the Ranch House courts and use a dozen shovels to clear off two courts. "The girls would rotate between a drill court, half a court for conditioning, and shovel crew." Parent volunteers would also shovel on weekends and at night to try to keep the courts clear.

"I am so proud of every one of these girls," said Robert. "Not just for their tennis accomplishments, but most importantly for their character. And I'm thrilled for next year. We are a young team with more things to accomplish!"



Chatfield Girls Varsity Tennis Team wins second in State.

Back row, left to right: Claire Hursta, Emma Dershem, Kaitlyn Speer, Wesley Sternberg, Tedy Reed, Lizzy Crane, Olivia Santangelo, Aubrey Jones.

Front Row, left to right: Natalia Smith, Mikaela Mueller, Christine Jevicky



Chatfield Girls Varsity Tennis Team celebrates their amazing season.

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Course: #47123

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Family Story Time at the Ranch House

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Dates: Every Thursday
 Time: 10:15 a.m.
 Location: Ranch House
 Fee: Free

Teen Programs

Babysitting Clinic

Certification for boys and girls 11 years of age and older. Bring a sack lunch and drink. You must stay for the entire time to become certified.

Date: Friday, June 7
 Time: 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.
 Location: Ranch House
 Fee: Resident: \$70
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Ages: Entering grades 6-9
 Dates: Monday-Friday, June 10-14
 Time: 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.
 Location: Meet at the Ranch House Evergreen Room. We will travel each day.
 Fee: Resident: \$300
 Non-Resident: \$330

Course: #47117

Ken-Caryl Theater Club!

Join the Ken-Caryl Theater Club Teen Camp! Are you interested in learning and improving upon your acting skills? This drama camp is for you! Work on your audition skills, be introduced to musical theater, participate in improv, and be a part of the cast for our small performance that will take place at the end of the week!

Ages: Entering grades 6-9
 Dates: Monday-Friday, June 17-21
 Time: 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

*Please note: Our camp production will take place Friday, June 21 from 5-6 p.m. Campers and parents are encouraged to attend!

Location: Ranch House - Bradford Room
 Fee: Resident: \$150
 Non-Resident: \$180

Course: #47126

Teen Programs

The Farm to Table Eggs-perience!

Let's get cooking! Learn about where your food comes from and focus on healthy, farm-to-table eating while cooking together. Visit farmer's markets, the Colorado Agricultural Leadership Foundation, learn new recipes, and learn what it takes to build your own vegetable garden. End the week with a cooking challenge party with campers and parents alike! If you love food, this camp is for you!

Ages: Entering grades 6-8
 Dates: Monday-Friday, June 24-28
 Time: 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

*Please note: Camp party and cooking challenge is Friday, June 28, 5-6 p.m. Campers and parents are encouraged to attend!

Location: Meet at the Ranch House. We will travel each day.

Fee: Resident: \$265
 Non-Resident: \$290

Course: #47114

Sports Camps

Skyhawks Flag Football Camp

Campers learn skills on both sides of the football including the core components of passing, catching, and defense - all in a fun and positive environment. The week ends with the Skyhawks Super Bowl! Register at www.skyhawks.com.

Ages: 6-12
 Dates: June 3-7
 Time: 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.
 Location: Ranch House Soccer Fields
 Fee: \$129

Skyhawks Sport Mix

In this multi-sport camp, we combine basketball, baseball, and football into one fun-filled week. Athletes will learn the rules and essential skills of each sport along with vital life lessons such as respect and teamwork. Register at www.skyhawks.com.

Ages: 6-12
 Dates: June 10-14
 Time: 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.
 Location: Ranch House Soccer Fields
 Fee: \$129

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Ages: 6-12
 Dates: June 24-28
 Time: 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.
 Location: Ranch House Soccer Fields
 Fee: \$129

Special Events

Community Garage Sale

Host a garage sale at your home! There will be multiple sales throughout the neighborhood.

Dates: Friday, June 7 and Saturday, June 8

Time: 8 a.m. - 2 p.m.
 Location: Throughout the Ken-Caryl Community

Sports Camps

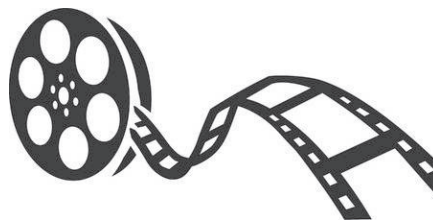
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| Dates | Time | Ages | Fee | Location |
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| June 17-21 or July 8-12 | 11 a.m. - 12 p.m. | First Kicks: 3 Years Old | \$114 | Ranch House |
| June 17-21 or July 8-12 | 9-10:30 a.m. | Mini Soccer: 4-5 Years Old | \$129 | Ranch House |
| June 17-21 or July 8-12 | 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. | Half-Day: 6-14 Years Old | \$165 | Ranch House |
| June 17-21 or July 8-12 | 1-3 p.m. | Golden Goal*: 6-14 Years Old | \$62 | Ranch House |
| June 17-21 | 1:30-2:30 p.m. | Tiny Tykes Cubs: 3-4 Years Old | \$95 | Community Center/Heirloom Park |
| June 17-21 | 3-4:30 p.m. | Tiny Tykes Lions: 4-5 Years Old | \$110 | Community Center/Heirloom Park |

*The Golden Goal session is a fun-packed add-on session that runs Monday-Thursday and is open to the 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. campers only. Please provide your child with lunch. Challenger Sports coaches will supervise the children over the break between sessions.

Special Events



Flick and Float

Come enjoy a dive-in movie and free popcorn at the pool! Now showing: Smallfoot (June 15) and How to Train Your Dragon: The Hidden World (July 20). Popcorn is free, and other concessions will be for sale during the movie. Movie will begin playing at dusk, and the pool will re-open for entrance at 7:30 p.m. Bring your pool noodle - large floaties will not be permitted. Thank you to our generous Platinum Sponsor, Colorado Credit Union!

Dates: June 15 and July 20
 Movies: June 15 - Smallfoot
 July 20 - How to Train Your Dragon: The Hidden World
 Time: Pool opens at 7:30 p.m. Movie begins at dusk.
 Location: Ranch House Pool
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Family Ninja Warrior Challenge

Join us for a fun and challenging outdoor fitness event. The second annual Ninja Warrior Challenge will include an obstacle course and run event for the whole family! Register before June 24 for an early bird discount.

Ages: 5-99
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 Time: 8-10 a.m.
 Location: Heirloom Park
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KC Shoe Drive & Hogback Hustle Collect Over 400 Pairs of Shoes for the Homeless

On behalf of the Bradford PTA Service Learning Committee, which aims to help teach students community service and civic responsibility, thank you to all Ken-Caryl residents who participated in the KC Shoe Drive in April. With your help, we were able to collect more than 400 pairs of shoes for the homeless here in Denver!

The children's shoes were sent to Clothes to Kids of Denver and adult shoes to the Impact Humanity clothing store, free to those in need. To learn more about these wonderful local charities and how your family can get involved throughout the year, keep reading!

Clothes to Kids of Denver

Gail Cerny, a volunteer serving in Colorado schools, recognized a striking number of students without adequate clothing, which noticeably impacted their peer interactions, school attendance, and ability to build self-esteem. After examining possible ways to meet this need in the Denver community, Gail visited the Clothes to Kids store in Florida in January of 2007 and was so inspired by the impact Clothes to Kids was having that she began Clothes to Kids of Denver, which opened its doors on Sept. 2, 2008.

Today, the Denver organization provides hundreds of free school wardrobes each month to students from low-income or in-crisis families and has built a strong reputation among schools, human service agencies, shelters, hospitals, clinics, and faith communities across the Denver Metro Area.

There are several ways to volunteer and get involved with the Clothes to Kids of Denver charity. Be sure to check out their website for more information at www.clothestokidsdenver.org!

Impact Humanity

After one man's experience as a homeless person himself, Travis Smith made it his mission to address the needs of homeless in Denver by providing everyday access to clothing with a real clothing store...only difference is, after you try it on in the fitting room, you can take it home with you for free.

The volunteer-based store serves approximately 2,500 homeless people per month. The most unique part of the store is its Career Resource Center.

"We have guidance counselors that help people every day with writing resumes, finding jobs, and helping them access IDs and Medicaid," said Travis. He said his team helps an average of 15-20 folks get back to work each week.

The Impact Humanity store has also been featured on the Good Morning America show. To learn more about this great organization, and the many programs (H.I.K.E. - Helping Impact Kids Explore, Impact Toy Drive, Sack Lunches, etc.) they have to help those in need in Denver go to www.impactlocally.org.



Impact Humanity helps about 2,500 homeless people per month.



Clothes to Kids of Denver provides clothes to students in need



Megan Slattery and Susan Schell helped coordinate the Shoe Drive.

◆ Conservation Club

A Day of Honor and Beauty

Tuesday, May 15 was a beautiful day for the Ken-Caryl Conservation Club to help with planting flowers at the Veteran's Monument in Community Park. The group's gardening helpers were Kathy Webster, Jane Saul, Rilla Reinsma, Judith Burkholder, and Jackson Burkholder. The Metropolitan District's horticulturist, Dawn, and her assistants, Shelby and Hunter, were there to guide the group. Everyone had great conversations while playing in the dirt! Stop by the Veterans Monument and enjoy the beautiful display of colorful flowers while you honor our brave veterans.



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Historical Society and Conservation Club Team Up to Plant Apple Trees

By Kathy Webster, Ken-Caryl Resident

To quote a friend, Dolores Ebner, who was recently honored in the Ken-Caryl Historical Society Hall of Fame, "Don't let the past become history."

The Ken-Caryl Conservation Club, in collaboration with the Ken-Caryl Historical Society, is making sure that the past is not only not forgotten, but also duly remembered. Due to natural aging and adverse weather conditions such as lightning, many of the original apple trees in the Bradford orchard planted in the 1860s have died off. In order to continue the revitalization of the apple orchard, members of the Historical Society and members of the Conservation Club got together on Saturday, May 11 to dig holes for five new apple trees.

The apple trees were planted on Sunday, May 19. Three of the trees were donated by the Historical Society and two were donated by the Conservation Club. Members of the Historical Society that participated in the revitalization were Tim Berg, Guy Fasson, and Mark Rieger. Members of the Conservation Club that "dug in" were Judith and Scott Burkholder, Linda Metzger, and Doug Graham. Kathy Webster took photos and documented the events.

Here is some interesting background information. In the 1860s, Robert B. Bradford first planted the apple orchard that is located behind the Bradford-Perley House in the North Ranch. The apple trees are the Ben Davis variety of the historic Heirloom series. In 2010, as more original apple trees were succumbing to the elements, the Historical Society and residents, with assistance from Scott Skogerboe, propagated and planted three new trees from the original trees planted in the 1860s, to ensure that the orchard continued to

grow. In 2012, two newly propagated apple trees survived; however, in 2013 and 2014 none of the newly planted apple trees lived. This 2019 planting of five new apple trees is the first attempt at expanding the orchard since 2014.

Propagation is not an easy process. After branches are grafted from the original trees, it takes two years to propagate. Once planted, the saplings require 10 gallons of water each week for a month and then every other week until thoroughly rooted. The Ken-Caryl Ranch Metropolitan District has agreed to meet the water needs of the newly planted apple trees.

Ken-Caryl has a rich past. Educate yourself and embrace the roots of this wonderful community in which you live. Be sure and visit the Bradford Apple Orchard and the Bradford-Perley House. There are two memorial benches located in the apple orchard where you can sit, relax, meditate, and revisit the past. Don't let the past become history!



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Students Shine at Annual Spring Musicales

By Elea Plotkin, Ken-Caryl Resident

Students of Ken-Caryl piano and voice teacher Elea Plotkin performed a delightful collection of pieces at her annual Spring Musicales at the Abiding Hope Music Center in Littleton on Sunday, May 5. Songs by the Beatles, Disney shows, classical favorites, and folk music were presented by the young musicians to an appreciative audience of family and friends.

Performers included: Isabella Rush, Chase Neagle, Aubryn Elmore, Anders Jensen, Ellen Jensen, Mikayla Wilson, Cadence Wilson, Joshua Lorenz, Everly Hollander, Harper Hollander, Kathryn Hannegan, Emily McGlashan, Charlee Harrison, Grace Maffoni,

and Celeste Cartwright. The program completed a busy year of music that showcased many students.

Isabella Rush, Collegiate Academy 8th grader, sang the solo "Defying Gravity" at Disneyland in California with the Lonetree Spotlight Performers this spring.

Emelie Rosenberg, Bradford Intermediate 7th grader, voice and piano student, toured and performed multiple concerts with the Colorado Children's Chorale in China this May for two weeks.

Mia Wang, STEM School Highlands Ranch 9th grader, sang and performed last fall in the Broadway show "Newsies" with the Bowles Community Church AO1 Theater Group.

Alexa Broadway, Deer Creek Middle School 8th grader, accompanied the school orchestra with a special performance on piano on May 5 in Canon City.



Front row, left to right—Elea Plotkin, Aubryn Elmore, Mikayla Wilson, and Cadence Wilson, Everly Passerella, and Harper Passerella, Grace Maffoni, Celeste Cartwright.
Back row, left to right—Isabella Rush, Chase Neagle, Anders Jensen, Ellen Jensen, Joshua Lorenz, Kathryn Hannegan, Emily McGlashan, Charlee Harrison.

Charlee Harrison, Summit Ridge 8th grader, sang holiday music at Southwest Plaza in Littleton in December in a festive performance with the Summit Ridge Choir.

Zoe D'Argonne, Denver Christian High School 10th grader, performed the lead singing role "Babette" in the Broadway show Beauty and the Beast, at Denver Christian High School in April.

Kathryn Hannegan, Bradford Intermediate School 4th grader, and Jamie Anand, 5th grader, both performed their own pop solo vocal and piano arrangements for the

Bradford Talent Show on May 19.

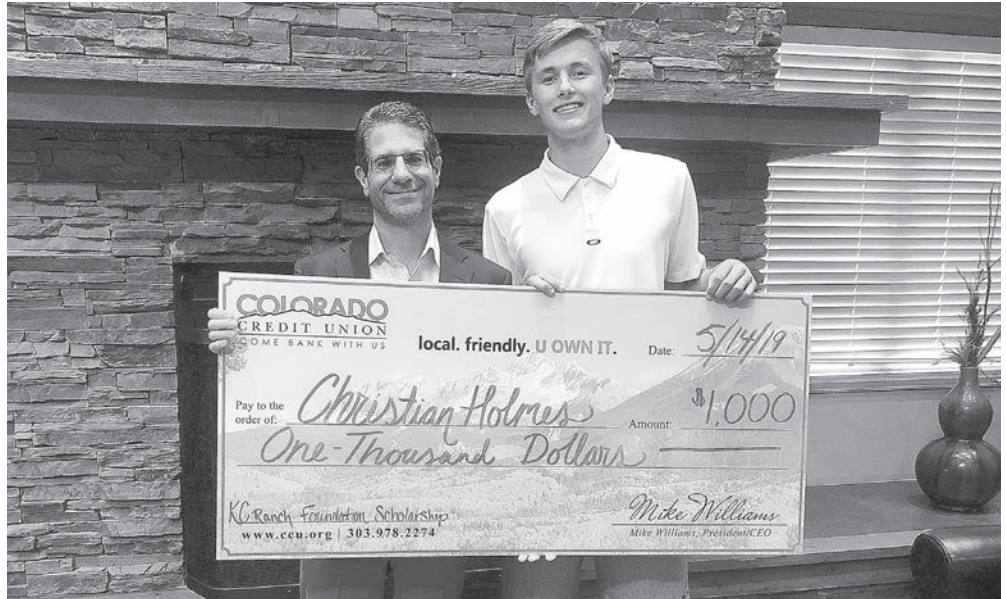
Emily McGlashan, Bradford Intermediate 5th grader, played the lead singing character in "Summer Camp Finding A Place Where You Belong" in March at Bradford.

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Foundation Scholarship Winner

Christian Holmes is the Ken-Caryl Ranch Foundation scholarship winner! He is a senior at Chatfield Senior High and is planning to attend Utah State University in the fall, possibly majoring in pre-med. He will also be on the tennis team at Utah State. Christian is an Eagle Scout, and his Eagle Scout project focused on helping homeless veterans in Denver. He won the 5A state championship in tennis in 2018, and he played varsity basketball for the last three years. Christian is the fifth of five boys, and he thinks he can beat his brothers at tennis! Boys! Congratulations, Christian!



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Jefferson County Facing Budget Challenges in 2020

Source: Engage Jeffco May Issue

Jefferson County has a reputation as a wonderful place to live, visit, and conduct business. However, the top-notch services the county provides to residents and local businesses come at a cost. Taxpayer dollars allow the county to deliver vital services, but continued growth and demand for services has created a financial challenge that is affecting 2020 budgets.

With Colorado Tax Payer Bill of Rights (TABOR) limited revenue, Jeffco budget data indicates that the county will need to trim its budget by \$16.1 million in the next year to balance its budget and maintain an appropriate reserve fund. To achieve this, the county is requiring 7 percent budget reductions for 2020 across all offices, departments, and divisions whose budget is impacted by the General Fund.

"If we break our budget down into our three lines of effort, it looks like this: safety – which includes the Sheriff, District Attorney, Coroner, and Transportation and Engineering – is approximately 67 percent of the budget; health and well-being – which includes Public Health, Human Services, and Parks – makes up eight percent; and stewardship – which includes the Assessor, Clerk and Recorder, and Treasurer – is 25 percent," said BCC Chair Libby Szabo. "Tough decisions are ahead of us, and we will rely on the elected officials and directors as the experts in their areas to determine how best to make these reductions, and we will work together with them and our community to prioritize what approaches are in the best interest of Jeffco."

As Jeffco's population grows, so does the demand on the county's services and programs. The county has seen an increase in traffic, development, housing and homelessness – and the ever-increasing population is at the forefront of our financial discussions. The county continues to look for savings and greater efficiencies and has been successful in that process.

However, TABOR limits the amount of tax revenue that Jeffco can keep. While demand for services grows, the tax revenue that would pay for the resulting services is limited. The loss of this surplus funding has a direct impact on the level and quality of services the county can provide to its residents.

Many cities and most peer counties across the state have passed ballot initiatives exempting them, in one form or another, from TABOR restrictions. Those voter-approved initiatives allow those entities to retain vital tax dollars to tackle public safety, important infrastructure, road and bridge, and other critical needs of their communities.

From 2015 – 2019, Jeffco hit the TABOR cap each year, requiring the county to refund \$111 million over the last four years that the county could have reinvested in public safety, roads, mental healthcare, wildfire protection, and other areas.

"For several years, we have been drawing down our reserve to cover expenses that revenues haven't kept up with. This isn't sustainable and now that we are at our reserve limit we have to make cuts absent a revenue solution," said County Manager Don Davis. "In October, we asked everyone to look at a 10 percent cut; now that we've gotten our close-out numbers, we were able to bring that down to seven percent in each department, division, and elected office. This is merely the beginning of the budget process that results in a final budget by December."

Jeffco wants to hear from the community on what matters most to them and how they would like to see the county address the budget shortfall. For more information on the budget and process, citizens can attend budget hearings, which are open to the public.

Jeffco will continue to post updates online, and community members can also see the county's OpenGov Financial Transparency Portal, which includes more information on the budget. You can also always reach out to your county commissioner – find their contact information at www.jeffco.us/663.

Jodi's Race for Awareness Celebrates Milestone Anniversary: 10 Years of Raising Awareness of Ovarian Cancer

By Michelle Mendoza

Anniversaries are especially important to those affected by cancer, which is one reason Ken-Caryl resident John Brammeier and his daughter, Meghan, are so excited about the tenth anniversary of Jodi's Race for Awareness on Saturday, June 8.

Jodi Brammeier, John's wife and Meghan's mother, believed her cancer would have been discovered earlier if she had known the symptoms of ovarian cancer. She created the race to raise awareness so that other women would have a better chance of surviving the disease.

The very first Jodi's Race took place on June 5, 2010, and Jodi was able to see her vision become a reality as 1,700 participants flocked to the start line. Sadly, she lost her own battle to ovarian cancer a few weeks after the inaugural race; however, her legacy continues. Jennifer Manta, Jodi's next-door neighbor, took on the role of race director and, with the support of the Ken-Caryl community and dedicated supporters, grew the race for the next seven years. Today, Jodi's Race is the second largest ovarian cancer run/walk in the country and annually draws 3,000 participants.

"It's so inspiring for us to see all these wonderful women at Jodi's Race wearing 5, 10, or even 20 strands of beads to mark each year of survivorship since their diagnosis," said John. Jodi's vision was to give women diagnosed with ovarian cancer longer lives, and he knows that she would be proud of the race's success.

Ovarian cancer is the fifth most common cancer in females in the United States – and the deadliest gynecologic cancer. Because there is no screening test and

the symptoms are vague – bloating, pelvic or abdominal pain, difficulty eating or feeling full quickly, and urinary urgency or frequency – recognition is critical so that a diagnosis can be made at the earlier stages when the disease is easier to treat.

Meghan has grown up hearing about her mom's courage and determination to make life better for others. She witnessed the importance of her mom's teachings first-hand when the mother of one of her elementary school teachers advocated for further testing after she began experiencing some symptoms of ovarian cancer. Joyce Swanson had seen the symptoms listed on signs at Jodi's Race and was diagnosed with Stage III ovarian cancer in the fall of 2011. Before she passed three years later, she was able to live an active life and witness the birth of her first two granddaughters.

John and Meghan, along with Jodi's father, his wife, Jodi's brother, and his family will be at City Park for the 10th anniversary celebration of Jodi's Race on June 8. Their team, Jodi's Angels, has been one of the largest teams at the event for the past nine years; this year, Jodi's Angels expects to have more than 35 members.

"The fact that this many people participate on Jodi's team even 10 years after her passing shows just how loved and respected she was," said John.

In addition to the 5K run, Jodi's Race features a 1-mile family fun run/walk, a survivor breakfast, family fun zone, expo, music, team village, and t-shirt contest. Survivors and loved ones who have lost their battle with ovarian cancer are honored throughout the morning with memorial wreaths, signs, and bibs. Furry friends are welcome at the event. Additional information and online registration can be found at www.jodisrace.org.

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Dear Editor:

Trails Building Proposals Continue Unabated.

Just when we thought that we might be able to rest for just one year from the deluge of trail building, which has been active in our open space for nearly 10 years, a proposal by Dan Mullins and Jeff Lyslo to create a new connector trail will have been presented to the Open Space Committee on May 22.

Currently, a narrow, short social trail, used mainly by school children on weekdays to access a bus stop, exists from the east end of Mountain Cedar Lane to Valley Parkway. This trail is used by so few people that during the recent rains, some parts have seen grass grow back.

But certain individuals have asserted that a short, 50-foot section of the trail has "erosion problems," requiring a major re-route. As a 20-year user of this trail, I can attest that the only erosion is ruts caused by bicycle brakes.

Messrs Mullins and Lyslo recently surveyed the trail and prepared a draft report for the Open Space Committee recommending building a new 300-foot connector trail to Massey Draw Trail, which in addition to creating a scar parallel with Valley Parkway, will involve HOA funds to pay Singletrack Construction.

Not presented in the draft report to the OSC are two options, one, to do nothing to the trail, and the second, to post "no cycling" signs at each end. Barrington Ridge residents were surveyed about the proposed construction this weekend and all but one signed a petition to request that the trail be left alone.

I would ask the OSC and MA Board to weigh the views of the residents most affected by new construction, and ask the community at large to consider that while this is "just a local trail," there are many more social trails for which proposals exist to convert to fuller maintained trails. I urge anyone concerned that we are becoming too much like Highlands Ranch to contact the OSC and MA Board to request that these social trails are left alone.

Philip G. Varley
Ken-Caryl Resident

Dear Editor:

Once again, TRAILS in Ken-Caryl are a front-burner issue. In the past we have had both successes and failures. More trails, more maintenance, more money. Bikes damage and widen trails. I propose a 2-year MORATORIUM on all new trails and all trail maintenance. Give nature a chance to do some maintenance and let the community review where we have come and what the future holds.

1. Where we have spent our money on trails and maintenance – how much and some good and poor.

2. Who uses the trails – KC residents, guests, walkers, bikers, trail club members, Willow Springs residents, and guests.

3. When should trails be open – daily hours and seasonal closures.

4. Future use of electric bikes and/or scooters.

5. User fees and reciprocal agreements.

Ken-Caryl Ranch community has a precious resource in its land. Let's take time to continue to make Ken-Caryl a great place to live.

Stephen Saul
Ken-Caryl Resident

Dear Editor:

Is anyone else disturbed by recent "trail maintenance" on the Colorow Trail between Massey Draw and Lost Canyon? The trail maintenance by contractor Singletrack consisted of 50 new rolling-grade bumps with 50 new drainage spillways with a 4' wide mini-grader on this 1.5-mile stretch of trail. This "maintenance" was supposedly done to control erosion from storm water. However, this trail is relatively flat with only two steeper sections.

Over the past 25 years, Colorow has survived with little or no erosion and minimal muddiness. For some unknown reason, the steepest hill just north of Massey Draw that gets muddy after rains had only one drainage channel added. Another drainage spillway was created on top of a small hill (draining water from where?). It makes me think that this haphazard placement of drainage channels was only constructed to validate the creation of bumps on the trail. Is this really "trail maintenance" that we are paying for or the creation of a mountain bike course?

The drainage spillways were excessively wide and large, 6-15' wide and excavated some 15' down the slope. Bumps were 12"-18" tall and wider than the trail. I don't understand why they needed to disturb so much adjacent trail vegetation. Are we expecting a 100-year flood? This was overly excessive disturbance of land and not needed.

I did not see any needed tread maintenance/grading on uneven, eroded, or cupped surfaces, especially on the steepest hill. Hikers need a more level, flatter tread. Perhaps one of the two Volunteer Trail Coordinators (VTCs) should be a hiker so that trail maintenance from the hikers' perspective can be considered.

This is unsatisfactory work by the contractor and unsatisfactory design and specifications developed by the VTCs. Why are we hiring contractors that don't follow the newest Forest Service Guidelines for trail construction? Who approved the VTC's design and work order? Was there

adequate supervision of Singletrack's work? Was Singletrack reprimanded for crossing wetlands off trail with their machine or was this allowed? Did the Master Association approve the trail widening and addition of so many bumps under the disguise of "trail maintenance?"

Linda Metzger
Ken-Caryl Resident

Dear Editor:

Confessions of a Mountain Biker. The desire was similar to downhill skiing; it was to take different and more challenging trails. When there were more choices at a ski resort it was more appealing. Likewise, mountain bikers want more "experiences." This is creating serious conflicts between mountains bikers and other trail users in our foothills. There is a solution.

There seems to be no end to the loop-type trail construction in our foothills open space. These interconnecting loop trails with banked turns are preferred by mountain bikers but are the epitome of the most simplified definition of environmental fragmentation. (Taking a patch of land and dividing it into smaller patches.) Scientific research and literature clearly describe the catastrophic effect of fragmentation on environmental preservation.

Recently, it was proposed to reconstruct a linear social trail which was created primarily by children riding bicycles in order to connect with the sidewalk along Valley Parkway. This trail slightly curves north toward the Bradford Intermediate School. What are the loop-type trail advocates proposing: yet another loop trail of much greater length which would cut to the South closer to a wetlands area and thus increasing the fragmentation effect. The justification for lengthening the trail into a loop is in my opinion pretty feeble. The area where the existing social trail intersects the sidewalk is relatively flat with clear visibility. It's not dangerous. I feel it would be no different from two sidewalks that intersect.

There seems to be no end to the new loop trail construction proposed by the advocates along with the associated dollar costs of construction, weed control, maintenance, and management. Also, consider the damage that the mountain bikes contribute by tearing up the terrain. Additionally, there is the interference the mountain bikers cause with those who wish to hike, walk, run, or have a peaceful horseback ride along our trail system. A division of the foothills open space devoid of the mountain bikers is desperately needed with one half being designated as a wildlife-protected habitat which would simply exclude all mechanical means of transportation.

Jim Fodor
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| Abby Burton | 720-616-1333 | B, P | 13 | Aspen Meadows |
| Bridget Cassidy | 720-244-1359 | B, P | 14 | Stratford Farms |
| Hope Cuttitta | 303-517-8864 | B, P | 14 | Deer Creek |
| Ella Daugherty | 303-591-2004 | B, P | 13 | Village |
| Quinn Daugherty | 303-591-2004 | B, P | 11 | 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 | 16 | North Ranch |
| Kyla Fouts | 303-668-0581 | B, L, P, S | 13 | Mountain Gate |
| Abbie Gallant | 303-517-8864 | B, P | 14 | Deer Creek |
| Lila Garcia | 303-475-0888 | B, P | 14 | Legacy |
| Marcus Garcia | 303-704-9796 | L, P, S | 16 | Legacy |
| Erin Giles | 303-885-8787 | B, P | 17 | Colony |
| Karmin Groom | 720-980-9088 | B, P | 14 | Sunset Ridge |
| Nicole Guarino | 303-720-3036 | B | 17 | Bradford Place |
| Kara Hammond | 720-979-4069 | B, P | 12 | Carriage Hill |
| Trisha Henderson | 732-915-1214 | P | 17 | North Ranch |
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| Reece Hodges | 303-667-2606 | L, P, S | 12 | Saddlewood |
| Gunnar Holmes | 720-505-6764 | L, S | 15 | Carriage Hill |
| Aubrey Jones | 720-971-6680 | B | 16 | Manor Ridge |
| 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 |
| Ethan Lehrke | 720-240-3980 | L, P, S | 15 | Cimarron |
| Andrew Lerudis | 303-523-0765 | L, P, S | 13 | Village |
| Payton Lott | 720-415-3486 | B, L, P, S | 14 | Spread |
| Rachael Lott | 720-415-3486 | B, L, P, S | 14 | 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 |
| Bethany McCollough | 720-749-0298 | B, P, S | 16 | Stallion Pointe |
| Holly McCollough | 720-492-0288 | B, P, S | 17 | Stallion Pointe |
| Hannah Mote | 720-305-8757 | B, P | 14 | Stallion Pointe |
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| 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 | 17 | Legacy |
| Ethan Pankow | 720-217-8175 | P | 14 | Heirloom |
| Samara Pirozzi | 720-818-2203 | B, P | 14 | Traditions |
| Alec Prinzi | 303-810-3221 | B, L, P, S | 12 | Shaffer Hill |
| Joshua Reisinger | 303-973-2469 | L, P, S | 13 | Eagles Pointe |
| Seth Reisinger | 303-973-2469 | B, L, P, S | 17 | Eagles Pointe |
| Kylie Richards | 720-414-0008 | B, P | 15 | Settlement |
| Max Ruskowski | 720-517-9066 | L, P, S | 15 | Stallion Pointe |
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| Megan Schuster | 720-587-7265 | B, P | 16 | Heirloom |
| Nicholas Schuster | 720-990-7465 | B, P | 14 | Heirloom |
| Ava Secondo | 303-883-2592 | B, P | 13 | 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 | 303-862-5756 | B, P, S | 14 | Eagles Pointe |
| Cameron Sternberg | 303-949-3691 | P | 12 | Aspen Meadows |
| Wesley Sternberg | 303-949-3691 | P | 14 | Aspen Meadows |
| Abby Szabo | 303-915-3730 | B, P | 13 | Aspen Meadows |
| Ben Szabo | 720-413-3072 | L, P | 15 | Aspen Meadows |
| Maddy Szabo | 303-915-3730 | B, P | 13 | Aspen Meadows |
| Lauren Thorp | 303-995-5551 | B, P | 18 | North Ranch |
| Cole Torgerson | 720-291-9022 | B, L, P | 17 | Legacy |
| Jack Torgerson | 303-981-7617 | B, P | 14 | Legacy |
| Zane Tweedie | 720-688-9440 | L, P, S | 15 | Deerwood Vista |
| Olivia Vangels | 720-292-6727 | B, P | 13 | Village |
| Charlotte Webster | 703-655-4428 | B, P | 14 | The Spread |
| Genevieve Webster | 703-655-4428 | B, P | 16 | The Spread |
| Judah Webster | 703-655-4428 | B, L, P, S | 11 | The Spread |
| Ella Widmann | 720-318-7927 | B, P | 16 | Territory |

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