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# Thinking Spring: Consider Registering for a Community Garden Plot

By Traci Wieland, Metro District Manager

As I drove by the sledding hill off Ken-Caryl Avenue in early February, I saw hundreds of exuberant skiers, snowboarders, sledders and spectators having an amazing time playing in the snow. It's hard to imagine anything but snow and cold for the foreseeable future given our current weather pattern: however, there is a light at the end of the tunnel! Gardening season will be upon us in no time, so we want to make sure you know of the amazing opportunity you have to create your own space to grow fruits, vegetables and flowers, not to mention, gather with your neighbors, make new friends and get some necessary and needed time in nature.

The Ken-Caryl Community Garden (KCCG) is located in your Ken-Caryl community, adjacent to the Community Center, and hosts 38 plots. The garden is enclosed by an 8-foot-high decorative fence and complementary 2-foot-high rabbit fence helping to discourage

unwanted guests. You'll find gardeners of all ages, skill levels and interests. It's an amazing opportunity to share and learn with your neighbors, which is a

which is a reason we love Ken-Caryl Ranch.

The reason I write about the Community Garden during our crazy winter weather, is not to make you crave sunshine and warm weather, but to call you to action! There are limited garden plots available and they are going fast. Register for the Community Garden by visiting https://apm.activecommunities.com/kcranchmetrodistrict and searching Community Garden. You can also connect with the amazing volunteers to help to administer the garden by visiting their website at https://kencarylcommunitygarden.webs.com/.

I hope I've convinced you to try something new and register for a garden plot today! If you have questions, feel free to contact the Ranch House at 303-979-1876. We hope to see you at a program soon!

#### • Community Calendar

#### **February**

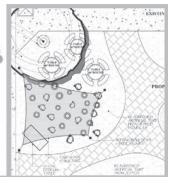
All meetings and activities are at the Ranch House unless otherwise stated. Meeting dates and times are subject to change. Please see www.ken-carylranch.org for the most up-to-date information.

Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.
16	17	6 p.m. MA Board Meeting	4:30 p.m. Covenant Committee	10:15 a.m. Family Story Time	6 p.m. Glow-in-the- Dark Family Dance Party	22
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#### March

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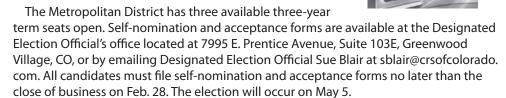
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#### MD Election

# Thinking of Running for the Metro District Board?



#### • MD Election

# Stepping Stone Communities is Now Doing Business as Trailhead Community!



By Beth Brooks, Trailhead Community

Exciting changes are ahead! We have secured our land;

our construction and development teams are in place and we are preparing to break ground this year! As part of our progress towards the creation of this amazing building and community, we have decided that a new name will help solidify our efforts.

Our new look and new name reflect our move from a small "startup" business concept to an established professional organization! We have grown significantly over the past five years, going from a handful of dedicated parents and a building vision of 18 units to where we are now! We have a team of over 30 professionals working together diligently to create this 85-unit apartment building community... and this is only building #1!

We honor Stepping Stone Support Center as the birthplace of Trailhead Community by helping individuals with developmental disabilities to live meaningful and productive lives, and look forward to a continued partnership with them in the next chapter of our story. For more information, please visit us online at: www.trailheadcommunity.org.



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#### Covenant Clips

Be Nice!

By Jenny Bernal, Community Standards

As a large-scale community, we have a diverse resident base. We have residences from apartments and condos, to sprawling estates and gated communities. There are renters, property owners, business owners, and more, that make up the members of this community. Our residents are executives, service workers, at-home workers, retail employees, trades, etc. This means we have many influences and factors to consider with our neighbors, staff and volunteers. With this diversity comes strong and passionate opinions, and the occasional verbal scuffles are likely to ensue under emotional conditions.

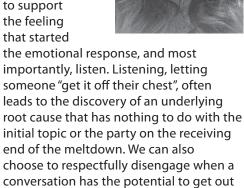
In my role, I see many aspects of KCR residents. The vast majority of residents are considerate of their neighbors, compliant with covenants, and are kind, helpful citizens. Most of my interactions with neighbors are positive, but there is a small percentage of residents who take a less-positive approach. It is my job to notify residents of covenant violations, guide residents through the architectural review process, and listen to feedback, or complaints. However, it is frustrating, and not necessary, when I am met with resistance and less-than-kind reactions.

In the past few weeks, I have seen comments from residents that are not only ill-informed, but are personally hurtful to each other, insulting to staff and accusatory to volunteers (based on feeling and belief, rather than fact). It would be natural to have an emotional response, but those are generally unproductive and do not typically end in resolution. Our goal should be to constructively work together to resolve issues and find solutions.

We can't control how someone else reacts to emotional stimuli, but we can control our own responses to the behaviors of others. When involved

in a difficult conversation, we can respond with questions to clarify understanding, request something quantifiable to support

of hand.



If you find yourself having an emotional response to something going on in the neighborhood, take a moment to put the matter into perspective, educate yourself/ ask questions, and help look for solutions that not only affect you, but other members of the community.

I urge everyone to conduct factual and common-sense discussions and provide truly productive feedback. We are all in this together. Anyone can identify a problem; the true power is taking an active and productive part in solving it.

Thank you to all the staff, community volunteers and neighbors who work with challenging behaviors with grace, dignity and compassion.

If you have questions or need some advice for having a difficult chat with a member of the community, email jennyb@kcranch.org.

#### **Joint Study Session**

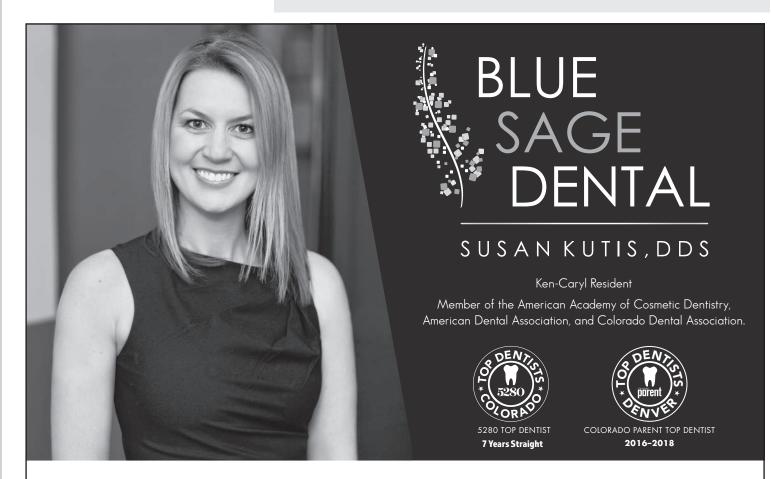
On Feb. 4, the Ken-Caryl Ranch Master Association and Metropolitan District Boards held a Joint Study Session and discussed the following topics:

- · A resident submitted a concern via email regarding off-leash dogs in irrigated park areas such as North Ranch Park. Currently, staff does not patrol irrigated park areas, and enforcement for off-leash dogs is deferred to Jefferson County Animal Control. The Boards would like staff to increase educational efforts around offleash dog rules, potentially partner with Animal Control, and proactively approach some park users with educational information.
- Staff reported on Ranch House Pool construction progress. Good weather in January provided catch-up time for the snow delays experienced in November and December. The concrete pool floor was scheduled to be poured on Feb. 4, but the recent snowstorm and cold temperatures have caused temporary delays. Crews are working in the snow to prepare the site for concrete once weather allows.
- District Manager Traci Wieland reported she was selected to participate in a Leadership Academy for the Special District Association.
- Master Association Executive Director Victoria DeSair reminded everyone about the upcoming Master Association election. She also reported that North American Development Group, which is the company under contract to purchase land for new home development in the Plains, extended their due diligence deadline to Feb. 21. They will make a decision by Feb. 21 regarding whether or not they will move forward with the land purchase.



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#### Ranger Field Notes





#### **Coyote Sightings**

By Matt Oven, Open Space Ranger

It's that time of year when residents begin to see coyote activity in Open Space and along greenbelts. Coyotes are currently establishing territories and den sites. Coyotes breed during February and March and give birth in April and May. In the last two weeks, park rangers have begun receiving questions regarding sightings and encounters with coyotes. Park rangers will answer any questions and explain biology and behavior, including hazing tactics to deter coyotes and encourage residents to be alert while recreating in Open Space especially with their pets.

One concern always on park rangers' minds is the feeding of wildlife, particularly coyotes, or foxes. Although this activity may seem harmless as people enjoy watching foxes, coyotes and foxes are attracted to the same food. If feeding takes place, the coyotes will associate humans with food and chances increase that a coyote/human conflict will occur. If you know of someone deliberately feeding coyotes, foxes, raccoons, or other larger wildlife, call KCRMA Park Rangers at 303-979-1876 ext. 170, as this activity needs to stop. For more helpful information, visit the Ken-Caryl Ranch website at https://ken-carylranch.org/open-space/open-space-news/coyotes/ as there a couple of educational videos on being coyote wise.

#### Community News

#### **Ken-Caryl Ranch Foundation Offers Two Scholarships**

By Dennie McGarry

The Ken-Caryl Ranch Foundation is soliciting scholarship applications from Ken-Caryl residents in their senior year of high school. This year, two students will be awarded \$1,000 each to help defray the costs of higher education.

The first scholarship focus is community service. To be eligible to receive this scholarship, the applicant must include a one-page self-written essay on community service which describes: 1.) what the applicant thinks is meant by

community service, and 2.) his/her own contributions in the way of community service. The second scholarship focus is on civil discourse. To be eligible to receive this scholarship, the applicant must include a one-page self-written essay on any controversial subject showing how to compromise and solve a problem. In summary, vigorous disagreements, expressed with civility and respect strengthen our pluralistic nation.

Applications must be turned into the Ranch House by Friday, March 20 at 5 p.m. For eligibility requirements, or to download a scholarship form, visit www.kencarylranchfoundation.org.



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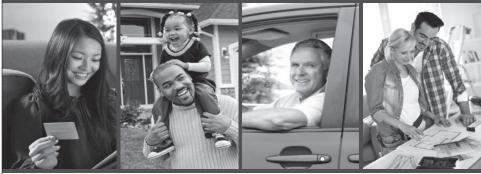


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#### Our Community

### **National Register Sites Poster on Display**

By Jim Antes, Ken-Caryl Historical Society Chairman and Resident

Did you know that there are five sites on Ken-Caryl Ranch that are on the National Register of Historic Places? The National Register is the official list of America's significant historic sites that are worthy of preservation. Three of the Ken-Caryl sites are archaeological: Bradford House III site, listed on the National Register in 1980; Bradford House II site, listed in 2001; and Ken-Caryl South Valley Archaeological District, listed in 2003. The other two sites are the Bradford-Perley House, listed in 2015, and the John C. Shaffer Barn, listed in 2019. The Ken-Caryl Ranch Historical Society has prepared a poster that contains descriptions and photos from all five sites. The poster is hanging in the hallway of the Ranch House near the reception desk.

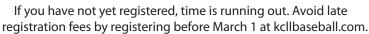


A few of the artifacts unearthed in the Ken-Caryl South Valley Archaeological District.

#### Our Community

#### Ken-Caryl League Baseball Update

The Ken-Caryl Little League has changed the Player Assessment date to Feb. 29, indoors, at the Foothills Sports Arena. All players that register in the A, AA, AAA, or Majors Divisions must attend the Player Assessment. Tee Ball and Coach Pitch registrants will NOT attend the Player Assessment. Intermediate, Juniors, and Seniors will have a different assessment date that will be held in March.



Start the kids in Tee Ball for only \$89; Coach Pitch just \$149!

KCLL is our community-based, all-volunteer, youth baseball program that offers appropriate developmental levels, competitive divisions, and tournament teams for children of all abilities, ages 4-16. Regular practices and games take place on Ken-Caryl Ranch, or nearby schools and parks. The KCLL age 9-11 All-Star Team won the District Championship last year and placed 2nd in State.

KCLL has sponsorships available for local businesses!

Thank you for your support of Little League Baseball on Ken-Caryl Ranch.

#### Our Community

#### **February Celebrates National Heart Health Month**

As we get ready to decorate our homes and shower our loved ones with hearts for Valentine's Day, let's not forget that these adornments and gifts should serve as a reminder to put a little more love in our own (beating) hearts. February celebrates National Heart Health Month and adopting heart-healthy habits can ensure our tickers stay in tip-top shape for years to come. Here's how:

**Quit Smoking.** Smoking is the leading cause of preventable death in the United States. If you don't smoke, don't start. If you do smoke, learn how to quit.

Manage Your Health Conditions. Work with your healthcare provider to manage any conditions such as high blood pressure and high cholesterol to keep them under control.

**Adopt Heart-Healthy Eating Changes.** Eat food low in trans-fat, saturated fat, added sugar and sodium. Try to fill at least half your plate with vegetables and fruits, and strive for low sodium options.

**Get Moving!** Incorporate mild to moderate exercise for at least 150 minutes per week. You can even break up the 30 minutes into 10-minute blocks.

Source: www.CDC.gov



#### Did you know?

- Your heart beats around 100,000 times every day. That adds up to over 2.5 billion times in an average lifespan.
- Weighing in at a whopping 11 ounces, this super organ pumps around 2000 gallons of blood through 60,000 miles of blood vessels every day.
- At rest, the heart pumps about five liters of blood every minute. During exercise, this cardiac output can triple, or even more than quadruple for fit athletes.

#### Potential Land Development in Ken-Caryl Ranch Plains

By Victoria DeSair, Master Association Executive Director

The Master Association has received several inquiries about the potential land development in the Ken-Caryl Ranch Plains. Draft plans are posted at www. ken-carylranch.org under Community & News, then News. While this is not a Master Association project, staff will help get answers out to the community. Here is a synopsis of what we know at this point.

### Who is interested in developing the land?

The land is currently owned by Denver Residential, and North American Development Group is under contract to purchase the land for new home development

# Where is the land that may be developed?

There are three parcels:

Parcel A: North of Ken Caryl Ave. and east of C-470 (also called the North Bowl)

Parcel B: Southwest corner of Chatfield/

Simms and Ken Caryl Ave. (north of the Sunset Ridge community)

Parcel C: North of RTD Park 'n Ride What is planned at the three locations?

Parcel A: Allowed up to 330 units, but the developer is proposing 293 units. They are planning to incorporate three different product types: single-family detached (50' x 100'lots), Ranch paired homes (45' x 90' lots), two-story alley-loaded single-family homes (37' x 110' lots).

There are two planned access roads, one on Alkire and a new road by the Park'n Ride.

Parcel B: Allowed up to 270 units, but the developer is proposing 250 units. They are planning three-story townhomes (16' X 42' & 22' X 42' building size) and paired homes (45' x 90' lots).

Entrances on Ken Caryl Ave. across from King Soopers and on Chatfield Ave.

Parcel C - Area is zoned multi-family and can be seen on the Parcel A map. Plans are not ready for review.

#### Will there be open space?

Yes. The area immediately behind the Saddlewood neighborhood is currently zoned open space, and the zoning will remain the same.

Will these residents pay dues into the

#### **Master Association?**

Yes, the homes will be within the boundaries of the Master Association and will pay dues like the other homes on Ken-Caryl Ranch. The homes are not currently within the boundaries of the Ken-Caryl Ranch Metropolitan District. They are in the Plains Metropolitan District. There is a possibility of forming a sub-district that will be responsible for maintaining the public areas.

#### Are the plans final?

No. Plans are preliminary and are subject to change.

#### Will there be a public input process?

Yes, the developer will go through a process with Jefferson County and will work with the Master Association on community meetings.

#### When will the project break ground?

The developer hopes to break ground toward the end of 2021, or in 2022. Builders haven't been selected.

#### How many new residents?

It is estimated there could potentially be around 2,000 additional residents.

## What schools will the new homes feed into?

This hasn't been determined. The developer will work with the school district

on this as part of the County process.

#### What are the next steps?

The developer had a Feb. 3 deadline to make a decision, but they filed an extension to delay the decision until Feb. 21. The Master Association will inform the community when a decision is made.

#### • Community News



# Spring, Summer and Preschool Camp Registration Opens This Month!

Check out what Ken-Caryl has to offerthis spring break and summer for your kiddo! Got a YouTube



fanatic, budding chef, gamer, community activist, or LEGO® architect in your home? The Ranch House, Dakota Lodge and Community Center offere xciting and fun camp offerings to keep your student busy this upcoming spring break and summer! Registration begins the week of Feb. 24. For more information, including current offer ings, visit our website at www.ken-carylranch.org.

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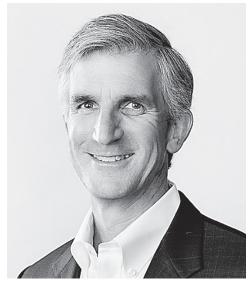




#### Master Association Board Election Runs Through March 3

The Ken-Caryl Ranch Master Association Board election began Feb. 12 and runs through March 3 at 5 p.m. Here's how the election works:

- Residents and businesses with an email address in our accounting system should have received an email from kcr@ivotehoa.com on Feb. 12 with voting instructions.
- Those residents and businesses without an email in the system were mailed a beige postcard on or after Feb. 12.
- There is one ballot per household or business. If you own multiple properties, or are a business, you will only vote once, but your vote will be weighted.
- The election will be done online, but paper ballots will be available at the Ranch House Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. for those residents who do not wish to vote online. You will need a photo ID to vote with a paper ballot.
- If you do not receive your voting code by Feb. 19, or cannot find it, please contact Victoria DeSair at victoriad@kcranch.org or 303-979-1876, ext. 122.
- There are two open positions for the Board, so you will vote for two candidates.
- Candidate profiles are published in this paper and can also be viewed online at www.ken-carylranch.org.
- The election will close online Tuesday, March 3 at 5 p.m., and results will be posted at www.ken-carylranch.org later that night.
- If you have any questions about the election, contact Victoria DeSair at victoriad@kcranch.org or call 303-979-1876, ext. 122.



#### Tom Bratschun

Email: tom@adseroip.com Phone: 303-601-1421 Community Area: Valley Resident Since: 1994

**Occupation:** Intellectual Property Attorney **Community and/or Civic Organizations:** 

Former member of the Ken-Caryl
Foundation Board; current member of
the Ken-Caryl Open Space Committee;
Ken-Caryl open space volunteer since
the 1990s; active in the effort to re-shape
the community using the MD bond issue
proceeds; 5 years of coaching youth soccer;
Breckenridge Outdoor Education Center
adaptive ski program volunteer.

**Hobbies:** Trail running, skiing, biking, hiking, travel, reading

## Why have you declared your candidacy for the Board of Directors?

After 25 years of being the managing partner at my 30-employee firm in Littleton, I have stepped back from my managing partner role and now have time to give back to the community. I have been a user of many community amenities over our 25 years of living in Ken-Caryl, from tennis leagues in the early years, swimming pools and the Dakota Lodge as my wife and I raised our three girls, the Community

Center fitness equipment and the trails and open space. I am familiar with our facilities and well positioned to represent the community in balancing the competing interests seeking resources in support of their amenities of choice, as well as the supporting infrastructure. I have attended many MA Board meetings over the years, and I have come to admire the vision and demeanor of Board members past and present, and I feel I have the community experience, professional experience and respect for the varied lifestyles our unique community provides to be an effective representative for all residents. I have also long respected the fiscal discipline instilled by past and present Board members, and the staff and I will work to manage dues and the budget in a like manner.

# What skills or qualifications do you bring as assets to the KCRMA Board of Directors?

Over the course of managing my firm, I have practiced consensus building that has helped grow the firm from four lawyers to 15 and helped retain our critical staff. I am accustomed to managing bright, opinionated attorneys and staff and guiding decision making, not just imposing it. I feel these skills will be helpful on the MA Board where emotions of community members are at times laid bare and focus on facts and reason to guide decisions is critical. I feel my legal training and experience could also prove helpful as the Board negotiates and oversees contracts, navigates government regulations across an array of fields, addresses employment issues, establishes budgets and tends to the myriad of nitty-gritty issues necessary for the smooth administration of the Ken-Caryl community assets.

## On which committee(s) do you wish to serve as a liaison? Why?

I am willing to serve as liaison to any committee to meet the needs of the community, though my first choice of active committees is the Open Space Committee on which I am now a voting member. I care passionately about the stewardship of the open space, and I have spent hundreds of hours running, hiking, camping and working in the open space alone and with my family. Another committee of interest is the Architectural Committee. I view this committee as critical in maintaining standards to preserve the character of our community and the appeal of our homes. Once the Community Planning Committee resumes meeting, I would be interested in serving as its liaison. My goal is to anticipate and meet the needs and desires of the community now and in the future in a fiscally responsible

What do you see as the major issues facing the KCR community over the next three years, and how would you deal with those issues as a Board member?

I am excited about the prospects of the next several years for the well-being of Ken-Caryl. We are concluding a period of financial stress to the Ken-Caryl Metropolitan District stemming largely from the Plains Metro District litigation. and that stress has also affected the MA budget. With the favorable settlement of the litigation, the end of legal fees and application of the proceeds to building of the new Ranch House pool, we have the momentum and financial resources to address our aging infrastructure in a thoughtful and not just a reactive manner. I look forward to working with community members, the staff and other resources to identify value-based investments we can make to enhance our various neighborhoods to promote home values and our unparalleled quality of life. One particular area of interest to me is water conservation. I would like the MA Board to be proactive in anticipating the effects of future droughts and presenting options to the community for conserving water

before we face crippling water bills and ruined landscaping.

#### What is your vision for the future of Ken-Caryl Ranch?

Ken-Caryl is unique in its natural beauty, distinctive ecosystems and variety of western wildlife. These natural attributes are complemented by the breath of amenities that collectively drew us into the community and enrich our lives. My vision is to conserve the natural attributes while maintaining responsible access and enjoyment of the open space so many of us treasure. My vision further is to keep our infrastructure well maintained and reliable, so future Boards and residents are not saddled with a decaying community. I recognize that our housing stock is somewhat dated, so the continued appeal of Ken-Caryl will rely more heavily on the quality of its natural attributes and variety of amenities. My goal is to make Ken-Caryl a community that adapts to offer amenities of interest to young families, our mature residents and everyone in between, both to maintain the vibrancy of the community and more pragmatically, to drive our real estate values. Ultimately, my vision is to sustain Ken-Caryl as a treasure to which our kids will eagerly return.

#### What is your philosophy toward Ken-Caryl Ranch amenities and spending money on those amenities?

For those who have made it this far, it will be clear that I revere the breadth of Ken-Caryl's amenities. My focus will be on returning our existing amenities and infrastructure such as parks, playgrounds, hard-surfaced trails, fencing, signage and trees to their original splendor. But I also look forward to thoughtful consideration of any new or upgraded amenity that serves the interests of our diverse community members within the bounds of prudent fiscal management. An example

of an amenity upgrade the MA Board has initiated that I admire is the refurbishing of playgrounds to make them more accessible and engaging to children.



#### Jon Davidson

Email: Candidate chose not to publish Phone: Candidate chose not to publish Community Area: Plains Resident Since: 1997

Occupation: Computer Support Specialist Community and/or Civic Organizations: I was a HOA Board of Director member for 21 years for my local Ken-Caryl community, 8 years of which I was the President of the Board of Directors. I am a former member of the Colorado Mountain Club and the Sierra Club.

**Hobbies:** Outdoors, hiking, climbing fourteeners, and I am an award-winning nature photographer.

## Why have you declared your candidacy for the Board of Directors?

After 21 years serving my local Ken-Caryl community as a HOA Board of Director member, I would like to use the experience



I gained for the benefit of the Ken-Carvl Ranch Master Association community. What skills or qualifications do you bring as assets to the KCRMA Board of **Directors?** 

I bring 21 years of HOA Board of Director experience and all that I learned during that time to the position. I have extensive experience in finances, community planning, legal issues, business issues, vendor relations, and community relations. My major strength is meeting with and listening to the members of our community and hearing what they have to

#### On which committee(s) do you wish to serve as a liaison? Why?

I would like to be a liaison for the Community Planning Committee, as my strength is having a visionary approach as to looking at where we are as a community today and where we want to be in the future.

#### What do you see as the major issues facing the KCR community over the next three years, and how would you deal with those issues as a Board member?

I see financial issues as being a main concern, and I bring over 30 years of business experience to the table. I also spent over 20 years handling the HOA finances for my local community and am well aware of the challenges and difficulties facing homeowners.

#### What is your vision for the future of Ken-**Caryl Ranch?**

My vision for Ken-Caryl Ranch is for it to be the best run and best maintained community that it can be, and as a Board of Director member I would do everything in my power to make this so.

#### What is your philosophy toward Ken-Carvl Ranch amenities and spending money on those amenities?

Amenities make Ken-Caryl an even better place to live, and I would look at what the community wants regarding their use and improvements.



#### Jim Fodor

Service Officer

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**Email: Candidate chose not to publish** Phone: Candidate chose not to publish **Community Area: Valley** Resident Since: 1983-1991 and 1995 to

present Occupation: Retired Dentist, U.S. Navy Supply Officer, Retired U.S. Public Health

#### **Community and/or Civic Organizations:**

- Honorary life member of the American Dental Association, the CDA and the **MDDS**
- Disabled American Veterans, Commanders Club, Silver Leader
- Clinical Assistant Professor, Colorado School of Dentistry, 3 Years, Volunteer
- Subdivision Neighborhood Board, **Architectural Chair**
- The KIND Program, (Kids in Need of Dentistry), Volunteer Provider
- AMSUS (Active Duty Member)
- **American Correctional Health Services** Association
- Military Officers Association of America (Life Member)

Hobbies: Presently: I am limited to hiking, biking, the stationary bike, weight training and snorkeling on vacation. This is due to a service-connected disability. (Chess, pretty decent years ago)

Sports were always important to me. In high school, my primary sports were varsity football and basketball. I was runner-up in both intramural tennis and golf. Out of curiosity, I took a boxing gym course in college. In the Uniformed Services, I pursued boxing as a hobby. Other activities were martial arts, short distance running (2-3 miles), hiking/biking, and downhill skiing in Vermont and Colorado.

#### Why have you declared your candidacy for the Board of Directors?

We moved to KCR in the 1980s and have seen many changes; a few are a concern. I began attending meetings of both Boards in 2014 and have continued to this day. My initial concern was the subtle changes in our parks, and I felt they looked cluttered with man-made structures. It appeared that the parks could use additional screening with shrubs and trees. This is a Metro District responsibility. It is still a concern to this day. As I attended Master Association meetings, it seemed that the open space was being over-developed for a community population so relatively small as KCR compared to our neighboring communities such as Lakewood or Highlands Ranch. The look and feel of the open space has changed considerably in the last 10 years. While regularly attending the MA Board meetings and listening to the residents speak, it became apparent that there are many more concerns of the community, which need to be addressed. Now that the trail plan is almost complete, I see little need for further trail development in the foothills open space or along the hogbacks. The open space has always been a major attraction of KCR

and needs our commitment to be the best stewards we can be. I would like to assume that commitment as a Board Member and use my life experiences as a Navy Supply Officer and a dentist to serve this community.

#### What skills or qualifications do you bring as assets to the KCRMA Board of

Initially I served as a U.S. Navy Supply Officer for seven years. I gained valuable experience at three duty stations managing money and services, accounting, inventory control and overseeing the budgets of the other departments. I began as a Supply Department Head on our ship and completed my tour of duty as Executive Officer at our Petroleum Inspection Command in the Caribbean, I was promoted to Lieutenant Commander 0-4 while attending Dental School. Dental leadership positions were:

- · Chief Dental Officer
- · Chief of Health Programs responsible for two MD's and a full medical staff
- · Dental Consultant for the Northeast Region of the United States

The Navy offered a two-year prosthodontic post-graduate school option, but I chose the U.S. Public Health Service. My undergraduate degree was in management and economics. I retired as an 0-6 Director Grade Officer in the USPHS. While on active duty I received the Hazardous Duty Ribbon, the Commendation Medal (twice), the PHS Citation, and the Outstanding Service Medal, among others. I retired after 10 years in a private practice, which was under contract with the U.S. Air Force. Our clinic was in competition with all USAF clinics, and my final year it was awarded best dental clinic by the USAF.

On which committee(s) do you wish to serve as a liaison? Why?

A committee or a task force is most valuable when it includes members who have diverging views. The committee should represent the community as a whole. The Boards should not rely on the committees exclusively. The silent majority occasionally speak in person or through letters to the editor. Surveys can be effective, but not always effective depending on how the questions are written or worded. Surveys can be improved if some questions were more direct or specific when addressing current issues. Another valuable tool would be an incident report form that is easy to use and accessible on the Ken-Caryl Ranch website home page. It could be printed on hard copy which could be made available at the Ranch House, Dakota Lodge, and the Community Center. Over the past three years, I have attended most Open Space Committee meetings, and I am concerned about preserving the natural look and feel of all open space. The Community Planning Committee meetings are very interesting and especially important when survey questions are being developed. I would like to serve on either of these two committees. What do you see as the major issues

facing the KCR community over the next three years, and how would you deal with those issues as a Board member? New issues continually arise, and I would deal with them by using the experience and leadership skills I learned in the Navy and as a health care provider to make good, fair and honest decisions. Here are

· Balancing revenue with operations and running an efficient organization is not an issue, but it is important to make sure it doesn't become an issue. This community has had an excellent employee staff and that has been a real strength over the years. We need to maintain that level of excellence.

some major issues I can identify:

- Always keep dues and taxes under control.
- The open space of KCR is unique and needs to be kept as natural as possible.
- · We are one community and the two Boards should work as one.
- Kids programs are very important to me because of my experiences as a child. The MD informs us that these programs are generating a profit/positive revenue.
- Everyone's views should be respected. Some residents have exhibited passion for their particular priorities, which is understandable. The Board or Committee leadership has the responsibility to maintain civility in a polite manner and show impartiality.
- Hikers and equestrians deserve a peaceful place where there is no mountain bike traffic.
- · Communication can be improved.
- Our business community is an important asset and the prosperity and success of these enterprises bring value to KCR as a whole. We should maintain positive dialogue with the businesses/ corporations and act responsively to any recommendations or concerns.

#### What is your vision for the future of Ken-Caryl Ranch?

My vision encompasses the overall appearance of KCR as I drive or ride my bike through all of the subdivisions, and a separate vision is the financial future. First, there is the financial status of the MA and MD Boards and this is good news. I have attended budget meetings on a regular basis since 2014 and the financial situation is more stable than in the past. This was due to the efforts of all Board Members and both MA and MD employee staff for making this happen.

Our open space is a very important asset. My vision is that we are at a crossroads with two different paths: Path #1 (Not Good): At first there are

no organized competitive events, but

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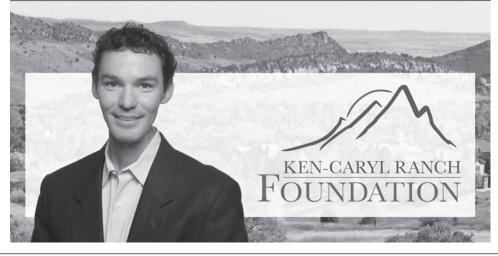
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mountain bikers practice racing. Eventually someone organizes the first competitive mountain bike race in KCR and then what? Path #2: Set up a Safe Zone in the foothills open space where people can have their own separate place to enjoy peace and quiet. (No traffic, no mountain bikes, just you and nature. Take this path, the one less traveled) That is my vision.

#### What is your philosophy toward Ken-**Caryl Ranch amenities and spending** money on those amenities?

Amenities: I am all for them; that is if we can reasonably keep them within the parameters of responsible budgeting without punitive dues and tax increases. I feel this is what makes a community great and supports property values. Educational and exercise programs for children of all ages are very important to me as well as popular social activities, although my wife and I do not participate. Any time people can get together provides an opportunity to communicate while having some fun too. The swimming pools and parks provide a nice gathering place. These areas are focal points and should have an attractive appearance as well as provide utility. Facility maintenance is very important; so is a strong Metropolitan District capital reserve fund to avoid another bond issue or mill levy increase. Obviously, a very important asset is the open space. There is an ongoing controversy over how much trail development is enough or too much. I have proposals, which may relieve much of the tension, and I will always be open to the ideas of everyone. There needs to be some ideas to help relieve the traffic and parking problems, especially on weekends. I have a couple of ideas, and as a Board Member, may be able to get something



#### **Missy Lecciso**

Email: mlecciso@icloud.com Phone: 720-364-3798 **Community Area: Plains Resident Since: 2005 Occupation: Student** 

**Community and/or Civic Organizations:** 

Although I have never held a formal office, I have spent my 15 years living here interacting with the community and taking advantage of the many amenities. This has included, playing soccer at the Ranch House for nine years, attending Chatfield Senior High School, and everything from swimming lessons to playing on the playgrounds after school. I would love the opportunity to work to better the experiences of other community members. **Hobbies:** I enjoy walking, riding horses, drawing, and spending time with my family and friends.

#### Why have you declared your candidacy for the Board of Directors?

I have lived in Ken-Caryl my entire life. I have had the opportunity and privilege to grow up in such a beautiful and welcoming community, and to take advantage of the various public services this area has to offer. I love this community and wish only to better it in whatever way possible. I would also strive to maintain and grow its reputation as one of the most preeminent places to live in the Denver area for future generations. I am a young person, but I feel my youth brings a perspective and voice that could be of use to the KCRMA. People of my generation are a primary user of the parks and amenities, yet representation of this age group is lacking.

#### What skills or qualifications do you bring as assets to the KCRMA Board of **Directors?**

I have the qualification of living in and observing Ken-Caryl for my entire life, and I can reflect on what a role it played in my upbringing. I believe a younger perspective on issues affecting young people could be beneficial to the KCRMA, and I would be honored to represent people of all ages if elected. I will bring hard work and energy along with my perspective to this position.

#### On which committee(s) do you wish to serve as a liaison? Why?

I would be happy and honored to utilize my capabilities in any occupation the Board feels I could best serve Ken-Caryl.

#### What do you see as the major issues facing the KCR community over the next three years, and how would you deal with those issues as a Board member?

I feel that there are several global and national issues that impact communities such as Ken-Caryl Ranch. I would strive to ensure there is balance kept between recreation, environment, and cost to the citizens while protecting the gorgeous Colorado ecosystems. It is also necessary to ensure our communities stay safe and welcoming, which can be achieved through investment in the community as a whole and a community effort to ensure that investment stays pure. Such a large percentage of Ken-Caryl Ranch is made up of young people, and it must be ensured that people of my generation grow up in a community in which they feel welcomed and listened to.

#### What is your vision for the future of Ken-**Caryl Ranch?**

Upon reading the 2020 budget for Ken-Caryl Ranch, I am pleased to see the emphasis on comprehensive, responsible spending on programs and amenities aimed to benefit the community. However, I would love to increase community involvement in decisions whether they be of the microeconomic nature or of the overall health of our community and its projects. I, being a member of the community, and understanding the way decisions impact our daily lives, would love to see more community involvement and more effort to engage the community in

this conversation.

#### What is your philosophy toward Ken-**Caryl Ranch amenities and spending** money on those amenities?

It is my opinion that community-oriented spending on amenities has the power to improve the quality of life in Ken-Caryl Ranch. However, it is the duty of everyone living in such a community to hold those in charge of financial decisions to a high standard on such expenses. Investment in amenities must be thought through, and money must be spent responsibly and with scrutiny with the purpose of benefiting as many people as possible.



#### Rilla Reinsma

**Email: Candidate chose not to publish** Phone: Candidate chose not to publish **Community Area: Valley** 

**Resident Since: 1992 Occupation: Retired** 

#### **Community and/or Civic Organizations:**

I grew up in south Denver, graduating from Denver Christian, as well as graduating from Arapahoe Community College. My family has resided in Ken-Caryl Valley since the fall of 1992. I was involved with our sons in their school (also Denver Christian). I served on a committee for annual school auctions and signed up to be statistician for the soccer teams. Our sons were also on youth competitive soccer teams where I volunteered as team treasurer. I willingly chauffeured them to in and out of state soccer tournaments and later I traveled to our son's college soccer games to continue cheering them on. Currently, I am in my third year of tutoring one afternoon per week with WhizKids. In addition, I have been volunteering one evening a week for almost two years with Love, Inc., a Christian organization that serves parents who are participating in educational classes, with childcare. I am involved in my church by volunteering in the nursery and coordinating the collecting of donations and the packing of boxes for Operation Christmas Child. I also have helped with Vacation Bible School.



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Hobbies: Currently, I enjoy reading, traveling, walking, watching soccer, and tracing my genealogy (I have spent nine months researching my side and my husband's side). Prior activities/sports were volleyball, basketball, and running track, lettering in all three sports. I also worked on the high school yearbook for two years. For a number of years, I also enjoyed aerobics classes at our Community Center.

# Why have you declared your candidacy for the Board of Directors?

I feel honored to be in this vibrant community for 28 years with all its wildlife, natural beauty, and civic-minded residents. I enjoy observing all the diverse nature we have here as well as learning more about the history of our area. Having attended MA meetings for the last three years, I feel that I am knowledgeable regarding the major issues in our community. I feel that can bring a different perspective from past Board members. I do not have an agenda, other than my own desire to conserve and preserve what KCR offers. The MA seems to have put resident priorities, for example aesthetics, on the "back burner" for way too long. Listening to the concerns of the majority of residents, the topic at the forefront of their minds, and mine, is being fiscally conservative with our revenue.

# What skills or qualifications do you bring as assets to the KCRMA Board of Directors?

As a homemaker/family CEO/ chauffeur/"Jack-of-all-Trades," and a former secretary, I am an organized person. I volunteered with an NPO for 13 years managing concession stands at seven different venues in the Denver metro area. These responsibilities included inventory counts, having 3-8 people to supervise, food safety logs, and accurate receipt accounting. I do my homework by investigating/researching subjects whether for home or use in our community. (I have accumulated a library of KCR documents to refer to which prove very useful in meeting discussions.) Being informed is the best way toward good decision making. I also try to learn from those who may have a different opinion than myself, to see both sides of a given subject.

## On which committee(s) do you wish to serve as a liaison? Why?

I am currently on the Community Planning Committee. I would like to continue with this committee as a liaison. I also am interested in the Open Space Committee. I have attended these meetings since 2017. In addition, the Historical Society would be of interest as I have always been curious about what is chronicled from the past. All KCR committees are an important part of our community. However, the lines of communication can always be enhanced. Committee voices, resident voices and those of the Board should act in collaboration in making decisions that are vital for the KC community to be the best it can be. It is called teamwork.

# What do you see as the major issues facing the KCR community over the next three years, and how would you deal with those issues as a Board member?

The major issue is that KCR seems to be split; you live on the Ranch or in the Valley. We don't always feel or act like one community. The MA and MD Boards working together would set a good example. They could start by listening and addressing the concerns of all residents. This would show that even though we have different needs, we are in fact, one large community. Another issue of concern has been the completion of the Ranch House Pool project. We hope that the decision makers currently involved will be available to give advice to those finishing the project. There must be accountability for the monies spent to ensure that we are getting the best dollar value for our dues. KCR needs to be money-wise by setting aside funds for the future. We don't need

another Community Center bond scenario. Past Board members have not been transparent and fiscally responsible at all times. (It has been easier to just raise our dues.) Finally, our Open Space is unique and needs to remain as such. With all the demands on our shared land, some of our valuable backcountry Open Space needs to be preserved in as natural a state as possible for both human enjoyment and wildlife prosperity.

#### What is your vision for the future of Ken-Caryl Ranch?

My vision for the future is to "move the needle" back to a conservative outlook for our property. We live in a wonderful area with many recreation opportunities, but we need to consider preservation for all of our wildlife, so they too can flourish. Any type of construction in sensitive open space does, in fact, threaten wildlife. Protection of our rare fauna and flora for future generations with fencing and signage is needed. The aesthetics of KCR is very important not just for property values, but also, for art and the enjoyment of beautiful surroundings. While we do need to be water-wise, this does not mean the elimination of plants and trees, which offer so many benefits to the environment. The whole community should look healthy and well cared for. Another vision is for KCR to be responsible in allotting the dues and taxes that are collected. We cannot compare KCR to other communities such as Highlands Ranch, which has a much larger population and different issues. What is your philosophy toward Ken-

#### What is your philosophy toward Ken-Caryl Ranch amenities and spending money on those amenities?

Fiscal responsibility should be the foundation for a successful community. Needs and desires change over time. Conferring with various group leaders (tennis, aquatics, equestrian, biking, etc.) will give insight into what is needed versus what is desired. KCR will not be able to meet all the wishes of all its residents, but KCR should try to provide top amenities within the realm of responsible budgeting. KCR should not be continually looking at a dues increase or a mill levy increase. Instead, let's set aside monies yearly to fund future capital improvements and facility maintenance, thus "living within our means."



#### **Chris Schroeder**

Email: cschroeder@bcer.com Phone: 303-718-2772 Community Area: Plains Resident Since: 1998 Occupation: Engineer

**Community and/or Civic Organizations:** 1992 – Regimental Honor Board Vice

1992 – Regimental Honor Board Vice Chairman at the United States Merchant Marine Academy

1996 - 1997 – Volunteer Coach for Arvada Eagles Soccer Association

2004 – Served as the Secretary/Treasurer for a successful State Senate campaign 2005 – While serving as the Secretary/ Treasurer, took on the additional role of Campaign Manager 2006 – Served as the Vice Chair for State Senate District 22 Vacancy Board 2008 – Served 3 years on the Advisory Board for ARC (Salvation Army's Adult Rehabilitation Center)

2010 – Volunteer Coach for Foothills Bible Church Soccer program

2016 – Served on Board of Advisors for a 100-person Engineering firm

2017 – Served on the Downtown Chapter Advisory Board for the Colorado Thought Leaders Forum

2019 - 2020 – Volunteer Coach for Chatfield Wrestling Team

Volunteer Organizations:

- Habitat for Humanity
- Food Bank of the Rockies
- Denver Rescue Mission
   Hobbies: Woodworking, Skiing, Hiking,

# Cycling, Wrestling, and Golf Why have you declared your candidacy

for the Board of Directors? There are three main reasons I have decided to run for the MA Board: continued fiscal stewardship, give back to the community, and representation for the Ranch/Plains. In my experience, governance of any organization requires rational balanced judgement. I would like to ensure the attention remains steadfast on our most desirable assets such as the community centers, the pools, parks, greenbelts, existing trails, equestrian center, and the activities and programs. It is these assets that continue to make Ken-Caryl one of the most desired communities in the Front Range.

Secondly, I'm a Colorado native and moved from Arvada to Ken-Caryl in 1998 because I believed (and still do) that Ken-Caryl was one of the best communities around. Since moving here, I have made use of nearly every facility, greenbelt, trail, and some programs (mostly for my son as he has grown up in this community). I strongly believe in community involvement and giving back to those things that enhance our lives and our environment. Serving on the MA Board offers an opportunity to apply skills I've developed over the years while serving on multiple boards. Finally, I've been a resident of the Ranch for over 20 years and believe when issues arise, I will provide a reasonable and representative voice for the Board. I love both the Valley and the Ranch and don't distinguish between one or the other in daily conversation. However, each subdivision in the Ranch and the Valley require unique and special attention. Having a Board member that lives in the Ranch will help bring a balanced judgement. I will represent Ken-Caryl on the whole fairly and to the best of my ability.

# What skills or qualifications do you bring as assets to the KCRMA Board of

**Directors?** In short, as an owner and executive of a 100-person engineering firm and having served on multiple boards, I will ensure continuance of fiscal accountability and responsible stewardship of our community resources. The skills and qualifications I bring to the table include: Rational, Balanced Judgement, Critical Thinking, Project and Resource Management, Contract Negotiations, Strategic Shortand Long-Term Planning, Leadership/ Mentoring, Business Development/Sales, Marketing Strategy, Relationship Building, Holistic and Conceptual Thinking. Each of these skills are critical in representing the interests of the residents of Ken-Caryl.

# On which committee(s) do you wish to serve as a liaison? Why?

This is easy, the Architectural Committee. I love architecture. I work with architects every day, and I love how their creativity and expertise shape everything we do in life. I believe it is the heart of our community and I know that without a focused Architectural Committee, our community's character that drew each of us here will erode. Successful examples

of invigorating our community touched by the Architectural Committee include, the new signs, the refresh of the Ranch House, even the beautiful landscape and architecture of the Bell Apartments. Architecture brings the soul of our community to life and bares it for all of us to see and experience every day. With my background, I can continue and build on past successes of this committee's initiatives.

# What do you see as the major issues facing the KCR community over the next three years, and how would you deal with those issues as a Board member?

Aging infrastructure. The Board will be faced with some financial decisions that will not be easy. My critical thinking, rational, balanced judgement and engineering and design experience will be an asset to the Board. The Board cannot be swayed by the arguments-of-the-day when making decisions that influence our future. A wholistic perspective must drive every decision made by the Board. It's easy to allocate funds to pay for the things that are tangible and provide immediate gratification like our signs or fencing. But funding infrastructure where the benefits are not readily apparent like drainageway, forestry/fire mitigation, and irrigation replacement require informed and persuasive leadership. My professional and community service will help inform me and thus the entire Board of the prudent use of our budget to sustain all necessary aspects of our infrastructure.

#### What is your vision for the future of Ken-Caryl Ranch?

I really would love to see future generations say, "Ken-Caryl is where I want to live and raise my family." Just as I did. I believe to achieve this we must follow two tenets: continuation and conservation. Continuation of our values and the conservation of our resources. We must continue to value our assets and invest in them. This also means to continue to create new assets that meet the changing needs of the community. We can look to things like the community garden or new pickleball courts as examples of how we have continued to serve our changing community. The second tenet is conservation. Conservation is the planned management of our community overall. This refers to our infrastructure, open space, water, developed and undeveloped land, structures, staff. We must work into our plan awareness of renewable resources and apply them when financially viable. What is your philosophy toward Ken-

#### what is your philosophy toward Ken-Caryl Ranch amenities and spending money on those amenities?

I value our amenities. I believe our amenities are amazing assets, and we must spend our money frugally on those assets. You can quickly identify one's values by looking at where they spend their money. As a steward of finances, I'd say we must prioritize and spend our money prudently on our values. Secondly, the Board has a fiduciary responsibility to the community. Board members must act in good faith and candor in their duty to represent the Ken-Caryl community in all transactions. By this I mean we must not exceed our resources. Having a reserve is crucial to the efficacy of any organization. This is true if it's a single household or a thriving community of 5,200 households. I want to ensure we maintain a healthy reserve, but still fund the amenities and our infrastructure.

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Open Space with fabulous views! 3 bedrooms, 4 Baths, formal living and dining rooms, eat-in kitchen just off the spacious family room, study with an oversized laundry/mud room. Fully finished walkout basement. Wrap Around Deck.



**NORTH RANCH** 8 Red Fox Lane • \$1,179,000

**NORTH RANCH** 

2 Wren • \$1,179,000

The main level of this home boasts formal living and dining

rooms, a study/optional bedroom and an updated kitchen

with a center island, gas stovetop, double oven, breakfast bar

and spacious pantry. Open floor plan. Mountain Views.

Cul-de-sac, Tile Roof, Central Air, Laundry Chute, Wrought

Iron Railings. New Carpet. New Paint. Custom Window

Coverings. Two A/C units. His and Hers Closets.

Professionally Finished Basement.

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in 1 Day!

The main level of this home boasts formal living and dining rooms, a study/optional bedroom and an updated kitchen with a center island, gas stovetop, double oven, breakfast bar and spacious pantry. Open floor plan. Mountain Views.



**ENCLAVE** 

13 Pinyon Pine • \$500,000

Ranch style home in the Enclave. 2 Bedrooms, 2 Baths,

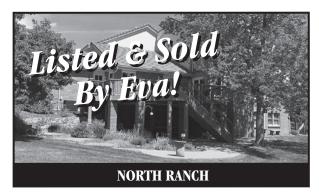
formal living and dining rooms with an unfinished

basement.

3 Mountain Cedar Lane • \$1,400,000



46 Pin Oak Drive • \$769,000



65 Golden Eagle Lane • \$1,200,000

## BRADFORD'S SAFETY MATTERS!

For each home I sell to a Bradford family, I donate \$500 to Bradford. I recently purchased the Raptor Visitor Management System with these funds to strengthen school security. Special thanks to my clients for helping make it happen!

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#### Submit Your Proxy for a Chance to Win a Free Month of Dues!

Want a chance to win a free month of dues? Simply fill out and return your Master Association proxy! Proxies serve to establish quorum (simple majority) at the Ken-Caryl Ranch Master Association Annual Meeting on March 3 at 7 p.m. at the Ranch House. The proxy does not grant your voting privileges to anyone. You can fill out and return the proxy form on this page, or submit an online proxy form at https://ken-carylranch.org/kcrma-annual-proxy/.

#### KEN-CARYL RANCH MASTER ASSOCIATION ANNUAL PROXY

#### **PLEASE SIGN & RETURN IMMEDIATELY**

2,462 Signed Proxy Cards are needed to hold the March 3, 2020 Annual Meeting

I, as a member of the Ken-Caryl Ranch Master Association (KCRMA), and acting under the provisions of the legal instruments governing said Association, grant my proxy to the President of the KCRMA to register me as PRESENT BY PROXY for the single purpose of establishing QUORUM (Simple Majority) TO HOLD THE ANNUAL MEETING OF MEMBERS ON MARCH 3, 2020 & ALL ADJOURNMENTS THEREOF. This proxy rescinds all prior proxies and shall remain in effect until revoked by me, except that in any event, it shall expire no later than 11 months after signed by me. (Your proxy CANNOT be used to cast a vote on your behalf.)

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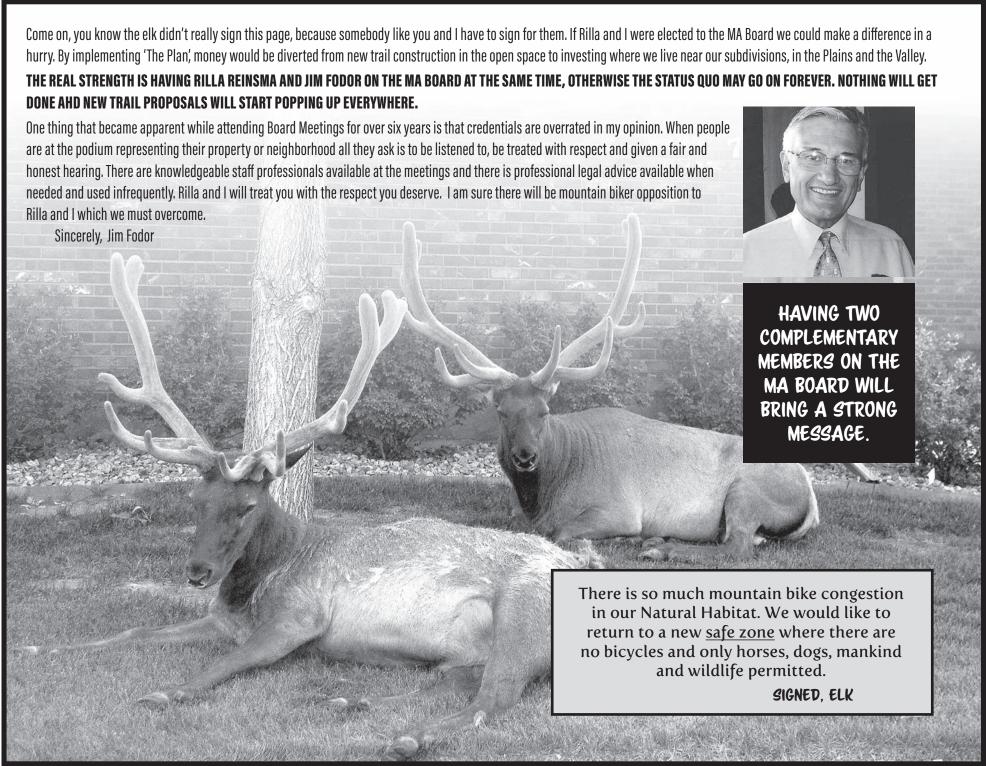
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Ken-Caryl Ranch Master Association 7676 S. Continental Divide Road Littleton, CO 80127

Email anneh@kcranch.org or Fax 303-972-1272

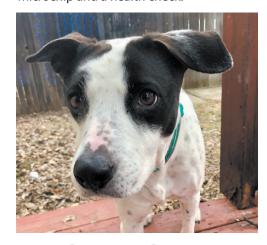




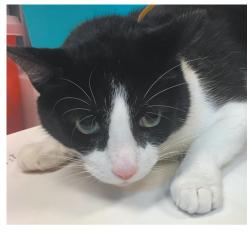


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Ken-Caryl is the purrfect place to provide a furrever home for a friendly feline or deserving dog! Check out this week's Featured Creatures available for immediate adoption through Foothills Animal Shelter. For more information on these featured pets, visit www.FoothillsAnimalShelter.org. Adoption fees includes spay/neuter, vaccinations, microchip and a health check.



Katie (#218610): Katie is a 5-year-old, female Spaniel mix. This sweet, affectionate and sensitive girl is looking for an adult-only home where she can learn that the world isn't as scary as it might seem, and one where she can showcase all her amazing canine traits – loves going for walks; enjoys long naps and comfy blankets or dog beds; and is very treat-motivated. Due to her shy nature in the presence of new people and surroundings, Katie needs a confident, outgoing, pre-established canine partner to help ease her transition. She is currently staying with one of our fabulous foster families, and a meet-andgreet with the full family can be arranged by contacting the Shelter.



Lil Man (#219038): Lil Man is a 4-year-old, male cat. This handsome tabby, boasting a cottony soft, ebony'n'-ivory coat, has been dubbed a "secret admirer" by shelter staff because he's usually off hiding and watching you from afar, becoming an instant and loyal friend once he gets to know you. In spite of his shyness, Lil Man warms up quickly allowing all handling and restraint; and would make a wonderful addition to any family willing to give him the love, security and permanence that he so richly deserves.

#### • Community News

#### How Community Participation in the Census Benefits Ken-Caryl

Community revitalization. Schools. Fire Departments. Healthcare clinics. Roads and highways. Participation in the 2020 census is essential in helping to shape many different aspects of our community. In fact, it's estimated that for each person who isn't counted, it could result in up to \$2,300 per person, annually, in federal funding the state doesn't receive.

Federal funds, grants and support to states, counties and communities are all based on population totals and breakdowns by sex, age, race and other factors. Communities, like Ken-Caryl, benefit the most when the census counts everyone. When respondents participate in the census, communities are better able to receive their fair share of the more than \$675 billion per year in federal funds spent on schools, hospitals, roads, public works and other essential community programs and services.

Businesses also use census data to decide where to construct factories, offices and stores, which is an



essential economy boost that creates jobs. Additionally, local governments use census data for public safety and emergency preparedness, and residents use the census to support community initiatives involving legislation, quality-of-life and consumer advocacy.

Getting an accurate count in Jefferson County is very important for our community's vitality, so mark your calendars for Census Day on April 1. This year, participation will be even easier. The United States Census Bureau is implementing new technology to make it easier than ever to respond to the census. For the first time, participants will be able to respond online, by phone, as well as by mail. Data previously gathered will help to reduce follow-up visits and the Bureau is currently building an accurate address list and automating field operations, while keeping information confidential and safe.

For more information, please visit https://2020census.gov/en.html.

#### • Our Community

#### Going "Gaga" Over Local High School Senior's Eagle Scout Project Promoting Fun and Fitness

By Julie Berland, Resident

Alex Berland, a senior at Chatfield Senior High, and member of Troop 640, recently completed his Eagle Scout project at Montessori Peaks Academy (MPA). Alex gathered assistance from members of Cub Scouts Pack 608 and Troop 640 to paint and assemble a gaga ball pit. Gaga ball is a described as a fast paced, high energy sport played in an octagonal pit. The more players the better! Dubbed a kinder, gentler version of dodge ball, the game is played with a soft foam ball, and combines the skills of dodging, striking, running and jumping, while trying to hit opponents with a ball below the knees. Players need to keep moving to avoid getting hit by the ball. Fun and easy, everyone gets a serious workout.

Alex attended MPA from preschool through 6th grade. He has been a resident of Ken-Caryl Valley since 2015.



Alex Berland and brother Ben, age 7, in the recently completed gaga ball pit.

#### Our Community

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#### Serves Up! Tennis Lottery Begins This Month

Learn from the best! Our talented pros teach skills in a fun, engaging atmosphere with small class sizes. Classes typically run in 8-week sessions and range from beginner to advanced lessons.

Registration is through a lottery system. Prior to each new session, the schedule will available on our website. To register for a class, download the registration form and turn it in prior to the lottery date. For more information and to download your form, visit our website at www.ken-carylranch.org, Programs & Activities/Tennis & Pickleball tabs.

Next Session: Feb. 24 – May 8 (No class March 23-27) Adult Tennis Lottery Deadline: Feb. 12 at 10 p.m. Junior Tennis Lottery Deadline: Feb. 15 at 2 p.m.

#### • Community News

#### Colorado Caucuses Convene in March

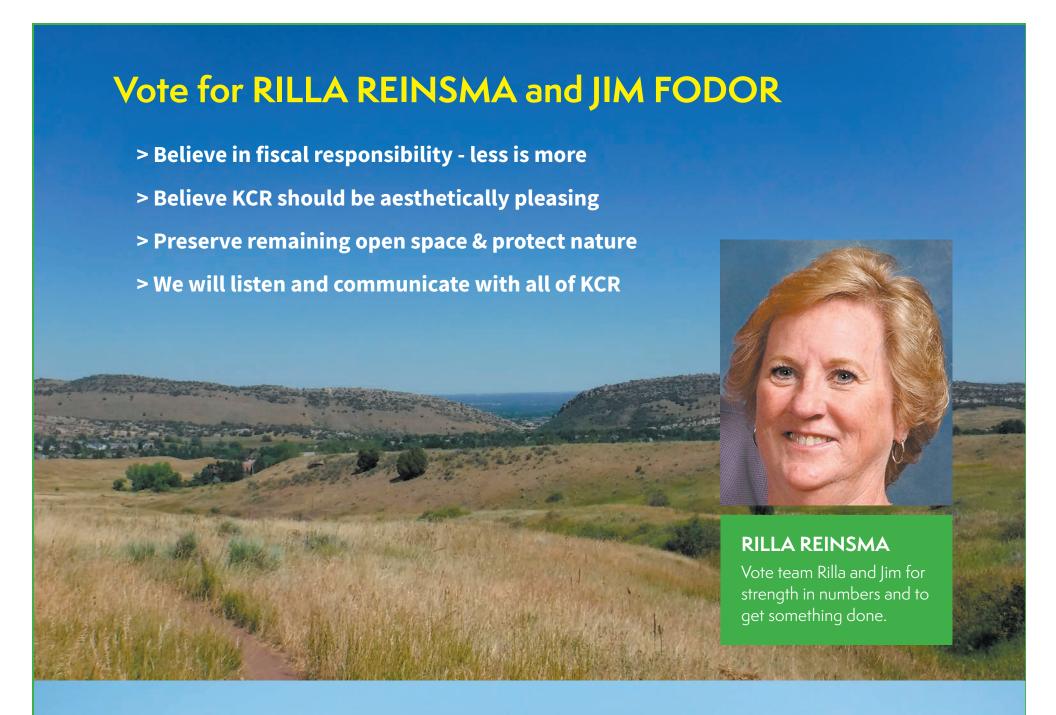
The upcoming Master Association Board election isn't the only election that residents my be gearing up for. While the presidential primary will happen through mail-in ballot on Tuesday, March 3, the party caucuses will meet March 7.

Here's what you need to know to help elect delegates to represent you at your county, state and congressional assemblies.

Democratic Caucus: Summit Ridge Middle School 11809 W Coal Mine Ave. Littleton, CO 80127 Caucus begins at 2 p.m. Republican Caucus: Conifer High School 10441 County Hwy 73 Conifer, CO 80433

Even though Colorado got rid of presidential caucuses, these gatherings are where some of the most important decisions are made about who represents you. If you want to help choose your elector to make sure they vote for who you expect them to vote for, you should consider attending a caucus. Please note, if you want to caucus, you must be affiliated with a party.

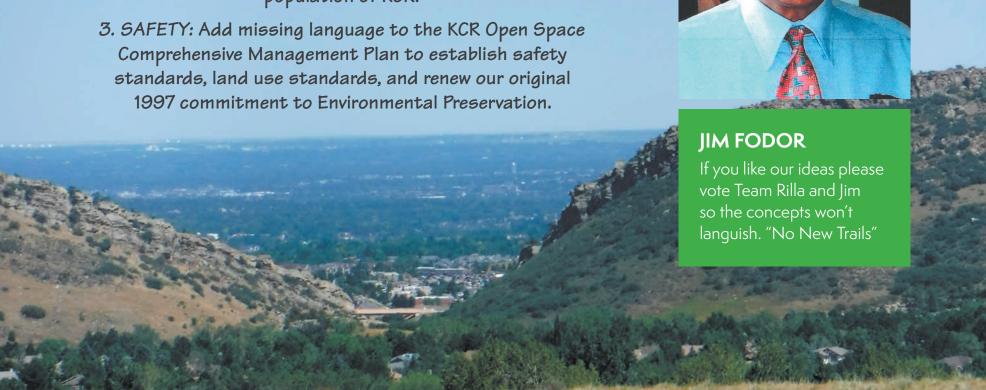




# IMMEDIATE AGENDA ITEMS TO BE PRESENTED TO THE MA BOARD

1. THE PLAN: To establish a safe zone in the Master Association Foothills Open Space for pedestrians and equestrians free from all mechanical means of transportation.

2. NO NEW TRAILS. We have enough trails for the resident population of KCR.



Rilla Reinsma and Jim Fodor,

have discovered this <u>Safe Zone/or buffer zone concept</u> which is being used in other area communities. Some people are enjoying nature the right way, why not us? The KCRMA Foothills Open Space is vast, so why not separate out <u>one special area</u> by keeping all of our trails but eliminating the bicycle traffic here? Beginning the Safe Zone from the <u>Lost Canyon Trail</u> would be a good choice for the MA Board. To the north it would remain open to bicyclists, hikers, and equestrians and to the south extending to our southern most boundary would be the <u>Safe Zone</u>. (Mechanized means of transportation would be prohibited in the Safe Zone; hikers and equestrians could still go everywhere but not bicycles.) Trail use by non-resident bikers would decrease because mountain bike activity and speed would be more closely monitored in the area north of the Lost Canyon Trail. There will be no racing practice, no speeding, no future competitive events and no need for new trail construction. There is still so much open space available for bicycling in the immediate vicinity that KCR can spare one Safe Zone. We predict this will become a very popular new amenity for KCR. For once, we could have the ability to walk in this designated pristine open space setting and would have the mindful experience of being totally immersed with nature and free of any interference from bicycle traffic.

Let's Conserve what is left of our Open Space.

# RECREATION PROGRAMS & ACTIVITIES

#### • For Your Information

#### **Facility Hours**

**Ranch House** 303-979-1876 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Monday - Friday Closed Saturday Sunday Closed 303-979-2233 **Community Center** 

5 a.m. - 10 p.m. Monday - Thursday 5 a.m. - 6 p.m. Friday Saturday 8 a.m. - 6 p.m. Sunday 8 a.m. - 8 p.m.

#### **How to Register for Classes & Events**

Online: Go to www.ken-carylranch.org and click on Register for Classes at the top to get started.

**Phone:** 303-979-1876 or 303-979-2233. In-Person: Walk in to the Ranch House or Community Center.

Pricing is the same for all cash, check, and credit card payments.

#### Tennis & Pickleball

#### **Summer Team Tennis for Youth**

In Junior Team Tennis, the team concept emphasizes fun, fitness and friends. The focus in this kind of play is enjoying the exhilaration of exercise and refining the skills that make tennis fun for players at all ages and levels of competition. JTT is a 9-week summer program for boys and girls ages 8 to 18 who have passed into the Comp 1 level of lessons. More information is available at www.ken-carylranch.org. Registration: Begins March 1 Fees: Register March 1 – 15: Resident:

\$220, Non-Resident: \$250 Register March 16 - 22: Resident: \$240,

Non-Resident: \$270 If space is available after March 23: Resident: \$260 Non-Resident: \$290

Girls: Course #48054 Boys: Course #48053

#### **Tennis Lessons**

Learn from the best! Our talented pros teach skills in a fun, engaging atmosphere. Classes range from beginner to advanced lessons for children and adults.

The next session is Feb. 24 to May 8. Schedules and registration information available at www.ken-carylranch.org.

#### **Pickleball Mixers**

Time:

Saturdays, March 7, April 4, Dates:

and May 9 4-6 p.m.

Location: Community Center Resident: \$10/mixer

Non-Resident: \$12/mixer

March 7: Course #48049 April 4: Course #48050 May 9: Course #48051

#### **Cardio Tennis**

Cardio Tennis is a fast, fun, fitness workout that includes quick tennis rotations and running. Pre-registration required. Call 303-979-2233 after 5 p.m. the night prior unless specified below. Cancellations less than two hours in advance will be charged.

Dates: Mondays and Fridays through

Times: Mondays 11 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Level 2.5-3.0

Fridays 8-9 a.m. Level 3.5 - 4.5 Fridays 9-10 a.m. Level 2.5 - 3.0\*

\*call after 6 p.m. Thursday Location: Community Center

Resident: \$13 Fee: Non-Resident: \$16

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#### • Tennis & Pickleball

#### **Tennis & Pickleball Court** Reservations

All outdoor courts are available on a first come, first served basis until Feb. 29. Beginning March 1, outdoor courts may be reserved up to three days in advance. Bradford reservations are taken through the Community Center. Pickleball may be played at the Bradford courts utilizing the blended junior tennis lines. The kitchen line has been permanently installed for vour convenience.

#### KC Fitness

See the website for the monthly class schedule.

#### **Barre Classes**

Each class will use a combination of ballet, yoga, and Pilates moves. Workouts will incorporate resistance work using weights and controlled movements followed by stretching.

Dates: Sundays, Feb. 23 – April 5 (No class March 15)

8:45-9:45 a.m. Location: Community Center Resident: \$72 Non-Resident: \$90

#### Course #48006

Time:

Dates: Mondays, Feb. 24 - April 6

(No class March 16) 7:45-8:45 a.m. Location: Community Center Resident: \$72

Non-Resident: \$90 Course #48044

Dates: Wednesdays, Feb. 26 - April 8

(No class March 18) Time: 10:15-11:15 a.m. Location: Community Center Resident: \$72 Fee: Non-Resident: \$90

#### Course #48045

#### SilverSneakers®, Renew Active™, and Silver&Fit™

Exercise at the Fitness Center for FREE with your insurance! Stay healthy with classes, cardio equipment, and free weights. We accept:

- SilverSneakers® by Tivity Health (includes
- Silver&Fit™ (includes Active&Fit)
- Renew Active<sup>™</sup> by United Healthcare Visit the Community Center front desk to check eligibility and enroll or call 303-979-2233 for more information.

#### **Junior Fitness Facilities Certification**

Youth 12-18 years of age must be certified by our personal trainers to use the exercise/weight equipment at the Community Center. Participants must preregister by Friday before the scheduled class. No walk-ins can be accepted.

Dates: Mondays, Feb. 24 & March 2 Times: 4-5 p.m.

Location: Community Center Resident: \$20 Non-Resident: \$23

Feb. 24: Course #47882 March 2: Course #47883

#### Adult Programs

#### **Watercolor Painting Class**

This class is for intermediate and advanced painters. We explore the possibilities of painting with watercolor and other water media. Artists can paint from a provided drawing or their own reference material.

#### Adult Programs

Instructor uses video & HDTV for better viewing of demos followed by individual help. This informal, fun, and educational class is for serious painters as well those who simply enjoy painting.

Dates: Mondays, March 2 – April 6 Time: 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Location: Ranch House Resident: \$115 Non-Resident: \$138

#### Course #47999

Dates: Wednesdays, March 4 - April 8

Time: 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. Location: Ranch House Resident: \$115 Non-Resident: \$138

#### Course #48000

#### Paint the Landscape in Acrylics

This beginner/intermediate class is perfect for anyone who enjoys painting in a lively and welcoming class environment. Learn to paint landscapes the easy way...no sketching required! Each class includes step-by-step demonstrations that allow students to easily follow along, build their skills, and create finished paintings they'll be proud of.

Fridays, Feb. 21 - March 27 Dates: 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Times: Location: Ranch House Resident: \$115 Non-Resident: \$138

Course #47998

#### • Adult Programs

#### Introduction to Knitting

Knitting is for everyone! No previous experience is required. Learn the basics of knitting and take advantage of its stressrelieving properties. Keep or gift the fun projects that you create! A starter kit and varn can be purchased from the instructor. You will learn things like how to cast on, knit and purl stitches, knit 2-4 different styles, cast off, and understand basic construction of knit items. This class is laid back, stress-free, fun, and full of motivating discussions. Just come ready to learn and laugh during this fun and interactive class! Dates: Tuesdays, Feb. 18 - March 31

(No class March 24) Time: 9:15 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. Location: Ranch House Resident: \$115 Non-Resident: \$138

#### Course #47997

#### **Travel Hacking 101**

Anyone can travel for free! Zac Hood is a seasoned "travel hacker". His class will help you maximize your credit card travel rewards earnings. He focuses on what earns the most rewards with the least amount of time. Zac will show you his system for earning \$1,500 or more in free travel EVERY year that helped over 1,000 people last year. He hasn't paid for a flight in the last 8 years and has earned more than \$40,000 in free travel. In this hour and half class, you will learn:

· How to earn the most rewards in the least amount of time.

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# RECREATION PROGRAMS & ACTIVITIES

#### • Adult Programs

- Easiest and best ways to redeem rewards.
- Top strategies for individuals, couples, and business owners.
- How to find the best overall rewards cards and sign-up bonuses.

Dates: Thursday, Feb. 27
Time: 6:30-8 p.m.
Location: Ranch House
Fee: Resident: \$10
Non-Resident: \$12

Course #47854

#### Youth Programs

#### **Spring Break Camp**

Come check out what Ken-Caryl has to offer this spring break for your schoolage or preschool kiddo! For schoolage kids the Ranch House offers a different excursion each day while the Dakota Lodge offers a 'Rockin Spring Break' geology-themed week. Preschoolers enjoy days filled with creativity and play at the Community Center. Registration begins Monday, Feb. 24. More information is available at www.ken-carylranch.org. Dates: Monday, March 23 – Friday,

March 27
Fee: Resident: \$42/day
Non-Resident: \$51/day

#### **School Age Spring Break Camp**

Ages: Grades K-6
Time: 6:45 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Location: Ranch House or Dakota Lodge Course: Ranch House #48085,

Dakota Lodge #48084

#### **Preschool Spring Break Camp**

Ages: 3-6 years
Time: 7 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Location: Community Center

Course #48087

#### **Babysitting Clinic**

This course gives the knowledge necessary for babysitting. Skills covered include pediatric CPR/First Aid 2-year certification, personal safety, growth and development, discipline, injury and illness prevention, and basic childcare including diapering, feeding and bathing.

Ages: 11-13 years
Date: Saturday, April 4
Time: 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Location: Ranch House
Fee: Resident: \$70
Non-Resident: \$85

Course #47775

#### **Backcountry Skills in the Front Range**

KC Nature presents a new, immersive wilderness skills enrichment program for 6th-8th grade students (10-14 years).

Dates: Tuesdays through April 7

Time: 6-8 p.m. Location: Dakota Lodge

Fee: Resident: \$220, Non-Resident: \$264

Fee is pro-rated based on registration date.

Course #47427

#### ArtVentures

ArtVentures is an art and nature enrichment program for children ages 4-6 years old. This program is ideal for preschoolers, part-time kindergarteners, or students attending home school. Each day there are new discoveries and adventures with curriculum and activities varying each month. Transportation is provided for half-day kindergarten students from Bradford. All other participants must provide transportation.

#### • Youth Programs

Dates: Fridays through May 8 Time: 12:10-3 p.m. Location: Dakota Lodge with

transportation provided from Bradford Primary School.

Fees: Resident: \$276, Non-Resident: \$331 Fee is pro-rated based on

registration date.

#### Course #47684

#### **Outdoor Discovery**

Outdoor Discovery is a science and nature enrichment program for children ages 4-6 years old. This program is ideal for preschoolers, part-time kindergarteners, or students attending home school. Each day there are new discoveries and adventures with curriculum and activities varying each month. Transportation is provided for half-day kindergarten students from Bradford. All other participants must provide transportation.

Dates: Mondays and Wednesdays

through May 6 Time: 12:10-3 p.m.

Location: Dakota Lodge with transportation provided

from Bradford Primary School. Resident: \$598

Non-Resident: \$718

Fee is pro-rated based on registration date.

Course #47683

Fee:

# 2019-2020 Before and After School Programs

The KCRMD Before & After School Programs provide a caring, safe, and fun learning environment while serving students who attend Shaffer and Bradford Schools. Students explore a wide variety of activities that develop learning, encourage imagination, and promote positive social skills and physical activity. Join us for exciting games, cooking projects, yoga, hiking, sports, reading, homework help, and much more! Looking for an Environmental Education focused program? This is offered at the Dakota Lodge and caters to Bradford Schools! Hours: 6:45 a.m. until school starts

and after school until 6 p.m.

Ages: K-6th grade

Locations: Ranch House, Community
Center, and Dakota Lodge
(Transportation is provided
to and from Shaffer and

to and from Shaffer and Bradford Schools each day.) We offer year-round care and provide full-

day care on most in-service days, school holidays, and breaks. Register and pay for only the days you need each month! Find more information at www.ken-carylranch. org or call 303-979-1876.

# Family Story Time at the Ranch House

We are partnering with the Jefferson County Public Library to offer family fun while sharing our love of children's literature. The program is free, and no registration is required. All ages welcome.

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

#### • Summer Programs

#### **Summer Camp Registration**

Get ready for fun in the sun at our preschool and school-age summer camps! New this year: registration will be ONLINE! Registration begins Tuesday, Feb. 25 at 6 a.m. for residents and last summer's participants. Registration opens to the general public Monday, March 9 at 6 a.m. for Ranch House, Community Center, and Dakota Lodge day camps. Camp information, forms, and registration are available at www.ken-carylranch.org.

#### **Summer Enrichment Camps**

We keep young minds engaged with our hands-on enrichment camps! All enrichment camps meet at the Ranch House. Registration begins March 30 for Residents and April 6 for Non-Residents. More information and registration are available at www.ken-carylranch.org.

#### **Tech Academy - Video Game Coding**

Ages: 5-12 years dependent on

class

Dates: June 1-4 or June 29 – July 2 Time: 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. or 1-4 p.m.

Fee: Resident: \$190, Non-Resident: \$215

#### Talk to the Camera – Movie Making

Ages: 7-13 years

Dates: June 8-12 or July 6-10 Time: Half Day 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

or 1-4 p.m.

Full Day 9:30 a.m. – 4 p.m. Fee: Resident: \$206 Half Day,

\$323 Full Day

Non-Resident: \$231 Half Day,

\$348 Full Day

#### **Mad Science Camp**

Ages: 5-11 years
Dates: June 15-19 Underground

Explorers

July 27-31 Bubbling Beakers

Time: 9 a.m. – 12 p.m. Fee: Resident: \$215, Non-Resident: \$240

#### **Play-Well TEKnologies**

Ages: 5-10 years

Dates: June 15-19 Stem Challenge

with LEGO®

July 20-24 Jedi Starship Engineering with LEGO®

Time: 1-4 p.m.
Fee: Resident: \$190,
Non-Resident: \$215

# IncrediFlix- Stop Motion Movie Making

Ages: 7-13 years Dates: July 13-17

Fee:

Time: Half Day 9 a.m. – 12 p.m.

or 1-4 p.m.

Full Day 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. Resident: \$215 Half Day,

\$415 Full Day Non-Resident: \$240 Half

Day, \$440 Full Day

#### Teen & Pre-Teen Summer Camps

All teen camps meet at the Ranch House. Registration begins March 30 for Residents and April 6 for Non-Residents. More information and registration are available at www.ken-carylranch.org.

#### **Rock On! Climbing Camp**

Ages: Grades 6-9
Dates: June 1-5
Time: 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.
Fee: Resident: \$310,
Non-Resident: \$335

#### • Summer Programs

#### Counselor In Training (CIT)

Ages: Grades 7-10
Dates/Time: June 8-12 or June 15-19,

9 a.m. – 3 p.m. Resident: \$100, Non-Resident: \$125

#### The Farm to Table Eggs-perience

Ages: Grades 6-8

Fee:

Dates/Time: June 8-12, 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. Fee: Resident: \$275, Non-Resident: \$300

#### **Oh Snap! Photography Camp**

Ages: Grades 6-8

Dates/Time: June 22-26, 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. Fee: Resident: \$250, Non-Resident: \$275

#### **Ken-Caryl Theater Club!**

Ages: Grades 6-9

Dates/Time: June 22-26, 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. Fee: Resident: \$155, Non-Resident: \$180

#### Middle School Leadership Corps

Ages: Grades 6-8

Fee:

Dates/Time: June 29 – July 10 or July

20-31, 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. Resident: \$324 for Session 1

(no camp July 3), \$360 for Session 2

Non-Resident: \$347 for Session 1 (no camp July 3), \$385 for Session 2

#### Taste for Adventure!

Ages: Grades 6-9

Dates/Time: July 13-15, 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Resident: \$230, Non-Resident: \$255

# • Special Events



#### Glow-in-the-Dark Family Dance Party

Enjoy glowing games, light refreshments, and dancing! There will also be an optional Build-A-Pal Workshop at the dance, where kids can create their own stuffed friend!

Date: Friday, Feb. 21
Time: 6-8:30 p.m.
Location: Ranch House
Fee: Resident: \$10
Non-Resident: \$12
Build-A-Pal Stuffed Animal
Purchase (Optional): \$30

This event generously sponsored by Susan Schell and Gravina's.

Family Dance: Course #47932
Build-A-Pal Workshop: Course #47983

#### Easter Egg Hunt

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By Jo Taylor, Resident

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Olivia, who is currently living and working in Sydney as an Au Pair, joined the Manly Masters Team when she arrived last year and has been attending daily practice sessions and local meets in the area as well as taking part in the Manly to Shelly Beach 'Bold & Beautiful' ocean swim sessions when time allows.





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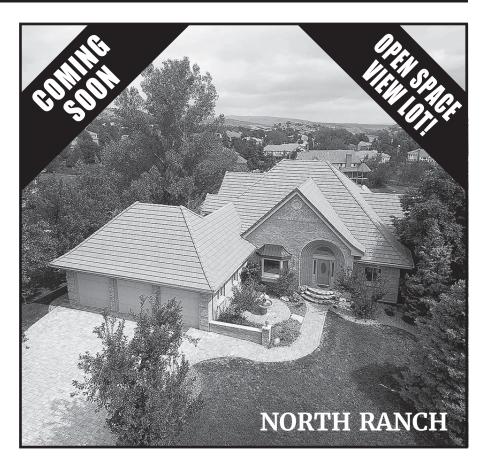
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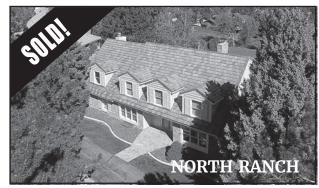
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#### Dear Editor:

I just realized something that all of you fellow dog owners should be aware of. You know those conveniently placed doggie waste bag dispensers and trash cans strategically positioned throughout our neighborhood? Well, I for one am not in favor of our Master District telling us dog owners where to dispose of our pet's droppings. And then they have the nerve to give us their waste bags to use. That's big government interfering with my choice to clean up my dog's doo doo!

I commend all of you who are refusing to use these tools-of-control the Master District has over us. During my 1-mile dog walk loop, I routinely see numerous piles of excrement just sitting there in the middle of the sidewalk, or along the edge of the grass as gleaming, shimmering, lumpy reminders that we should stand up and refuse to accept the stranglehold this administration has on us.

If you are like me, you can surely appreciate bringing home one of these symbols of

rebellion on the bottom of your shoe. The smell in my entryway is a stark reminder to keep fighting the fight. It shows me that you all, or at least someone who routinely walks around the White Oak loop, is not giving in. Let's continue to rally together in unison so the Master District, and everyone else who walks these sidewalks, knows that we refuse to take responsibility of our decision to have a pet. Picking up poop in district provided bags? No thank you! Putting doodie bags in big government's trash cans? I don't think so!

So, for all you who insist on leaving your dog's pile of sh\*t for everyone else to see, step in and smell, you just keep on being you, because you must already be awesome at life.

Chad Spring, Resident

#### **Dear Editor:**

At the last two Metropolitan District meetings, discussions were had in regards to the bike path along South Valley Road from the traffic light at Ken Caryl south to the three-way stop sign at Valley Parkway. This path is on MD property and is scheduled to be repaved in sections over the next five years. The discussion is whether to repave with gray concrete or buff colored concrete (like the MA has poured in the Valley). The

between the two colors. My opinion, which I have stated at the last two meetings, is to pour the gray concrete. I do not feel it is necessary to match what the MA has done. There is only about 30 feet by the traffic light where the path is visible from the opposite side of the street. I also feel that since this path is also available to the general public, it does not need to match the buff color. The \$62,000 savings, I feel, could be put to a better fiscal use by designating these funds for fencing by the new apartments along C470. This area has been noted as having rare flora and fauna in it. Sixty-two thousand dollars will cover the costs of better fencing and signage of "protected area" to keep it as such. If you agree with me, please contact the MD and let them know your voice on this subject.

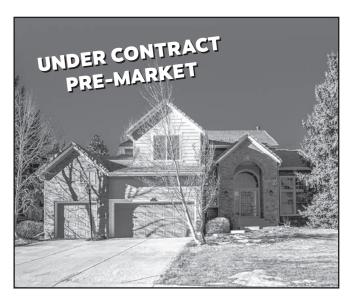
issue is that there is a \$62,000 cost difference

Rilla Reinsma, Master Association Board Candidate

#### **Dear Editor:**

Endorsement of Master Association
Board candidates Tom Bratschun and Chris
Schroeder. I have had the opportunity
to enjoy the amenities of Ken-Caryl with
both of these residents that are candidates
for the MA board. They have and will





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continue to give to our community in a manner that will benefit all of us. It is refreshing to see that Chris and Tom support accessibility, transparency and open lines of communication by publishing their contact information. Please vote for Tom and Chris, they will do a great job serving the needs of our community for the years to come.

Jim Poggemeyer, Resident

#### Dear Editor:

There are at least 20 things I love about living at Ken-Caryl, but the street snow plowing here isn't one of them. It seems every winter this newspaper prints Jefferson County's snow clearing policy, which sounds reasonable: be patient and Jeffco will get to your street. But this is simply not true, at least on my street, Pinyon Pine Road, a culde-sac with 25 homes. My street is not only low on the Jeffco priority list, it is not on the list at all

We had a big snowfall at Thanksgiving and Jeffco never came out. A FedEx truck got stuck in the street. My wife's sedan got stuck in the street. Amazon cancelled deliveries for two weeks. Some elderly residents were stuck in their homes for days. Some of our residents took it upon themselves to hack away a glacier of ice at the head of our street. Jeffco narrowly plowed nearby Club Drive but certainly not full width.

This total lack of snow plowing on my street has been the case for years. Our Enclave HOA has been unable to get Jeffco to do anything. The lack of snow plowing on Pinyon Pine Road reminds me of streets in the Detroit ghetto--no snow plowing all winter so a deep two track instead of a street. We have all paid a lot to buy homes in Ken-Caryl. Shouldn't we expect a decent amount of snow clearing? We pay property taxes for it.

I wish Ken-Caryl managers would work with Jefferson County every snowfall to see that our streets are not left off their list. In other words, consistently pressure them to fully live up to their stated policy, for every street at Ken-Caryl.

Thank you, Tom Wilberding, Resident

#### **Dear Editor:**

With the MA Board elections underway, I'd like to encourage residents to write-in a candidate if they do not feel the current pool of candidates accurately reflects their priorities for our neighborhood. Here is my campaign pitch, since this style was so impactful on our residents in previous election years. If enough of you feel compelled to write me in as a Board member, I promise to respect the position wholeheartedly.

\*\*Ahem\*\* Our MA Board has never seen someone as smart and as great for this role ever before. I mean, with my tallness, very smart, in fact the smartest person, this Board would achieve great things over the next two years. Those eagles. Things that no other Board member has been able to do. New things. Great things. Trails are on everyone's minds, and I for one am not going to stand for it. We will be great again, so much the best, you won't even believe it. I have a great relationship with the Board, so good, they love me. Everyone loves me. The beauty of me is that my first name has four letters. Very even number. The best even number by far. Eagles have wings. Our community is in serious trouble. It is. Fact. Willow Springs people are coming into our neighborhood. They shouldn't be. We should build a fence. A tall fence. I can build it so cheaply, the most inexpensive fence. Then they won't take our trails. Racing on our trails. Vroom. Eagles are birds of prey. And I pray that the members of Ken-Caryl can vote me in to grab them by the purse, you can do anything, and make sure every dollar, need to save those dollars, are spent wisely and with purposefulment.

Thank you. Chad Spring, Resident

#### **Dear Editor:**

I'm writing to recommend Chris Schroeder for one of the two open positions on the Ken-Caryl Master Association Board. Chris was one of the first people I met after moving into Ken-Caryl in 2003. He graciously reached out to my family and welcomed us into this wonderful community. Chris and his family were an early confirmation that we had landed in a special place.

Through the years I've been able to see Chris in a number of roles. He is a good friend, hard worker, and dedicated husband and father. He is also a driven professional, finding success through collaboration, attention to detail, and teamwork in an industry where budgets, timelines, and results are what matter. His positive, can-do attitude is apparent in all aspects of his life.

I love living in Ken-Caryl. It feels great knowing there are people like Chris working hard to make this place even better for all of us.

John C. Warren Jr., Resident

#### **Dear Editor:**

I am 27-year resident of KC and have raised my kids here. Our family has spent countless hours on the tennis courts, the pools and the open space trails. We love these and the other KC amenities. I am writing to endorse Tom Bratschun for KCRMA Board because I know he shares our passion for these amenities and I know the he can be trusted to responsibly maintain them and all the KC infrastructure in a cost-effective manner. I know this because I have worked closely with Tom for 10 years as the office manager of his 30-person law firm and have been his friend longer still. I have seen firsthand Tom's skills in managing the diverse personnel from his partners to the receptionist with an equal showing of respect and consideration. I have watched him maintain his successful practice while overseeing all business aspects of a growing firm servicing clients from individuals to Fortune 500's throughout the world. I have seen his ability to adapt the firm to changing business requirements. And I have worked closely with Tom on the firm finances and I know him to be a good steward. Having myself served as the president and executive director Habitat for Humanity Metro Denver; I know these attributes will make him an excellent board member. I have recently learned of the new development of land in Ken-Caryl that could eventually add up to 800 home and 2000 residents to the Master Association. I am relieved to have a candidate with Tom's skills and vision prepared to advocate for the interests of the community with the developers. Please join me in voting for Tom the KCRMA Board. Thank you.

Jill Strietelmeier, Resident

#### Dear Editor:

We are truly fortunate to have two of our residents, Rilla Reinsma and Jim Fodor as candidates for the Master Association Board. They have both been residents for well over 20 years and have strong roots in our community. I am impressed with their dedication and love for Ken-Caryl and they will represent our community as a whole. The Master Association has been populated by special interest groups over the past years and as a result about \$1 million has been dedicated to trails mainly for bikes. The trails cover our hills and there seems to be no end in sight at this time while other concerns such as fencing repair, landscaping issues and many more problems have been put on the back burner.

Fiscal responsibility is of the utmost importance to Jim and Rilla. They want this to be fairly and wisely distributed and most importantly they will listen to the concerns of all of our residents keeping in mind the importance of preserving our beautiful open space - a balance between the needs of man and requirements of nature. Rill and Jim have done much research and investigating for the betterment of our community. They have attended board meetings religiously and are able to offer a great deal of experience and skill to our community. Open Space in Ken-Caryl is unique and beautiful and we need to preserve it as

naturally as possible for as long as possible so let's help them and us, the residents, by giving them our vote.

Shirley Scabavea, Resident

Editor's Note: After reviewing financials for the Master Association, contract trail construction over the past few years has cost approximately \$280,000. No funding is allocated to trail construction and no new trails are planned in the 2020 budget.

#### Dear Editor:

I invite you to explore the complete lack of regard Jim Fodor and Rilla Reinsma have for the majority of residents in our community, while spreading misinformation and exaggerating issues. They advocate for the complete, permanent closure of certain trails, and make claims of mountain bike racing and dangerous/rude mountain bikers.

I have lived in Ken-Caryl since the '80s, excluding my college years. I grew up hiking and riding these trails with my friends and family. In all my years here, I have never witnessed mountain bike racing, or mountain bikers being rude. In fact, I have found that people enjoying the trails and outdoors tend to be quite happy and feel a sense of camaraderie sharing these beautiful amenities. As my wife and I are now raising our eight-year-old daughter in this wonderful neighborhood, we regularly explore our backcountry as a family and never once have we been worried about our little girl's safety on a trail or felt disrespected by another trail user.

This is not just a personal issue; this is a community-wide issue. If you were to look at the recent community survey (Posted on KCR's website) you would find outdoor recreation had the highest percentage of respondents for KCR facilities, amenities and services. Further, 70% responded as participating in jogging/walking/hiking backcountry dirt trails, and 44% participated in biking on unpaved backcountry trails.

When over half of the community is participating in specific activities, while a select few are threatening those very activities, they clearly do not have the neighborhood's best interest at heart. I implore you to examine the community survey for yourself.

Also worrisome is their lack of transparency by choosing to exclude their contact info when running for such an important role within the community. Imagine not being able to contact your local politician. My neighbor had some follow-up questions for candidates after the most recent publication of Life at Ken-Caryl, but Mr. Fodor and Ms. Reinsma could not be reached.

That said, I will not be voting for Jim Fodor or Rilla Reinsma.

Colin Voorhees, Resident

#### Dear Editor:

It's my absolute pleasure to recommend Chris Schroeder for the MA Board. I have known Chris for some time now and know that he will absolutely make a great board member. Chris is an awesome person and loves being a part of his community. Some of the traits I like best about him is that he is a good listener and makes sound decisions.

In addition to his noteworthy character traits, Chris clearly brings a comprehensive list of community involvement experience over the past 28 years. That experience, coupled with his technical background and strong commitment to our Ken-Caryl community, makes him a clear choice for being one of our board leaders.

For a team to be successful, it needs a good balance of talents. The Board will be able to leverage Chris' technical background for making rational decisions and see details around those decisions. It is important that we continue to have a strong and balanced team in place to manage the many upcoming improvements and continue to properly assess issues in our community.

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Chris is honest, dependable and incredibly hard-working. Without a doubt, I confidently recommend Chris to be elected to an MA Board position. He will serve our community well.

Sincerely, Anthony A. Lott, Resident

#### **Dear Editor:**

I am writing to ask you to join me in voting for Tom Bratschun for the KCRMA Board. Tom and my husband Jake have been friends since soon after we moved to Ken-Caryl. Tom and his family have embraced much of what Ken-Caryl has to offer its residents. He is an avid trail runner and biker himself; his wife Susan is active in tennis leagues and programs and helped found the Bradford PTA auction and they have each coached for the Ken-Caryl soccer program, served on the Ken-Caryl Foundation and volunteered many hours working in the open space. His kids were also active participants in a host of community sponsored activities throughout their childhoods. I feel that we can trust Tom to work to promote similar opportunities for our younger families in the years to come.

Thanks,

Ashlee Cummins, Resident

#### **Dear Editor:**

Positive attitude, enthusiasm, ability to think strategically and a balanced judgment are just a few of the characteristics I would use to describe MA Board Candidate Chris Schroeder. I am fortunate to call Chris a friend and excited that he has decided to support our growing community by declaring his candidacy for our KCRMA Board of Directors.

Not only do I know Chris through our neighborhood, but he and I have also worked as peers in the architect, engineering and construction industry for years. Chris is highly respected in our industry and is known for being trustworthy, fair and dependable among his peers and colleagues. He has indicated his interest to serve as liaison for the Architectural Committee, which naturally aligns with his expertise. Architecture is more than just about the look and design of a building; it's really a multi-faceted approach to creating a sense of community and adding value to the neighborhood assets and our public space; Chris has the personality and expertise to work with the committee to create an inclusive neighborhood. An addition, Chris is LEED-AP professional which ensures he will be a great steward of our resources and environment.

I am grateful to call Chris a friend and pleased to recommend Chris Schroeder for a position on the KCRMA Board of Directors. Ken-Caryl would be lucky to have him serve as a community leader.

Liz Rapp, Resident

#### **Dear Editor:**

Vote for change.

Vote for Rilla Reinsma and Jim Fodor,
candidates for the MA Board.

Vote for candidates who will be fiscally responsible, listen to the residents, maintain our infrastructure, maintain and preserve our open space and beautify our environment. Make our MA Board more environmentally conscious.

Vote Rilla Reinsma and Jim Fodor. Jane and Steve Saul, Residents

#### Dear Editor:

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Aldo Leopold, was the founder of the "land ethic", which today we define as the science of ecology, where the soils, waters, plants and animals collectively make up the "land." After the dawn of the conservation movement and the formation of the Environmental Protection Agency, challenges for the "land" arose from resource extraction, mining, logging, housing development, large scale agriculture and ranching. The attitude towards the "land" was that it was a commodity to be consumed and used for human benefit

without regard for the conservation and interconnectedness of the "land." As a countermeasure, the National Parks and Wildlife Service campaigned to get more people out into natural areas. Surely, if more people visited natural areas, they would care more about the integrity, stability, and beauty of nature, and would want to protect and conserve the "land." This strategy worked temporarily; however, eventually backfired. Recreation and conservation are at odds with each other. People are viewing nature, a finite resource, as a commodity meant to be used for their recreation. People are loving nature to death, with over-biking, over-snowmobiling, over-hiking, overclimbing, over-hunting, often on protected lands designated as open space.

Our community has fallen prey to this movement. For more than a decade, the elite bikers in our community have treated our mutually-owned backcountry open space as their commodity to be used and developed into 45 miles of new single-track trails without consideration or compromise regarding the concerns of residents that are troubled by the detrimental effects recreation can have on land and wildlife. Our open space "land" is not a commodity. We have adequate K/C trails and many more trails offered by Jeffco. Let's focus on balance and move the needle back towards conservation and good stewardship of our "land." I propose a hiatus on new trails. I am casting my vote for Rilla Reinsma and Jim Fodor. Instead of building new trails, I believe they will work to find "land" balance for our community, focus on the maintenance of a mature community, and build a reserve fund. We need a change in direction and new leadership.

Kathy Webster, Resident

#### **Dear Editor:**

Even though I serve on the MD Board, I am writing this letter in my own capacity as a private citizen and Ken-Caryl Ranch community member. I am not writing as an MD Director, and my opinions are mine alone and do not represent any position of the MD Board.

The service of a board member is much deeper than attending a few meetings a month, it is a commitment that takes time, preparation and a dedication to making the best decisions for the community as a whole. I am grateful to all the residents that have volunteered to run for the Master Association Board as it is a very important role in our great community. In this upcoming election I will be voting for Tom Bratschun to the MA board as he will be a great addition. I've known Tom and his family for several years and have the upmost respect for him on a personal level as every interaction with him is courteous, thoughtful and it is enjoyable to be a part of his company. I have watched Tom over the years participate in various facets of the Ken-Caryl community that he truly values with an unselfish purpose of trying to make a difference and moving us in a positive direction. His patient nature and skills of listening to various viewpoints are valuable traits for leading our community and working collaborative with both staff and community members. Professionally, he brings a lengthy legal career of experience to the table that will be a benefit to the board as his knowledge of the legal process, contracts and liability will be helpful in decisions and protecting our community. Tom will be a great addition to the Master Association Board and I look forward to the leadership he will provide.

Lauri Lehan Milano, Resident

#### Dear Editor:

Two Trail Club members running for the MA Board, Tom Bratschun and Chris Schroeder, wrote convincing biographies in the KC paper. However, I find it very disingenuous that of all the community organizations they listed, they forgot to

mention their involvement in the Trail Club (TC). Tom is a former president of the Trail Club! We all now know; the TC is about building more and more backcountry trails in our Open Space for use by mostly mountain bikers. These trails are approved by MA Board members and are funded by your MA dues. Almost \$1 million has been spent on new/re-route trail construction in the last 10 years, because the MA Board consisted of a majority of TC supporters. If these two TC candidates are elected to the MA Board, they will most likely continue the TC agenda of building more trails at your expense. They will form the majority on the MA Board. The reason the rest of our infrastructure has been neglected requiring a special bond initiative, and delay for the Ranch House Pool is because funds were diverted toward trails due to this small, vocal, special interest group, the Trail Club. So as good as their biographies sound, don't be fooled by their insincerity.

It's time for new leadership and a new perspective on the MA Board! Rilla Reinsma and Jim Fodor will bring that change. Rilla and Jim are 25+ year residents with strong roots in the community. Their engagement in our community is evidenced by their attendance nearly every month at MA Board and Open Space meetings. They are frequent contributors at these meetings, knowledgeable on the issues, and genuinely listen to resident concerns. They are committed to preserving the natural beauty and remaining wildness of our Open Space which is what we all love best about Ken-Caryl. They believe 45 miles of single-track, backcountry trails and a million dollars spent on new trail construction is enough.

A vote for Reinsma and Fodor is a vote for well-maintained infrastructure, prudent fiscal management, conservation of our Open Space, and above all, honesty and truthfulness.

Linda Metzger, Resident

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#### **Dear Editor:**

In the next several weeks, our community will have the opportunity to elect two new candidates to the Ken-Caryl Master Association Board. Our family is honored to support Chris Schroeder. We were excited to hear that Chris planned to run for the MA Board.

We have known Chris and his family for over a decade now, living just a couple blocks away in Quail Ridge in the Plains.

Chris has been a leader in our community as well as in his professional career. As an engineer by trade, he will be able to use his experience to provide leadership and direction on many issues facing our community, especially the potential new development that could add over 2000 new residents to Ken-Caryl.

Ken-Caryl is fortunate to have Chris as a candidate for the Master Association Board. We encourage you and your family to join ours in voting for Chris Schroeder for the Master Association Board.

The McGarry Family, Residents

#### Dear Editor:

What is missing in this picture? Trails with a safe zone for walking and hiking. Rilla Reinsma and Jim Fodor have discovered the "safe zone concept", which is being utilized in other Denver area communities. An abundance of backcountry trails for biking have been built in the KCR community in the last decade. We support designating just one area as a "safe zone". This zone would be quiet, peaceful trails where people can get away from daily stressors, avoid traffic of



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any kind, and can observe, relax, reflect and enjoy the beauty and solitude that nature has to offer. We propose that this would be a unique addition to our amenities and offer another choice to our residents who want to quietly observe and connect with nature while on a gentle walk or a brisk hike without fear of conflict. We can all agree with John Muir, "In every walk with nature, one receives far more than he seeks."

Help us chart the course for our community in 2020 and beyond with a new vision and new leadership. Vote for Rilla Reinsma and Jim Fodor.

Rilla Reinsma, Master Association Board Candidate

#### **Dear Editor:**

I am endorsing Chris Schroeder and Tom Bratschun for the Master Association Board in the upcoming election. As a former MA Board member, I understand the importance of having open-minded and experienced residents on the Board. The community is entering a critical period of time as new significant residential development appears to be on the horizon in the Plains. How these new developments are welcomed into the Ken-Caryl community is critical to avoid a repeat of the Plains Metropolitan District Lawsuit. Who better to be part of the team dealing with the complexities of this transition than a respected lawyer, Tom Bratschun, and experienced construction engineer, Chris Schroeder. What the MA Board does not need is one issue candidates who view homeowner association positions as a platform for furthering their personal views. I encourage you to read the candidate interviews, become informed, and reach out to them to get a better understanding of where they stand on what is important to you as a resident of Ken-Caryl....if you can. Elections have consequences, even at the homeowner association level. Thank you to all the candidates, but vote Chris Schroeder and Tom Bratschun for MA Board.

Chris Sullivan, Resident

#### Dear Editor:

The concept of having a Safe Zone for our open space is a major reason why I decided to volunteer as a candidate for the MA Board of Directors. A Safe Zone is the fair and perfect answer. At least some acreage needs to be free from mountain bike traffic but open to hikers, equestrians and runners. There are mountain bike enthusiasts who are against this innovative concept. In my opinion they want it all; meaning they want access to every possible acre of open space and they have been

the impetus behind new trail initiatives. Think about who are using our trails and who are paying for the direct and indirect costs. We are paying. The population of KCR is relatively small compared with our neighbors' Highlands Ranch or Lakewood by five to ten times. Trail density should not be based on the acreage available, but based on our population. Our residences and businesses pay for all this and based on population it translates to "No New Trails". I feel too many non-residents who do not pay taxes or dues are legitimately using our trails. The rules are too loose. Our streets are clogged with automobile traffic and parking congestion. This needs to be cleaned up. Our MA Open Space is private property and needs to be treated as such or expect pressure for more public use in the future. My greatest concerns are twofold: 1. A future agreement with Jefferson County linking our trail systems, and thus opening up MA property to the public. 2. Our first competitive mountain bike race, which would change the character of KCR forever. I feel those are two nightmares that can be avoided by first incorporating the Safe Zone. Then, the overall concern is the KCRMA commitment to open space environmental preservation, which I feel has been lax over the last decade, so I paid for some Life/ KC newspaper ads. Rilla Reinsma and I are totally dedicated. I hope everyone will vote. Will recreation in the form of mountain biking activity take over, or will there be a

Jim Fodor, Master Association Board Candidate

#### **Dear Editor:**

I've know Chris Schroeder for many years in the engineering field and I highly respect his professional work. Chris is a partner of a respected firm that designs mechanical, electrical, plumbing and fire protection systems in sophisticated buildings. Through that professional connection, I have come to know Chris as a neighbor, friend and community leader. His background in the construction industry and his broad experience coupled with his passion for our community are the qualities that I believe are needed for the future of Ken-Caryl. There are so many issues, both known and unknown, that will arise in our neighborhood over the next few years and I trust Chris to handle any issue with professionalism, insight, and perhaps some humor when needed. Chris is an Accredited Professional in the US Green Building Councils Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED). Having a

LEED Accredited Professional is a valuable asset for the conservation of our community resources. With the upcoming potential for development of vacant land within Ken-Caryl Ranch, as well as understanding our community reserves, Chris is the guy we want at the wheel with his knowledge of the construction industry. Our family is proud to support Chris Schroeder for the MA Board.

Dan Mullins, Resident

#### **Dear Editor:**

The election for the MA board is starting soon. Being on the board is a huge commitment, so first I want to take the time to thank all the candidates for running.

Two candidates stand out: Jim Fodor and Rilla Reinsma. I am voting for them for the following reasons:

- 1) Jim and Rilla are keenly aware of the issues that face our community. Who else do you know that has attended both MA meetings and Open Space meetings consistently over the past few years? They have been there. They know what is going on.
- 2) Jim and Rilla participate at these meetings. They ask the important questions. Their comments are thoughtful and well researched, particularly with concerns regarding safety on our trails, and their efforts in the past two years to halt construction of destructive new trails like Docmann.
- Jim and Rilla are the ONLY candidates that have stated clearly that their priority is existing infrastructure and amenities NOT new trails.

I personally do not know how the other candidates would vote on proposals for new trails. Do you? But I do know where Jim and Rilla stand. I am voting for Jim Fodor and Rilla Reinsma because I want honest board members who know Ken-Caryl. With a vote for Jim and Rilla, I also know my dues will be spent wisely on maintenance and preserving what we have rather than prioritizing new biking trails.

Elizabeth Allison, Resident

#### Dear Editor:

As the MA election on March 3 rapidly approaches, polarization and factual misrepresentation do not create a constructive environment in which to manage the HOA for the benefit of all residents.

To provide balance within the community, two candidates, Rilla Reinsma and Jim Fodor are running with a clear message to represent all interests and preserve the open space so presciently delineated in

Ken-Caryl's original master plan. They are NOT trying to restrict access to open space for residents, as alleged in a letter in the last issue of Life at K-C. Rather, they are suggesting that certain trails be designated for pedestrian and equestrian use. This is no different from trail management policies being implemented on certain trails by Jefferson County Open Space, and makes sense given the trail conflict, which often arises between different users with different needs and expectations.

For residents who have not had the pleasure of living here since the early days, may I provide a point of reference for those who claim that "preserving what we have with no new construction" is a "restriction". In 1993 when I moved here, there was a grand total of 14.4 miles of trails in the foothills west of North Ranch Road/Valley Parkway. Today there are 29.9 miles, i.e. double the amount originally planned. To allege that any preservation of remaining open space is a "restriction" on use is therefore fatuous.

As mentioned in a letter to the editor in Life at K-C in October 2019, we have already seen the failure of the Golden Eagle nest. Whether or not this was directly related to the construction of the Docmann Trail will never be known. However, what is known is that fragmentation of natural habitat has devastating effects on wildlife. Residents of Ken-Caryl are privileged to own and be stewards of 5,000 acres of such natural beauty, and we must do everything within our power to prevent any further degradation. Rilla and Jim are the only candidates who have made such preservation a major part of their platform, and should be applauded and supported with our votes.

Philip G. Varley, Resident

#### Dear Editor:

My wife and I were drawn to Ken-Caryl eight years ago for the opportunity to raise our three young kids in a Colorado mountain environment with great schools and wonderful amenities. We were both surprised to find a welcoming and inclusive neighborhood. We have become involved with Cub Scouts (den leader), PTA (my wife is a past president) and even the muchmaligned Trail Club.

Over the last three plus years, attempts have been made to divide this community by residents seeking to focus too much attention on the subjects of open space, trail construction and conservation. Dr. Fodor and Mrs. Reinsma have been at the forefront

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of this effort. Just take a look through any of the past letters to the editor in LAKC and you will understand my point.

Dr. Fodor talks of creating a "safe zone" in our Open Space free from mountain bikers, but also mentions the need to "always keep dues and taxes under control". Limiting access and creating new restrictions on residents would need to be enforced. Dr. Fodor doesn't address how he plans on funding this new mandate.

Mrs. Reinsma mentions that "we don't always feel or act like one community" yet she personally appealed the Docmann trail construction after the MA had prudently considered resident and expert input and voted to approve the trail. This appeal required MA Board members and staff to have to attend an unnecessary administrative review where the appeal was unanimously rejected.

There are thousands of residents in Ken-Caryl and the MA controls an operating budget of over four million dollars. I believe there are additional concerns for our community - more than just proper stewardship of our open space. Pool construction, facility maintenance and navigating the balance of expenses with the Metropolitan District are just a few of my points of concern. Our community needs to continue to evolve in order to thrive and preserve the lifestyle we chose when we moved to Ken-Caryl.

I'm supporting Chris Schroeder and Tom Bratschun for the MA Board and I encourage you to do so as well.

John Hamilton, Resident

#### Dear Editor:

It's that time of the year to once again vote for the future of the Ken-Caryl Ranch. Those elected must be accountable for their decisions and treat everyone who lives here equally.

I was an MA Board member twice during the 35 years that I lived here. I recently applied for my third time on the MA Board. But after meeting the two candidates from the Ken-Caryl Conservation Club, I decided to withdraw my application in support of Rilla Reinsma and Jim Fodor. I think they will work to bring the whole ranch together and be supportive of everyone living here.

It is my understanding that Tom Bratschun served as the former the president of the Trail Club. This group has the agenda of building more trails, especially for bicyclists. Both candidates seem to have hidden agendas.

Jack Sawatzki, Resident

#### **Dear Editor:**

I was excited to see Rilla Reinsma running for a MA board position! She is an intelligent and honest person of the highest integrity. I know Rilla will bring with her a deep knowledge of Ken-Caryl, its history, plus the dedication to address all the issues that come to the table with the utmost thought and care. And she is a great person to work with. Electing Rilla Reinsma to the MA board will place the future of Ken-Caryl in good hands.

Judith Burkholder, Resident

#### Dear Editor:

When I came to live here over 17 years ago, this was a united community on one issue: the importance of the preservation of our precious wildlands, where the mountains meet the plains. This community worked in unison to preserve the South Hogback, the South Valley and the 14 Acres at Coyote Song Trail. Approximately a decade ago, this all changed when a private club known as the "Trail Club" was formed. From the moment the Trail Club was formed, the needle in this community started moving from preservation to recreation. Ten years later, 45 miles of new backcountry trails and a huge amount of money has been spent on new trail construction, re-routes, and maintenance. This community is still without balance

between these two contrasting views. All that is needed is for this community to remember how uplifting it was to be a community united in preserving our unique and finite environment where the mountains meet the plains. Ken-Caryl has an abundance of single-track trails and Jefferson County offers even more trails. As the C470 corridor continues its building expansion, it becomes even more critical to preserve our portion of the foothills. Now it is time to have a hiatus on new backcountry trails and move the needle gradually to center, to more protection and preservation. I am casting my vote for Jim Fodor and Rilla Reinsma. I believe that they share this vision. Rilla and Jim are 25+ year residents with strong roots in the community. They attend MA and MD meetings and are knowledgeable on all other community issues. But, for me, preserving wildness is preserving what we all love best about Ken-Caryl. Quoting Shakespeare, "One touch of nature makes the whole world kin." In order to prevail, we need our conservation minded residents to pitch in and join the fight. We need change and new leadership on the Master Association Board. Vote for Rilla Reinsma and Jim Fodor.

Patty Cavey, Resident

#### **Dear Editor:**

I am writing this letter to give you my insight into the KCRMA board candidate, Tom Bratschun. Tom has been my neighbor in KC for over 17 years and I know Tom and his family well. He and Susan have raised three wonderful daughters enjoying the many family amenities and activities that this community offers. Tom has been active in the community volunteering for many years at the Fourth of July party and working on our wonderful trails! I believe Tom will be a great addition to the MA board given his legal background, running a business and ability to offer different solutions to issues the HOA faces. Finally, thanks to the MA Board of directors for all you do.

Robyn Anders, Resident

#### Dear Editor:

I have been extremely humbled over the last three weeks since submitting my application as a candidate for the Ken-Caryl Master Association Board. I personally want to thank the many residents that have contacted me directly and indirectly with their ideas, concerns and offerings of support. I have re-found old friends from high school (hello Carrie Ross!) and refreshed relationships with many neighbors (too many to reasonably give a shout out here). I know there are more emails, texts, and phone messages I have yet to get to, but I promise I will get to them all eventually. I value everyone's opinion as we individually make up this amazing community. I promise to not make the Board a divisive single-issue board. I do not believe in an us and them mindset, Ken-Caryl must be governed by broader mindsets. I also, will not engage in the slander and mudslinging. We do have some very important issues that will arise over the next board term. Any new board member must first gain "tribal" knowledge of all current issues and affairs. The single-issue mindset is not productive, and we must strive to broaden our purview to continue to enhance and progress our community responsibly. I am eagerly looking forward to the mentoring from the wonderful Ken-Caryl staff (some I have known for many years and some I have been blessed with meeting just recently), the knowledge of the current and past Board members, and the community at large, should you feel I am qualified to serve.

Thank you for considering me for the Board.

Respectfully,

Chris Schroeder, Master Association Board Candidate

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Cameron Sternberg	303-949-3691	P P	12	Aspen Meadows
Wesley Sternberg	303-949-3691	=	14	Aspen Meadows
Seumas Stevens	720-210-6065	B, L, P, S	14	Bradford Place
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
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
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	15	The Spread
Genevie Webster	703-655-4428	B, P	17	The Spread
Judah Webster	703-655-4428	B, L, P, S	12	The Spread
Ella Widmann	720-318-7927	B, P	16	Territory
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20 Year Ranch Resident

Colorado Native

Solid Financial Stewardship

Dedication to Community Service

Keeping Ken-Caryl a Top Community in the Front Range





# Chris Schroeder

Master Association Board Candidate



# TOM BRATSCHUN

MASTER ASSOCIATION BOARD CANDIDATE

# **SERVICE**

Ken-Caryl Foundation Board Member Ken-Caryl Open Space Committee Open Space Volunteer for 20+ years

# **PROFESSION**

33 years as a lawyer, 25 as a managing partner Real estate development

# VISION

"My goal is to make Ken-Caryl a community that adapts to offer amenities of interest to young families, our mature residents, and everyone in between, both to maintain the vibrancy of the community and more pragmatically, to drive our real estate values.

Ultimately, my vision is to sustain Ken-Caryl as a treasure to which our kids will eagerly return."