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## UPDATE ON OPEN SPACE TRAIL PROJECTS

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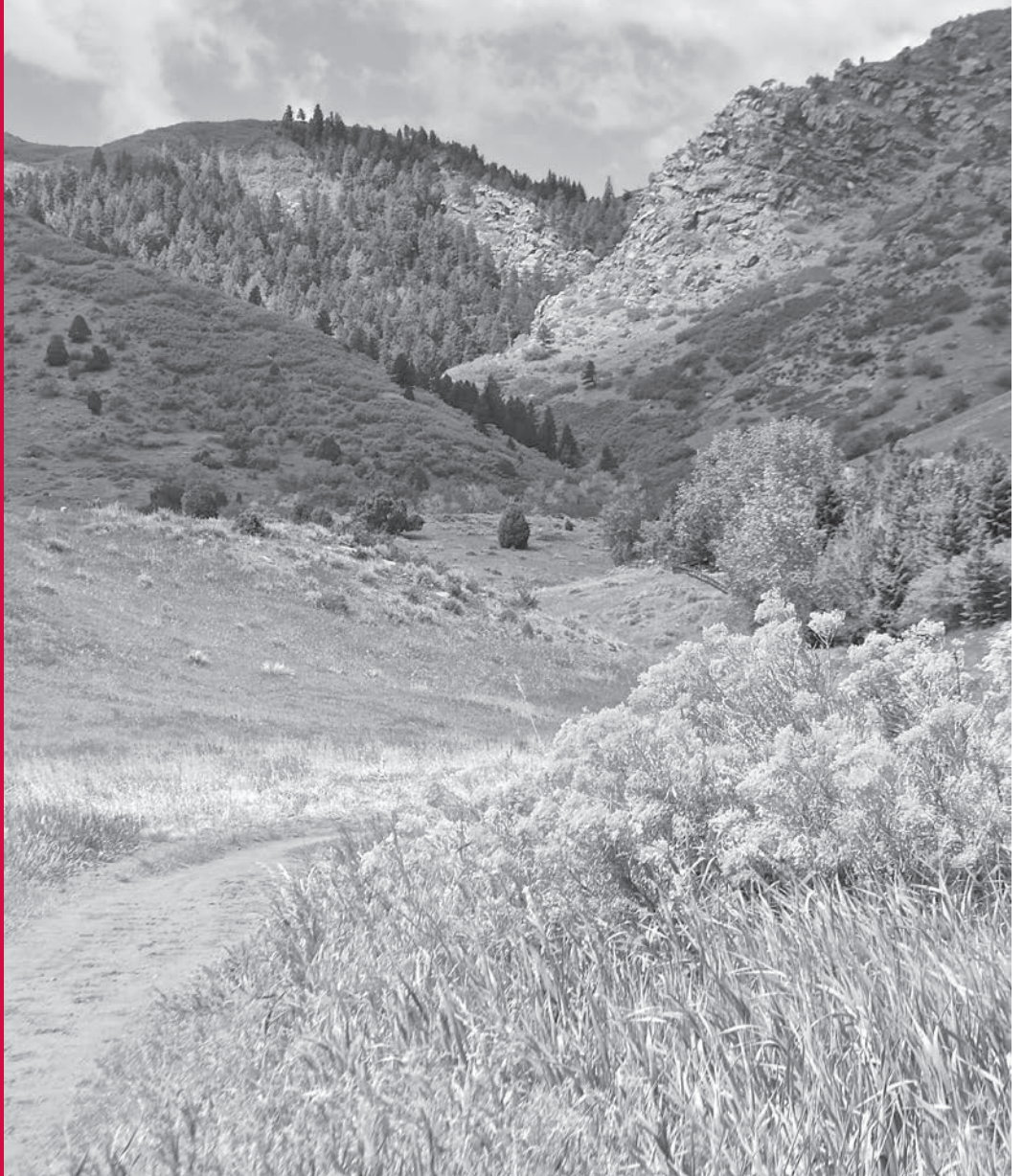


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### Resident and Vietnam Vet to Give Presentation on War Dogs



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### Construction Manager/General Contractor Hired for Bond Projects

On Feb. 3, the Board of Directors of the Ken-Caryl Ranch Metropolitan District selected the firm of Adolfsen & Peterson Construction to serve as the Construction Manager/General Contractor for the campus bond projects approved by voters in May 2014. Adolfsen & Peterson will oversee approximately \$5 million in construction improvements planned for the Ranch House, Community Center and Dakota Lodge campuses.

Adolfsen & Peterson has extensive experience with the construction and renovation of community buildings and recreation facilities throughout the state of

Colorado. It was selected from a group of five firms interested and qualified to provide these services responding to a public solicitation process. As the Construction Manager/General Contractor, Adolfsen & Peterson will be working closely with staff, the architectural firm of Sink Combs Dethlefs and Vanir Construction Management on the design and construction of the campus improvements over the next 18 months. Construction on all three sites is planned to begin in September. Please visit [www.ken-carylranh.org](http://www.ken-carylranh.org) for ongoing bond project updates.

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◆ **Manager's Column**



By KCRMD District Manager Darrell Windes

Planning for the Ken-Caryl Ranch bond projects approved by voters in May 2014 continues on a daily basis for the staffs and Boards of both the Metropolitan District and Master Association. A committee of members of both the District and Master Association Boards and key staff, following interviews with selected contractors, has hired the firm of Adolfson & Peterson Construction to provide Construction Manager/General Contractor duties for the campus improvements at the Ranch House, the Community Center and Dakota Lodge.

The architectural firm of Sink Combs Dethlefs has been conducting meetings with focus groups and staff on gathering ideas for the renovation of each of the campuses. As part of this effort, a Community Open House was held on Feb. 10 at the Ranch House to gather additional ideas and to present initial thoughts and developments from the greater Ken-Caryl

Ranch community for improvements to the campuses and landscaping infrastructure.

The design phase is anticipated to be very short term with concept plans developed by sometime in March. Now is the time for residents to provide their input on renovation ideas through the public meeting process as well as through the Ken-Caryl Ranch website. Please check the Ken-Caryl Ranch website for the latest information and updated schedules.

Schematic drawings for the campus improvements are being developed now, with the projects going out to bid this summer. Construction is planned to begin on all three facilities: the Ranch House, the Community Center and Dakota Lodge this September. Updates on the entire planning, construction and future meetings on the bond improvements are available on the Ken-Caryl Ranch website at [www.ken-carylranh.org](http://www.ken-carylranh.org).

Another event that comes around this time of the year is the printing and distribution of the annual edition of District Dimensions outlining all of the recreational program offerings from the District for the upcoming summer season. As you will know when you see this year's edition, there is something for everyone in the new edition of District Dimensions! Watch for the 2015 edition of District Dimensions in the March 11 issue of *Life at Ken-Caryl*.

◆ **Covenant Clips**

**One Man's Trash is Nobody's Treasure**



By KCRMA Community Standards Administrator Rita Saunders

Garbage is a dirty word. Once we accumulate household waste, we can't get it out of the house fast enough. It's at this point that some folks go astray, some neighbors complain, some property inspections take place and some letters are sent. Shortly thereafter, some people want to share their points of view on the violation. Let's start by saying there IS a rule, and here it is:

"Trash/Recycling items may be placed out after 7 p.m. on the evening before pick-up day. The items must be taken in prior to 7 p.m. on the day of pick-up. Refuse, garbage and trash shall be kept at all times in a covered noiseless container and any such container shall be kept within an enclosed structure or appropriately screened from view."

There are bona fide reasons to store your containers away from public view when it's not your designated pick-up day. Aesthetic reasons are obvious; even your brand new trash can is not a handsome accoutrement, and only detracts from your property's appearance when it receives prominent placement. Practical reasons include

prevention of widespread littering by our incredible wind gusts as well as scavenging crows or magpies – to say nothing of the temptation attracting industrious raccoons and larger wildlife.

Finally, there are good neighbor considerations. Your trash container can produce foul odors, and the contents often blows into other yards. The only thing worse than your three-day-old garbage is somebody else's three-day-old garbage. If it's yours, you know what it used to be and how it should be handled. If it's someone else's, it's a nasty, creepy mystery.

Moving to the topic of recycling, trivia buffs will be interested to note that Ken-Caryl Ranch is completing its 25th year of recycling. When the program was rolled out in the spring of 1990, it received recognition as the most comprehensive commingled curbside recycling program in the country. Adjustments have been made over the years, but a drive through the neighborhoods on trash day demonstrates the enduring commitment of residents to the program.

Remember that if you choose, you can designate your own container for recyclable materials by obtaining stickers at the Ranch House or Community Center. Please place your recycle container apart from your trash containers to make the distinction clear to the Waste Connections drivers.

Please keep in mind that rules are dynamic in nature, subject to periodic review and updates. Ken-Caryl Ranch documents are available at the Ranch House and on our website at [www.ken-carylranh.org](http://www.ken-carylranh.org). Please don't hesitate to call me at 303-979-1876, ext. 113, or email [ritas@kcranch.org](mailto:ritas@kcranch.org) should you have any covenant questions or concerns.

◆ **Community Calendar**

**February**

Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.
1	2	3 6 p.m. MA/MD Joint Study Session	4	5 10:15 a.m. Story Time	6	7
8	9 7 p.m. Community Planning Committee	10 4:30- 7:30 p.m. Bond Projects Open House	11	12 7:30 a.m. Architectural Committee 10:15 a.m. Story Time	13 5:30-9 p.m. Kids' Night Out	14
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22	23	24 6 p.m. MD Board Meeting	25	26 7:30 a.m. Architectural Committee 10:15 a.m. Story Time 7 p.m. Open Space Committee, Dakota Lodge	27	28

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

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## Construction Manager/General Contractor Selection and Next Steps



Submitted by Lisa Lorman, Vanir Construction Management

Early in the bond improvement process, together with resident volunteer subject matter experts, Vanir recommended a Construction Manager/General Contractor (CMGC) delivery method for the project. This delivery method provides a collaborative working relationship with Ken-Caryl Ranch and the design team. It also allows Ken-Caryl Ranch to fast track construction,

have an open-book approach to costs and most importantly establishes a guaranteed maximum price during design.

Choosing the right CMGC firm is vital to the success of your bond improvement projects. CMGC firms are evaluated on relevant project experience, ability to work in an occupied facility and a flexibility to accommodate changes during design and construction.

In an effort to select the best firm for this task, an advertisement was published in early January and resulted in five firms interested in participating in the process. Those proposals were reviewed for appropriate and relevant qualifications and resulted in interview opportunities for four firms. The selection committee recommended and last week the Ken-Caryl Ranch Metropolitan District Board selected Adolfsen & Peterson Construction as the

CMGC.

Lastly, regarding our continuing efforts to gather resident input, a community-wide open house was held at the Ranch House on Feb. 10. Resident comments and suggestions were gathered for each of the three major campuses being renovated (Ranch House, Community Center and Dakota Lodge) as well as a fourth category of work comprised of replacement of playgrounds, signs, landscaping and irrigation systems. There was also an opportunity to review elements of a draft Landscape Master Plan that will focus on water conservation and sustainable landscape treatments.

Next, the architects will analyze all the information received at the open house and recent focus group meetings. Preliminary concept plans will then be prepared using this information and shared at a second Open House sometime in March.

Watch this space and the Ken-Caryl Ranch e-News for notices of future bond project meetings.

See the Bond & Improvement Projects page at [www.ken-carylranh.org](http://www.ken-carylranh.org) under the Administration tab for more information, and email [bondprojects@kcranch.org](mailto:bondprojects@kcranch.org) with any questions or comments.

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## ◆ Ranger Field Notes

### Update of Open Space Trail Projects for 2015



By Open Space Manager Sean Warren

At their monthly meeting on Dec. 16, 2014, the Master Association Board of Directors approved the 2015 Annual Trails Report. As mandated by the Boards, the Trails Implementation Process and Strategy lays out a procedure for approving new trail projects in open space. Staff, working with the Open Space Committee, reviews the trail system and develops the report including recommendations for trail construction and maintenance projects.

The report can be viewed online at [www.ken-carylranh.org](http://www.ken-carylranh.org). Go to the open space page, open space administration and look under plans and studies.

Included in the report was a recommendation to approve the final design of a short re-route of Lyons Trail. A severely eroded section of the trail, just below the intersection with Ridge Trail, will be closed and restored and a new route, branching off of Kiln Trail, will be built to replace it. Similarly, a short section of Columbine Trail will be re-routed near its northern intersection with Cathy Johnson Trail.

The Board also approved the conceptual design for a project called the Mastodon Trail. The overall concept is to connect Brannon Gearhart Park to South Valley Road by building a natural surface trail between Massey Draw and Ken-Caryl Ave. The eastern section of this trail will be built as part of the stream stabilization project adjacent to the Community Center, which is currently under construction. Plans for completing the western section of the project will be finalized over the next few months and submitted to the Board for approval.

In 2014, construction began on Lower Question Mark Peak Loop Trail, and by the end of the season (mid-October) staff and volunteers had completed approximately one mile of the project. There is approximately 0.8 mile of trail construction needed to complete this project, which is scheduled to continue in 2015.

In 2013, the Board approved the conceptual design for East Cougar Trail, Alternate East Cougar Trail and Cougar Connector Trail. A survey of critical biological resources along these conceptual alignments was completed by the Colorado Natural Heritage Program during the 2014 field season, and the draft report of findings and recommendations was submitted to staff later in the year.

A related project, West Cougar Trail, which connects with East Cougar Trail in the south end of the study area, was reviewed by the Board in early 2012. The Board approved the conceptual design for the project at that time. A biological survey of this alignment was completed during the 2012 field season by Biohabitats Inc, a private contractor.

These proposed trail segments (East Cougar Trail alignments, Cougar Connector Trail and West Cougar Trail) have been combined under the working title of the Cougar Trail Complex. Staff is working with resident volunteers forming a group called the Cougar Design Team (CDT) that is tasked with finalizing the design for the project utilizing the physical and biological data at hand. The makeup of the Cougar Design Team consists of three members from the Open Space Committee, a member of the Master Association Board of Directors and a volunteer trail builder as well as the Open Space Manager.

The final design recommendation will be reviewed by the Open Space Committee and the Board, which ultimately has final say on the project plans.

The Board approved \$25,000 in the 2015 Annual Plan to hire a private contractor to build backcountry trails. While a specific project has not been identified at this time the money will be used on any one or combination of the following projects: Columbine Trail, Lyons Trail, Lower Question Mark Peak Loop and/or Cougar Trail Complex.

In addition, staff is planning on completing the following trail maintenance related projects;

1. Columbine Trail: Restore tread in trough sections of the trail and maintain as needed.
2. Massey Draw Trail: Complete tread restoration work below intersection with Shaffer Trail and Lindenwood access.
3. Lost Canyon Trail: Continue switchback restoration work initiated in 2014.

4. Manor House Connector Trail: Create single, usable tread and improved drainage.
5. Colorow Connector Trail: Improve drainage and restore tread.
6. Bradford Trail (west of Bradford Perley House): Improve drainage and restore tread.

If you have any questions regarding any of these projects, please contact Sean Warren at 303-979-1876 or [seanw@kcranch.org](mailto:seanw@kcranch.org).



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## Meet the Master Association Board Candidates

There are two seats open on the Ken-Caryl Ranch Master Association Board for the March 2015 election. The deadline to submit an application for the Board was Jan. 30, and two candidates came forward by that date. The Election Rules and Guidelines allow for an election by acclamation at the Annual Meeting when there are only enough candidates to fill the vacancies. Therefore this action will occur at the Annual Meeting of the members on March 3. You can read the candidates' bios and their answers to some pertinent election questions below.



### Dan Mullins

Dan Mullins and his wife, Jessica, have lived in the Traditions neighborhood since 2009, and they have a daughter named Kira, age 6. Dan works for Martin/Martin, Inc. as a structural

engineer. He was elected to the Master Association Board of Directors in 2012 and is now seeking reelection. Dan enjoys bicycling, hiking, skiing, woodworking and gardening.

**Q: Why have you declared your candidacy for the Board of Directors? Please explain why you chose to volunteer to serve on this Board.**

A: I have served on the MA Board of Directors for the past three years and feel that I have more to contribute. I enjoy working for the community, listening to the community, making responsible decisions and developing collaborative solutions. I believe my hardworking nature and rational judgment are great assets to the MA Board and the community. The Board is comprised of individuals with a diverse background which together make a well-rounded group. My background in engineering, design and construction has been a key piece of a well-rounded Board.

**Q: What skills or qualifications do you bring as an asset(s) to the KCRMA Board of Directors?**

A: With my knowledge of the construction industry, I have been the Board's trusted leader of our community's planning process for the improvements funded by the bond, as well as other smaller construction projects. I led both the MA and MD Boards toward beginning the bond-funded projects by first working with the Community Planning Committee to gather, consolidate and prioritize the ideas for improvement of our facilities that they had gathered over the past several years. This effort has allowed us to hit the ground running when we hired an Owner's Representative and architect.

I worked with colleagues in the construction industry to introduce the concept of an Owner's Representative for the construction projects to the Boards, and to prepare a Request for Proposal detailing the requirements of how the Owner's Representative would serve the community. The culmination of these efforts led to the hiring of Vanir as our Owner's Representative, and Sink Combs Dethlefs as our architect. I was able to share my construction experience in a manner that helped other Board members and volunteers understand and come to logical conclusions. Throughout my continued participation in these projects, I will guide the projects to bring high quality construction, with good value, operating within the constraints of the project budgets.

In a different area, I have authored or co-authored several open space documents. I wrote the Ken-Caryl Trail Design

and Construction Standards as well as co-authored a training manual for Volunteer Trail Crew Leaders. I have been an integral part of planning for new trail construction and reroutes as well as trail maintenance with the Open Space Manager.

As a Board member I collaborate with the community and other board members to work toward creative solutions. I make good decisions based on facts and logic. I am organized, and I listen to the community. I believe I can provide the Board and community with insight, rational direction and collaborative leadership.

**Q: Board members serve as liaisons on the various KCRMA committees: Architectural, Community Planning, Covenants, Election, Finance, Historical Society and Open Space. On which committee(s) do you wish to serve as a liaison? Why?**

A: I have served on the Architectural Committee for the past three years, and I believe my involvement has been valuable. While allowing the committee to perform their duties, I have listened, learned, offered guidance and focused conversations. As an engineer I work with architects and contractors every day. I know the issues architects deal with, the ideals they strive for, and many of the codes to which they design. I am a resource for contractors when they need help. I read and create construction plans and specifications as a primary part of my profession as a structural engineer, therefore I am proficient with how construction documents are assembled and interpreted. I would be happy to continue to be a liaison to this committee, especially as our public facilities undergo a major upgrade. I could also be a liaison to a different committee, such as Open Space, should the need arise.

**Q: What do you see as the major issue(s) facing the KCR community over the next three years, and how would you deal with those issues as a Board member?**

A: Later this year, our community will finalize construction plans for most of the improvements to be paid by the bond. (I encourage all residents who want to provide input to attend the Open House on Feb. 10, and watch for future opportunities to contribute. We need your input early in the process, not when plans are complete.) Major construction will begin this coming

fall, and complete in the spring of 2016. When complete, the upgraded amenities will have a long, useful life. But we need to look beyond 2016.

As a result of the improvements, our reserve plan will need to be reviewed and updated to be relevant. While the bond funding will create great improvements, there will still be plenty of issues to address, as not all of our aging infrastructure will be improved with the available funding. Fencing and irrigation systems will need to be replaced, and continual maintenance of our facilities will be reduced in the short term but will still be required. We need to finish our Community Plan and use it as a guiding document for future investments. We need to continue to maintain our open space to provide incredible outdoor opportunities for Ken-Caryl residents.

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

A: Ken-Caryl will continue to be a vibrant place to live, with an outstanding quality of life. This is not just a neighborhood – it truly is a community. People know their neighbors and genuinely care about the community. This makes us unique, with our abundant amenities and incredible open space, which are highly valued by residents. While these values won't change, our community is constantly changing.

Longtime residents move on, or interests change, and new families move in. Our imminent improvements to our amenities will increase the functionality and upgrade the appearance, and make our amenities something that our newer residents and families can be proud of. But improvement and forward thinking cannot end when the bond funding runs out.

The community planning committee has been working hard on a community plan to set priorities and guide the community for years to come. The MA Board should support development of new ideas that keep this community fresh. That means supporting the entire community, including all age groups, all areas, and a diverse set of interests. Any new idea is worth considering if it has a positive impact on our community. We, as a community, should continue to improve, evolve and grow into the future.

**Q: What is your philosophy toward Ken-Caryl Ranch amenities and spending money on those amenities? Should revenues be increased to pay for maintenance and improvements to Ken-Caryl Ranch facilities, amenities and infrastructure? If so, how?**

A: In general, I believe that dues are currently at an appropriate level. As a Board member, setting the annual budget and dues is a big responsibility. I approach this task carefully, reviewing new budget requests for merit and requesting staff to identify where budgets can be reduced. As time marches on, the cost for services that Ken-Caryl receives continues to rise, such as trash service and staff compensation. New services, whether it be a dog park, community recycling of yard waste, or more community events, may be desired in the future. These ideas and many others are worthwhile considering if they will be used and enjoyed by a large portion of our community, and if they can be accomplished in a manner that is fiscally and socially acceptable to residents.



### Andrew Roberts

Andrew Roberts has been a resident of the North Ranch since 1991. He is a Director at Co-Lo Ltd., and he enjoys flying, mountain biking, skiing, fishing and cooking.

**Q: Why have you declared your candidacy for the Board of Directors? Please explain why you chose to volunteer to serve on this Board.**

A: I have declared my candidacy for the Board of Directors of the Ken-Caryl Ranch Master Association to contribute a fresh perspective on the key issues that are relevant to the conservation and furtherance of the Ken-Caryl quality of life. I will work with our Board and residents to help define and understand the collective vision for the future of Ken-Caryl, with a concentration on promoting our neighborhood as the definition of "True Colorado Living."

As a highly involved resident and subscriber to a significant portion of the services and amenities offered by Ken-Caryl, I



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have intimate knowledge of the infrastructure managed by the Master Association. My significant experience as a business owner and operator has provided me the capacity to responsibly and effectively contribute to the Board in determining the highest and best use of our combined resources to most effectively drive value to our community.

Additionally, I believe that there exists significant, untapped opportunity for our community by leveraging the unique resources of Ken-Caryl.

As the current Board has significant experience with the issues facing the community, I feel that my position as a newcomer will enable me to provide our community with a nonpartisan approach in effectively directing the combined resources of the Ken-Caryl Ranch Master Association.

**Q: What skills or qualifications do you bring as an asset(s) to the KCRMA Board of Directors?**

A: As a business owner and operator I understand how critical it is to efficiently allocate resources to achieve a maximized benefit in a responsible manner. Moreover,

I also understand the importance of being able to communicate clearly and effectively within an organization, allowing all ideas and perspectives to be considered and evaluated to achieve a cooperative outcome.

My experience in business development at a director level will engage my drive to reach outside of the community to bring new opportunity to the Ken-Caryl community. Again, I believe that the resources of our community can be directed in a more active capacity to draw ideas and activities that will yield additional benefit to the community.

**Q: Board members serve as liaisons on the various KCRMA committees: Architectural, Community Planning, Covenants, Election, Finance, Historical Society and Open Space. On which committee(s) do you wish to serve as a liaison? Why?**

A: I believe that my greatest contribution can be made as a participating liaison to the Open Space Committee, as I consider the open space the most unique and valuable asset of our community. As a frequent, avid user of our open space, I understand how contentious the discussions have

become regarding the use of our open space. I also understand that it is critical to the future of our community that our open space is managed in a balanced relationship with its users and the environment, as this resource is one of the greatest contributors in identifying Ken-Caryl as "True Colorado Living."

This identification is paramount in the definition of Ken-Caryl and is a significant driver of home value as well as a point of differentiation that no other neighborhood in the metropolitan area can claim to have, both in terms of accessibility and conservation. As a Board member, I will work to balance all perspectives surrounding our open space in a manner that preserves both the future and present use of this irreplaceable resource. Additionally, having a significant amount of experience as a builder and as a real estate advisor, I also feel that I could be quite valuable on the Architectural Committee as well as the Community Planning Committee.

**Q: What do you see as the major issue(s) facing the KCR community over the next three years, and how would you deal with those issues as a Board member?**

A: I think that the proper use and allocation of the funds that recently became available via the bond initiative is going to be a critical focus for the Board over the coming years. I'm happy that as a community, we are addressing the aging infrastructure of our community centers, which has been identified as one of the main attractors to people considering KC as their neighborhood, enabling Ken-Caryl to remain competitive with other Front Range communities like Highlands Ranch.

Secondly, I think it is also important that we continue to focus on local business involvement. We need to work to attract better restaurants and service oriented companies like Christy Sports, Mod Market restaurant or a bike shop to the neighborhood.

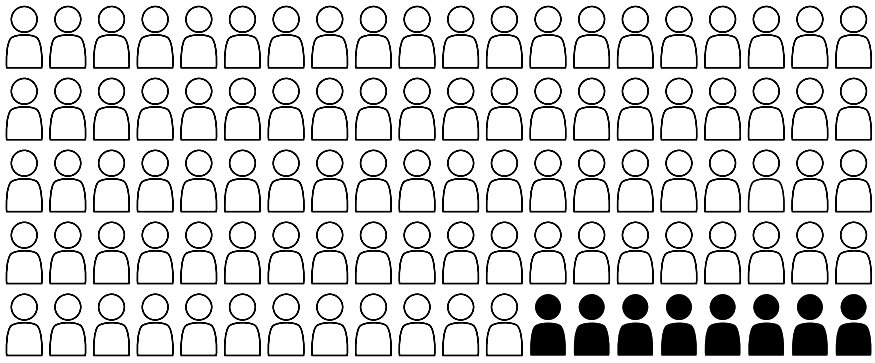
**Q: What is your vision for the future of Ken-Caryl Ranch?**

A: My vision for the future of Ken-Caryl is simple...preserve the ideas and infrastructure that has made our community so enjoyable, with a focus on providing our community with an even higher level of efficiency with regard to the use and allocation of our community fees. It is with this mindset that we can continue to protect the value of our neighborhood while working our best to serve the community.

**Q: What is your philosophy toward Ken-Caryl Ranch amenities and spending money on those amenities? Should revenues be increased to pay for maintenance and improvements to Ken-Caryl Ranch facilities, amenities and infrastructure? If so, how?**

A: The amenities that Ken-Caryl provides to its community are key to keeping the neighborhood competitive with other metro area communities. It is the quality and continued investment into our amenities like the Community Center, tennis courts and trail system that protect the value of our homes and attract those seeking true Colorado living to the Ken-Caryl community. By carefully and efficiently allocating funds to preserve our amenities, we in turn preserve the lifestyle that represents Ken-Caryl.

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## Blush Studios



Blush Studios, located at 12652 W. Ken Caryl Ave. near Lil' Ricci's and Okinawa, will open in mid-February.

By Community Relations Director Victoria DeSair

A new fitness studio has come to Ken-Caryl Ranch. Blush Studios, located at 12652 W. Ken Caryl Ave. near Lil' Ricci's and Okinawa, will open in mid-February. Blush will offer group fitness classes including barre (a combination of ballet, Pilates and yoga) and yoga, as well as other classes to come. Blush also has an active wear boutique.

Blush is owned by Ken-Caryl Ranch resident Christy Marshall. "My career up until now has been in online marketing, and I have always dreamed of being an entrepreneur," said Christy. "Fitness and fashion are two of my biggest passions making Blush a perfect fit for a business to open! I am a Denver native and graduate of Creighton University where I played tennis. My husband, Eric, and I moved to Ken-Caryl because of the amazing trail system and beautiful surroundings, and we are thrilled to offer the community a fitness studio to come invest an hour into themselves."

Christy said one of the biggest differentiators for Blush is the ability to take several types of classes rather than just belonging to a yoga or a barre studio. "I personally love a variety of classes and wanted to have our clients be able to mix up their workouts," Christy said. "In addition, with our boutique and lounge area I'm hoping to make Blush a place where people in our community can come hang out, meet new friends and shop for cute active wear pieces that they really can wear from class to their coffee date. I can't wait to meet our clients and get to know more people from the community."

Blush is running a special monthly membership price in February of \$99 per month for unlimited classes. Normally the price is \$129 per month. In addition, the studio will be offering drop-in rates and class packages.

You can contact Blush Studios at 303-995-1917 or [contact@blushstudioslifestyle.com](mailto:contact@blushstudioslifestyle.com) or visit their website, [www.blushstudioslifestyle.com](http://www.blushstudioslifestyle.com), for more information.

*Editor's Note: The Minding Our Business section features businesses within the boundaries of Ken-Caryl Ranch. If you have a business you would like to submit for this section, contact Community Relations Director Victoria DeSair at 303-979-1876, ext. 122, or [victoriad@kcranch.org](mailto:victoriad@kcranch.org).*

## Trash & Recycling Info from Waste Connections

**Auto-Dial Service:** Waste Connections, the trash and recycling services provider for Ken-Caryl Ranch offers an auto dial service to notify customers of any changes in trash pickup days. You can sign up online by visiting [www.wcdenver.com](http://www.wcdenver.com). Once you are at [www.wcdenver.com/contact/](http://www.wcdenver.com/contact/). Complete the required information, click on Residential Trash Service, then in the comment section at the bottom of the page explain that you are a Ken-Caryl resident seeking to sign up for the



Call Fire service.

**Delayed Trash Days:** Waste Connections observes the following holidays: New Year's Day, Memorial Day, July 4, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day, unless they fall on a weekend day. If your normal pickup day falls on a holiday or after a holiday, your collection schedule will run one day late that week.

**Recycling Notes:** Please remember to have your trash and recycling curbside by 7 a.m. on your collection day. Trash and recycling should be placed four feet apart from each other at the curb. Recycling containers need to be clearly marked as recycling. If you need a Waste Connections recycling sticker, please visit the Ranch House or Community Center.

**Customer Service Contact Information:** Contact Waste Connections at 303-288-2100 or [www.wcdenver.com](http://www.wcdenver.com) for a complete list of what can and cannot be recycled, if a special items pickup is needed or for answers to any other questions. If you are experiencing service problems or have a missed pickup, please call Tom Wamsley at 720-234-4551.

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# Daddy Daughter Date Night

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Saturday, February 21  
6pm-8pm  
Ranch House Lounge

**Ages:** 3-10 years with Dad  
**Fees:** \$20/resident Dad & Daughter Course# 29994  
\$30/non-resident Dad & Daughter  
\$8/additional Dad or Daughter  
**Min 10 / Max 40**

To register visit [www.ken-carylranh.org](http://www.ken-carylranh.org) or call 303-979-4070.

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**To Register:** Call 303-979-4070 or visit [www.ken-carylranh.org](http://www.ken-carylranh.org).

**Time:** 5:30 PM - 9:00 PM

**Location:** Ranch House - Adult Lounge or B&A Room

**Fees:** Please refer to the pink column for our new pricing!

**Cancellations:** Cancellations must be made with 7 days notice to receive credit.

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## Lovely Flowers



By Environmental Education Specialist Gabrielle Chisholm

For centuries people have recognized that flowers can be a symbol of beauty, hope, forgiveness and love. Because Valentine's Day is just around the corner, it means flowers equal LOVE!

According to a survey by the National Retail Federation, 37.8 percent of Ameri-

cans will buy flowers for Valentine's Day 2015, spending a total of \$2.1 billion; that's a lot of flowers! In the winter there aren't any flowers blooming outside, but bouquets and cut flowers from the local florist can make for a wonderful gift to show your love.

Once springtime hits, wildflowers will start to bloom again and the ones with heart-shaped leaves can be some of the best that represent love. To have heart-shaped leaves is called cordate. Two examples of native wildflowers that are common to the foothills that have cordate leaves are Canada Violet, *Viola scopulorum*, and Heart-Leaved Arnica, *Arnica cordifolia*. Those plants usually bloom at different times and are in different families; they may be found in similar rocky areas.

So once it starts to warm up, don't forget that flowers represent love and perhaps go searching for some on the trail. Please remember to never pick wildflowers and to stay on the trail!

Join KC Nature for the all-age program "Ken-Caryl ROCKS!" Friday, March 13 from 4-6 p.m., Course No. 29976. You can register at [www.ken-carylranh.org](http://www.ken-carylranh.org) or by calling 303-979-4070.



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● Mom & Son Game Night

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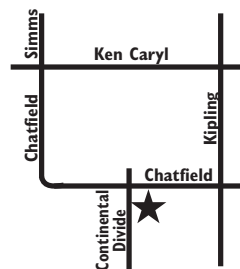
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# RECREATION PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES

## ◆ For Your Information

### For your information

Recreation Office Hours Effective Jan. 1, 2015

**Ranch House Recreation Office** 303-979-4070

Monday - Friday 8 a.m.-6 p.m.

Closed Saturday & Sunday

**Community Center** 303-979-2233

Monday - Thursday 5:30 a.m.-10 p.m.

Friday 5:30 a.m.-7 p.m.

Saturday 8 a.m.-7 p.m.

Sunday 8 a.m.-7 p.m.



**Nursery Hours** Effective Jan. 1, 2015

**Community Center**

Monday through Friday - 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

HOURS MAY VARY ACCORDING TO RESERVATIONS.

### Ken-Caryl Ranch Refund Policy

Requests for refunds must be made 48 hours before the first session of the scheduled program at the Ranch House and Community Center. This includes any KC Nature programs. Requests need to be made during normal business hours. Each refund will be assessed a \$10 service charge, unless the class is canceled by the Ken-Caryl Ranch Metropolitan District.

### How to Register for Classes & Events

- Online: Go to [ken-carylranh.org](http://ken-carylranh.org) and click on Registration under Programs & Activities
- Phone-In: Ranch House 303-979-4070, Community Center 303-979-2233
- Mail-In: Download a registration form at [ken-carylranh.org](http://ken-carylranh.org) by clicking on Registration under Programs & Activities. Mail the form along with your payment to: KCRMD, 7676 S. Continental Divide Rd., Littleton, CO 80127
- Fax-In: Ranch House 303-979-5347, Community Center 303-979-6501
- Walk-In: Ranch House or the Community Center during normal business hours.
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30173	11-14	Level A	W	6-7 p.m.	Devin	\$98/\$119
30174	11-14	Level B	Th	4-5 p.m.	Heather	\$98/\$119
30177	11-14	Comp 1	Th	5-6 p.m.	Heather	\$98/\$119
30180	11-12	Comp 2	Th	4-5 p.m.	John	\$98/\$119
30181	11-12	Comp 3	W	5-6 p.m.	Devin	\$98/\$119
30182	11-12	Comp 3	Th	5-6 p.m.	Mark	\$98/\$119
30183	11-12	Comp 4	Th	5-6 p.m.	John	\$98/\$119
30184	13-14	Comp 2	Th	6-7 p.m.	Chris	\$98/\$119
30185	13-14	Comp 3	Th	6-7 p.m.	Mark	\$98/\$119
30186	13-14	Comp 3	M	6:30-7:45 p.m.	Mark	\$122.50/\$143.50
30187	13-14	Comp 4	W	6:45-8 p.m.	Mark	\$122.50/\$143.50
30188	13-14	Comp 5	M	6:30-8 p.m.	Chris	\$147/\$168
30189	HS	Boys Dbls.	Th 4/crt	3-4 p.m.	Mark	\$147/\$168
30188	HS	Boys	M 4/crt	6:30-8 p.m.	Chris	\$147/\$168

For more information, please contact Judy Anderson at 303-979-2233 or [Judya@kcranch.org](mailto:Judya@kcranch.org). The next session will run April 20 to May 22.

## Junior Team Tennis

Junior Team Tennis is a nine-week league for boys and girls 8 to 18 years of age who have passed Level C into Comp 1. Teams are comprised of 5 to 7 players of similar age and skill, competing against other teams in the same geographic area on Mondays beginning June 15. Practices begin the week of June 8 and run through July 28 and are held Tuesdays and Thursdays for ages 8 to 14 and Wednesday mornings for 15 to 18 year olds at the Community Center. Practice times will be emailed out by May 5. If your child turns 11 before Aug. 9, they will play in the 11-12 category, and if they turn 13, they will play in the 13-14 category. Match times will be:

10 and under:	8 a.m. - 10 a.m.
12 and under:	10 a.m. - 12 p.m. (this time is new this year)
14 and under:	12 p.m. - 2 p.m.
18 and under:	2 p.m. - 4 p.m. (this time is new this year)
Fee:	If you register by March 20: \$190/\$220
	If you register between March 20 and April 5: \$220/\$250
	After April 5, if space is available: \$245/\$275

If you are new to the program and would like more information, please contact Judy Anderson at 303-979-2233.

## ◆ Tennis

### KEN-CARYL RANCH METRO DISTRICT JUNIOR TENNIS LESSONS

Feb. 23-April 18 (No lessons March 23-27)

Lottery Deadline: Feb. 15 Evaluations take place in class week of Feb. 9.

Course	Age	Level	Day	Time	Pro	Fee
30157	5-6	Level A	M	4-4:30 p.m.	Mark/John	\$73.50/\$80.50
30158	5-6	Level A	T	4-4:30 p.m.	Leslie/Mark	\$73.50/\$80.50
30159	5-6	Level B	M	4:30-5 p.m.	Mark/John	\$73.50/\$80.50
30160	5-6	Level B-C	T	4:30-5 p.m.	Leslie/Mark	\$73.50/\$80.50
30161	7-8	Level A	M	5-5:45 p.m.	Mark	\$73.50/\$87.50
30162	7-8	Level A	T	5-5:45 p.m.	Mark	\$73.50/\$87.50
30163	7-8	Level B	M	5:45-6:30 p.m.	Mark	\$73.50/\$87.50
30164	7-8	Level B	W	4-4:45 p.m.	John	\$73.50/\$87.50
30165	7-8	Level C	M	5-5:45 p.m.	Chris	\$73.50/\$87.50
30166	9-10	Level A	M (Lmt 4)	5:45-6:30 p.m.	Chris	\$110.25/\$124.75
30167	9-10	Level B	T	5-6 p.m.	Leslie	\$98/\$119
30168	*9-10	Level C	W	4-5 p.m.	Mark	\$98/\$119
30169	*9-10	Level C	Th	5-6 p.m.	Chris	\$98/\$119

\*If your child is in 9-10 Level C and turns 11 on or before Aug. 9, please register them for 11-12 Level B lessons. As they move up an age group, they move down a level due to a change in balls.

30170	9-10	Comp 1	W	4-5 p.m.	Devin	\$98/\$119
30171	9-10	Comp 2	Th	4-5 p.m.	Mark	\$98/\$119
30172	9-10	Comp 3	W	4:45-6 p.m.	John	\$122.50/\$143.50
30173	11-14	Level A	W	6-7 p.m.	Devin	\$98/\$119
30174	11-14	Level B	Th	4-5 p.m.	Heather	\$98/\$119

If your child turns 13 on or before Aug. 9, please register them for 13-14 age group lessons. As they move up an age group, they move down a level due to a change in balls.

### Junior Ball Machine Drill

30175	11-12	Comp 1, 2	W	5-5:45 p.m.	Mark	\$73.50/\$87.50
30176	11-12	Comp 2, 3	W	5:45-6:30 p.m.	Mark	\$73.50/\$87.50

This is a fast-paced drill session that will have the kids hitting hundreds of balls in a short amount of time. Improvement in tennis requires lots of hitting. This class will meet that need. Our goal is to have the group hit 1000 to 1500 balls in each class. This class is part cardio, part drill and part instruction.

30177	11-14	Comp 1	Th	5-6 p.m.	Heather	\$98/\$119
30178	11-12	Comp 2	M	5-6 p.m.	John	\$98/\$119
30179	11-12	Comp 2	T	6-7 p.m.	Mark	\$98/\$119

## SUMMER TENNIS LESSON SESSIONS

June 1-4	Aug. 3-12
June 8-July 1	Aug. 10-14
July 6-29	

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Summer League  
Information Meeting  
Feb. 27, 11:30 a.m. CC

## Adult Lessons

Feb. 23-April 19 (No lessons March 23-28)

7 weeks of lessons

Registration Begins Feb. 11 at 6 a.m. for Lessons and Leagues

### Lessons

You must register at your current NTRP level

Course	Level	Day	Time	Pro	Fee
30204	Beg.	W	10-11 a.m.	Heather	\$98/\$119
30205	2.0-2.5	F	11 a.m.-12 p.m.	Mark	\$98/\$119
30206	2.5	Th	11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.	Mark	\$98/\$119
30207	2.5	T	10 a.m.-11 a.m.	Mark	\$98/\$119
30208	2.5-3.0	T	12:30-2:00 p.m.	Leslie	\$147/\$168
30209	3.0	Th	10:30 a.m.-11:30 p.m.	Mark	\$98/\$119
30210	3.0	F	10 a.m.-11 a.m.	Mark	\$98/\$119
30211	3.5 Singles	W	12-1 p.m. (Lmt 4)	Mark	\$147/\$168

### Leagues

Feb. 22-April 24 (8 weeks of leagues; no leagues March 23-28)

You must register at your current NTRP level

Course	M/W	Level	Day	Time	Fee
30214	Women	2.5-3.0	Mon.	11 a.m.-1 p.m.	\$128/\$152
30215	Women	3.0-3.5	Wed.	6-8 p.m.	\$128/\$152
30216	Men	3.0-3.5	Tues.	6-8 p.m.	\$128/\$152

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Days	Times	Levels	Instructor
Tuesdays	7-8 p.m.	3.5 - 4.5	TBD
Thursdays	7-8 a.m.	3.5 - 4.5	Chris
Fridays	8-9 a.m.	3.5 - 4.5	John/Leslie
Fridays	9-10 a.m.	2.5-3.5	Mark (call at 6 p.m. Thursday)
Saturdays	8-9 a.m.	3.5 - 4.5	Chris

Fee: Resident: \$10  
Non-Resident: \$13

Pre-registration required by calling 303-979-2233 after 5 p.m. (unless specified) night prior. Cancellations less than two hours in advance will be charged.



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**● Fitness & Wellness**



**Healthways SilverSneakers Fitness**

Ken-Caryl has partnered with SilverSneakers to offer benefits to qualified members of AARP, Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield, Humana, Kaiser Permanente of Colorado and United Health Care. Healthways SilverSneakers Fitness program is also an insurance benefit included in more than 65 Medicare health plans. Through SilverSneakers, health plans and group retirement plans provide a gym membership to their insured at no additional cost. SilverSneakers membership allows access to more than 12,000 participating locations nationwide and includes all the basic amenities, group exercise classes and in some cases, classes geared specifically toward the active older adult.

It only takes a few seconds to see if you qualify for a free gym membership to the Community Center. Stop by and we can put your name, address and birth date into the database to see if you qualify, or you can contact your insurance provider. For more information, please call the Community Center at 303-979-2233.

**Junior Weight Room Certification**

The certification course is being held on the second Monday of every month from 4-5 p.m. at the Community Center. Youth between 12-18 years of age must be certified by our personal trainers in order to use the exercise/weight equipment at the center. Call the Community Center at 303-979-2233 to register for this course; no walk-ins will be accepted.  
 Date: Monday, March 9  
 Time: 3:30-5 p.m.  
 Location: Community Center  
 Ages: 12-18  
 Fee: Resident: \$20  
 Non-Resident: \$23

**Course #30476**

**● KC Nature**

**Family Program: Ken-Caryl Ranch ROCKS!**

Come explore the rock formations of Ken-Caryl and find out why this is such a special area to live. We will go over different types of rocks and then hike to see the different formations. Bring water and a light snack for the trail.  
 Date: Friday, March 13  
 Time: 4-6 p.m.  
 Location: Dakota Lodge  
 Ages: All ages  
 Fee: Adult - Resident: \$10  
 Non-Resident: \$12  
 Youth (3-18 years) - Resident: \$8  
 Non-Resident: \$10  
 Family of 4 - Resident: \$30  
 Non-Resident: \$40

**Course #29976**

**Young Explorers: After School – Learn the Trails**

This program is hike-based where we will learn the trails in Ken-Caryl Ranch and make stops along the way to look at wildlife, wildflowers, geology and historical sites. Bring a water bottle and snack for the trail.  
 Dates: Mondays, March 2-April 7  
 (No class March 23 or 30)  
 Time: 3:45-5:45 p.m.  
 Location: Dakota Lodge. Transportation is available from Bradford Primary. Pickup is Dakota Lodge.  
 Ages: 5-10 years  
 Fee: Resident: \$45  
 Non-Resident: \$55

**Course #29978**

Dates: Tuesdays, March 3-April 7  
 (No class March 24)  
 Time: 3:45-5:45 p.m.  
 Location: Dakota Lodge. Transportation is available from Bradford Primary. Pickup is Dakota Lodge.  
 Ages: 5-10 years  
 Fee: Resident: \$55  
 Non-Resident: \$65

**Course #29979**

**Themed Programs: Live Rock Performed by Ecology**

Rocks, soil and weather aren't alive, but could plants and animals survive without these non-living essentials? Ecology is the study of how living things interact with each other and the environment surrounding them. We will search and identify the earth's living and non-living components, and will we notice that there is a harmony between the two?

**Babes in the Woods**

Dates: Mondays, March 2-April 6  
 (No class March 30)  
 Time: 10-11 a.m.  
 Location: Dakota Lodge  
 Ages: 18 months-2 1/2 years, with a parent  
 Fee: Resident: \$30  
 Non-Resident: \$35

**Course #29982**

**KC Kids: Mornings**

Dates: Wednesdays, March 4-April 8  
 (No class March 25)  
 Time: 9:15 a.m. -12:15 p.m.  
 Location: Dakota Lodge  
 Ages: 3 1/2-6 years  
 Fee: Resident: \$85  
 Non-Resident: \$95

**Course #29986**

Dates: Thursdays, March 5-April 9  
 (No class March 26)

**Course # 29987**

**KC Kids: Afternoons**

Dates: Wednesdays, March 4-April 8  
 (No class March 25)  
 Time: 1:30-3:30 p.m.  
 Location: Dakota Lodge  
 Ages: 3 1/2-6 years  
 Fee: Resident: \$55  
 Non-Resident: \$65

**Course #29988**

**Bradford Elementary Before School – Early Birds**

Come explore the outdoors before heading off to school for the day! Please bring appropriate clothes to be outside. A light morning snack is provided.  
 Dates: Monday-Friday  
 (You may come to as many or as few days a week as you'd like)  
 Time: 7 a.m.-9 a.m. (You may drop off any time between 7-8:45 a.m.)  
 Location: Dakota Lodge with transportation to Bradford Primary and Intermediate.  
 Ages: K-6th  
 Fee: Resident: \$10 per day  
 Non-Resident: \$12 per day  
 Billed monthly according to what you sign up for each month.  
 Please contact Gabrielle Chisholm for registration packet or visit ww.ken-caryl-ranch.org.

**Greening and Growing Up – Spring Break Camp**

March 23-27  
 Spring is the time of year when temperatures start to rise and there is new growth all around us. Spend spring break outside hiking, playing and learning about new plants and baby animals.

**Weekly Rates and Times**

**Half Day**  
 Dates: March 23-27  
 Time: 7 a.m. - 12 p.m.  
 (Drop off anytime between 7-9 a.m.)

Location: Dakota Lodge  
 Ages: 6-10  
 Days: Monday – Friday  
 Fee: Resident: \$75  
 Non-Resident: \$95

**Course # 29996**

**Full Day Monday-Friday**

Dates: March 23 – March 27  
 Time: 7 a.m. – 5 p.m.  
 (Drop off anytime between 7-9 a.m. and pickup anytime between 3-5 p.m.)

Location: Dakota Lodge  
 Ages: 6-10  
 Fee: Resident: \$155  
 Non-Resident: \$180

**Course # 29997**

**Daily Rates and Times**

If you can't make the whole week, register for the days you can using the course codes below.

**Half Day**

Dates: March 23-27  
 Time: 7 a.m. – 12 p.m.  
 (Drop off anytime between 7-9 a.m.)

Location: Dakota Lodge  
 Ages: 6-10  
 Fee: Daily Half-Day Fee: Resident: \$16  
 Non-Resident: \$20

Day: Monday **Course #29998**  
 Tuesday **Course #29999**

Wednesday **Course #30000**  
 Thursday **Course #30001**  
 Friday **Course #30002**

**Full Day**

Dates: March 23-27  
 Time: 7 a.m. – 5 p.m.  
 (Drop off anytime between 7-9 a.m. and pickup anytime between 3-5 p.m.)

Location: Dakota Lodge  
 Ages: 6-10  
 Fee: Daily Full-Day Fee: Resident: \$32  
 Non-Resident: \$37

Day: Monday **Course #30003**  
 Tuesday **Course #30004**  
 Wednesday **Course #30005**  
 Thursday **Course #30006**  
 Friday **Course #30007**

**● Youth Programs**

**Spring Break Mini-Camp**

March 23-27  
 Sign up your child for one or all fun-filled days of spring break Mini Camp at the Community Center. Our days will be filled with hands-on learning in a relaxed and caring environment that involves art, games, songs, cooking and science activities. A light, healthy snack will be served in the morning and the afternoon. Children must be between 3-5 years old and potty trained in order to attend.

Dates: March 23-27

**Daily Schedules and Fees:**

<b>Little Learner</b>	9 a.m.-12 p.m.
Fees:	Resident: \$17 Non-Resident: 21
<b>Explorer</b>	9 a.m.-3 p.m.
Fees:	Resident: \$34 Non-Resident: 38
<b>Full Day</b>	
Time:	6:45 a.m.-6:00 p.m.
Fees:	Resident: \$43 Non-Resident: \$45



	Little Learner 9 a.m.-12 p.m.	Explorer 9 a.m.-3 p.m.	Full Day 6:45 a.m.-6 p.m.
	Resident: \$17 Non-Resident: 21	Resident: \$34 Non-Resident: 38	Resident: \$43 Non-Resident: \$45
Date/Theme	Class#	Class#	Class#
Mon. March 23 Caterpillars & Butterflies	30048	30053	30058
Tues. March 24 Raindrops & Rainbows	30049	30054	30059
Wed. March 25 Young Animals	30050	30055	30060
Thurs. March 26 Budding Blossoms	30051	30056	30061
Fri. March 27 Happy Birthday Dr. Suess	30052	30057	30062

Explorers and Full Day children will need a sack lunch. Please send your child in/with weather appropriate clothing.

Registration will be open to the public starting Feb. 24. Please call 303-979-4070 or visit our website at [www.ken-caryl-ranch.org](http://www.ken-caryl-ranch.org).

#### Active Kids Fitness Class

Do you have an active little one who loves to play? Bring your child to a drop-in kids' fitness class! During this class we will be engaging in structured activities such as stretching, active games and free play to keep your young one moving. Come join us for a free demo of this class! Please call the Community Center 303-979-2233 by 6 p.m. the night before to reserve your spot. Mondays & Thursdays, Feb.23-May 21  
Time: 9:45-10:45 a.m.

Location: Community Center Racquetball Court 2

Ages: 1 1/2 - 6 years old  
Fee: Resident: \$6  
Non-Resident: \$8

#### Spring Break Camp

Date: Monday, March 23-Monday, March 30

Time: 6:45 a.m.-6 p.m.  
Location: Ken-Caryl Ranch House. We will travel each day.

Age: Grades K-6th  
Fee: Resident: \$35/day  
Non-Resident: \$40/day

All field trip costs are included.  
What to bring: Lunch, 2 snacks & appropriate attire for activities.  
We play outside every day! Please send your campers in appropriate dress.

#### Spring Break Camp Schedule

Monday, March 23, Denver Museum of Nature and Science & City Park  
Course #30067

Tuesday, March 24, Lone Tree Recreation Center, Swimming  
Course #30068

Wednesday, March 25, Sloan's Lake Park and Coors Field Stadium Tour!  
Course #30069

Thursday, March 26, Cave of the Winds!  
Course #30070

Friday, March 27, Arvada Center for the Arts @ Hammond's Candies!  
Course #30071

Monday, March 30, Argo Gold Mine and Mill  
Course #30072

Field trips subject to change due to weather or unforeseen circumstances. Priority B&A registration is through Feb. 13 at 6 p.m. Open Public registration begins Tuesday, Feb. 17. Cancellations will receive account credit with 7 days notice. For more information, please contact Heather at 303-979-4070, ext. 132, or [heatherm@kcranch.org](mailto:heatherm@kcranch.org).

#### Friday Fun Night: Kids' Night Out

Parents, celebrate Valentine's Day early! Ken-Caryl kids, leave your parents at home and join the energetic and goofy Youth Programs staff for an evening of play and party. Take part in science experiments,

cooking projects, crafts, games and even watch a movie. Dinner is provided.

Date: Friday, Feb. 13 -  
Super Duper Theme  
Time: 5:30-9 p.m.  
Location: Ranch House  
Ages: 4-12 year olds (new ages)  
Fee: 1 Kid:  
Resident: \$25  
Non-Resident: \$30

**2-Sibling Bundle:**  
Resident: \$40  
Non-Resident: \$50

**3-Sibling Bundle:**  
Resident: \$65  
Non-Resident: \$80

**Course #29965** (1 kid)  
**Course #29966** (2-sibling bundle)  
**Course #29967** (3-sibling bundle)

#### Dance Classes: Intermediate/Ballet & Tap

Enjoy this convenient opportunity in the studio at the Ranch House! Classes are taught by Denver Region Dance Academy. Questions? Call Mikki Wright at 303-733-7982.

Date: Tuesdays, Feb. 17-March 31  
(No class March 24)  
Time: 5:45-6:30 p.m.  
Location: Ranch House Dance Room  
Ages: 4-7  
Fee: Resident: \$63  
Non-Resident: \$78 (6 weeks)

**Course: #30064**

#### Daddy Daughter Date Night

Join us for a special night of dinner, dancing, fun and games. Be sure to dress sharp for your photos!

Date: Saturday, Feb. 21

Time: 6-8 p.m.

Location: Ranch House Lounge

Ages: 3-10 years with Dad

Fee: Resident: \$20/Dad & Daughter  
Non-Resident: \$30/Dad & Daughter

Additional: \$8/Dad or Daughter

#### Course #29994

#### At Home Alone

Does your child spend a few hours home alone before or after school due to your work schedule or other commitments?

This popular entertaining workshop is designed to prepare children to look after themselves during these times. Students learn how to stay safe through interactive lessons, role play and hands-on training. Every Kidproof course is non-threatening and empowering.

Date: Saturday, Feb. 21

Time: 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

Location: Ranch House AV Room

Ages: 10-13 years

Fee: Resident: \$40  
Non-Resident: \$50

#### Course #29853

#### Babysitting Clinic

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

Date: Saturday, March 7

Time: 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

Location: Ranch House AV Room

Ages: 10-13 years

Fee: Resident: \$60  
Non-Resident: \$75

#### Course #29848

#### Story Time at the Ranch House

We have partnered again with Jefferson County Libraries to offer an exciting hour of family fun while sharing our love of children's literature. Join us for stories, finger plays and an introduction to letter sounds. No registration required.

Dates: Thursdays through May 21

Time: 10:15 a.m.

Location: Ranch House Dance Room

Ages: All ages

Fee: FREE!

#### New and Improved Grow with Me Class

Come join us for this new and improved Grow with Me parent and child class. In this class we will be participating in themed developmentally appropriate activities with more variety and content than ever before. Parents and children will complete art, cooking and science projects as well as engage in both fine and gross motor play.

Date: March 3-April 3

Time: 10-10:45 a.m.

Location: Ranch House

Ages: 18-36 months + parent

Fee: Resident: \$20  
Non-Resident: \$30

Tuesday Friday

**Course #30552 Course #30553**

### Adult Programs

#### KC Community Garden Plots

Imagine growing corn taller than your head, tomatoes as big as your fist, pumpkins that become jack-o-lanterns...yes, you can do it. The Ken-Caryl Community Gardeners grow all of this and so much more each summer. In addition to growing fresh, organic produce, the Community Garden hosts educational and social events throughout the growing season. Become part of this vibrant and enjoyable community of gardeners while serving up fresh vegetables and fruits to your family, maybe even enlisting the help of your children. Dates: 2015 growing season registration is now open.

Location: Community Garden next to the Community Center

Ages: All ages

Fee: Small plot \$75 with a \$50 deposit

#### Course #28776

#### Puppy Preschool Classes


Join positive dog trainers Laurel Landsman and Dawn Winans and find out how much fun training your dog can be. This class is for puppies under six months old and they must have had two rounds of vaccinations. The class teaches basic commands, socialization, general puppy behavior tips and tricks. Please visit Canine Frontier's website at <http://caninefrontiertraining.com> or Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/caninefrontier](http://www.facebook.com/caninefrontier) for more information. Dates: 6-week sessions on Tuesdays (call for dates)

Time: 6:30 p.m.

Location: Dakota Lodge

Fees: Resident: \$130

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**Basic Dog Obedience Classes**

Join positive dog trainers Laurel Landsman and Dawn Winans and find out how much fun training your dog can be. This class is for dogs over six months old. The class teaches basic commands plus home manners, focus work and tricks. Please visit Canine Frontier's website at <http://caninefrontier-training.com> or Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/caninefrontier](http://www.facebook.com/caninefrontier) for more information.

Dates: 6-week sessions on Tuesdays (call for dates)

Time: 7:30 p.m.

Location: Dakota Lodge

Fees: Resident: \$110

Non-Resident: \$130

**Red Hat Divas**

A group of women enjoying life to the fullest. The group was created for the single purpose of having fun!

Date: Tuesday, Feb. 24

Time: 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Location: Ranch House Adult Lounge

Fee: None

If you are interested in signing up for future events or would like more information, please contact Pola at 303-779-4434.

**7th Annual Share Your Love Food Drive**

Bring your non-perishable food donations to Ranch House or Community Center by Feb. 13 for donation to charity.

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● Job Announcement

## Summer Youth Programs Positions

Enjoy all of the laughter and thrills of summer camp while working in a fun, organized and supportive environment. Our goal is simple: hire the best camp staff and create a place where we all love to work and play. Leave your cell phone and fancy clothes behind and come play hard in the sun! Experience the difference by joining our dedicated, fun-loving team and having a significant influence in the lives of children.

Salary: \$9 - \$11/hour DOE

Dates: May 21-Aug. 14 (includes one week of staff training)

**Time Commitment:**

Up to 40 hours/week, Monday-Friday

**Ken-Caryl Ranch Summer Camp Overview:**

Children 3-12 years of age enjoy active games, science, art, cooking, field trips and more! Each fun-filled day offers campers a variety of new activities. Weekly schedules include swimming, tennis lessons, dance, nature walks and field trips to local and metro-area attractions, including zoos, water parks, etc.

**Camp Counselor Responsibilities:**

- Organize and lead a team of up to 10 students in small, age-specific group activities.
- Work as a team with other staff to lead large group games and activities.
- Ensure safety of all participants.
- Supervise students on field trips.
- Attend staff training prior to the start of camp and staff meetings.

**Qualifications:**

- Experience working with preschool, pre-K or school age students (Group leader or teacher-licensure certification a plus, but not required).
- Flexible and positive in an intense, dynamic and sometimes stressful environment.
- Enjoy working and playing outdoors with energetic people.
- Passionate about one or more of the following: science, art, cooking, sports, drama, music, fire trucks, fairies, insects!
- Ability to work independently and as a team member.
- Must exercise excellent judgment, diplomacy and sensitivity to all constituents.
- Must be at least 19 years old or have completed one year of college.
- Strong communication skills with youth, parents and co-workers.
- Desire to work and play hard in the sun each and every day!

Applications will be accepted until positions are filled. To apply, please email a resume and cover letter, specifying your age group interest, to [youthprograms@kcranch.org](mailto:youthprograms@kcranch.org) OR download an application at [www.ken-carylranh.org](http://www.ken-carylranh.org).

● Our Rising Generation

## Local Gymnast Excels



Jessica Schroeder competed in the National Judges Cup Gymnastics Championships and placed first on her floor, vault and beam routines and first in the all-around competition.

Jessica Schroeder, daughter of Jacqueline and Jake Schroeder and sister of Blake Schroeder of Barrington Ridge, competed in the National Judges Cup Gymnastics Championships in Montgomery, Alabama on Jan. 10.

The meet capped off Jessica's 2014 USAG Level 5 gymnastics season. Jessica began the 2014 competitive season in Level 4. At the Level 4 season opener meet, she scored a perfect 10 on her floor routine, ranking her No. 1 in the nation in that event and placed first in all-around competition. She then moved up to Level 5.

During her Level 5 season, Jessica placed first in all-around competition at every meet but two. At the Colorado Judges Cup qualifying meet, Jessica's cumulative score qualified her as one of the top five gymnasts in Colorado, earning her a spot on the Colorado All Stars team and an all-expense paid trip to compete in the National Judges Cup Championships.

Jessica traveled to the meet with her family and her coach, Stanley Chinyerere from 5280 Gymnastics, where she competed against other top-scoring gymnasts from around the country, and gained her first national meet experience. Jessica placed first on her floor, vault and beam routines and first in all-around competition.

To top off the experience, the Colorado All Star team placed first in Level 5 for the entire meet. Jessica has now moved into the Level 6 optional competition season, and placed first in all-around competition in her first meet. She expects to begin training in Level 7 optionals this spring. Go Jessica!



Jessica traveled to the meet with her family and her coach, Stanley Chinyerere from 5280 Gymnastics.

● Annual Meeting Proxy

## Turn In Your Proxy Form for a Chance to Win a Free Month of Dues

The Master Association will be having a drawing for one free month of dues. To be entered into the drawing, just return your proxy form prior to the Annual Meeting on March 3. Pink proxy slips were mailed to all residents in December. The proxies serve to establish quorum (simple majority) at the Annual Meeting on March 3. Residents need to sign and return their proxy slip because 2,341 signed proxies are needed to hold the Annual Meeting. As of Feb. 2, the Ranch House had received 1,256 proxies.

A copy of the proxy form is available at the Ranch House or for download at [www.ken-carylranh.org](http://www.ken-carylranh.org) under the News section. You can drop off the slip at the Ranch House or mail it to KCRMA, 7676 S. Continental Divide Road, Littleton, CO 80127. You can also fax it to 303-972-1272 or scan and email the form to [annettec@kcranch.org](mailto:annettec@kcranch.org).



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2014 Market Statistics for Ken-Caryl. The table shows various metrics such as Number Sold, Avg SqFt, Avg PSF, Avg % of List/Sold, Avg Sold Price, and Avg DOM for different areas like Valley and Plains.



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## Summary of 2014 Ken-Caryl Year End Residential Totals for the Valley and the Plains

### VALLEY

	Number Sold	Avg SqFt	Avg PSF	Avg % of List/Sold	Avg Sold Price	Avg DOM
Barrington Ridge	2	4,880	\$186	97%	\$897,250	123
Bradford Place	1	2,558	\$213	96%	\$545,000	62
Carriage Hill	3	3,519	\$215	99%	\$754,667	66
Deer Creek	7	2,258	\$212	97%	\$475,577	29
Deerwood Vista	8	3,686	\$235	96%	\$867,113	71
Eagles Pointe	6	3,283	\$205	98%	\$666,583	76
Heirloom	5	2,512	\$217	99%	\$583,280	17
Legacy	6	3,074	\$190	98%	\$582,333	87
Manor Ridge	5	3,929	\$240	96%	\$945,500	51
North Ranch	22	3,973	\$228	97%	\$888,338	85
Retreat	1	2,243	\$244	97%	\$547,500	1
Shavano	9	2,429	\$200	97%	\$482,944	46
Stallion Pointe	9	2,545	\$198	99%	\$504,122	51
Stratford Farms	4	2,235	\$235	100%	\$525,250	3
The Colony	1	2,344	\$209	98%	\$489,000	47
The Enclave	2	2,195	\$184	99%	\$402,500	8
Traditions	6	1,872	\$229	98%	\$425,567	74
Wynterbrooke	1	2,812	\$202	100%	\$567,000	7
<b>VALLEY TOTAL</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>3,088</b>	<b>\$216</b>	<b>98%</b>	<b>\$668,334</b>	<b>60</b>

### PLAINS

	Number Sold	Avg SqFt	Avg PSF	Avg % of List/Sold	Avg Sold Price	Avg DOM
Mountain Gate	47	1,043	\$138	99%	\$146,141	21
Settlement	10	1,757	\$128	100%	\$222,450	25
Sunset Ridge	15	1,434	\$171	99%	\$242,917	11
<b>CONDO TOTAL</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>1,224</b>	<b>\$144</b>	<b>99%</b>	<b>\$176,901</b>	<b>19</b>
Aspen Meadows	2	2,278	\$171	99%	\$389,500	16
Cimarron	13	2,271	\$159	99%	\$358,192	15
Quail Ridge	9	2,056	\$174	98%	\$357,750	35
Saddlewood	4	2,019	\$161	100%	\$324,975	24
Spread	7	2,881	\$180	101%	\$518,957	26
Territory	4	1,337	\$212	99%	\$279,250	13
Village	17	2,146	\$154	99%	\$326,406	26
<b>RES TOTAL</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>2,190</b>	<b>\$167</b>	<b>99%</b>	<b>\$361,674</b>	<b>24</b>



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Library News

## Jeffco Public Library Bookmobile Provides Youth Activities



Emily and Callen Flanders find books to their liking during a visit to the JCPL Bookmobile, which visits the Ken Caryl Ave & Shaffer Parkway Safeway parking lot every Saturday from noon-4 p.m.

Children from Ken-Caryl Ranch have additional options for youth programs. The Jefferson County Public Library (JCPL) Bookmobile now offers monthly programs and activities in conjunction with its Saturday visit to the area. The Bookmobile comes to the Safeway parking lot at Ken Caryl Ave. and Shaffer Parkway every Saturday from noon-4 p.m.

Library staff designs interactive programs and activities aimed at youth ages 5-12, but all ages are welcome. The programs are aimed at spurring creativity and helping children understand basic principles in science, art and writing.

In February, kids can get creative with candy to make decorations or sculptures. Using craft heat guns, kids can soften common sugar-based candies and manipulate the candy into new shapes or molds. The solid into liquid into solid process reinforces children's understanding of matter and unleashes the potential for expression. Children may design a new lollipop, create candy creatures, or make a decoration for jewelry, magnets or charms.

In March, children can learn how to make a simple circuit with a battery, conductive thread and LED bulb. The basic principle behind popular products like light-up shoes and LED keychain lights is demonstrated through the creation of their own circuit.

More details on future programming will be provided in the library section of Life at Ken-Caryl. In April and May the library supports poetry and literacy. April is National Poetry Month and the Bookmobile staff will share its passion for the pen and pentameter. In May, youth will be invited to a Summer Spectacular event to kick off the library's Summer Reading Program.

February and March programs will be held in the McDonalds Play Place at 7509 S. Alkire St. from 2-3:30 p.m. Patrons may register online at [jeffcolibrary.org/events](http://jeffcolibrary.org/events) or Saturdays from noon-4 p.m. on the Bookmobile. McDonalds provides a free treat for participation. All materials are provided during the monthly programming by the library.

**Programs:**

Candy Crafts: Saturday, Feb. 21, 2-3:30 p.m.  
 LED Circuits: Saturday, March 21, 2-3:30 p.m.  
 Poet's Party: Saturday, April 25, 2-3 p.m.  
 Workshop in McDonalds and 3-3:30 p.m.  
 Poetry Reading under the awning at the Bookmobile.

Summer Reading Spectacular: Saturday, May 30. The library celebrates the kickoff of the summer reading program with games, activities and rewards.

Parent Network

## New Member Coffee

New to the Ken-Caryl Parent Network? Join us for New Member Coffee on Saturday, Feb. 21 from 9:30-11:30 a.m. at the Ranch House. If you are new to KCPN or just want to connect with new and "old" members, join us for our next New Member Coffee! Bring the whole family, just the kids, or come solo, whichever you prefer! Coffee and a light snack will be provided. Hope to see you there!

Are you interested in joining KCPN? Membership inquiries can be sent to [info@kencarylparents.com](mailto:info@kencarylparents.com). See details on upcoming events on the KCPN Big Tent site at [www.bigtent.com/groups/kcpn](http://www.bigtent.com/groups/kcpn).



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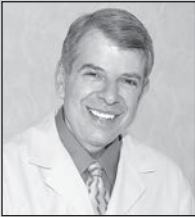
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◆ School News

## Jeffco Graduation Rate Rises While Dropout Rate Declines

Submitted by Melissa Reeves, Jeffco Public Schools

Jeffco Schools has seen a 4.8 percent increase in graduation rates over the last five years. High school graduation rose 4.7 percentage points and option and special schools saw a 10.5 percentage increase. Charter school rates rose by 5.4 points.

Year	# of Graduates	Graduation Rate	# of Dropouts	Dropout Rate
2013-14	5,305	82.9	698	1.6
2012-13	5,292	81.5	710	1.7
2011-12	5,499	81.4	853	2.0

Jeffco's dropout rate continues to decline due to the hard work of the district's Student Engagement Office. This office works to connect students and families to educational, social and community supports that prepare them for a successful future. Jeffco teachers also deserve praise for these results.

"To have these types of improvements really takes the whole system working together, counselors, principals and teachers; they are the ones who are working directly with these students every day to keep them in school," said Dave Kollar, director of the Office of Student Engagement. "Their work is what makes us look good."

Other points of pride from this year's data include improvements in the on-time graduation rate. High schools increased by .4 percentage points, options and special schools increased by 7.1 percentage points, along with charters that saw a 4.7 percentage point increase.

"It's encouraging to see these positive trends," said Superintendent Dan McMinimee. "The graduation data is reflective of every school's work to engage and motivate students and that is due to our teachers, counselors, administrators and support teams. They keep our students engaged and find solutions to challenging situations for our most at-risk students."

◆ Heroes Among Us

## Resident and Vietnam Vet to Give Presentation on War Dogs



Rick Claggett with Big Boy, taken in 1971.

Ken-Caryl Ranch resident Rick Claggett was a Scout Dog Handler in the Vietnam War. Dogs have played major roles and saved many human lives in the military, dating all the way back to the Civil War.

On Feb. 20 at 6:30 p.m. at the Ranch House, Rick will give a fascinating presentation about the history and changing roles of war dogs from the Civil War until present day. This free, informative presentation is open to the entire family.

"My dog saved my life," said Rick about his experience in the Vietnam War. "He alerted me of a human ambush."

Rick's knowledge and personal experience will make this an evening to remember. Light refreshments will be provided. The event is sponsored by Deer Creek Animal Hospital and the Ken-Caryl Ranch Veterans Monument.

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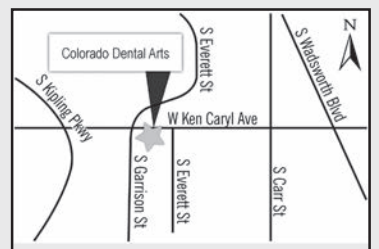
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● Historical Society

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By Rosemary Lewis, Chair, Ken-Caryl Ranch Historical Society

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We are also participating in Jefferson County Public Library's oral history program. Interviews have been conducted with descendants of the old Ranch families. More recent stories of the development and management of Ken-Caryl Ranch are related by Darrell Windes and Chris Pacetti, with more stories on the way.

To access these resources, start at the Ken-Caryl Ranch website, ken-carylranh.org, and click on the Community & News tab to scroll down to "History of Ken-Caryl Ranch." There you will find links to our growing collection of videos and oral histories, as well as information on the geological, archeological and historic settlement aspects of our community.

The Historical Society is always interested in collecting our history of the Ranch and its people. If you have a story to tell, please contact me at lewisrosepe@gmail.com.

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## Stallion Pointe

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5 beds/4 baths. Backs to open space with spec. views. Updated master bath & kit. Prof. fin. w/o basement with guest suite & rec. room. New roof. New gutters. New A/C and furnace. New paint. Hrdwd. floors.



## Carriage Hill

2 Prairie Clover • \$789,000

Updated 6 bed/6 baths. Trad. floor plan, formal living & dining rooms, study/optional bedroom and spacious family room on main level. Oversized kitchen with newer SS appliances, center island.



## North Ranch

49 Golden Eagle • \$899,000

5 bedrooms/5 baths. Nestled up to open space, cul-de-sac, incredible views, private lot. Prof. finished walk-out basement with guest suite, 3/4 bath, wet bar, work-out room, workshop and a spacious recreation room. The master suite offers his and hers closets. Abundance of storage.

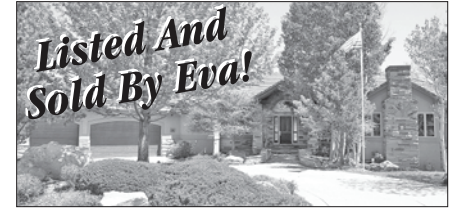


## Deerwood Vista

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5 Golden Eagle • \$1,200,000

Rare ranch that offers 4 beds/7 baths and a 5-car garage. Backs to open space with spectacular views. Wine room. Wet bar. Theater room. Huge mud/laundry room. Tile roof.



## North Ranch

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## Traditions

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## Carriage Hill

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Bradford Place — 16 Mountain Alder • Deerwood Vista — 4 Amberwood Lane  
Barrington Ridge — 2 Mountain Cedar • 11 Lindenwood — Eagles Pointe

## SOLD!

Deerwood Vista — 85 Deerwood Drive • North Ranch — 19 Red Fox Lane  
Traditions — 17 Honey Locust — 16 Foothill Ash  
Retreat — 170 Willowleaf Drive — 26 Willowleaf Drive  
Barrington Ridge — 5 Mountain Willow Drive



◆ Board Meeting Summaries

**Metro District Board**

On Jan. 27, the Ken-Caryl Ranch Metropolitan District held a Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors and discussed the following items and took the following actions:

- The Board discussed additional investment options that might be available for the bond funds. The Board requested the District Manager prepare a proposal for investment of available bond proceeds for discussion and consideration by the Board at its Feb. 24 Board meeting.
- The Board received an update from staff on the 2015 Jefferson County Open Space Local Park and Recreation Grant.
- The Board took action to amend the contract with Vanir Construction Management to assist the District in management of the bond proceeds for the community-wide landscape improvements and new entrance signage. Vanir is currently serving in the role of Owner's Representative for the District's facility bond projects at the Ranch House, the Community Center and Dakota Lodge.
- The Board took action to approve the purchase of new pool furniture and shade umbrellas for the Bradford Pool for the 2015 pool season. These items were included as part of the bond projects approved by voters in May 2014.
- The Board received an update from staff on the Veterans Monument. The official site for the Monument has been ratified by the Veterans Monument Committee as approved by the Dis-

trict Board in December at the intersection of Sangre de Cristo Road and Crestone Mountain on the north end of the Community Park.

- The Board took action to direct staff to prepare a letter to Jefferson County requesting information on the status of North Ranch Park for possible future conveyance to the District.
- Staff presented information to the Board on the current use statistics of the child care nursery at the Community Center. Staff will update the Board on any recommendations on this topic at a future Board meeting.
- The Board took action to approve the 2015 Trails Report prepared by the Master Association Open Space Department.
- The Board took action to appoint members to the Community Planning Committee, a joint committee with the Master Association.
- The Board took action to approve the Ken-Caryl Ranch Open Space and Parks Prairie Dog Conservation Policy and the Cooperative Agreement Re: Prairie Dog Relocation between the Ken-Caryl Ranch Master Association and the Ken-Caryl Ranch Metropolitan District.
- The Board took action designating the Official Posting Places for the District's 2015 Meeting Notices.
- The Board took action to request the deed to the Community Center from Jefferson County and a request for an Extension of the Current Lease on the property an additional 10 years until Dec. 12, 2036, pending the possible transfer of the facility.

**Joint Study Session**

On Feb. 3, the Ken-Caryl Ranch Master Association and Metropolitan District Boards held a Joint Study Session at the Ranch House and discussed the following items:

- Lisa Lorman and Paul Camp from Vanir Construction Management, the Owner's Representative for the bond projects, presented a status update on the bond projects.
- The West Connect Charter was reviewed by the Boards. The committee for the West Connect Charter will be examining C-470 from Kipling

Ave. up to Northwest Parkway. The Boards designated Chris Pacetti to serve on the committee, with Darrell Windes as his backup.

- The Boards discussed the deed to the Community Center. At their Jan. 27 meeting, the Metro District Board took action to request the deed to the Community Center from Jefferson County and a request for an Extension of the Current Lease on the property an additional 10 years until Dec. 12, 2036, pending the possible transfer of the facility.
- The Boards reviewed the 2015 Master Calendar for Ken-Caryl Ranch.



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Dear Editor:

Wow! Have you looked at your property tax bill? The Ken-Caryl Ranch Metro District (KCRMD) has increased our mill levy by more than 40 percent. I don't recall anywhere where they told us they were increasing our KCRMD taxes over 40 percent. And our homeowner's dues went up, and now, including interest, we have to repay \$10 million in bond debt. The biggest item we are being taxed for is the proposed upgrades to the Community Center (CC). It turns out that we don't even own the CC. And to date KCRMD has not been able to obtain title to the CC or even a long-term lease.

In [the Jan. 14] letter to the editor, a Metropolitan District Board member, as a resident, correctly decried the double dip tax hit we'll take when our property values rise and mill levies are increased. As an elected official he should insist that excess taxes collected due to increased assessed values be applied to the reduction of this huge debt. Next time the Metro District tries to push a tax increase, just say no.

Mike Spalding  
Colony

*Editor's Note: The mill levy increase is the result of the community election last May in which the voters elected (with 62 percent of voter support) to increase the District taxes for the next 10 years to pay for the issuance of tax-exempt bonds. The ballot language identified the fact that the total repayment could equal as much as \$9,700,000. Information provided to the community in advance of the election explained that support of this offering would result in an increase in owner's taxes of approximately \$4 per month for every \$100,000 in market value.*

*Currently there are 11 years left on the KCRMD lease of the Community Center. KCRMD has submitted a letter to Jefferson County requesting the deed to the Community Center, and while that is being discussed, a 10-year lease extension is being negotiated in an effort to secure the use of the bond project improvements as a community asset for many years.*

Dear Editor:

I've just finished a five-year stint as the chairman of the Ken-Caryl Ranch Historical Society, working very closely with many members of the KCRMA and KCRMD staffs. It's been a pleasure to work with them, as they're professional, motivated and cordial and have the best interests of the residents in mind no matter the task. Naturally, a staff couldn't be this good without the leadership provided by the executive directors, Chris Pacetti (KCRMA) and Darrell Windes (KCRMD), and the Boards of Directors of the KCRMA and KCRMD.

Thanks to all for your unflinching support of the Ken-Caryl Ranch Historical Society and most of all for your excellent administration and support of our wonderful community.

Jeff Allison  
Deer Creek

## ◆ Community Catalysts

### Resident Shows His Entrepreneurial Spirit as Digital Marketing CEO

By Community Relations Director Victoria DeSair



Ryan Wilson is a North Ranch resident and is the founder and CEO of FiveFifty.

North Ranch resident Ryan Wilson is the founder and CEO of FiveFifty, a program-

matic digital media buying company that helps its clients identify customers online and present them with advertisements in a very cost efficient way.

Ryan has lived in several parts of the country, including San Diego, Virginia, Florida and Rhode Island, but he's happy to now call Colorado home. "I had a long client assignment in Colorado in 2001 that lasted a year and a half. During that time I fell in love with Colorado and resolved to stay. I took a permanent job at my client and started my MBA at CU Denver night school," Ryan said.

Before moving to Colorado, Ryan earned degrees in management information systems and marketing from Florida State University. He graduated just before the bubble burst in 2000 and took a job as a business intelligence report builder and database programmer. At the same time, he sold furniture online through a website he started with a friend.

"Around that time I met my wonderful wife who was just about to ship off to medical school (kind of bad timing)," Ryan said. "A friend of mine from the consulting business approached me to help him start a company in 2006, and with my wife in medical school I had plenty of time to

spare, so I went for it. We built that company to 100 employees with offices in Colorado, London and Paris. It was great fun, but when we had our first daughter (we have two now) decided that business travel wasn't something we wanted built into our lives."

Ryan put in his notice at work, rented a pop-up camper and traveled with his wife and 3-month old daughter for a month on the western slope. He said they spent a lot of time on US 550, which is the namesake for FiveFifty, the company he started when he got back from his trip.

FiveFifty focuses on working with regional companies. The company works with advertising agencies and directly with brands like the Denver Nuggets and Intrawest Ski Resorts.

"Working in digital marketing is really fun. We work with a lot of creative people and smart people. I think the thing I like about it most though is that we are able to provide so much value to our customers. It's such a traceable marketing method that we know our clients are making more money and building their businesses by working with us. That makes me feel good," said Ryan.

When asked about why he chose this

career path, Ryan said, "It was probably a bit of dumb luck and a bit of preparation. I always followed my instincts and paid attention to what was going on around me."

"I believe that great leaders have a committed relationship with their future, and they deliberately create alignment with their team, family and selves to make sure that future is realized. Not only for their own benefit, but in turn ensuring that the people who they are working with also realize the futures that they are committed to in the process," Ryan said.

Ryan is married to Stephanie Wilson, and they have two daughters, Mikayla and Cadence. He enjoys active outdoor hobbies such as cycling and skiing but spends most of his free time hanging out with his daughters.

You can reach Ryan at [ryan@fivefifty.com](mailto:ryan@fivefifty.com) or visit [www.fivefifty.com](http://www.fivefifty.com) for more information about his company.

*Editor's Note: Community Catalysts is a new column that will feature residents who are business or community leaders. If you would like to be featured or you have someone you would like to nominate for the article, please contact Victoria DeSair at [victoriad@kcranch.org](mailto:victoriad@kcranch.org) or 303-979-1876, ext. 122.*

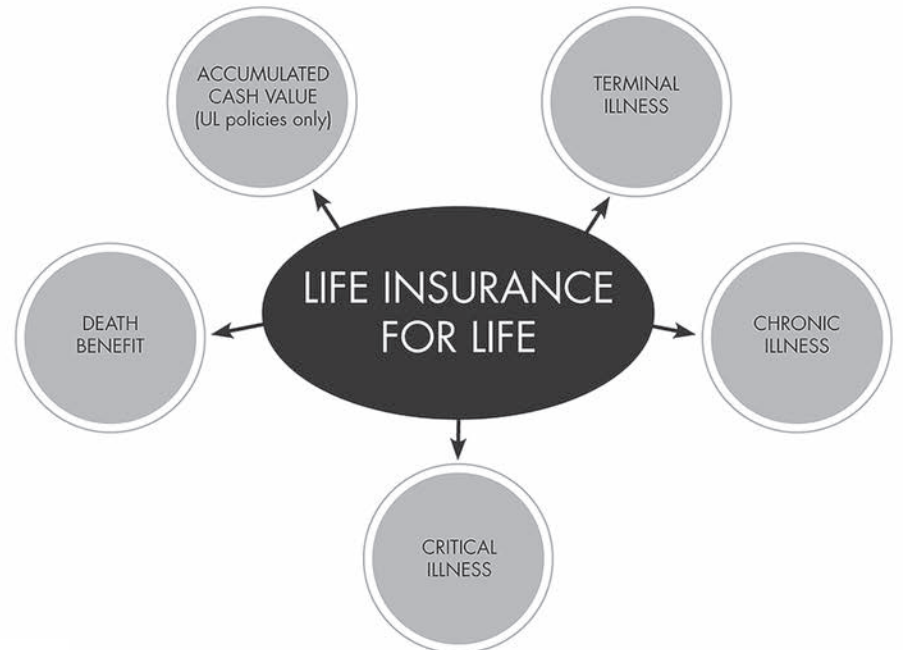
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Categories: (B) Babysitting; (L) Lawn care; (P) Pet or house sitting; (S) Snow shoveling

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Sean Ahearn	303-906-1137	L	18	Colony
Sierra Baliko	303-809-1117	B	13	Traditions
Sarah Bielefeld	303-506-8630	B, P	15	Cimarron
Christina Bigger	720-981-4521	B, P	15	Deerwood Vista
Josh Blarr	720-318-4605	P, S	14	Colony
Madeline Byerly	720-785-3784	B	12	Wynterbrooke
Nolan Byrnes	720-530-9272	L, P, S	13	Bradford Place
Daniel Dominguez	720-648-3178	L, P, S	14	Traditions
Carly George	303-250-8502	B, P	16	Bradford Place
Christina George	303-934-2612	B, P	14	Bradford Place
Sam Gerbus	303-250-6079	B, L, P, S	18	Retreat
Allie Goulding	720-331-5428	B, P	16	Carriage Hill
Matthew Guarino	720-981-7322	L, S	14	Bradford Place
Nicole Guarino	720-981-7322	B	14	Bradford Place
Raquel Gunkel	303-909-5090	B	15	Spread
Chuck Henderson	720-231-6068	L, P, S	15	Deerwood Vista
Ben Iverson	720-626-5580	L, P, S	14	Stratford Farms
Hannah Johnson	720-879-1445	B, P	14	Bradford Place
Oliver Kauffman	720-724-0878	B, P, S	14	Wynterbrooke
Corrin Kevlyn	608-217-6317	B	14	Eagles Pointe
Sloan Lyons	720-431-5903	B, P	16	Village
Hadley Marx	720-380-4671	B, P	14	Shaffer Hill
Ryan McKenna	720-261-2869	B, L, P, S	14	Stallion Pointe
Gracie Mead	720-921-4495	B, P	14	Deerwood Vista
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Ryan Murray	303-579-5322	B, L, P, S	15	North Ranch
Robby Nelson	303-904-8886	B, L, P, S	15	Spread
Alexandra Newsom	303-325-5232	B, P	15	Legacy
William Newsom	303-325-5232	L, S	13	Legacy
Lauren O'Connor	720-982-7981	B, P	13	Sunset Ridge
Rhiana Parker	720-877-5570	B, P	15	Territory
Micaela Pollard	303-904-8488	B, P, S	12	Cimarron
Dillon Reisinger	303-973-2469	L, P, S	18	Eagles Pointe
Seth Reisinger	303-973-2469	B, L, P, S	13	Eagles Pointe
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Reanna Schafer	303-808-0373	B	14	Village
Anya Schroeter	720-415-5112	P	12	Quail Ridge
Carissa Scott	720-215-8829	B, P	13	Colony
Carlee Shute	303-903-0504	B, P	14	Bridle Gate
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Jason Suchomel	303-932-1580	P	13	Bradford Place
Cole Torgerson	303-933-9988	B, L, P, S	12	Legacy
Chloe Warren	303-797-0660	P	13	Quail Ridge
Eli Yeagley	720-363-6440	B, L, P, S	14	Carriage Hill
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