



#### Ken-Caryl Ranch e-News

July 3, 2023

The Ken-Caryl Ranch e-News is emailed to subscribers every Monday (Tuesday if Monday is a holiday). To submit an item for the e-News, contact Allison Hefner at <u>allisonh@kcranch.org</u> or 303-979-1876, ext. 108.



# *Life at Ken-Caryl* Mailing Delay

Please note that due to a printing press issue, the July 5 issue of *Life at Ken-Caryl* may experience a delay in reaching your mailbox, arriving on either Thursday or Friday of this week. We apologize for any inconvenience.

# 4th of July Trash Delay

Waste Connections will follow a modified trash schedule following tomorrow's 4th of July holiday. Resident trash collection will run one day late if your normal service day falls on or after the holiday within the same week. For example, a regularly scheduled Tuesday trash pick-up



will take place on Wednesday. Friday pick-ups will take place on Saturday.



# **4th of July Office Closures**

Please note that the Ranch House and the Community Center will be closed in observance of Independence Day on July 4. Normal business hours will resume the following Wednesday, July 5.

\*Even though the buildings are closed, all three pools will be open from 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. in celebration of the 4th of July Bash.

## July 6 Ranch House Office Closure Notice



The Ranch House Administrative Offices will be closed to the public all day, from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. (normal business

hours) on Thursday, July 6 due to office maintenance and repairs. Ranch House administrative staff will still be working remotely and will be accessible via email and phone during this time. This closure will not impact summer camp and/or summer programming, Storytime or access to the pool. The recreation side of the building and the Community Center will be operating under normal business hours on July 6. The administrative side of the building is expected to reopen on Monday, July 10. Please note that the Ranch House is closed to the public on Fridays, per normal business hours.

\*Maintenance will be temporarily paused to accommodate Storytime at 10:15 a.m. on July 6.

Questions? Please contact Master Association General Manager Brian Yowell at <u>briany@kcranch.org</u> or call 303-979-1876, ext. 113.



# Mill Levy Election Update

Earlier this year, the Metropolitan District began exploration of a potential mill levy election. The District Board discussed this issue over the course of the last six months and determined that it will not pursue any mill

levy election on the November 2023 ballot. The District is funded by property tax

revenues and has been studying the recently signed Senate Bill 23-303, which proposes to reduce property taxes for a 10-year period. The property tax reductions will be voted on by Colorado's voters pursuant to Proposition HH, which is expected to be on the ballot in November but is currently being challenged before the Colorado Supreme Court. The uncertainty around Proposition HH and the full impacts whether it passes or fails are not known and cannot be confidently estimated; therefore, the Board felt it was more prudent to delay any further conversations. The Board thanks the community for their feedback and participation in the thoughtful approach to this decision and looks forward to continuing the pursuit of excellence in parks and recreation facilities and programs. Please reach out to Traci Wieland, District Manager, at 303-979-1876, ext. 136, or via email at traciw@kcranch.org\_with any questions or comments.

## 4th of July Bash!

Dress in your best red, white and blue and come on out in celebration of Independence Day at our 4th of July Bash from 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. at all three pools on July 4! Music, food trucks (Turkish Chef on Wheels and MC2 Ice Cream), contests and our 3rd Annual Boat Race to take place at the Ranch House pool. Music, merriment and contests at all 3 of our pools! Check out our pool schedules using the link below.



\*Please check back on Facebook regarding updates on all of our outdoor events.

This event proudly supported by Platinum Sponsor Brean Small!



4th of July Pool Event Schedules



# Fireworks Prohibited in Ken-Caryl Open Space/Parks

Fireworks are fun and festive, but should be enjoyed responsibly! Let's leave this year's pyrotechnics to the professionals! Please remember that all types of fireworks are prohibited in Ken-Caryl's open space and parks. For information and rules about firework use

in areas outside of Ken-Caryl's open space and parks, please refer to Jefferson County's website by clicking on the button below. Wishing all residents a safe and festive 4th of July holiday!

**Jeffco Fireworks Information** 

## Community Signage Survey Extended Through July 7



The Master Association is collecting resident feedback regarding neighborhood (i.e. – Quail Ridge, Cimarron,

Deer Creek, Deerwood Vista, etc.) and community (i.e. – informative marquee signs located at the entrance to the Valley and the Plains) signage. The goal is to better understand how important designated neighborhood signage is to our community in terms of aesthetics, cost and identity.

For more information and to take the survey, please click on the button below. Survey closes on Friday, July 7.

Take the Survey!



## Pickleball, Anyone?

#### Intro to Pickleball

Join us on Saturday, July 15 from 4–5:30 p.m. for our Intro to Pickleball course, designed for first timers who want to learn the basics of pickleball match play, which includes scoring, rotations, match procedures and basic techniques. Players will leave the class with

enough training to start playing matches with other entry-level players. We have loaner

paddles! Click on the corresponding button below for more information. Registration opens on July 10 at 8 a.m.

#### Pickleball Mixer

Mark your calendars for the next Pickleball Mixer on Saturday, July 15 from 6-8 p.m. There is no instruction as this is 2 hours of match play, so we ask that you at least know how to keep score. For more information, please click on the corresponding button below. Registration opens on July 10 at 8 am.

Questions? Contact Tennis Director Robert Campbell at <u>robertc@kcranch.org</u> or 303-979-2233, ext. 202.

Intro to Pickleball Information

**Pickleball Mixer Information** 

#### **Be Bear Aware!**

The rangers have received reports of an increase in bear activity. We are kindly reminding all residents to be bear aware with these helpful tips:



\*Keep garage doors closed at all times \*No birdfeeders \*Keep garbage indoors. Only put out trash/rceycling on the morning of your scheduled pick-up day.

\*Lock car doors and remove sweet smelling items from cars.



#### Upcoming Disc Golf Courses!

**Disc Golf 101** is perfect for players interested in learning etiquette, play and proper throwing techniques. This

course takes place on Sunday, July 30 from 10-11:30 a.m. at the Ranch House. To register, please click on the corresponding button below.

Our **Intermediate Disc Golf** Course will include distance driving, putting techniques, footwork, etiquette, mental game prep as well as information on local leagues, events and clubs. Watch your confidence take flight and enjoy learning how to improve your game with proper form and equipment! This course takes place on Sunday, Aug. 13 from 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. at the Ranch House. To register, please click on the corresponding button below.

**Disc Golf 101 Registration** 

Intermediate Disc Golf Registration

#### **June MD Board Meeting Recording**

The video recording of the June 27 Metropolitan District Board meeting is now available for viewing online using the button below. In an effort to make the District Board meetings more accessible and convenient for



residents, staff will be recording the meetings for the next three months on a trial basis. After the three-month trial period, the Board will assess the usage and determine next steps.

**Board Meeting Recordings** 

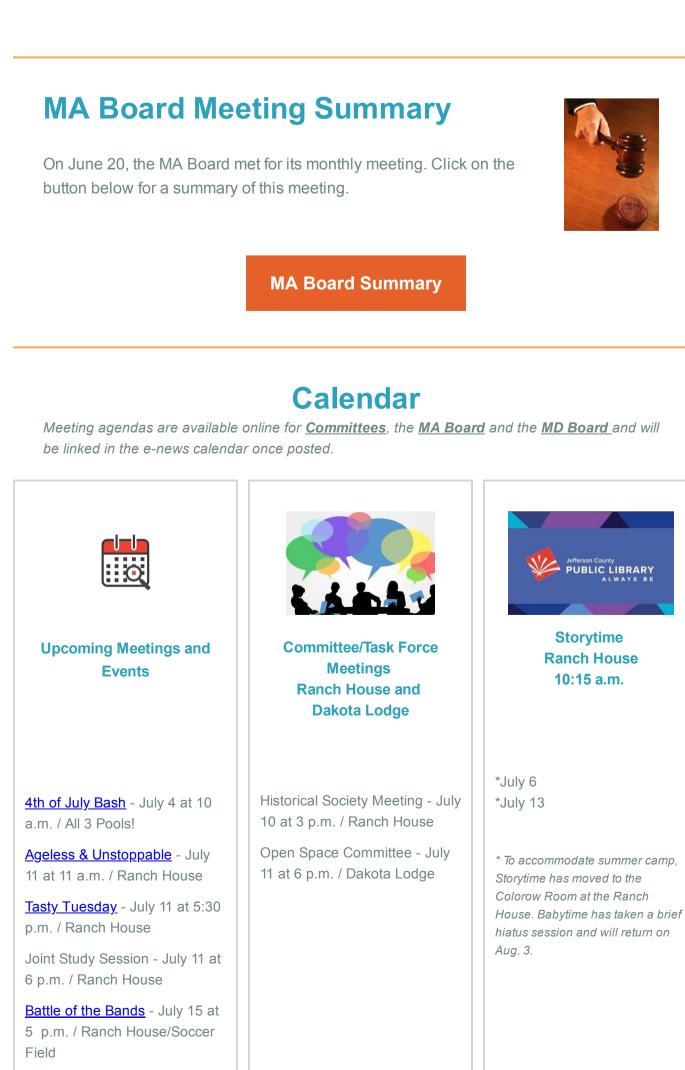


#### Battle of the Bands, July 15

Join us to hear four local, family-friendly Ken-Caryl bands battle it out to win Best of Show on July 15 from 5-7 p.m. at the Ranch House/Soccer Field! Be sure to rock your vote and if you're hungry, food trucks will be onsite for food purchases!

Thank you to our Platinum Sponsor Gravina's Window Center of Littleton for their generous support of this event!





\*Information regarding virtual meetings will be communicated as information becomes available. Please see the <u>Online Calendar</u> for the most current information.

Full Calendar

#### **Helpful Links**

Board Contact Info, Meeting Agendas and Minutes

Committee & Task Force Agendas & Minutes

- Register for Classes
- Weekly Trails Report
- Home Improvements
- KC Fitness Center

Community Park Master Plan

#### www.ken-carylranch.org

Ranch House, 7676 S. Continental Divide Rd. Littleton, CO 80127, 303-979-1876 Community Center, 1 Club Dr. Littleton, CO 80127, 303-979-2233 Dakota Lodge, 14422 W. Ken-Caryl Ave. Littleton CO 80127, 303-979-1876 Equestrian Center, 303-979-4500 Park Rangers, 303-979-1876, ext. 170