




# Well, Hello Over Deer!

Winter has finally made an appearance in Ken-Caryl Ranch, blanketing the foothills and wildlife, as seen and snapped by resident Adriana Wiersma.

Love life behind the lens? Consider submitting your photos for publishing in print and on our social media platforms. Email *Life at Ken-Caryl* Editor Allison Hefner at [allisonh@kcranch.org](mailto:allisonh@kcranch.org).

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## MA Election Results Online!

As of the printing of this paper, the 2022 MA Board Election was in full swing, however, be sure to check our website at [www.ken-carylranh.org](http://www.ken-carylranh.org), or our Facebook page, to learn about the two newly elected members to the Master Association Board!

## Fairy Tale Endings: Helping Pets Find Their Fur-ever Homes! Sponsored by CCU



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## New Housing Development Update

NADG has formally submitted its Plans & Specifications for the park and landscape improvements on Parcel A and Parcel B to the District to consider for approval. An online survey has been developed for residents to submit comments regarding the parks and recreation Plans & Specifications for Parcel A (North Plains Filing 1) and Parcel B (North Plains Filing 2). If you would like to hear more about the specifics of the Plans & Specifications, please plan to attend the Zoom meeting with NADG at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, March 8. All comments are due by 5 p.m. on Friday, March 11. To access this survey, please visit [www.ken-carylranh.org](http://www.ken-carylranh.org), under the *Community & News* tab, New Housing Development.



Exciting Projects This Year

By Victoria DeSair, Master Association Executive Director

At the February Master Association Board meeting, the Board approved several projects that will bring some much-anticipated updates to our wonderful Ken-Caryl community this year.

A new shade structure was approved for the Ranch House Pool. This 24’ x 24’ canvas-top structure will provide additional shade on the concrete decking around the pool, and we are planning to add some picnic tables under the structure. Additional shade at the pools was a requested item in the 2021 Community Survey.

The Board also approved a new playground for Territory Park, which is located at Simms and Gore Range Road behind King Soopers. The new playground, shown here with this column, features a tall climbing structure and fun slides! Staff published a survey in January asking for feedback on various playground designs, and this structure received the highest marks. We hope you love it! We will keep you posted regarding installation dates later this year.

The building at the Bradford Pool will be getting a new stone-coated steel roof this spring. The building had the original wood shake shingle roof on it, and the Board wanted to replace it with a Class A fire rated roof.

While these projects were budgeted, staff followed the Master Association’s Procurement Guidelines and went through a competitive bid process for each project. Please reach out to me at victoriad@kcranch.org or 303-979-1876, ext. 122, if you have any questions or concerns.



A rendering of the new playground planned for Territory Park later this year.

FOUNDATION MATTERS

Last Call: 2022 Ken-Caryl Ranch Foundation

The Ken-Caryl Ranch Foundation is soliciting scholarship applications from Ken-Caryl residents in their senior year of high school. This year, one scholarship will be awarded for \$1,000 to help defray the costs of higher education. This is the final week for applications to be turned in to the Ranch House. Please submit your application by Friday, March 4 at 5 p.m. \*Please note: the Ranch House is closed on Friday; however, applications will still be accepted on March 4 until 5 p.m. via the secure lock box at the Ranch House.

For eligibility requirements, or to download a scholarship form, visit [www.kencarylranhcfoundation.org](http://www.kencarylranhcfoundation.org).



March

All meetings will be held at the Ranch House unless otherwise noted.

Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.
		1 7 p.m. MA Board Annual Meeting *Zoom	2	3 10:15 a.m. Storytime	4	5
6	7	8 6 p.m. Open Space Committee *Dakota Lodge 6 p.m. NADG Meeting *Zoom	9 1 p.m. Historical Society	10 7:30 a.m. Architectural Committee Meeting 10:15 a.m. Storytime	11	12 9 a.m. Slash Drop Off Day *Brannon Gearhart Park
13	14	15 6 p.m. MA Board Meeting	16 4:30 p.m. Covenant Control Committee	17 10:15 a.m. Storytime	18	19
20	21	22 6 p.m. MD Board Meeting	23	24 7:30 a.m. Architectural Committee Meeting 10:15 a.m. Storytime	25	26
27	28	29	30	31 10:15 a.m. Storytime		

Information regarding audio and video conferencing options for public meetings will be communicated as it becomes available. See website at [www.ken-carylranhcfoundation.org](http://www.ken-carylranhcfoundation.org) for details.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Easter Egg Hunt, April 9

Mark your calendars and plan to hop on over to Ken-Caryl’s annual Easter Egg Hunt at the Ranch House, April 9 from 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. There will be thousands of eggs, fun raffle prizes and a visit with the Easter Bunny!



SPECIAL EVENTS

Blood Drive, April 20

There’s no better time to “love thy neighbor” and sign up to donate blood at the next Vitalant Blood Drive on April 20 from 9 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. The Vitalant Blood Mobile will be parked at the Ranch House for residents to easily make donations. Spots fill up quickly, so be sure to schedule your appointment by calling 877-258-4825, or schedule online at [www.vitalant.org](http://www.vitalant.org).

In the past two years, resident and event organizer Jen Gonyea has helped to support six blood drives in Ken-Caryl, and our community has donated an incredible 181 units of blood to help those in need of these life-saving donations.



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A Frosty Reminder

By Brian Yowell, Community Administrator

What does skating, luge and whiskey all have in common?  
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And did you know you can combine all three of the above and have an ice-skating party while drinking whiskey from a booze luge?!? Sounds like a good time to me! Well, maybe two out of the three.

You know another thing that often has ice in common? Our sidewalks and driveways!

And, although Ken-Caryl Ranch doesn't have a rule for snow shoveling, it is always considered a best practice to get out there and clear your porches, driveway and sidewalks for your UPS lady, your GrubHub driver, the many Amazon drivers bringing your goodies, your friends and your neighbors - which hopefully are the same thing – and, the children walking to and from school and outdoor activities with their friends!

Please be reminded that it is not okay to build an igloo in the street, block drainage in the gutters to from your own ice skating rink, or practice ice fishing in your neighbor's pool.

Let's keep Ken-Caryl safe and as slippery-free as possible.

Thank you, Ken-Caryl!  
At your service,  
Brian Yowell



MA Board Summary

On Feb. 15, 2022, the Ken-Caryl Ranch Master Association Board held a regular meeting and discussed the following items:

- Staff discussed previous and ongoing wildfire prevention strategies. A Community Wildfire Preparedness Meeting is scheduled for Feb. 23. Slash disposal will be offered at Brannon Gearhart Park on March 12 and limited curbside pickup will be available prior to the event. Staff is gathering cost estimates for mowing the 10-foot buffer for homes bordering open space. The Architectural Committee updated the community rules to prohibit the use of wood shake shingles in future construction.
- The Board discussed new committees and task forces. Due to limited staffing, the committees will not be held simultaneously, but will have overlap when possible. The Board organized the topics to be addressed in this chronological order: fences, open space planning and dog parks.
- Proposed changes to the Open Space Rules will be voted on at the March 9 Open Space Committee meeting. The proposed changes are:
  - o Allow the removal of woody vegetation less than four inches in diameter in the 10-foot swath between private property and the open space.
  - o Prohibit rappelling or highlining.
  - o Allow authorized operation of remote-controlled aircraft for scientific research, natural resource monitoring and emergency services.
  - o Prohibit smoking in the open space.
- The following motions passed:
  - o Approve Weed Wranglers for a three-year contract to perform

- o noxious weed management work for the 2022, 2023 and 2024 seasons. Motion passed with a 3-1 vote with Philip Varley voting against.
- o Appoint members of the Community Planning Committee for 2022.
- o Approve Star Playgrounds in the amount of \$14,901 for a shade structure at the Ranch House Pool.
- o Approve Recreation Plus in the amount of \$94,999 for a new playground at Territory Park.
- o Approve Juarez Roofing in the amount of \$25,866 for a new roof at the Bradford Pool House.
- o Approve Integrity Fencing in the amount of \$77,272 to replace the privacy fence on the west side of Continental Divide.
- o Offer a reward for information leading to a conviction in the West Ranch Fire.
- Public comment at the meeting addressed various topics, including wildfire mitigation, composting, task force prioritization, open space rule changes and fencing.

◆ OUR COMMUNITY

Paint the Landscape in Acrylics — Registration Now Open

Have you ever wanted to learn to paint but feared you couldn't do it? Are you tired of the restrictions of the past two years and looking to get out and try something different? Then, we invite you to come on down to the Ranch House and get your art on!

The next six-week session of "Paint the Landscape in Acrylics" starts Monday, March 7 at 9:30 a.m. Instructor Leslie Miller will walk you through the painting process, step-by-step, in this engaging all-level class. Learn the skills required to create successful paintings, with plenty of group support and individual coaching. Best of all, this class is practically guaranteed to be the most fun you'll ever have on a Monday morning!

To check out Leslie's work on her website, please visit <https://LeslieMillerArtworks.com>. For more information and to register online, please visit our website at [www.ken-carylranh.org](http://www.ken-carylranh.org).



◆ OUR COMMUNITY

Play (KCLL) Ball!

Ken Caryl Little League (KCLL) baseball is gearing up for their spring season—the organization's main baseball and softball program season. Kid-pitch division teams are built with the intention of maintaining parity between the teams and a competitive season of games. Wins and losses are recorded in the division to create a seeded tournament at the end of the season. Division winners receive trophies.

On March 5, KCLL will host their annual "player assessment" day where all kid-pitch division registrants are invited to participate in a series of skills evaluations. Coaches attend this player assessment in order to evaluate their draft. Stay tuned to their website at [www.kcllbaseball.com](http://www.kcllbaseball.com) for the time and location.

Teams will be formed the second week of March through a "player draft." The purpose of the draft is to create balanced teams that will play fun competitive games throughout the spring season. KCLL works hard to create parity between the teams and consider this to be one of the fundamental differences between their program and other programs in the area. They want all players to play a game—and enjoy the game—and make sure everyone gets an opportunity to play their best.

For more information, and to register, please visit their website at [www.kcllbaseball.com](http://www.kcllbaseball.com)!

◆ OUR COMMUNITY

Enroll Your Child in Summer Camp!

Looking for a memorable experience this summer for your child? Then consider enrolling them in one of our summer camps, where each week is filled with fun and adventure! Registration, camp information and pricing can be found on our website at [www.ken-carylranh.org](http://www.ken-carylranh.org). Enrollment will commence in phases, so please check our website for details. Enrollment for all Ken-Caryl residents opens March 23.

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# Now Accepting Applications for the 2022 Open Space Volunteer Patroller Program

By Matt Oven, Park Ranger Supervisor

Love our trails? Looking for a great opportunity to serve the Ken-Caryl community and spend more time in our open space? Then consider applying to be a Volunteer Patroller! KCRMA's Volunteer Patrollers serve as an extension of the Ken-Caryl Ranch Master Association's Park Ranger Staff. Volunteer Patrollers provide rules education, trail use guidelines and private open space information. Volunteer Patrollers strive to achieve and maintain a positive relationship with different user groups and present a professional image. For more information, program requirements and to apply, please visit our website at <https://ken-carylranh.org/open-space/>.

The deadline to submit your application is March 13.



# “Open” to Change: Proposed Changes to Open Space Rules

As part of a routine review of the Open Space and Parks Rules and inquiries from residents, staff has proposed some rule changes:

- Allow the removal of woody vegetation less than four inches in diameter in the 10-foot swath between private property and the open space (the existing rule allows removal of vegetation up to one inch in diameter).
- Prohibit rappelling or highlining.
- Allow authorized operation of remote-controlled aircraft for scientific research, natural resource monitoring, protection and emergency services.
- Prohibit smoking in the open space and select areas.

The current rules and proposed changes are available at [www.ken-carylranh.org](http://www.ken-carylranh.org) under the *Community & News* tab on the Community Announcements page. Proposed changes will be reviewed and voted on at the Master Association Board meeting on March 15. For feedback and questions, please contact Matt Oven at [matto@kcranch.org](mailto:matto@kcranch.org).

## ◆ FIREWISE

# Stash Your Slash! Slash Drop Off Day, March 12

What is Slash?

Slash is debris, from nature, such as tree limbs and prunings (no rose stems or cacti). If not removed, slash can add to potential fire hazards on your property. Removing slash and creating a defensible space around your home is the first line of defense against wildfires. You can create zones around your home, removing any fire fuels, such as tree debris. Having a properly mitigated property doesn't mean that wildfire will pass you by, but it gives the fire department a better opportunity to save your home when it does come.

Residents can drop off their slash at Brannon Gearhart Park on March 12 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. The Ken-Caryl Ranch Metropolitan District Parks Department will be on hand with the chipper. Residents are encouraged, if possible, to drop off their slash, but a limited number of curbside pickups will be offered by the Master Association Ranger staff on Thursday, March 10 and Friday, March 11. Curbside pickups must be signed up for in advance, and a signup form will be available online starting Feb. 28 on the dedicated Firewise page on our website.





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# Unauthorized Antler Shed Collection in Open Space

By Peter Marozas, KCRMA Park Ranger

Deer and elk antlers grow from a pedicle, which is the attachment point to the animal's skull. When a buck or bull's testosterone level drops after the rut or mating season, a new bone cell called an osteoclast removes the existing bone tissue between the pedicle and antlers, causing them to fall off. Late winter into early spring is the prime collecting time, where people begin their search of fresh antlers that artisans use to make furniture, knife handles and dog treats. As interesting and fun as it can be, hunting "sheds" occurs during the critical winter period when mule deer are most physiologically stressed and are on a sub-optimal diet. During this period, mule deer limit physical activity and movements to reduce weight loss and increase their chances of survival until vegetation green-up in the spring. These types of "shed hunters", that wander off trail, risk disturbing these resting deer as they attempt to maintain their reserves in order to survive the winter. All residents are encouraged to stay on Ken-Caryl's designated trails to help protect all wildlife and to prevent trail erosion.

In 2018, the Colorado Parks and Wildlife Commission voted unanimously to prohibit shed antler and horn collection on all public lands west of I-25 from Jan. 1 through April 30, annually. Ken-Caryl Ranch does not allow this activity in the open space and parks. Rule #7 of the Open Space & Parks Rules states "Unauthorized collecting, taking, gathering, possessing, destroying, mutilating, defacing, damaging, or disturbing any wildlife, natural feature, archeological item, vegetation, or any other object is prohibited."

Activities like shed collection in our open space can have lasting effects on our mule deer population and other wildlife. With collaborative management, we can help reduce disturbance and conserve important species for future generations.



# Be Informed of Fire Bans and Restrictions in Jeffco!

Due to Jefferson County's geographic makeup, wildfire is a concern all year long, and it is a more potent threat during droughts or dry spells. Rainfall and cooler temperatures may reduce the danger of wildfire; however, people are encouraged to be vigilant as the danger of fire is always present in the high country. The risk is even greater when under a fire weather watch or red flag warning. Citizens should use caution when starting and extinguishing campfires, disposing of lighted cigarettes and other activities that involve the use of fire or sparks.

For the latest information on current fire restrictions and bans in Jefferson County, please visit Jeffco's website at <https://www.jeffco.us/511/Fire-Restrictions-Bans>. Residents may also call Jeffco's Fire Information Hotline for information regarding Jefferson County remote slash collection, burn permits and fireworks, and current Jefferson County fire restrictions and bans at 303-271-8200.

◆ FIREWISE

# Be Firewise: New Rules on Roofing Materials

As the Ken-Caryl Ranch Master Association continues to find ways to be more Firewise, and look at alternative materials and applications, the Architectural Committee voted to remove wood cedar shake shingles from the list of approved roofs. Wood cedar shake shingles will no longer be approved in Ken-Caryl Ranch for replacement roofing materials.

Questions?  
Contact Community Administrator Brian Yowell at [briany@kcranch.org](mailto:briany@kcranch.org).







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If your son or daughter is interested in joining Troop 686, please contact Marisa Famariss at [famariss4@gmail.com](mailto:famariss4@gmail.com). The Troop meets every Wednesday at 7 p.m. at Heritage United Methodist Church.



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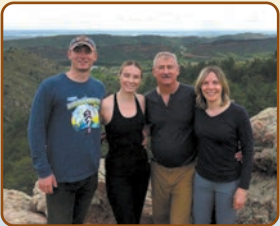
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To find out more about Lilly Anna, Charlie and other deserving pets in need of good homes, visit [www.FoothillsAnimalShelter.org](http://www.FoothillsAnimalShelter.org).

# PICTURE THIS!



**Kaleidoscope of Color** - Resident Heath Port's picture-perfect photo of Ken-Caryl's picturesque landscape, featuring a kaleidoscope of color!



**Snow Above and Below** - Resident Tim Berg snapped and shared this photo of winter "surrounding" the Ken-Caryl Valley.



**Here, Kitty, Kitty** - Valley resident Diane Sanelli snapped and shared a photo of this bobcat on the hunt for breakfast!



Bobcats abound in Ken-Caryl! Resident Rich Evans took this photo of a cat in the Stallion Point neighborhood on Feb. 6.



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**Gray Skies, White Snow** - Gray skies contrast a white blanket of snow in the foothills, as seen and snapped by resident Ron Unger following a recent snowstorm in Ken-Caryl.



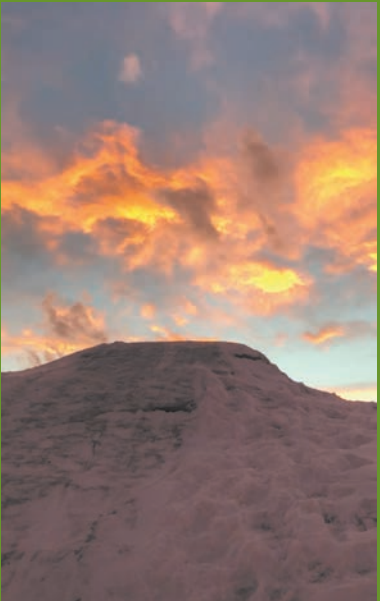
**Going for Gold!** - Rory, 5, and dad, John Turtle, pictured above, along with younger son Samuel, get top marks for the construction of their snow fort, that also supported the athletes who represented the USA in the 2022 Olympics in Beijing.



**Stunning Sunrise** - Resident Tom Ryan took this photo of a stunning sunrise in the Valley from the deck of his home.



**Seeing Red – Fox!** - Resident Julie Ramsett captured the beautiful fox on the prowl in her neighborhood.



**Sunset Over the Rock** - Resident Tucker Platte, 12, took this photo while out sledding with his friends following a recent snowfall in Ken-Caryl. Tucker titled his photo “Sunset Over the Rock”.

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**Easter Egg Hunt**  
Mark your calendars and plan to hop on over to Ken-Caryl's annual Easter Egg Hunt at the Ranch House, April 9 from 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. There will be thousands of eggs, fun raffle prizes and a visit with the Easter Bunny!

From Boomer Fitness to H.I.T.T. it Hard to Zumba, we've got fitness classes that appeal to all skill and interest levels! For the latest fitness class information, class descriptions, schedules and to register, please visit our website at [www.ken-carylranh.org](http://www.ken-carylranh.org) for more information!  
The use of the weight room and cardio areas at the Fitness Facility no longer require pre-registration. All fitness classes still require pre-registration. If you have any questions, please contact the front desk at the Community Center at 303-979-2233.

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**Memorial Day Celebration**  
Join us as we honor the brave service men and women who fought for our county, and have passed, at this year's Memorial Day Celebration, May 30 at 10 a.m. at the Veterans Monument, located in Community Park across from Shaffer Elementary School. A special thank you to our in-kind sponsor, Colorado Credit Union, for their generous wreath donation to adorn the Veterans Monument in celebration of this special event.

**Fitness Classes & Personal Training**  
Please visit our website for the most up-to-date information on classes, hours and fitness sessions at [www.ken-carylranh.org](http://www.ken-carylranh.org).

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**Story Time at the Ranch House**  
Join us for Story Time at the Ranch House, in partnership with Jeffco Public Library, each Thursday from 10:15-10:45 a.m. Please be sure to check our website calendar at [www.ken-carylranh.org](http://www.ken-carylranh.org), or Ken-Caryl's Facebook page for updates and/or program cancellations.



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By Lori Himmel, Resident

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Other lessons discuss character traits, setting, plot and dialogue. These lessons are similar to what Lori learns while taking her own professional writing classes and workshops. Writing just about every day has had its benefits—she is a Finalist Prize winner for the 2021 Astra International Picture Book Writing Contest and has received honorable mentions in a variety of other writing contests. As she tells her students, practice makes us better!

Since its inception in 2018, Young Writer's Workshop has worked with more than 85 students. When schools closed in early 2020, Lori offered an online workshop and over 30 students took to the challenge. Young Writer's Workshop now meets in person, just having finished the fall session.

The spring 2022 session begins the week of March 8. Children in grades 2-5, elementary school students and homeschool children are welcome! To learn more and to register your child, visit <http://www.youngwritersworkshop.co/>.



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Email to [allisonh@kcranch.org](mailto:allisonh@kcranch.org).  
Deadline for March 16 issue: March 7 at 9 a.m

Dear Editor:

I hope you and our residents in Ken-Caryl will join me in my fire mitigation and neighborhood upkeep projects. I cannot overstate the drought, water supply and fire crisis we are in. Let's try to come together to solve critical issues that affect us all. I have found the firefighters and first responders incredibly interested, responsive and

helpful. We have several professional first responders in the neighborhood and I encourage you to reach out to them and ask them what they think is important.

I have put hundreds of hours of my personal time into KC Volunteers, which is an organization I created - we have about 300 people now joining together - I have corporations, businesses, state and local officials. I have put in hundreds of hours of my personal time in the neighborhood picking up trash, building playgrounds, cleaning out creek beds, fixing erosion, cleaning greenbelts, pulling out weeds, picking up poop bags, trimming back dead and overgrown vegetation, and have met so many nice people in the process. Some refer to neighborhood organizations as "special interest groups". I am proud to announce that I have done work with The KC Conservation Club, Trail Club, Historical Society, Garden Club, Master Association, and other neighborhood groups, and I support and appreciate all of them. If you add up the volunteer time these groups have put in during the 10 years I have been here, it's in the range of 20,000 - 30,000 hours. I value these groups and I am glad to see the passion that people have for preserving, conserving, maintaining and improving our neighborhood. Let's create more volunteer opportunities - the absolute best way to get things done, save money, balance budgets and make progress, meet your neighbors and have fun, is to join these groups and get things done.

Let's do this.

Lastly, I am running for the MD Board, let's make the MD a voice for our community and a mechanism to promote and improve Ken-Caryl for us, our kids and grandkids and the many generations that will follow.

*Tim Berg, Resident, MD Board Candidate*

Dear Editor:

I have the pleasure of both working and living in Ken-Caryl Ranch. I witness countless acts of kindness, commitment and dedication from the staff every day. A perfect example: every Christmas our Equestrian Center Manager, Sierra Pokorn, gives up her Christmas morning to volunteer in the barns so that the horses are cared for and other staff can start their holiday celebrations sooner. This year, while Sierra was volunteering, a resident had confused the dates for holiday pony rides and arrived on Christmas

morning for a pony ride with his two grandchildren. Rather than sending them on their way, and getting back to her own family, Sierra saddled a horse and gave the two children a pony ride. These are the types of things that Sierra, and so many others on the KC staff, do every single day. Thank you to Sierra and the other KC staff that make this a wonderful place for my family to live.

*Kristen Peterka, Resident*

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Services: (B) Babysitting; (L) Lawn care; (P) Pet or house sitting; (S) Snow shoveling				
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Abby Burton	720-616-1333	B, P	16	Aspen Meadows
Bridget Cassidy	720-244-1359	B, P	17	Stratford Farms
Hope Cuttitta	303-517-8864	B, P	17	Deer Creek
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Lauren Fox	720-273-4077	B	12	North Ranch
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