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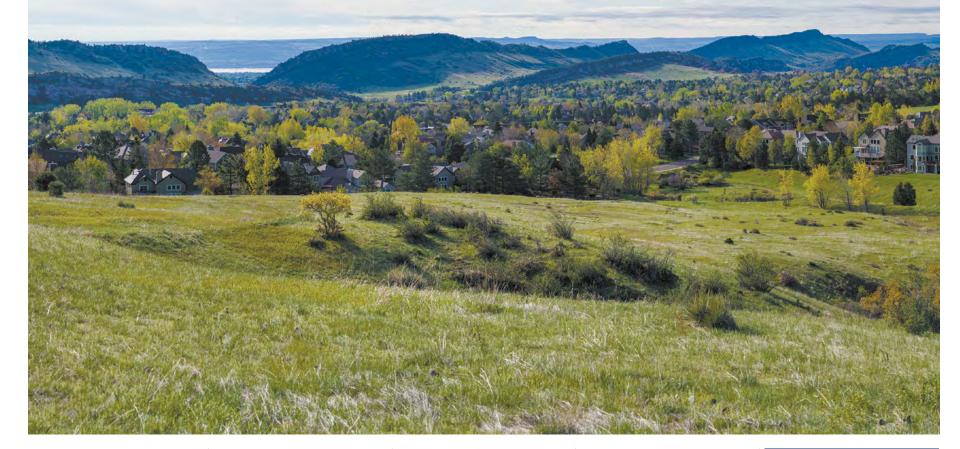
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# Vibrant Vista!

#### Resident Eric Linneman snapped and shared this picture-perfect panorama of The Valley!

Love life behind the lens? Consider submitting your photos to *Life at Ken-Caryl* Editor Allison Rager at allisonr@kcranch.org for publishing consideration in an upcoming issue.



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#### Rockin' the Ranch on June 15

Experience the Rockin' in the Ranch Summer Concert Series with the sensational Yellow Dogs on June 15 from 5-7 p.m. at the Ranch House Soccer Field! Get ready to groove as we bring you an electrifying evening of



music! Indulge in delicious offerings from food trucks, and treat your tastebuds to a symphony of flavors. Don't forget to bring your own chairs for a comfortable and enjoyable night filled with rhythm, food and fun! This event is FREE! Thank you to Platinum Sponsor A Little North Insurance and Silver Sponsor Tacos Por Dias.

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#### COMMUNITY CALENDAR

#### **Dollars and Sense**

By Lauren Feeney, CPA Metropolitan District Finance Director

My name is Lauren Feeney, and I'm thrilled to serve as the Ken-Caryl Ranch Metropolitan District's Finance Director. My time serving the District spans nearly six years, during which I've held the role of finance director for 4.5 years. Before joining Ken-Caryl, I worked in governmental procurement and budgeting, and later transitioned to public accounting tax and auditing. During this period, I earned a master's degree in professional accountancy and obtained my CPA license.



My tenure at the District has been rewarding, allowing me to play an active role operationally by implementing meticulous accounting practices to safeguard taxpayer funds. I'm delighted to report that since I have taken over as finance director, the District has annually received an unmodified audit with zero adjustments. I've implemented new accounting and HR software, multiple cost-saving efficiencies, and paperless processes to mitigate risk and strengthen internal controls. I take pride in the contributions I've made and am eager to continue applying my expertise for the ongoing success of the District.

Over the last 4.5 years, the District has made tremendous progress toward improving its fund balance and advancing long-term fiscal goals. Every financial approach District staff undertakes prioritizes continuous improvement and good governance. Given recent discussions surrounding future funding strategies for capital development, we wanted to take this opportunity to describe our forecasting approach.

Within each mill retention scenario, we have made the following assumptions: an increase in property tax revenue in assessment years and no increase in non-assessment years. While 2024 saw a spike in property taxes and the last 10 years have included wild fluctuations in collections, over the past 15 years the District's property tax collection percentage average has roughly matched the annual inflation rate (see chart). Another assumption factored into our forecast model is that other revenues and expenditures will increase by a conservative 3% annually.

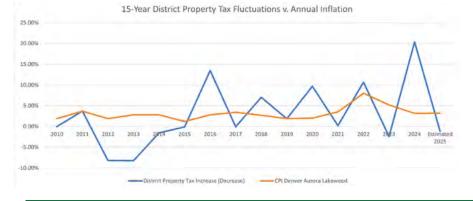
In addition to the District's typical revenues and expenditures, we have also factored in future financial impacts of the North American Development Group (NADG) housing development as well as board-approved capital transfers from the General Fund to the Capital Reserve Fund.

Regarding capital funding, we are incorporating the current positive fund balance of the Capital Reserve Fund as well as final settlement revenue from the Plains Metropolitan District. The District's Capital Plan outlines spending approximately \$10 million on anticipated capital projects over the next 10 years.

Each prospective capital development funding strategy includes revenue projections related to the potential continuation of a portion of the current bond mill, which is set to expire at the end of 2024. The anticipated income within each retention scenario is based on estimated net assessed valuation in accordance with the latest available legislation (Senate Bill 233).

The District is committed to maintaining a conservative approach with its forecasting models given our responsibility to appropriately manage taxpayer funds. This commitment has guided our forecast, ensuring that future revenues are allocated and segregated specifically for capital projects. This proactive stance aims to improve the community's value by securing adequate capital funding for the foreseeable future.

It is staff's responsibility to provide the District Board with credible and transparent financial information. This enables the District Board to make informed decisions regarding which strategy they wish to utilize to tackle the long-term financial sustainability of funding District capital projects.



#### June

All meetings will be held at the Ranch House unless otherwise noted. Information regarding audio and video conferencing options for public meetings will be communicated as it becomes available. See website at www.ken-carylranch.org for details.

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9	10	5:30 p.m. Tasty Tuesday 6 p.m. Open Space Committee Dakota Lodge	9 a.m. South Hogback Task Force Community Center 12 p.m. Lunchtime Learning: District Funding Online Via Zoom 5:30 p.m. Firewise Committee Meeting	7:30 a.m. Architectural Committee Meeting 9:30 a.m. Babytime Ranch House Picnic Shelter 10:15 a.m. Storytime Ranch House Picnic Shelter	14	15 10 a.m. Outdoor Education Takes Flight Bradford Fire Pit (6 Killdeer Ln.) 10:30 a.m. Historical Society Open House Bradford- Perley House 5 p.m. Rockin' the Ranch Ranch House Soccer Field
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#### SPECIAL EVENTS

# Wednesday Nights at the Manor House Return this Summer!

Summer, summer, summertime is in the air... and at the Manor House with the return of their free Wednesday night events this summer on June 19, July 10 and Aug. 7! The July 10 event will be joint celebration in honor of the Ken-Caryl Ranch Master Association's 50th Anniversary – check out our flyer on page 17 for details!

Food trucks will be available for food purchases and local bands will entertain guests. No outside alcohol is permitted. Children are allowed with supervision. Doors open at 5 p.m.



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# Don't be on the Fence with Repairs

By Darci Cross, Community Administrator

The fences that surround us! Have you checked your fencing lately? The elements have taken a toll on perimeter fencing with all the wet weather we've had over the last few weeks. If you have a painted fence, you might want to look at the condition of the paint. Many fences have come to the point where it is time for a new paint job.

If you currently have the original Indian gold paint

from 1974, you can repaint your fence that color. However, if you haven't painted your fence, or you'd like to update your fence with the new Architectural Committee-approved fence paint color, it is Benjamin Moore HC-175 Solid Briarwood Arbor Coat Deck Stain. Please note that even though this color is approved, residents still need to submit for approval. The purpose for the stain is to protect the wood as well as to keep the fences looking tidy and uniform. If you are unfamiliar with this color, this type of stain looks similar to the color of what your fence would look like as it is fading to the grayish color following prolonged exposure to sun and other elements. This will help to make your property fresh and clean looking.

As always, Be Kind!

Darci

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#### Community Meeting Recording Regarding District Future Capital Funding

The Ken-Caryl Ranch Metropolitan District held an online community meeting on May 7 regarding

the District's Capital Plan and future funding strategies, including possible continuation of a portion of the bond mill levy. The meeting was recorded and posted on our YouTube channel in order to reach a broader audience. We encourage residents to watch the video, which has been trimmed down to just the 20-minute presentation portion to make it easier to fit into your schedule! Please scan the QR code above to watch the video! Be sure to take the pre- and post-presentation surveys linked in the video for your feedback to be provided to the District Board. There was also a Q&A portion of the May 7 meeting, which is linked separately on our YouTube channel if you would like to hear the questions that were asked. If you have any questions, feel free to reach out to Traci Wieland at 303-979-1876, ext. 136, or via email at traciw@kcranch.org.

#### **Community Meeting Regarding Future Funding**

Tuesday, May 7 5-5:30 p.m.

Online Via Zoom (click on QR code to join Zoom) Zoom Webinar ID: 848 8434 7431

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# Ken-Caryl Community Garage Sale June 7 & 8

The Ken-Caryl Ranch Community Garage Sale takes place this Friday and Saturday, June 7-8 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Check out our website for a handy map showing all the garage sale locations! Each sale on the map includes a list of items available for purchase. Touch the green location indicator on the map for directions and detailed sale information. Find the best deals and plan your route with ease. Scan the QR code below or visit our website Special Events page to access the map. Happy hunting!



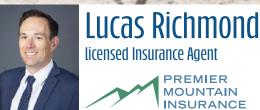




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# Newborn Wildlife Usually Better Off Left Alone

Submitted by Peter Marozas, Park Ranger

With spring and early summer comes a rebirth of Colorado's wildlife. From robins and jays to elk and deer, newborn wildlife can be found throughout the state at this time of the year. Colorado Parks and Wildlife asks Colorado residents and visitors to please refrain from touching or approaching the newborns so that they have a chance to thrive in their natural habitat.



"In almost every instance when somebody finds

a baby chick, fawn or calf, the best course of action is to leave the newborn animal alone," said Rick Spowart, district wildlife manager in the Estes Park area. "Most newborn wildlife are typically left alone for long periods of time by their mothers on purpose."

By design, deer fawns and elk calves are born with natural camouflage and a lack of scent. In the first few days of their lives, the newborns are not mobile enough to travel with their mothers. As a defensive tactic to keep nearby predators away from the newborns' location, the mothers will often leave the young animals alone for long periods of time. During this crucial period, the mothers will visit the newborns at least twice a day to feed them. After a few days, the fawns and calves are usually strong enough to join their mothers and the herd, where there's more protection.

Spowart asks people who find a newborn deer, elk or antelope to leave the animal alone for at least 12 hours before calling – unless they are absolutely sure the parent animal is dead (hit by a car, for example).

Oftentimes, people will find young birds that appear to have fallen from their nests. Sometimes the birds have actually fallen and other times they're in the process of learning to fly. If the birds can safely be put back in the nest or on a high branch, it's okay to do so.

One of the best things residents and visitors can do to protect Colorado's newborn wildlife is to keep their pets under control. Countless numbers of baby rabbits, squirrels, birds and other wildlife fall prey to domestic dogs and cats every year. Owners of dogs that chase or injure big game animals – including newborns – can be held liable by law for their dog's actions.

"By nature, dogs and cats are predators. You can't really blame them for what they do naturally," said Steve Yamashita, Northeast Region Manager for Colorado Parks and Wildlife. "But you can blame their owners. It's up to pet owners to contain their animals if they care about local wildlife."

According to Yamashita, dogs that chase wildlife without actually catching an animal still do harm, either causing the animal to expend critical energy or running it away from its newborn. However, dogs aren't the only dangerous pets.

"This time of the year, we have all of our young birds hatching out, and they're easy prey for cats," he said. "In my neighborhood alone, I've witnessed the cat population decimate a covey of quail."

Keeping your pets restrained or indoors as much as possible will protect newborn wildlife, as will respecting the many seasonal wildlife closures that are in place during this time of the year on various municipal, county, state and federal properties to protect young animals.

Editor's Note: This article has been re-printed from Colorado Parks and Wildlife. The Ken-Caryl Ranch Park Ranger staff receives several calls this time of year about "abandoned" baby deer and birds. The information in the article is applicable to our situation in Ken-Caryl Ranch. Most of the time when you find a fawn or fledgling on the ground, it is not orphaned, and the watchful eyes of the parents are nearby. If, however, baby wildlife have been unattended for a long period of time (12-24 hours), please contact the Rangers at 303-979-1876, ext. 170.



#### Protect What You Love from Wildfire

By Ronda Scholting, Public Information Officer, West Metro Fire Rescue

More than 5,500 fires, burning more than 200,000 acres. That's an "average" year for wildfires in Colorado, and what state officials are predicting we'll see in 2024. While some of those fires will ignite in forest and wildland spaces, others will come uncomfortably close to homes and neighborhoods. The number of people at risk of wildfire continues

to increase with the state's growing population.

The wildland/urban interface or WUI is where open space mixes with homes and other structures. Nearly three million Coloradans live in that interface. A place where a fastmoving grass or brush fire can quickly endanger hundreds of homes and families.



"We have dozens of neighborhoods

in the West Metro Fire Rescue district where homes could be impacted by fires in open spaces, or fires that start along roads or highways," said Sean Jewell, West Metro Division Chief, Special Operations/Emergency Management. "That's why our crews have trained extensively in wildfire response."

There's a misconception that the loss or damage of homes and property in a wildfire is a result of direct exposure to the main body of the fire. In most cases, it's the embers from the fire, pushed aloft by the wind, that land around structures and ignite. The embers lodge on rooftops, in gutters, in flowerbeds, and under decks where there may be dead or dry vegetation or debris. The homes lost in the devasting Marshall Fire in Boulder County were victims of ember showers and structure to structure ignition.

Protecting your home and family can start with a walk around your property after a windy day. "I tell people to take a look at where leaves or other debris pile up," said West Metro Firefighter Jonathan Ashford. "And then, make sure to keep those areas clean. You should have a five-foot fire-free area closest to your home using nonflammable landscaping material and fire-resistant plants."

Defensible space is a property's first line of defense against wildfire. Creating and maintaining defensible space around homes can improve the property's likelihood of surviving a wildfire. Having defensible space also makes it safer for firefighters who may have to defend someone's home.

"Your roof is also critical," said Ashford. "Embers can collect and ignite on the roof, in gutters and enter unscreened openings, like roof vents. Clear all leaves, pine needles and other flammable debris."

For more information on how to help your property survive a wildfire, visit www.westmetrofire.org.



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#### **MA Board Summary**

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

- a. No discussion items.
  - The Board passed the following motions:
- b. Motion A: A Motion to approve 2024 KCRMA Reserves Plan
- c. Motion B A Motion to approve accounts 38897, 38850, 38326 and 37186 going to collections.

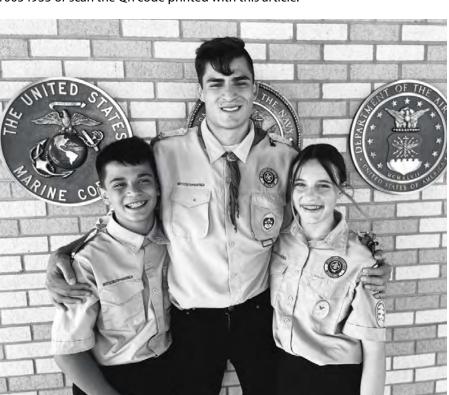
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# Any Plans for the Weekend...How about Signing Up to Save a Life?

By Marin Miller, Resident

Eagle Scout Candidate and resident Marin Miller from Troop 686 is hosting a blood drive from 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. on Sunday, June 9 at Heritage United Methodist Church,

located at 7077 S. Simms Street. This project is meaningful to Marin because both of her brothers' lives were saved by generous blood donations. Please consider signing up by visiting donors.vitalant.org and search using blood drive code 10054935 or scan the QR code printed with this article.



Resident and Eagle Scout Candidate Marin Miller, right, pictured with her two brothers whose lives were saved by generous blood donations.



# Celebrate Aquatics Staff Appreciation Day on June 9

Join us on Sunday, June 9 at all three pools to honor our dedicated lifeguards and other aquatics staff for their unwavering commitment to ensuring the safety of our community.

Being a lifeguard is no easy feat. The Ken-Caryl Ranch lifeguards undergo rigorous training starting in April with an online lifeguarding course, followed by 24 hours of in-person training to learn life-saving skills and techniques. Our lifeguarding staff also completes facility operation training, guest service training, and training on all District policies and procedures, totaling over 37 hours of training before the summer season even begins.

Many of our staff members are high school students balancing school, sports and other commitments while ensuring they complete this essential training. This summer position marks the first job experience for many of our staff members. The aquatics staff primarily consists of community members. It is important to ensure that you and your family contribute to creating a positive environment for our staff by adhering to the rules, following safety guidance, and offering staff a smile.

Aquatics staff often go unnoticed and underappreciated for their hard work. Ken-Caryl Ranch is proud to recognize our Aquatics team for their dedication. Visit our pools to leave a comment on our lifeguard recognition board. You can also stop by our KC Aquatics info booth at all pools from 12-2 p.m. on June 9 for answers to your aquatics and lifeguard questions, and vote for the Community Choice Guard of the Month by scanning a QR code at the pool. Let's show our lifeguards the appreciation they deserve!





Ken-Caryl Ranch lifeguards hard at work!

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#### **District Capital Plan**

Capital expenditures are required to maintain the quality and condition of the Ken-Caryl Ranch Metropolitan District's assets and to promote a safe, enjoyable, and positive experience for all participants and community members. All property or equipment related to an infrastructure asset are considered capital projects.

The District's long-term capital improvement plan, initially formulated during the 2022 budget process, is now updated annually. It encompasses projects projected through 2050 for District-owned or leased properties and equipment, along with some maintenance for several Master Association assets. Although the plan anticipates needs well into the future, the Board only approves the current year of projects as part of the annual budget adoption process.

#### The Capital Plan is based on four specific sources of information:

- Capital Asset Estimated Life Expectancy
- Community Survey Priorities
- 2023-2027 Strategic Plan
- Immediate Needs

Capital projects include critical maintenance items such as:

- HVAC Systems
- Flooring
- Lighting
- Tennis Court Resurfacing
- Roofing
- Irrigation Systems and Controls
- · Parking Lot Maintenance
- · Pool Boiler
- Pool Concrete Decking
- Painting
- Park Benches, Picnic Tables, and Signage

#### Capital projects also include new and replacement projects such as:

- Playgrounds (Community Center, Community Park, North Ranch Park)
- Community Park Master Plan first phase to include new irrigation system, restroom structure, reconfiguration of baseball fields, and pickleball courts
- Community Center pool features, deck furniture, shade structures, splash pad renovations

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- Fitness equipment at the Community Center
- Parking expansion south of the playground and Community Garden at the Community Center
- Vehicles, mowers, equipment, snow removal machines, trailers, truck snowplows

Financial forecasting for the District has revealed that revenues may not be enough to continue with the full maintenance of the District's capital infrastructure in the long term. As a potential capital funding option, the District's Board could place a ballot initiative on the November 2024 ballot asking voters to approve converting a portion of the bond mill levy as a general operating mill levy designated for capital and maintenance projects.

What do you think about continuing a portion of the bond mill? The District wants to hear from you! Please reach out to Traci Wieland at 303-979-1876, ext. 136, or via email at traciw@kcranch.org.



The Community Center was repainted in May 2024.

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#### **Lunchtime Learning: District Funding**

Want to learn more about the District's mill levy and possible future funding options for capital and maintenance projects? Please join us for a Lunchtime

Learning session on Wednesday, June 12 at 12 p.m. via Zoom for a brief presentation and opportunity to ask questions. The meeting will be recorded and posted on our YouTube channel in case you can't make it.

Wednesday, June 12 at 12 p.m. Online Via Zoom (Scan QR code to join) Zoom Webinar ID: 891 7200 4526 Zoom Phone Number: (719) 359-4580





Some tennis courts at the Ranch House were resurfaced in 2023.



North Ranch Park playground was completed in 2023 using capital funds.



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# Latest Community Clean-Up Project a Success

Thanks to all the volunteers who came out in support of Ken-Caryl's latest community fire mitigation clean-up efforts on May 19 by the tennis structure in The Valley!

"I am very excited because this is the first partnership between the Master Association, the Metro District, and the Trail Club," said Wildfire Mitigation Specialist Keith McMillan regarding the clean-up efforts. "The Trail Club and I worked to remove vegetation and neatly stack it for MD staff to... do the chipping and disposal. This site was chosen for its proximity to an evacuation route as well as proximity to community assets. Thank you [to the volunteers] for the support!"

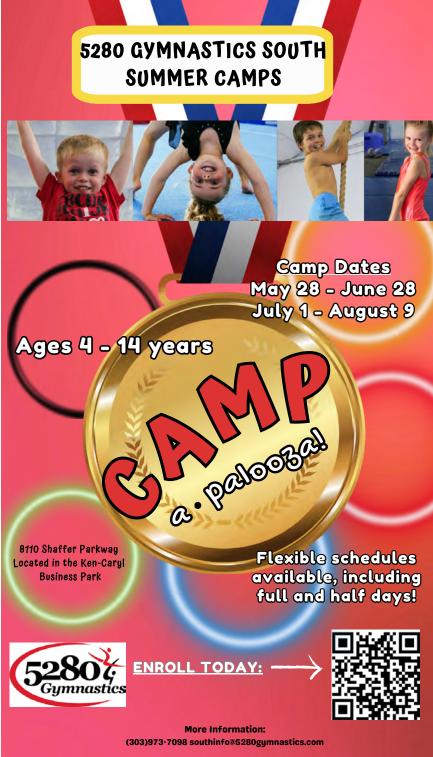


Jasper Hamilton volunteers as part of May's wildfire mitigation community clean-up efforts on May 19 in The Valley. Photo courtesy of resident John Fosholt.



the tennis courts at the Community Center in May. Photo courtesy of resident John Fosholt.







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#### **NORTH RANCH**

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#### **ENCLAVE**

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#### **NORTH RANCH**

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#### **EAGLES POINTE**

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# Troop 686 Thanks Mr. Steve Jablonski for His Many Years of Service

By Deanna Miller, Resident

This spring marks the end of a remarkable career in service for Mr. Steve Jablonski. In 2013, Mr. Jablonski started out as an Assistant Scout Master with Troop 686, where he quickly became known for his laughter, patience and enthusiasm. During his time, he had a positive influence on every scout who came through the troop.

When girls were allowed to join Boy Scouts of America (BSA) in 2019, Mr. Jablonski jumped in as their Scoutmaster, leading not only six curious girls, but his own daughter as well. Soon, the "Sassy Sasquatches" were born, and many fun and adventurous trips and activities followed. Even during COVID, Mr. Jablonski was able to create an alternative to traditional summer camp with "Camp Jablonski," where scouts were able to experience everything from basketweaving and game design to music and law.

At the recent Court of Honor, his former Assistant Scout Master Sara Odom had this to say, "Scoutmaster Jablonski is the master of patience. Whether leading scouts on long hikes, extremely cold campouts or demonstrating the steps in the bowline for the 37th time, or showing us how to wield an ax without losing a toe (or dignity), he never lost his cool. Trust me, we tested his patience. His dedication, positive leadership, and unwavering belief in the girls' abilities have empowered them to overcome challenges and emerge stronger and more confident individuals."

Of the girls that Mr. Jablonski has mentored, four have achieved the rank of Eagle Scout, one is currently pursuing her Eagle Scout and all benefitted tremendously from his leadership. At the Court of Honor, the girls all read the famous poem by Forest Witcraft, entitled "Within my Power" that ended with this powerful message, "A hundred years from now it will not matter what my bank account was, the sort

of house I lived in, or the kind of car I drove. But the world may be different because I was important in the life of a scout." From those of us who have seen Mr. Jablonski in action, we know how his leadership will be weaved throughout the lives of countless scouts and parents and the memories of his kindness will last a lifetime.

In addition to serving as Assistant Scoutmaster and Scoutmaster, Mr. Jablonski was a Den Leader for Pack 742 from 2010-2012. While he had an immeasurable positive impact on dozens of scouts, he also led both his son and daughter, Ben and Bella, to their Eagle Scout ranks. Which, as any Scout parent knows, is a feat in and of itself.

Troop 686 wishes to extend their immense gratitude to Mr. Jablonski for his selfless and tireless work in guiding so many Scouts through their journeys!

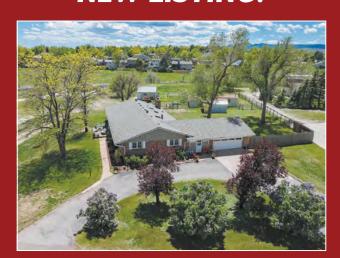
If your son or daughter is interested in joining Troop 686, please contact Kim Davis Poole at davisk1020@ yahoo.com. The Troop meets every Wednesday at 7 p.m. Additional information can be found at www.bsatroop686.org.



Scoutmaster Steve Jablonski.

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#### Colorado Credit Union Hosts Free Community Shred Day on June 22

Colorado Credit Union invites residents to 'shred it' at their Community Shred Day on June 22 at the bank's Ken-Caryl Ranch Branch located at 10026 W. San Juan Way. Community members are invited to safely shred documents from 9 a.m. – 12 p.m., or until the truck reaches capacity.

This event will allow for the safe shredding and disposal of items such as personal records, bank statements, receipts with personal information, bills, invoices, voided/cancelled checks and unneeded financial information. Please note that plastic, aluminum, cardboard, electronics magazines, catalogs, book or telephone books cannot be accepted at the event.

This year's Community Shred Day will be accepting monetary donations in support of Denver-based, non-profit Big Brothers Big Sisters of Colorado.

For event details, including a list of acceptable items and items that cannot be shredded, please visit Colorado Credit Union's website at https://www.ccu. org/events.

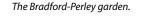


Colorado Credit Union will host their next free Shred Day on June 22.

#### Get to Know Your Ken-Caryl "Roots" at the Historical Society's **Open House!**

Join us for the Ken-Caryl Ranch Historical Society's Open House on June 15 and learn more about our community's rich history! The event will take place from 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. at the Bradford-Perley House, located on Killdeer Lane in the North Ranch.

Members of the Ken-Caryl Ranch Historical Society will be wearing gold name badges to point out features of interest and to address



questions. Community members are also welcome to come any time during the two-hour open house to learn about Ken-Caryl archaeology!

During your visit, be sure to take time to stop and smell the flowers – literally! Guests are welcome to visit the Bradford-Perley apple orchard and see what's growing in the garden on display for visitors, which should be bursting with vibrancy and color in June! Residents of all ages are welcome!

Mark your calendars, a second Historical Society Open House is scheduled to take place on July 27! Stay tuned – more details to come!



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#### Bruno – (292116)

Bruno is a 4-year-old male American Bulldog needing extra support to feel safe. He will do best in a calm home where he can rest and wait things out or retreat to a separate space when anxious. Access to a yard will allow Bruno to opt out of walks and still enjoy outdoor time. He is available to homes without kids, but with a canine pal or two would be helpful to Bruno. Bruno is in foster care, so email foster@ fas4pets.com to arrange to meet him.



#### Alex - (294253)

Alex is a 6-year-old female cat. She is a reserved kitty who will likely take time to settle into her new home. Alex is fond of treats and has warmed up to shelter staff and volunteers who come bearing gifts. She may prefer a quiet household, potentially with kitty companions, as she came from a multi-cat household.

To find out more about Bruno, Alex and other deserving pets in need of good homes, visit www.FoothillsAnimalShelter.org.





#### **Bi-Weekly Recycling and Tote Delivery FAQs**

Question: Why did Ken-Cary Ranch transition to a bi-weekly (every other week) recycling collection schedule?

A: The MA Board voted at its October 2023 meeting to switch to biweekly recycling. Three out of the five board members voted to transition to a bi-weekly recycling schedule for an approximate savings of \$89k/year.

Question: When did bi-weekly recycling collection services go into effect?

A: May 1, 2024

Question: What are the requirements for recycling collection services?

A: All residents must have an approved 64- or 96-gallon recycling tote from Waste Connections. However, residents may use older totes or those from other trash providers SO LONG AS they are in the approved 64- or 96-gallon sizes. Residents who use a tote from another provider or purchased via a retailer, such as at Home Depot or Lowes, MUST ALSO cover any existing logos with Waste Connections logo stickers, or apply stickers to unlabeled totes. Stickers are available for FREE pick-up at the Ranch House or the Community Center during normal business hours.

Question: Do I need an approved tote for my trash?

A: No. New tote requirements apply only to recycling collection services. Residents may continue to use their current trash totes, cans, bins, or bags without any disruption to trash collection services. As a reminder,

residents can have up to 6 trash cans/ bins/bags, AND up to 6 cans/bins/ bags or bundles of yard debris.

Question: Will my trash/recycling collection/pick-up dates change with the new contract?

A: No. Resident pick-up/ collections days will not change. So, if you normally have your trash and recycling collected on a Thursday, it will continue to be collected on Thursdays; however, recycling collection pick-ups will alternate each week on your regularly scheduled pick-up days. Please see Waste Connections website re: any holiday scheduling delays at www. wasteconnections.com

Question: Does the new biweekly recycling contract with Waste Connections also include bi-weekly trash collection services?

**A:** No. Trash collections services will not be impacted. Residents can expect weekly trash collection services on their normally scheduled trash pick-up days. So, if your trash is collected each week on a Thursday, it will continue to be collected each Thursday.

Question: Is there a way to get a copy of my personal trash collection and bi-weekly recycling schedule?

A: Yes. You can enter your address via Waste Connections' website and have a personalized trash and recycling schedule populated for you! To get a copy of your personalized trash/recycling collections pickup schedule, visit: https://www. wasteconnections.com/pickupschedule/

Question: I ordered my recycling totes prior to the March 15 online ordering deadline. When can I expect to get my new tote?

**A:** Tote deliveries for online orders placed prior to March 15, will begin the week of May 20.

Question: If I haven't received my recycling tote order, that I placed prior to the March 15 deadline, will my recycling still be collected?

A: Residents may still use their current recycling totes until Waste Connections can fulfill resident tote orders placed online prior to the March 15 deadline. There will not be disruptions to your collection services while these orders are being fulfilled.

**Question:** Once Waste Connections has their new tote inventory in and they begin scheduling new tote deliveries, what can I expect in terms of swapping out my totes?

A: Waste Connections will either 1.) contact residents directly regarding new tote deliveries/swap outs, or 2.) residents who may have missed a swap out can still place their old totes, cans, bins, etc., out the day of their trash collection services and label them, "Please take as trash."

Question: What do I do with my old totes/cans/bins once I receive my new tote? Am I responsible for the disposal of my old totes?

**A:** No. Residents are asked to place their old cans, bins, totes etc., out the day of their trash collection services and label them, "Please take as trash."

Question: I put out my old tote to be picked up as trash and labeled it correctly, but Waste Connections didn't collect it. What can I do?

A: Waste Connections has assured us that, while it may take time, they are committed to collecting all old bins from residents during their scheduled trash collection days. Please continue to put out your old totes or cans for disposal until they are collected. To ensure collection, please clearly label the receptacles to be disposed of as "Please take as

Question: I ordered my recycling tote after the March 15 deadline. Will my recycling still be collected?

A: Waste Connections cannot guarantee that recycling in unapproved containers will continue to be collected once recycling tote orders placed prior to the March 15 deadline are fulfilled. Residents who placed online orders for their new recycling bins may experience a disruption in their collection services. Residents will need to order a tote from Waste Connections to ensure their recycling is collected. Residents who need a tote ASAP, may also purchase a tote in either the approved 64- or 96-gallon sizes from a third-party provider, retailer or online retailer. However, please note that all totes must be labeled with Waste Connections logo stickers, available for FREE pick-up at the Ranch House or the Community Center during normal business hours.

Question: I ordered new trash totes. When can I expect to receive

A: Waste Connections is prioritizing the fulfillment of recycling tote orders for residents as part of the new recycling tote requirements per the Master Associations contract with Waste Connections. Please stay tuned





#### TRASH TALK (Continued)

to all of Ken-Caryl's communications channels, including our e-Newsletter (Ken-Caryl Ranch e-News), Life at Ken-Caryl newspaper, our website at www. ken-carylranch.org and our Facebook page @ken-carylranch for the latest updates and information. Please note, the Master Association is able to push out immediate updates via our website and on social media.

\*If you haven't received your totes by June, to have your concerns addressed in a timely manner, please contact Waste Connections at kencarylco@wasteconnections.com or by calling 303-288-2100, as they are the responsible party for delivering totes. The Master Association is not responsible for tote deliveries.

**Question:** What if my current recycling bin is overflowing? What options do I have between bi-weekly collection services?

A: Residents do have the option of getting an additional recycling bin for \$6/month, billed directly by Waste Connections. If you are interested in ordering an additional tote, you may do so by contacting Waste Connection directly. See below regarding ways to connect with Waste Connections.

**Question:** I haven't received my new totes and/or need to order new trash and recycling totes. How can I place an order?

**A:** Please note that the Master Association is no longer taking online trash and recycling tote orders. Residents who need to order a tote may contact Waste Connections in any of these ways:

- 1. Send an email to kencarylco@ wasteconnections.com
- Visit Waste Connections' at https:// www.wasteconnections.com/ contact-us/
- Contact Waste Connections by phone at 303-288-2100. For the fastest response time, we highly recommend using email or the website.

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**Question:** Waste Connections didn't pick up my trash and/or recycling during a collections week. What can I do?

**A:** Residents may contact Waste Connections in any of these ways:

- 1. Send an email to kencarylco@ wasteconnections.com
- Visit Waste Connections' at https:// www.wasteconnections.com/ contact-us/ and choose from their options (bulk item pick-up, missed pick-up, etc.)
- 3. Contact Waste Connections by phone at 303-288-2100. For the fastest response time, we highly recommend using email or the website.

For more information about trash and recycling, please visit our website at www.ken-carylranch.org and click on the *Resident Resources* tab, then Trash, Utilities & Subassociations.

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#### **Special Events**





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#### **Food Truck Fridays**

NEW for 2024! Join us for Food Truck Fridays on June 7, July 5 and Aug. 9 from 5:30-8 p.m. in the Dakota Lodge parking lot, where we will host food trucks – from the sweet to the savory – for your eating pleasure! Thank you to Platinum Event Sponsor Bre Small with eXp Realty! For event information and to see the current lineup of featured food trucks and event info, scan the corresponding QR code below.



#### **Tasty Tuesdays**

Enjoy family time and an outdoor picnic at our weekly Tasty Tuesday food truck events from 5:30-8 p.m. in the Ranch House parking lot now through July 30 where we will host food trucks - from the sweet to the savory – for your eating pleasure! Thank you to Platinum Event Sponsor Bre Small with eXp Realty! To see the current lineup of featured food trucks and event info, scan the corresponding QR code below.



#### **Community Garage Sale**

The Ken-Caryl Ranch Community Garage Sale takes place this Friday and Saturday, June 7-8 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Check out our website for a handy map showing all the garage sale locations! Each sale on the map includes a list of items available for purchase. Touch the green location indicator on the map for directions and detailed sale information. Find the best deals and plan your route with ease. Scan the QR code below or visit our website Special Events page to access the map. Happy hunting!



#### **Outdoor Education Takes** Flight at our Raptor **Experience!**

Join us for a fun-filled Nature Day on June 15 from 10-11:30 a.m. at the Bradford Fire Pit! The Open Space Committee and Ken-Caryl Rangers would like to invite the community to a morning of learning and exploring in our open space. We will have options for a short, guided hike, a nature scavenger hunt, wildlife education, crafts, historical tour and a visit from a live raptor (courtesy of the Raptor Education Foundation). The event is geared towards children 5-10 years in age. We encourage carpooling or walking/biking to the event as parking is limited. Absolutely NO street parking along Killdeer Lane. Also, NO DOGS allowed for the protection of the live raptor at the event. This event is FREE, no registration required.

#### Rockin' the Ranch

Experience the Rockin' in the Ranch Summer Concert Series with the sensational Yellow Dogs Blues Band on June 15 from 5-7 p.m. at the Ranch House/Soccer Field! Get ready to groove as we bring you an electrifying evening of music! Indulge in delicious offerings from food trucks, and treat your tastebuds to a symphony of flavors. Don't forget to bring your own chairs for a comfortable and enjoyable night filled with rhythm, food and fun! This event is FREE! Thank you Platinum Sponsor A Little North Insurance and Silver Sponsor Tacos Por Dias.

#### **Movie in the Park**

Come join us for an unforgettable outdoor movie night under the stars on June 22 from dusk to 10 p.m. at the Ranch House Soccer Fields! We're screening "The Sandlot" as the sun sets. Enjoy snacks and popcorn that will be available for purchase as you settle in for the show. Cash only. Remember to bring your own chairs for maximum comfort! This event is FREE!

#### **Art Festival**

The 2024 Art Festival will be held on June 29 from 11 a.m. – 4 p.m. at the Ranch House. Artwork will be showcased for the community to come out and see. Visit the Special Events page on our website for more information.

Janet Robbins **Fitness Coordinator** janetr@kcranch.org 303-979-2233, ext. 185

#### **Fitness Classes and Personal Training**

Please scan the QR code above to visit our website for the most upto-date information on classes, hours and fitness sessions.

#### **Prenatal Yoga**

Join us for a FREE comprehensive Prenatal Yoga class on June 7 from 9:15-10:05 a.m. at the Community Center focused on preparing you mentally, physically and emotionally for birth and motherhood on! This class is free. but registration is required using the corresponding button below. If you enjoy this free class, sign up for our fee-based session that starts on June 14 via the QR code below.



#### **Baby & Me Yoga Class**

Join us for a FREE yoga class for parents/caregivers and babies on June 7 from 10:15-10:45 a.m. at the Community Center! This class is ideal for pre-crawlers/ non-mobile babies, but all are welcome. This class is free, but registration is required using the corresponding button below. If you enjoy this class, please sign up for our fee-based 4-week session beginning June 14 via the QR code below.



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#### **Junior Tennis Lessons**

**Robert Campbell** 

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**Tennis Director** 

Looking for tennis lessons for your young player? For more information and to register, scan the Tennis & Pickleball QR code above.

#### **Adult Tennis Lessons**

Register today for Adult Tennis Lessons! For more information, and to check availability, including available lessons based on skill, scan the Tennis & Pickleball OR code above.



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#### **Youth Programs**



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#### Challenger Summer Soccer Camps

#Summer"Goals"! We're "kicking" things up! Sign up early for Challenger's Summer Soccer Camps and save money! So, if you're looking for a fun, healthy way to entertain your kiddos, secure your spot today via Challenger's website at https://challengersports.com/camp-finder/.



#### Sign Up for the e-News!

The Ken-Caryl Ranch e-News is a weekly newsletter distributed every Monday via email to all residents who subscribe. It is a great information source and supplement to the newspaper and other forms of communication on Ken-Caryl Ranch.

To sign up for the e-News, go to www.ken-carylranch.org and fill out the e-News sign-up form on the home page or send an email to allisonr@kcranch.org.

### Amazing Athletes JumpBunch for Tots and Preschoolers!

Ken-Caryl Ranch will host several Amazing Athletes JumpBunch sessions intended to promote the development of the whole child and encourage an introduction to and participation in sports! Your child will gain confidence through the participation in a variety of sports, fitness and movementbased activities specifically designed to support their growth and development. Sports, smiles, fitness & fun! That's what Amazing Athletes JumpBunch is all about! Scan the below QR code for class information and to register.



#### Storytime at the Ranch House

Please join us from 10:15 - 10:45 a.m. at the Ranch House Picnic Shelter for Storytime, in partnership with the Jeffco Library, and have fun with our youngest residents!

#### **Babytime**

Please join us with your little one for Babytime at the Ranch House Picnic Shelter from 9:30 -10 a.m., followed by Storytime at 10:15 a.m. This program is designed to help the littlest minds develop and grow. Bounce, sing, rhyme and read with your baby!

### Now Enrolling in Skyhawks Youth-Based Sports!

Since 1979, Skyhawks has taught over two million boys and girls Life Skills through sports. We are partnering with Skyhawks to provide a non-competitive environment to teach sports to kids ages 4 to 14. Their goal is to give each child a positive introduction into sports and ensure they walk away with a smile on their face wanting to learn more. Summer programs that take place at the Ranch House fields include soccer, volleyball, basketball, baseball and mixed sports. For details, program dates and to register, please visit their website at https://www.skyhawks.com/ colorado/

### Ageless & Unstoppable Moves to Thursdays!

Join us for our next Ageless & Unstoppable program on June 6 from 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. at the Ranch House with Touching Hearts at Home, in-home care for Seniors! Touching Hearts at Home offers an array of home care services for seniors, people living with medical conditions or disabilities, those in transition from hospital to home and anyone over the age of 18 who can benefit from the help of a professional caregiver. It's also about the relationships they build and being able to give their clients the peace of mind that they are always in good hands. Whether it is running errands, light housekeeping or even personal care (along with a list of other services), they are here to help. Join us and learn more about these services!

\*Beginning in June, Ageless & Unstoppable is following a weekly programming format on Thursdays! To view upcoming program dates and topics, please scan the QR code above.







About 347 Chatfield Senior High School Students participated in this year's Relay for Life to benefit the American Cancer Society.

# Chatfield Senior High Students Raise Nearly \$100K for Cancer Research

Congratulations to Chatfield Senior High School for raising more than \$98,000 as part of this year's Relay for Life event! About 347 students camped out overnight at the school to raise money for the American Cancer Society and raised a whopping \$98,100 in support of cancer research and to celebrate cancer survivors and caregivers.

Chatfield's Relay for Life is the biggest and best of any high school in the country. According to Chatfield High School Principal John Thanos, it started back in 2007 with 68 students raising \$6,500. This year, 347 students raised over \$98,000. Thanos also stated that the students participate in teams to positively compete to raise the most money both individually and collectively.

Chatfield is still hoping to achieve their goal of raising \$100,000. Anyone interested in contributing may do so via their website at https://secure.acsevents.org/site/STR?pg=entry&fr\_id=106960.

Relay For Life is a community-based fundraising event for the American Cancer Society. Each year, more than 5,000 Relay For Life events take place in over twenty countries. Events are held in local communities, university campuses and as virtual campaigns. As the American Cancer Society's most successful fundraiser and the organization's signature event, the mission of Relay For Life is to raise funds to improve cancer survival, decrease the incidence of cancer, and improve the quality of life for cancer patients and their caretakers.



Teams positively competed to raise money in support of cancer research and to support cancer survivors and caregivers.

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## Join us in celebrating the Ken-Caryl Ranch Master Association's 50th Anniversary



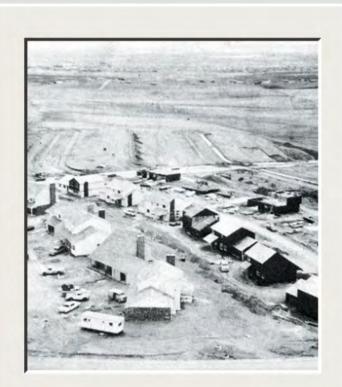
In partnership with the historical Manor House, we welcome you to join us in celebrating the 50th anniversary of the Ken-Caryl Ranch Master Association.

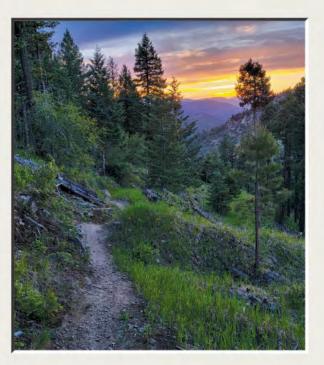
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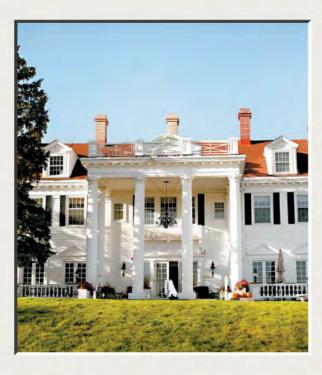
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The Siebrase family hits the trails in search of adventure!

#### Resident Jamie Siebrase Delivers Bite-Sized Chunks of Nature to Busy Colorado Families

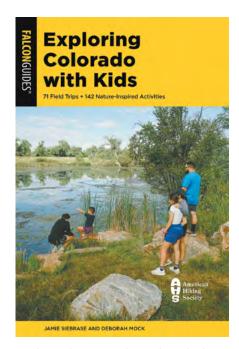
"I'm calling them 'nature snacks," says Ken-Caryl resident and outdoors writer Jamie Siebrase when asked to describe the chapters inside her latest guidebook, "Exploring Colorado with Kids: 71 Field Trips + 142 Nature-Inspired Activities."

Stirred by a column she wrote for *Colorado Parent*, Jamie pitched a book about educational outdoor adventures to her editor at Falcon. His interest was piqued, and before long, Jamie had also roped in her *Colorado Parent* editor, Debbie Mock, as the book's co-author.

"We've all heard about the health benefits associated with being outdoors," Jamie says, adding, "There are a billion-and-one reasons to spend more time outside with your kids, and yet sometimes it's hard to get started." Isn't that the truth?

Fortunately, Colorado families don't have to travel far to have authentic nature experiences. "That's the whole idea behind "Exploring Colorado with Kids,"" Jamie explains. Inside the pages of her new guidebook, local families will discover an exciting range of outdoorsy adventures laid out between Fort Collins and Colorado Springs – no wilderness experience or technical gear required.

Let's say you have a few hours to pass between morning soccer games and your Saturday night dinner plans.



Resident author Jamie Siebrase releases her latest book, "Exploring Colorado with Kids: 71 Field Trips + 142 Nature-Inspired Activities."

"Open the book to any chapter, grab a water bottle and some snacks, and go," says Jamie. She and Debbie guide readers through nature centers, farms, outdoor history museums, art walks, wildlife refuges, conservation-themed playgrounds, unexpected pockets of urban wilderness and more. "The destinations are pure fun, but don't be surprised if you learn a few

educational tidbits along the way,"

Jamie adds.

Jamie and her family moved to Ken-Caryl on a whim during a post-pandemic pivot, and she hasn't looked back once. "It's hard to imagine a more picturesque setting for a writer who covers the outdoors," she says. When she isn't writing, Jamie's often running or hiking neighborhood trails. With kids, she'll never get sick of South Valley Park, Deer Creek Canyon, and the lesser-known paths at Denver Botanic Gardens Chatfield Farm. Jamie's other books are "Hiking"

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# Feeding Your Need for Food Truck Events This Summer!

We are feeding your need for food trucks! Be sure to join us for Tasty Tuesdays each week now through July from 5:30-8 p.m. in the Ranch House parking lot, where we will host food trucks – from the sweet to the savory – for your eating pleasure!

This year, in addition to Tasty Tuesdays, we are excited to announce that we will also be hosting Food Truck Fridays at the Dakota Lodge from 5:30-8 p.m. this summer! Upcoming events will take place on July 5 and Aug. 9. Food Truck Fridays will feature family-friendly activities, like bounce houses!



To view the current truck schedule, including menus, please visit the Special Events page of our website at www.ken-carylranch.org, or scan the QR code on the specific Truckster event flyers below.

Tasty Tuesdays and Food Truck Fridays are generously supported by Platinum Sponsor Bre Small with eXp Realty!

\*Truckster manages and schedules the food truck lineup each summer for Ken-Caryl Ranch. This ensures truck availability, fairness, variety and accountability. With the exception of residents being responsible for food truck purchases, this is a community benefit at no cost to the Master Association or its residents.



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FOOD TRUCKS @
KEN CARYL RANCHRANCH HOUSE

#### WHO'S HUNGRY???

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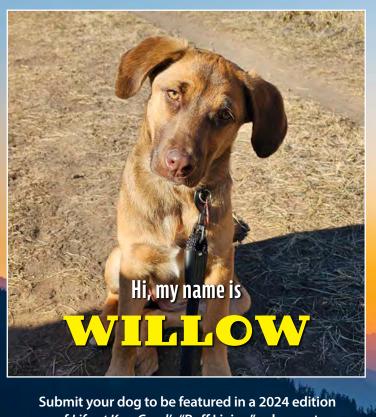
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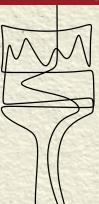
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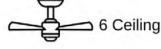
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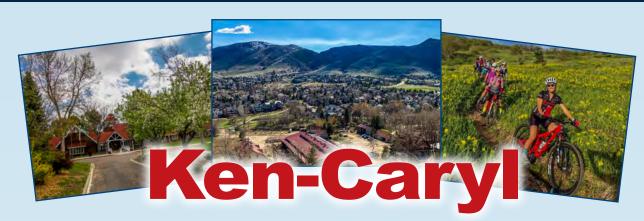




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Email to allisonr@kcranch.org. Deadline for June 19, paper is June 10 at 9 a.m.

#### **Dear Editor**

Monarchs, Milkweed and Mayhem (Part II)

The mayhem for Monarchs began when large swaths of land in the Midwest were cleared of life-sustaining milkweed plants for modern largescale agriculture. Since 1999, 850 million milkweeds have been lost from corn and soybean fields. In addition, since 2008, over 11 million milkweeds have been lost from grasslands due to their conversion into cropland. This is a loss rate of about 2 million milkweed plants annually. The potential Monarch support capacity loss (habitat) has been 71%. A total of 425 million milkweeds would need to be planted to increase monarch support capacity to previous levels of the 1900's. 1.6 billion milkweeds would need to be added to meet the future conservation goal.

The mayhem continues. The more cropland there was, the more herbicide and pesticide use there was. The use of such chemical poisons has been implicated in the large reduction in numbers of milkweed plants. This is especially crucial to the survival of the Monarch because Monarch butterflies only lay eggs on milkweed. Monarch caterpillars will only feed on milkweed leaves. This is a unique symbiotic relationship that has evolved between Monarchs and milkweed. The key to this specialized relationship is found in the milky latex produced by the plant, which contains compounds called cardiac glycosides that are poisonous to other animals. This provides a natural defense system for the caterpillars and the butterflies.

Drawn like magnets to their breeding grounds, the monarch travels 50-100 miles a day. The Monarchs have a complicated life cycle and are subject to threats throughout their cycle of metamorphosis from an immature form to adulthood. The Monarch goes through four stages of molting: egg, larvae (caterpillar), pupa (chrysalis) to emerging adult butterfly. The first day after the great reveal is spent drying their wings and waiting for 85-degree temperatures that are needed to fly.

Kathy Webster, Resident

Editor's note: This is part two of a letter to the editor. Additional segments will be printed in subsequent issues of Life at Ken-Caryl to preserve the integrity of the letter/article and to publish it in its entirety as the author intended.

#### **Dear Editor**

After what seems like an eternity of many letters about trails, it was a refreshing change to hear from a canine resident. Tully expressing his concerns about irresponsible humans who don't pick up their canine's poop or permit excessive barking without any regards for other people in the neighborhood is spot on. Just a little courtesy for other residents would go a long way.

Thank you Tully and I hope you get lots of treats.

Chuck Beckey, Resident

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