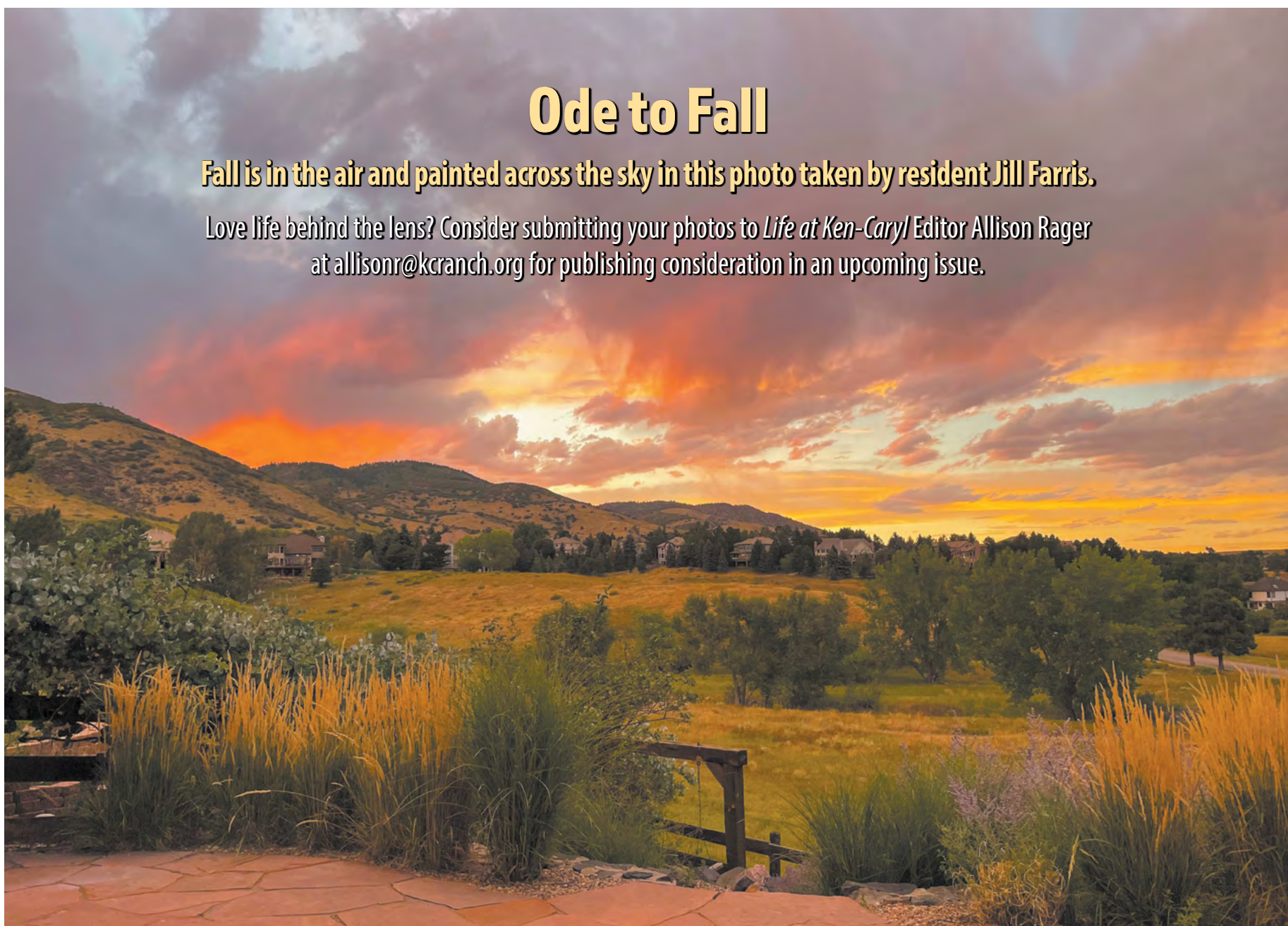


## Ode to Fall

Fall is in the air and painted across the sky in this photo taken by resident Jill Farris.

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



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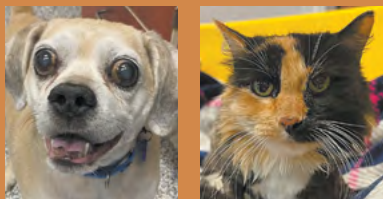
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### Second Annual Senior Living Fair

Ageless & Unstoppable presents the Second Annual Senior Living Fair on Saturday, Oct. 5 from 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. at the Ranch House! Explore helpful resources for you and your aging loved ones, featuring over 20 local vendors specializing in health, wellness, recreation and much more! This is a great opportunity to connect with experts and discover services that support vibrant, healthy senior living. Bring a friend and don't miss out on this valuable event! This event is free to attend.

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# Positive Health Impacts of Parks and Recreation

By Traci Wieland, District Manager



The Ken-Caryl Ranch Metropolitan District provides park and recreation services, including recreation programs, park maintenance, swimming pools, athletic fields, community space, tennis courts and special events, among other recreational opportunities. Parks and recreation is essential to the community, and according to the National Park and Recreation Association, 90% of U.S. adults say that parks and recreation is an important local government service.

Parks and recreation plays an important role in an individual's health, both physical and mental. Check out these health impacts from the National Park and Recreation Association:

### Physical Health

- Parks provide opportunities for physical activity and connecting with the outdoors. The resulting impacts are better mental health, improved physical health and increased physical activity.
- Walking, time outdoors and community gardening may promote nature contact, strengthen social structures, and improve longer term mental and physical health by activating intrapersonal, interpersonal and environmental processes.
- Access to indoor and/or outdoor recreation facilities and frequency of park visitation correlate with greater physical activity; people who use parks and open spaces are three times more likely to achieve recommended levels of physical activity than non-users.
- Children with access to parks and facilities have shown decreased prevalence of obesity compared to children without access.
- Green space exposure corresponds with improved physical health, including decreases in stress, blood pressure, heart rate and risk of chronic disease.

### Mental Health

- Parks promote positive mental health by providing access to nature and encouraging recreational and sporting activity.
- Parks and recreation counters social isolation by connecting people with nature and each other.
- Time spent in nature positively impacts mental health by increasing cognitive performance and well-being and alleviating illnesses such as depression, attention deficit disorders and Alzheimer's.
- Mental health is significantly related to residential distance from parks. People living more than 1 kilometer away from a green space have nearly 50 percent higher odds of experiencing stress than those living fewer than 300 meters from a green space.

My advice to everyone is get out and enjoy parks and recreation! Ken-Caryl Ranch has so much to offer, and we are always looking for ways to improve. If you have questions or feedback, feel free to reach out via email at [traciw@kcranch.org](mailto:traciw@kcranch.org) or by calling 303-979-1877.

## SPECIAL EVENTS

# SLASH Your Fire Risk at our SLASH Event in October

Mark your calendars for our next SLASH Event on Oct. 12 from 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. at the Equestrian Center. Members of the KCRMD Parks Department will be at the Equestrian Center, with the assistance of the KCRMA Rangers, to collect and chip SLASH, which are considered to be tree debris, loose pine needles, pinecones and tree bark that can easily ignite and fuel wildfires.

The KCRMA Ranger staff will be offering resident SLASH collection and \*curbside pick-up/chipping once again as a courtesy to residents on Oct. 9 and Oct. 10. Residents who wish to participate in curbside collection must sign up prior to the event \*\*online via SignUp Genius that will open on Sept. 30 at 9 a.m. For more information, including pick-up requirements and to register, please visit the Special Events page of our website at [www.ken-carylranh.org](http://www.ken-carylranh.org).

\*Residents are required to comply with SLASH curbside pick-up requirements, which include size and weight restrictions as detailed in the SignUp Genius. By signing up, residents acknowledge that they will comply with pick-up guidelines. SLASH that exceeds these requirements may not be collected by the KCRMA Rangers at their discretion to ensure staff safety and timely pick-ups for all registered residents. **It will be the responsibility of the homeowner to properly dispose of any uncollected SLASH that does not meet pick-up requirements.**

\*\*Subject to availability. Limit one sign-up per resident and/or household; residents with multiple properties are allotted a single sign-up to ensure fairness for fellow community members. Must be 18+ to register. Residency will be verified by MA staff and duplicate sign-ups will be deleted at the discretion of staff.



# September

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

Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.
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# October

Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.
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6	7	8 6 p.m. Open Space Committee Meeting	9	10 7:30 a.m. Architectural Committee Meeting 9:30 a.m. Babytime 10:15 a.m. Storytime	11	12 9 a.m. SLASH Drop Off Event Equestrian Center
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# Embracing Fall with Architectural Projects and Seasonal Updates

By Darci Cross, Community Administrator, I

Hello Ken-Caryl! I hope this finds you well. As the crisp air of fall settles in, it's the perfect time for homeowners to think about how their architectural projects can blend seamlessly with the season while adhering to the Ken-Caryl's covenant guidelines. This is the month when we're exploring how to integrate fall-friendly updates into your home improvement plans and ensuring they align with our community standards.



## Seasonal Aesthetics and Functional Improvements

### 1. Harmonizing with Fall Colors

Fall is renowned for its rich, warm palette of colors. Consider how your planned updates can reflect these seasonal tones. A new paint scheme, landscaping changes or integrating shades like deep reds, oranges and earthy browns in your fall outdoor decor can all create a harmonious look that complements the season.

- **Exterior Paint:** Fall is a great time to paint your home. Many painters offer discounts this time of year. If you're updating your home's exterior, think about colors that blend with the fall landscape. Earthy tones can enhance your home's curb appeal while keeping it in line with neighborhood aesthetics.
- **Landscaping:** Choose plants and mulch that reflect fall hues. Ornamental grasses, mums and evergreen shrubs can add seasonal charm.

### 2. Enhancing Curb Appeal

Autumn brings unique opportunities to enhance your home's curb appeal. Here are some ideas to consider:

- **Front Porch Updates:** Add seasonal decor like pumpkins, gourds, or a cozy autumn-themed welcome mat. Ensure that any decor complies with community guidelines regarding placement and scale.
- **Lighting:** As days grow shorter, update your outdoor lighting to enhance both safety and ambiance while being mindful of our Ken-Caryl's holiday lighting and décor rules. Consider warm-toned LED lights that complement fall's natural light.

### 3. Functional Upgrades

Fall is also an excellent time to focus on functional improvements that prepare your home for the colder months ahead.

- **Weatherproofing:** Address any gaps or leaks around windows and doors to improve energy efficiency. This not only keeps your home comfortable, but also helps in reducing heating costs.
- **Gutter Maintenance:** Ensure gutters are cleaned and in good repair to handle

the increased fall leaf load to prevent potential water damage.

### 4. Aligning with KCRMA Rules and Regulations

Before embarking on your fall projects, it's essential to review our community's architectural guidelines to ensure your improvements align with community standards.

- **Submit a Proposal:** For all projects on the exterior of your home, our Architectural Committee is here to help you navigate the approval process and offer guidance on ensuring your project complements the neighborhood.
- **Stay Informed:** Keep an eye on any updates to Ken-Caryl's rules and regulations that might affect

your plans. We're in the process of updating our guidelines to better reflect current trends and ensure clarity.

### Get Inspired and Involved

We encourage homeowners to get creative with their fall projects while staying within community KCRMA Rules and Regulations. If you're looking for inspiration or have questions about your upcoming projects, don't hesitate to reach out to the Architectural Committee.

As we embrace the beauty and functionality of fall, let's work together to enhance our community's charm and cohesion.

Happy decorating and updating, and as always, Be Kind!

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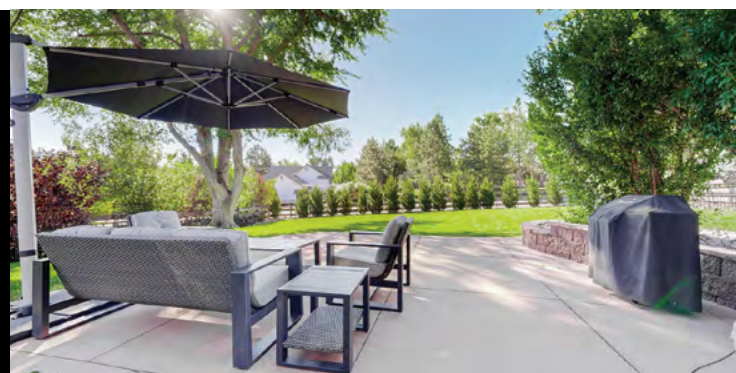
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## Keep Your Eyes Peeled for Deer

Submitted by Michael Ryan, Ken-Caryl Ranch Park Ranger

At the height of summer, we had many educational signs posted on deer crossing roadways. Please note that watching for deer while driving is something that takes place year-round, but now instead of fawns and moms crossing roads, you have bucks in the mating season and diminished daylight hours.



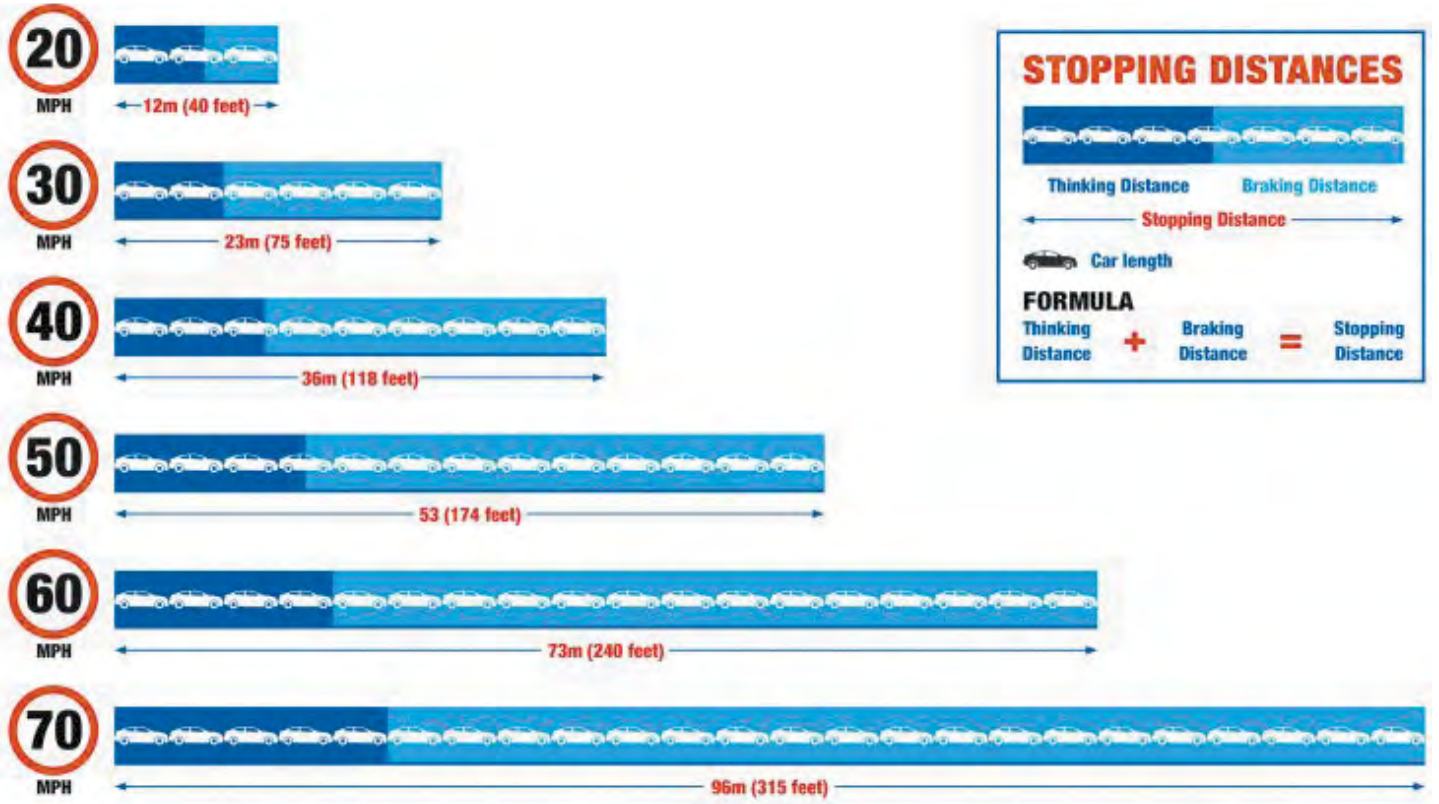
Mating season, typically occurring in the fall, marks a period of heightened activity for deer. Male deer, or bucks, become more mobile and are in pursuit of does (female deer) in estrus. This means that deer are often on the move, crossing roads and highways in their quest for a mate. As a result, the chances of encountering deer on the road are significantly higher during this season.

By adhering to a few guidelines, Ken-Caryl residents can avoid potentially dangerous situations and help keep both wildlife and drivers safe.

- Please slow down, and be aware of major deer crossing areas, like the intersection of Valley Parkway and Club Drive. The blind corners on Ken Caryl Avenue and Valley Parkway, and when passing through the Hogback or by the Equestrian Center.
- Please adhere to posted speed limits.
- Obey traffic signs and other posted crossings.
- Scan the road ahead from shoulder to shoulder. When you see wildlife beside the road, be mindful, as they may suddenly bolt onto the road.
- Watch for glowing eyes of animals as they reflect your headlights, and remember, if one animal crosses the road, others may follow.
- Brake firmly if an animal is standing on, or crossing, the road. Never assume the animal will move out of your way.
- Do not swerve to avoid hitting a wild animal, this may result in a more serious collision.
- Dusk and dawn are the times of day when most wildlife collisions occur. Stay alert during these times and slow down.

Even while following all these tips, we can't anticipate the unpredictable, and accidents are bound to occur. This is just a friendly reminder that most deer-vehicle collisions happen October through December. With the added factor of less daylight going forward, please be on the lookout for those proverbial deer in headlights.

For more information, contact the rangers at 303-979-1876, ext. 170, or Colorado Parks and Wildlife at 303-291-7227. Drivers involved in a wildlife-vehicle collision should report the accident to the Colorado State Patrol at 303-239-4501.



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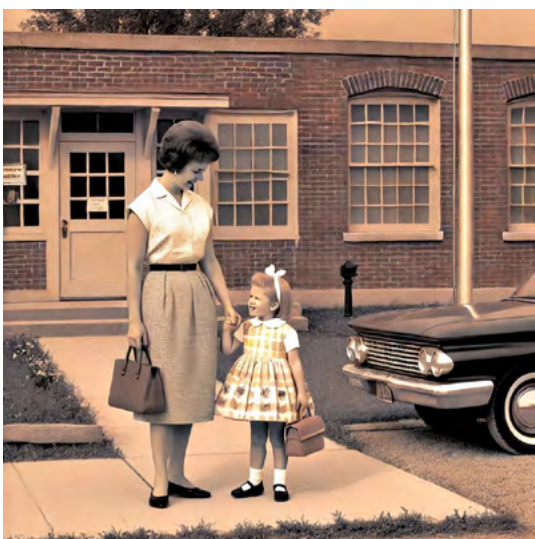
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**Recycling Returns to a Weekly Schedule on Sept. 30**

The MA Board voted to return to a weekly recycling pick-up schedule at its August meeting. Waste Connections will transition back to a weekly pick-up schedule on Sept. 30.

Residents are reminded to put their trash and recycling out by 7 a.m. each week on their regularly scheduled pick-up day, beginning the week of Sept. 30.



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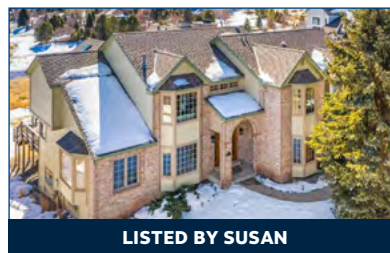
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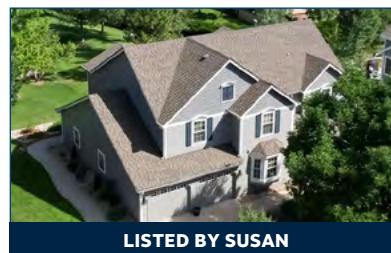
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# Political Signage 2024

With the election season approaching, please note there are regulations in place for signage. Please also keep in mind these rules also apply to any political signage throughout the year.

In the past, residents have posted signs on their property in support of their candidates and issues, this practice is permitted with regulation. Should a violation be observed or reported, a notice goes to the property owner. Homeowner Associations need to follow the Colorado statutory conditions allowing homeowners to express their political expression during this election season, and homeowners need to adhere to those statutory prohibitions and any regulations put in place by their association pursuant to the law. A handout of the current signage rules is available on our website at [www.ken-carylrancho.org](http://www.ken-carylrancho.org) under the *Resident Resources* tab.

Colorado law regarding political signs are part of Section 106.5 of CCIOA (Colorado Common Interest Ownership Act), which defines a political sign as "a sign that carries a message intended to influence the outcome of an election, including supporting or opposing the election of a candidate, the recall of a public official, or the passage of a ballot issue." Rules include the following:

- Political signs on any owner's property are limited to two signs.
- Political signs may not be attached to utility boxes, light poles, traffic signals, fences or trees.
- Professionally made signs will be allowed on private property only with approval of the private property owner, at least 5' from property boundary.
- Neither attended nor unattended signage is allowed on property owned or maintained by the Master Association without the approval of the Master Association Board of Directors. The term "attended signage" is meant to include handheld signs or signs in close proximity to a person promoting a candidate or issue. "Unattended signage" is meant to be signage, which is not attended and includes, for example, signage placed on or in vehicles, fixtures, or equipment.
- Signs may be placed in a window if the window is large enough to display the full sign.
- Signs shall not exceed 18" x 24"

There are general signage prohibitions, which also apply for unattended signage which include:

- Banners
- Lighted or self-illuminating signs
- Signs shall not be placed in greenbelts, open space areas or Master Association property.
- Non-compliant signs may be removed without notice on any of the above locations.
- Non-compliant signs on private property will receive a covenant violation notice.
- To view the signage policy in its entirety, please visit [www.ken-carylrancho.org/residents/signage](http://www.ken-carylrancho.org/residents/signage).



## Factual Summary

Ken-Caryl Ranch Metropolitan District  
Proposed Property Tax Retention  
November 5, 2024 Coordinated Mail Ballot Election

This Factual Summary is being provided in accordance with the authority granted by C.R.S. § 1-45-117(b)(I).

### Ballot Issue

During its meeting on July 23, 2024, the District's Board of Directors adopted a Resolution calling for an election on November 5, 2024 to seek voter approval for a temporary retention of a property tax. The ballot issue is as follows:

WITHOUT RAISING ITS CURRENT TOTAL PROPERTY TAX RATE, SHALL KEN-CARYL RANCH METROPOLITAN DISTRICT BE AUTHORIZED TO TEMPORARILY RETAIN 2.229 MILLS OUT OF THE TOTAL 3.343 MILLS IN PROPERTY TAXES IT CURRENTLY ASSESSES TO PAY OFF ITS BOND DEBT, WHICH DEBT IS SCHEDULED TO BE PAID OFF IN 2024, THROUGH THE ASSESSMENT OF A CAPITAL EXPENDITURES MILL LEVY, BEGINNING IN ASSESSMENT YEAR 2024 (FOR COLLECTION IN 2025) AND SUNSETTING AT THE END OF ASSESSMENT YEAR 2034 (FOR COLLECTION IN 2035), TO BE USED FOR FUTURE CAPITAL INFRASTRUCTURE AND THE MAINTENANCE OF CAPITAL INFRASTRUCTURE, AND SHALL ALL REVENUE AND ANY EARNINGS ON THIS TEMPORARILY RETAINED TAX CONSTITUTE A VOTER-APPROVED REVENUE CHANGE WITHIN THE MEANING OF ARTICLE X, SECTION 20 OF THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION AND AN EXCEPTION TO THE LIMITATIONS SET FORTH IN SECTIONS 29-1-301 AND 29-1-1702 OF THE COLORADO REVISED STATUTES, AND ANY OTHER LAW?

### Metropolitan District

The Ken-Caryl Ranch Metropolitan District ("District") is a political subdivision of the State of Colorado, organized pursuant to the Colorado Special Districts Act, C.R.S. § 32-1-101, et seq. ("Act"), to provide passive and active park and recreation services and amenities to the community. The District provides park and recreation services including park maintenance, swimming pools, athletic fields, community space, tennis courts, recreation programs, and special events, among other recreational opportunities.



### Summary of the Issue

For several years, the District Board has been discussing the ongoing funding of long-term capital and maintenance needs. While District daily operations are currently sustainable, financial forecasting has revealed that revenues may not be enough to provide long-term funding for the capital and maintenance projects identified in the District's Capital Plan.

In 2014, the District's voters authorized the District to issue General Obligation Bonds, and approved the assessment of a debt repayment property tax to repay the bonds. Currently, taxpayers pay 15.209 mills in operating property tax and 3.343 mills in debt repayment property tax. The bonds are scheduled to be paid off, and the debt repayment property tax to end, in December 2024.

The District Board decided to place a property tax ballot issue on the November 5, 2024 ballot, which seeks voter authorization to temporarily retain an amount of 2.229 mills currently contained within the total 3.343 mills in debt repayment property tax that it currently assesses, instead of ending the full amount of the debt repayment property tax when the bonds are paid off. The temporary property tax retention would be used to fund ongoing capital infrastructure and maintenance of capital infrastructure and would not incur new debt. The temporary property tax retention would end after 10 years.



### Arguments for the Proposal

- If successful, the temporary property tax retention would generate revenue for the District to fund the capital and maintenance projects and needs in the District's Capital Plan. These include infrastructure projects throughout the community, which may include:
  - Community Center improvements
  - Community Park improvements
  - Tennis facility improvements
  - Pickleball courts
  - District-owned playground replacements
  - Conservation-focused irrigation enhancements
  - Fitness equipment
  - Parking lot maintenance
  - Field renovations
  - Facility heating and cooling systems
  - Flooring, lighting, roofing, and equipment.
- The District's current revenue forecasting indicates that, without the additional tax revenue, the District Board will need to begin deferring capital and maintenance projects, as adequate revenue to fund them will not be available beyond 2027.
- While total tax revenue for the District has increased since 2018 primarily due to property valuation increases, the District has also incurred increased expenses due to inflation and the impacts of prior deferred maintenance.
- Retaining 2/3 of the current bond repayment property tax (2.229 mills) will still result in a 1.114 decrease in the District's total property tax, and will provide the District with revenue to implement Capital Plan projects and needs. The property tax retention is temporary, and will expire after 10 years.

### Arguments Against the Proposal

- The current bond repayment property tax is scheduled to end in December 2024, when the bonds are paid off. This means that, in the absence of this proposal, property owners would see a 3.343 mill reduction in the total District property tax beginning in 2025.
- However, if the proposal is successful, then property owners will only see a reduction of 1.114 mills, because the remaining property tax will be retained for 10 years.
- Accordingly, voters who support further reduced taxes and small government may oppose the District's retention of the 2.229 mills that would otherwise end.
- Additionally, all voters may not support all of the capital and maintenance projects funded by the property tax retention.
- Finally, the District's current financial forecasting shows that existing revenue may be sufficient to fund the District's capital and maintenance projects through 2027.
- District voters may prefer that the District seek a property tax increase in a future year, once existing revenues are no longer sufficient to fund the capital and maintenance projects and needs identified in the District's Capital Plan.

# Celebrate And Donate at Devin's 7th Annual Birthday Blood Drive

By Kaitlin Vellore, Resident

Seven years ago, Kaitlin Vellore's angel, Devin, was born and her own life was saved because of blood donations! Help the family celebrate and save another life during a blood drive on Saturday, Oct. 26 from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. at the Dakota Lodge.

The Vellore family has committed to pay it forward every year with a blood drive on Devin's Birthday! The family is so honored to keep this tradition going in honor of Devin's 7th birthday, and it brings them so much joy to see friends and neighbors donate for the first, fifth or twenty-fifth time! Thank you for helping the family pay it forward!

According to Kaitlin, they do need to schedule all blood drive participants. Participants can go directly to donors.vitalant.org to sign up to donate blood. Sign in as a guest and use site code 00437. Please contact Kaitlin Vellore with questions at kaitlin.vellore@gmail.com, or 914-473-9257.



Kaitlin Vellore's life was saved when giving birth to her son Devin (pictured) because of blood donations.



## Sign Up for the e-News!

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## Girl Scouts Gain Financial Management and Leadership Skills With Junior Financial Counselor Program

Colorado Credit Union and Girl Scouts of Colorado proudly introduced an exciting new patch program—the Junior Financial Counselor patch program. With two launch events on Sept. 8, held at the Girl Scouts DreamLab in Denver and for Girl Scouts in Grand Junction, a total of 60 Girl Scouts earned their Junior Financial Counselor patch.

“This innovative patch program empowers Girl Scouts to explore financial literacy through engaging, interactive activities, teaching them how to manage money wisely and make informed financial decisions,” said Teagan Griffith, Colorado Credit Union Community Impact Manager. “During the launch events, older Girl Scout mentors along with Colorado Credit Union staff volunteers guided elementary-aged Girl Scouts through interactive workshops on budgeting, making smart financial choices and saving. By the end of the event, each participant proudly earned the exclusive Junior Financial Counselor patch, along with valuable financial tools they can use and share with their friends, families and communities.”

The Junior Financial Counselor patch program is an ongoing initiative, available to Girl Scouts and their families across the state, fostering life-long financial skills and understanding.

Girl Scouts of Colorado and Colorado Credit Union launched their new patch program earlier this month. The Junior Financial Counselor Patch Program is an ongoing partnership designed to equip girls with essential financial management skills to become effective leaders.

“The Junior Financial Counselor Patch Program offers Girl Scouts the opportunity to gain essential financial

knowledge and the skills to make smart financial decisions throughout their lives while empowering the next generation to achieve their goals and contribute meaningfully to their community,” said Colorado Credit Union President Mike Williams.

On Saturday, Sept. 7, middle school-aged Girl Scouts learned the basics of financial counseling. Then on that following Sunday, they put their new skills to use by leading elementary school-aged Girl Scouts in activities about budgeting, saving and understanding quality versus cost at Girl Scout DreamLab.

“Thanks to Colorado Credit Union, Girl Scouts have the opportunity to gain practical insights on financial basics,” says Girl Scouts of Colorado CEO Leanna Clark. “The Junior Financial Counselor Program fosters personal growth and empowers girls to become effective leaders.”

At the end of the session, each participant earned the exclusive Colorado Credit Union Junior Financial Counselor patch and gained the financial tools to enable them to practice and share their knowledge with friends, extending the program’s impact beyond the workshop itself.



CCU's Junior Financial Counselor Program leaders and participants. All photos courtesy of CCU.



Teagan Griffith, Colorado Credit Union (CCU) Community Impact Manager, helps provide guidance to a Girl Scout as part of CCU's Junior Financial Counselor Program.



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### Matt Öven Appointed as Ken-Caryl's Open Space Director

Congrats to Matt Öven on his appointment as Ken-Caryl's Open Space Director. Matt has seamlessly integrated into his new role, bringing 25 years of knowledge and experience to his new position. Matt previously served as the Park Ranger Supervisor for the Ken-Caryl Ranch Master Association.

As Open Space Director, Matt will provide leadership and strategic direction to the open space staff, committees, Ken-Caryl Ranch General Manager Brian Yowell and to the MA Board of Directors, in addition to providing guidance, direction and leadership in preparing the vision, design and development of Ken-Caryl's open space areas and trails.

Congratulations to Matt on his new position as Open Space Director!

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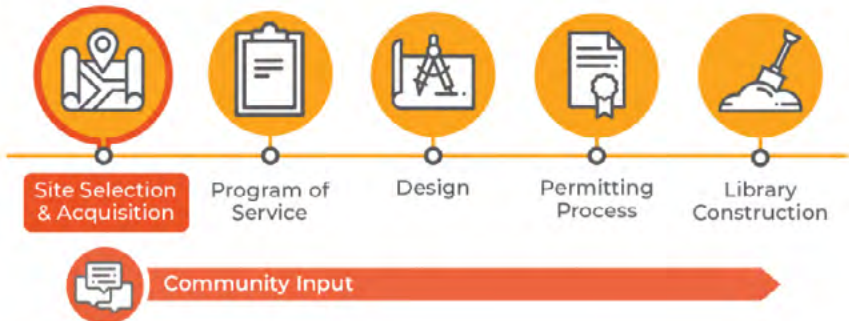
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Proposed library site.

Project Timeline



South County Library Project

Jefferson County Public Library (JCPL) is embarking on an ambitious plan to open a new library destination in the southern region of Jefferson County to provide greater access to resources, information and opportunities for every generation.

Project Updates

In August 2024, the JCPL Board of Trustees authorized a Purchase and Sale agreement for an existing property to be used for the new South County Library. The property is located at 11100 Bradford Road in Littleton.

JCPL is now in the due diligence process, during which time we'll complete steps such as an appraisal, entitlements, inspections, investigation of governmental requirements, environmental reports and initial community engagement efforts.

The purchase price agreed to in the Purchase and Sale Agreement is \$11 million. This project is fully funded thanks to the fiscal stewardship of the Board of Trustees and the taxpayers of Jefferson County.

The South County Library Advisory Council continues to meet and provide JCPL with feedback on the project development. The group, formed in December 2023, has helped to guide our search for an additional library location for South Jefferson County, recommend key messages and more.

There will be numerous community engagement opportunities in the coming months for all community members to help guide this important project. JCPL is very early in this process and a more detailed timeline will be provided soon.

For now, we hope to hear feedback on the potential location. Please email us at southcountyproject@jeffcolibrary.org, find us at an event in the area or join an upcoming board meeting to provide public comment.

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## Special Events



## Special Events



## Youth Programs



## Youth Programs

### Fall SLASH Event

Mark your calendars for our next SLASH Event on Oct. 12 from 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. at the Equestrian Center. Members of the KCRMD Parks Department will be at the Equestrian Center, with the assistance of the KCRMA Rangers, to collect and chip SLASH, which are considered to be tree debris, loose pine needles, pinecones and tree bark that can easily ignite and fuel wildfires.

The KCRMA Ranger staff will be offering resident SLASH collection and \*curbside pick-up/chipping once again as a courtesy to residents on Oct. 9 and Oct. 10. Residents who wish to participate in curbside collection must sign up prior to the event. Online registration will open on Sept. 30 at 9 a.m. via the Special Events page of our website. *\*By signing up, residents acknowledge that they will comply with curbside pick-up guidelines. See SignUp Genius for guidelines.*

### Second Annual Senior Living Fair: Ageless & Unstoppable

Join us on Oct. 5, from 9 a.m. – 12 p.m. at the Ranch House for our second annual Senior Living Fair to explore helpful resources for you and your aging loved ones, featuring over 20 local vendors specializing in health, wellness, recreation and much more! This is a great opportunity to connect with experts and discover services that support vibrant, healthy senior living. Thank you to our generous Platinum Sponsor, Kali Hepker with Equity Colorado Real Estate.

### Holiday Bazaar

Get a head start on your holiday shopping at our annual Holiday Bazaar on Nov. 9 from 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. at the Ranch House! Join us for a festive day filled with unique, handcrafted gifts, décor and goodies from local vendors. Whether you're searching for that perfect gift or just looking to soak in the holiday spirit, there's something for everyone! Interested in becoming a vendor? Scan the below QR code to register and find all the information you need to showcase your products at this community-loved event! Thank you to our Platinum Sponsor, Eva Stadelmaier with Remax.



### Boo Bash

Join us on Oct. 25 from 4:30-6:30 p.m. in the Ranch House parking lot for a frightfully fun evening! Don your best costume, and prepare for a Halloween bash like no other. Enjoy gooey s'mores, thrilling hayrides and a "cauldron" of treats that will make your taste buds tingle. Don't miss out on this family-friendly event that's sure to make your Halloween season a scream! This event is free for resident attendees, no registration required. Residents can also register online for FREE as a trunk-or-treat participant/host car. Businesses may host a car for \$50 and must also register online using the QR code. Thank you to our Platinum Sponsor, Crystal Adams with Equity Colorado Real Estate!



## Tennis & Pickleball

### Junior Tennis Lessons

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### Amazing Athletes JumpBunch for Tots and Preschoolers!

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## Youth Programs

### Babytime

Please join us with your little one each Thursday for Babytime in the Bradford room at the Ranch House from 9:30-10 a.m. This program is designed to help the littlest minds develop and grow. Bounce, sing, rhyme and read with your baby!

### Storytime at the Ranch House

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



## Adult Programs

### Watercolor Class

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### Medicare Annual Enrollment: Important Changes This Fall

Join Tammey and Tom Sullivan from Healthcare Benefit Services as they present essential information on Medicare Annual Enrollment during our Ageless and Unstoppable programming on Oct. 1. at 11 a.m. at the Ranch House. Be prepared for several key updates this fall:

- Review Your Annual Notice of Change (ANOC): Understand any adjustments to your current Medicare plan.
- Assess Your Drug Plan Costs: Discover how to evaluate changes to prescription drug costs and coverage.
- Understand Your Eligibility for a Trial Right: Find out if you qualify for a trial period to explore a new Medicare plan.

Don't miss this opportunity to stay informed and make the best decisions for your healthcare coverage. Ageless & Unstoppable is proudly supported by Platinum Sponsor Kali Hepker with Equity Real Estate.



## Pruning Contest Winners

By Lauri Lehan, Community Administrator II

Thank you to everyone who participated our recent pruning contest! We had great submissions and it was a bit difficult to narrow it down to three winners. It was inspiring to see the different projects residents took on and the results. With that said, here are the three recipients of the coveted "Pruning" title and a \$50 Amazon gift card:

1. Kudos to Phil Myrant for both his pruning skills and his assistance with a neighbor's home that needed some clearing. Thanks for paying it forward Phil!
2. Laura Neal took a "top down" approach from pruning branches infringing on her rooftop to removing shrubs closer to her home and skirting up trees for both aesthetics and Firewise purposes.
3. Congrats to Megan and Chad Gunnufson for taking on the dreaded task of removing evergreen shrubs (a.k.a: junipers) and replacing them with native plantings, and for adding a Firewise barrier around the foundation of their home.

We want to thank all the other participants for their wonderful submissions! There is some great stuff going on in Ken-Caryl and we truly appreciate the effort, work and personalities you are giving all of us to enjoy.



Megan and Chad Gunnufson's house gets spruced up to take a prize!

## How Lucky Are We?

With views like these, how lucky are we to call Ken-Caryl Ranch Home?



Photo courtesy of resident Mary Everson.



Photo courtesy of resident Blake Schroeder, 17.

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## Glass Recycling – A Clear Choice for the Environment

When it comes to sustainability, glass is a shining example of how recycling can reduce waste and conserve resources. Here in Ken-Caryl Ranch, we're committed to doing our part to protect the planet, and glass recycling is an easy way for all of us to contribute. In this edition of "Green Scene," we'll explore the benefits of glass recycling, how it works and what you can do to ensure your glass is recycled properly.

### Why Recycle Glass?

Glass recycling is one of the most effective ways to conserve natural resources. Unlike many materials, glass can be recycled endlessly without losing its quality or purity. By recycling just one glass bottle, we can save enough energy to power a 100-watt light bulb for four hours! This is because making new glass from raw materials requires significantly more energy than recycling used glass.

Recycling glass also helps to:

- **Reduce the need for raw materials**, such as sand, soda ash and limestone.
- **Cut down on landfill waste.** Glass takes thousands of years to decompose, so keeping it out of landfills is crucial.
- **Lower carbon emissions.** The energy saved by recycling glass means fewer greenhouse gases are released during the production process.

### How Does Glass Recycling Work?

The process of recycling glass is fairly simple, but requires community effort to make it work. Here's how it happens:

1. **Collection:** Glass is collected through curbside recycling programs or dropped off at designated recycling

centers.

2. **Sorting:** Once collected, glass is sorted by color—clear, brown and green—to ensure the highest quality of recycled material.
3. **Cleaning:** The glass is cleaned of impurities such as labels, caps and leftover food residue.
4. **Crushing:** Clean glass is crushed into small pieces called "cullet."
5. **Melting and Remaking:** The cullet is melted down and reshaped into new glass bottles, jars and containers, ready to start their next life cycle.

### Tips for Proper Glass Recycling

For glass recycling to work effectively, it's important to follow these simple tips:

- **Rinse Out Containers:** Be sure

to empty and rinse your glass containers before recycling them. Leftover food or liquid can contaminate the batch, reducing the quality of recycled glass.

- **Remove Lids and Caps:** Glass jars and bottles often come with metal or plastic lids. Be sure to remove these before recycling, as they can interfere with the recycling process.
- **Don't Break Glass:** Broken glass is harder to sort and can pose a safety risk to workers, so try to recycle your glass containers intact.

### What Glass Can You Recycle?

- **Accepted:** Bottles and jars used for food and beverages (such as wine bottles, jam jars and beer bottles).

- **Not Accepted:** Light bulbs, mirrors, ceramics and tempered glass (such as Pyrex or cookware) cannot be recycled and should be disposed of through other means.

### Doing Our Part in Ken-Caryl

By recycling glass, we help reduce waste, save energy and minimize our environmental impact. As a community, let's make sure we're recycling right and doing our part to protect the planet. Next time you finish a bottle or jar, think twice before tossing it in the trash—recycling it is a clear choice for a greener future!

Together, we can keep Ken-Caryl Ranch beautiful and sustainable, one glass bottle at a time!

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# Be Ageless & Unstoppable! Enjoy Exciting Program for Adults, Retirees and Seniors!

By Allison Rager, Editor

Following a brief hiatus in September, Ageless & Unstoppable, programming geared toward seniors, retirees and adults, returns to Tuesdays and a monthly schedule in October with more robust and exciting programs to usher in the fall! Beginning on Oct. 1, enjoy engaging and informative programs each month at the Ranch House! Supported by resident and Platinum Sponsor Kali Hepker with Equity Real Estate, Ageless & Unstoppable connects active adults with fun, educational and informative programs while fostering a sense of comradery and community.

"I have a heart for seniors and our community," said Kali, who has proudly sponsored Ageless & Unstoppable since last year. "As our baby boomers begin to age, it is my hope to give them as many opportunities to connect with others as possible. Socialization and connection is incredibly important for our overall health, especially as we age. Loneliness is a prominent problem in our aging adults."

According to the National Institute on Aging, research supports a link between social isolation and



Program participants attend a session on downsizing and decluttering.

loneliness to higher risks for a variety of physical and mental conditions. Conversely, people who engage in meaningful, productive activities with others tend to live longer, boost their mood and have a sense of purpose. As a result, it was imperative for Kali, who feels a deep connection to the baby boomer generation, to help active adults better engage with their peers, while providing information that helps them live more enriching, independent, healthy and happier lives.

"Above and beyond the main goal of connection with other aging adults in our community, it is important for me to help connect our community with resources that can help them to safely stay in their home longer, or move on with resources to make that move as seamless as possible for them and their families," said Kali. "Many of our presenters also have a heart for seniors and want to help them as much as possible. From having an estate plan in place and emergency information ready for first responders to easily locate in your home, to how to schedule a tri-shaw ride with Cycling Without Age Littleton and downsizing and decluttering! We really want to find ways to help seniors think outside of the box to make their life in Ken-Caryl more enjoyable and meaningful!"

According to Kali, this fall's upcoming programming promises to be even more engaging, fun and informative. In fact, Oct. 1 will be a presentation on the essential

information for Medicare Annual Enrollment, including a review of the annual notice of change (ANOC), assessing drug plan costs and understanding eligibility for a trial right. Future sessions will also focus on fun, including a holiday centerpiece making session – so stay tuned!

Kali is also proud to support the second annual Senior Living Fair on Oct. 5 from 9 a.m. – 12 p.m. at the Ranch House. According to Kali, this event is a wonderful way for aging adults in our community, as well as members of the community who may need support and options for their aging parents, to learn of local resources to support them. This year's event will feature more than 20 local vendors specializing in health, wellness, recreation and much more!

Details to come on the upcoming schedule of topics, so please stay tuned to this publication and to all of Ken-Caryl's communications channels. Topics and information will also be posted to the Adults & Seniors page of our website at [www.ken-carylranh.org](http://www.ken-carylranh.org).

"I hope our residents will find Ageless and Unstoppable as a

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Deadline for Oct. 9 paper is Sept. 30 at 9 a.m.

## Dear Editor

Ken-Caryl residents should feel good about voting yes on Ballot Issue 6F in November – it is effectively a tax cut that also ensures the Ken-Caryl Metropolitan District has dedicated funding for maintenance and capital improvement projects for the next 10 years.

Consider:

1. 6F, in essence, cuts your property tax rates from current levels – it asks us to retain 2/3 of the 3.34 mills we currently pay to service the 10-year maintenance bond the community passed in 2014 to fund projects community-wide. You will pay less and get more in the future by voting yes.
2. 6F proceeds will be dedicated solely to maintenance and capital projects in Ken-Caryl – raising an estimated \$600,000 annually to ensure that our parks, greenbelts and District facilities continue to live up to our community's standards.
3. In the 2021 Ken-Caryl Community Survey, 78 percent of the community said they supported retaining some or all of the bond-mill to fund future capital projects.
4. 6F is not a bond – it is a 10-year commitment to an annual dedicated maintenance and capital project budget for the Ken-Caryl Metro District. The proceeds cannot fund operations. No bond means the community pays no interest or service fees for this ongoing

5. funding.
6. 6F is a 10-year commitment – it is not permanent millage. In 10 years, the community will be able to re-evaluate its needs.
6. Without this ongoing commitment, one of two things appears likely in the future: either maintenance and capital projects go unfunded, resulting in deteriorating

facilities... or a future tax increase that costs us more (due to increased costs associated with deferred maintenance and capital projects) is all but a necessity. 6F is a fully transparent and well-vetted ask – you get more and pay less. That is why I am supporting it by voting yes in November.

Mark Celusniak, Resident

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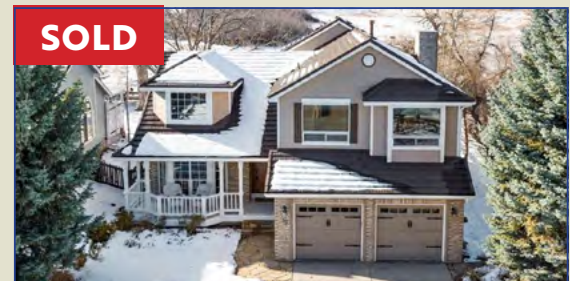
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