





### Ken-Caryl Ranch e-News

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July 31, 2024, Life at Ken-Caryl Available Online!

#### **NEWS**



# Thank You, First

A heartfelt thank you to all the first responders for their efforts in fighting the Quarry Fire, including the Jefferson

County Sheriff's Office, West Metro Fire Rescue, Inter-Canyon Fire Department, The San Juan Hot Shots, Denver Fire Department, Monument Fire, Chaffe County Fire Department, Platteville Fire Rescue, Jefferson CO Government and affiliated agencies, Jeffco Type 3 Incident Management Team, Jeffco Open Space, Jeffco Parks and Rec, Elk Creek Fire, North Fork Fire and all other federal, state and local cooperators and volunteers who lent their support. We applaud and thank all of the brave men and women whose tireless and selfless efforts helped to keep our community safe. Thank you for showing up in difficult situations and putting others ahead of yourselves. We appreciate you!

# Seeking Resident Input on New Playgrounds



The Master Association has three playground replacements planned for 2025-2026. Bradford Park, Brannon Gearhart Park and Settlement Park are all getting new playground equipment! Staff wants to make sure the right equipment is purchased to meet community needs and desires, so please take a moment to review our playground structure options as detailed in this survey and planned for installation! This is your opportunity to provide your feedback! All playground structures will be designed to comply with ADA standards, ensuring that children of all ages and abilities can fully utilize them.

To access this survey, please click on the button below. Survey closes at 5 p.m. on Friday, Aug. 23. Thank you in advance for your participation in this survey!

**Community Playground Survey** 



### South Valley Road Trail Naming Contest

The South Valley Road Trail is now open for use! Help us name the trail! Please email your name suggestions to Victoria DeSair at <a href="mailto:victoriad@kcranch.org">victoriad@kcranch.org</a>. Deadline for submissions is Sept. 6. Whoever's trail name is chosen will receive a hydration backpack and a \$25 Amazon gift card! If you haven't had a

chance to check out the trail, make your way over there. It runs along the east side of South Valley Road, just south of the entrance to The Valley. The newly renovated concrete trail is now 10 feet wide and offers an enhanced user experience that better accommodates multiple user types. This project, which cost approximately \$600,000, was a 50/50 funding collaboration between the Ken-Caryl Ranch Metropolitan District and Jefferson County Open Space's Trails Partnership Program, which is funded with Jefferson County Open Space sales tax proceeds. The Ken-Caryl Ranch Master Association also contributed \$5,000 toward the project.

# Community Recycling Survey Results

The Master Association Board voted at its October 2023 meeting to switch to bi-weekly (every other week) recycling. Three out of the five board members voted to transition to a bi-weekly schedule for an approximate savings of \$89k/year. On May 1, 2024, Ken-Caryl Ranch officially adopted a bi-weekly recycling schedule.

The Ken-Caryl Ranch Master Association conducted a community survey to gather feedback on the new schedule, how it's working for residents and other input on recycling services moving forward. The survey opened on June 25 at 9 a.m. and ran for approximately three weeks, closing on July 19 at 5 p.m.

A total of 1,458 residents participated in the survey. To view the survey analysis, please click on the button below.

**Community Recycling Survey Analysis** 



#### **Late-Summer Pool Hours**

Summer is winding down, and pool hours are changing! The last day for the Ranch House and Bradford Pools was Aug. 11. The Community Center Pool will remain open through Labor Day but with

reduced hours to accommodate lifeguard back-to-school schedules. Click on the button below for pool hours.

**Pool Hours** 

# Ageless & Unstoppable: Cycling Without Age on Aug. 15



Join us at our next Ageless & Unstoppable program

featuring a presentation from Cycling Without Age Littleton (CWAL) on Thursday, Aug. 15 from 11 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. in the Shaffer Room at the Ranch House! CWAL provides free recreational trishaw experiences for older adults with mobility or stability challenges, and for anyone with special needs who is otherwise unable to ride a bike. Their free trishaw experiences are given in a 3-wheeled electric assist bicycle with a forward bench that carries 1 to 2 passengers with a certified pilot sitting directly behind, 'driving' the bike. After the short program, interested participants can go for a trishaw ride on the paths at the Ranch House to experience the "wind in their hair!"

Ageless & Unstoppable is proudly brought to you by <u>Platinum Sponsor Kali Hepker with</u> <u>Equity Real Estate</u>. For upcoming program information, please click on the button below.

#### **Ageless & Unstoppable Series**





### Doggie Dip Day Aug. 17!

It's Fido's turn to take a dip in the pool for our annual Doggie Dip Day event on Aug. 17 from 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.!

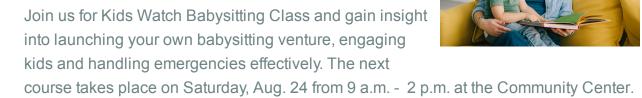
Your canine companion will be able to (dog) paddle their way to fun and enjoy paw-some activities and a chance to win prizes! This event is for fully vaccinated, well-behaved dogs who can obey owner commands and can get along well with other dogs

and patrons. Registration is open online using the button below. The 10 a.m. timeslot is full, but spots are still available at 11 a.m. and noon!

\*Please note that this year, only dogs will be allowed to swim in the pool. A big thank you to our generous in-kind sponsor Crystal Adams for supporting Doggie Dip Day!

**Doggie Dip Day Registration** 

## **Kids Watch Babysitting Class**



This interactive course for ages 10-16 covers hands-on learning, encompassing baby care basics like diapering and feeding, along with essential skills such as child and infant first aid, choking procedures and CPR. Each participant will receive a pediatric first aid reference text, a babysitting manual, a Kids Watch certificate and a Heartsmart CPR/AED/Pediatric First Aid 2-year Certification card from West CPR LLC. For more information on all upcoming courses and to register, please click on the button below.

**Kids Watch Babysitting Course Info & Registration** 



### Movie in the Park on Aug. 24!

Come join us for an unforgettable outdoor movie night under the stars on Saturday, Aug. 24! We're screening "Elemental" at Ranch House Soccer Field as the sun sets

on Saturday, Aug. 24. Remember to bring your own chairs for maximum comfort! Show begins at dusk, around 7:45 p.m., weather permitting.

Craving the perfect movie night experience? Look no further! Our \$5 Combo Pack brings you the ultimate trio of treats: Popcorn, candy and refreshing pop!

#### **CLASSES & COURSES**

#### **Late Season Aqua Classes**

Our late season Aqua classes officially begin on Wednesday, Aug. 14! Join us for Aqua Deep Water class on Aug. 14 - Aug. 28, from 4-4:50 p.m. at the Community Center Pool! Aqua classes will also take place on Saturday and Sunday mornings from 9-9:50 a.m. from Aug. 17 – Aug. 31 at the Community Center Pool. To register for classes, please click on the button below.



**Aqua Fitness Class Registration** 



### Tennis, Anyone?

**Tennis Tournament** 

Mark your calendar for the Ken-Caryl End of Summer 7.0 Challenge on Saturday, Aug. 31 and Sunday, Sept. 1. This USTA sanctioned event is presented by Ken-Caryl

Ranch and Sponsor Crystal Adams with Equity Realty and is a combined NTRP 7.0 rating doubles tournament where all teams are guaranteed at least two matches. Draws are limited to 16 teams, so register now by clicking on the corresponding button below. Simply log into your USTA account, then under "Play" select "Find Tournaments."

#### **Fall Junior Tennis Lessons**

Registration for the fall session of Junior Tennis Lessons is open for District residents (Aug. 13 for non-residents). The session runs from Aug. 19 – Oct. 18. To view the current schedule, please click on the corresponding button below.

#### **Fall Junior Tennis Lesson Registration**





# **Groove With Your Child at Music Together Classes**

Music Together® is an internationally recognized early childhood music program offering 45 minutes of pure musical fun for you and your child each week. Our classes are mixed age for children birth through age 5 and their parent(s) or caregiver. The Music Together



award-winning curriculum is used in a fun, developmentally appropriate environment which utilizes singing, moving, playing instruments and making music. Late summer and fall sessions available. To view details and to register, please click on the button below.

**Program Information & Registration** 



### Art After School Class Returns This Fall!

Join former school art teacher and resident, Elaine Campbell, in our Art After School program that will run

Sept. 11 - Nov. 13 from 4-5:30 p.m. at the Ranch House. Participants will draw, paint and even do some printmaking in this fun class. Come with a love and interest in art and leave with improved ability to see things like an artist. A final art exhibit for families to showcase learned principles of art in the participants' creations is planned for the last class. Ages 6-12 welcome. Only a few spots left! For more information and to register, please click on the button below.



#### **Upcoming Meetings**

Open Space Committee

Meeting - Aug. 13 @ 6 p.m. /
Dakota Lodge

MA Board Meeting - Aug. 20 @ 6 p.m. / Ranch House

Equestrian Center Committee - Aug. 28 @ 7:30 a.m. / Ranch House

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Babytime - Aug. 15 @ 9:30 a.m. / Ranch House

Storytime - Aug. 15 @ 10:15 a.m. / Ranch House

<u>Doggie Dip Day</u> - Aug. 17 @ 10 a.m. / Ranch House Pool

Movie in the Park - Aug. 24 @ 7:45 p.m. / Ranch House Soccer Field



#### **Save the Date**

Brunch & Bingo - Sept. 14

Barn BrewHa - Sept. 21

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

**Full Calendar** 

### **Helpful Links**

Board Contact Info, Meeting Agendas and Minutes

Committee & Task Force Agendas & Minutes

Register for Classes

**Home Improvements** 

**KC Fitness Center** 

#### www.ken-carylranch.org

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

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