



## Ken-Caryl Ranch e-News

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***Oct. 9, 2024, Life at Ken-Caryl Available Online!***

## NEWS

### Ken-Caryl Committee Applications Open Nov. 4

Committees are a vital part of managing affairs of the community. Ken-Caryl Ranch will be accepting applications for new committee members for 2025 on Nov. 4 for the following committees:

*Architectural Committee*

*Election Committee*

*Firewise Committee*

*Historical Society*

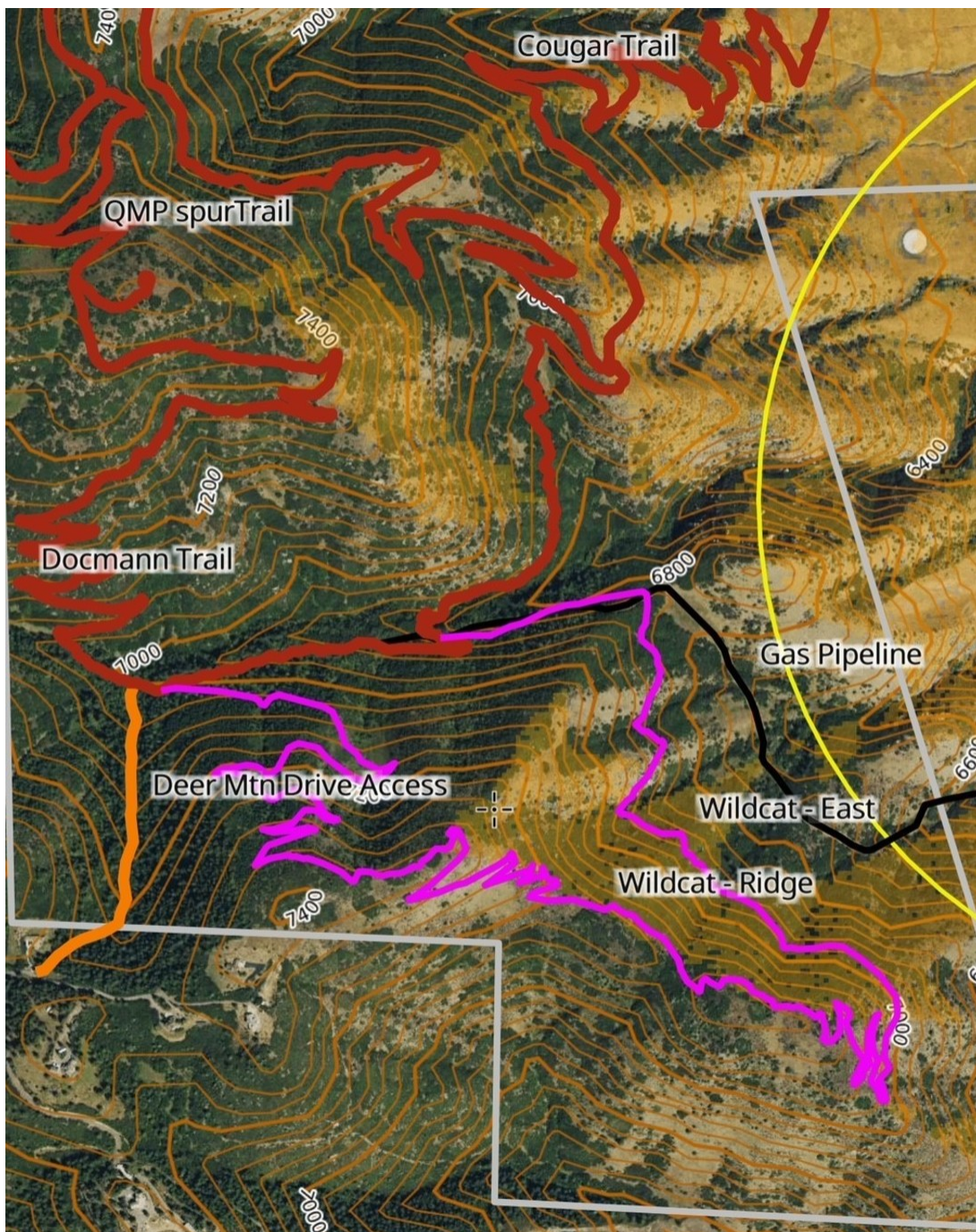
*Community Planning Committee*

*Open Space Committee*



All committees are Master Association committees with the exception of the Community Planning Committee, which is a joint committee of the Master Association and the Metropolitan District. All prospective committee members must apply for committee membership using the Committee Application. The application and additional information about each committee will be available on our website and linked in future issues of the e-news beginning Nov. 4. Residents who wish to apply for membership to multiple committees, must submit a separate form for each committee.

If you have any questions about committees, contact Ken-Caryl Master Association General Manager Brian Yowell at [briany@kcranch.org](mailto:briany@kcranch.org).



# Wildcat Trail Update

The construction of the Wildcat Trail in Docmann Gulch has commenced following the Ken-Caryl Ranch Trails Implementation Process. The final design of Wildcat Trail was presented by the Open Space Committee in collaboration with the Volunteer Trail Coordinators (VTC) and approved at the July 16 MA Board meeting.

At the Sept. 17 MA Board meeting, Momentum Trail LLC was chosen to complete the construction of the trail. The trail is 3.19 miles and is located in the Southwest portion of the Ken-Caryl Ranch Master Association Open Space.

A Natural Surface Trail permit was approved by Jefferson County Planning and Zoning Department, which also included a site visit to the area with ranger staff and one of our VTCs.

The construction of the trail is projected to take 17 weeks. Work will pause in November due to winter weather and start again in April 2025. Completion will be no later than Aug. 31, 2025. Trail volunteers are performing corridor trimming while removing dug out stumps and vegetation. Volunteers will also complete finishing work of back slope and trail tread.

The Wildcat Trail segment that is finished to date will allow trail use up to the contractor's work area. Signs will be posted at the western intersection of Docmann Trail/Wildcat Trail intersection. If you have any questions, please contact the KCRMA Park Rangers at 303-979-1876, ext. 170.

Questions? Please contact Open Space Director Matt Oven at [matto@kcranch.org](mailto:matto@kcranch.org).



## Trees Along Valley Parkway

The Ken-Caryl Ranch Metropolitan District is planning to remove approximately 50 dead, dying or dangerous trees along Valley Parkway in December. New trees will be planted in the future, but decisions regarding timing and location of new plantings will be strategically decided to optimize the health, viability and diversity of the new trees. Ken-Caryl Ranch was master planned decades ago with mostly Cottonwood trees to provide a fast-growing canopy. Today, most of these trees have met or exceeded their life span. Thank you for your understanding as we implement these important urban forest improvements! If you have any questions, please contact Parks Director Richard Plack at [richardp@kcranch.org](mailto:richardp@kcranch.org).

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# We're Hiring for an Equestrian Center Administrative Assistant



Looking for a great gig close to home? Then look no further! The Master Association is looking to hire an Equestrian Center Administrative Assistant.

The Equestrian Center Administrative Assistant will support and assist the Equestrian Center Operations Manager by providing comprehensive administrative support to ensure the efficient operation of the Equestrian Center.

[Apply Today!](#)

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## MA Board Summary

The MA Board met for its monthly meeting on Oct. 15. Please click on the button below for a summary of this meeting.

[MA Board Summary](#)

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## SPECIAL EVENTS

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# Recycling Seminar



**WASTE CONNECTIONS**  
*Connect with the Future*

## Free Recycling Seminar Oct. 23

To recycle, or not to recycle? If that is the question, we've got the answer! Join us for a Community Recycling Seminar at the Ranch House hosted by the Ken-Caryl Ranch Master Association in partnership with Waste Connections on Oct. 23 at 6 p.m.

**Featured Speaker:** Barrett Jensen, Government Affairs Manager with Waste Connections

### What to Expect:

- Learn what can and cannot be recycled
- Discover details about Waste Connections' new recycling facility in Commerce City
- Understand the process of waste at their landfill
- Get informed on Colorado's new Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) standards

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## We Need You for the Boo Bash on Oct. 25!

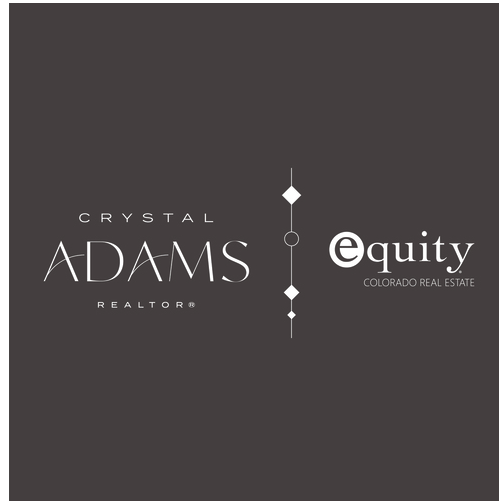
Get frightfully festive at this year's Boo Bash featuring "trunk-or-treating" on Oct. 25 from 4:30-6:30 p.m. in the Ranch House parking lot. This event is free for resident attendees, no registration required. Residents can also register online for FREE as a trunk-or-treat participant/host car by using the corresponding button below. Businesses may host a car for \$50 and must also register



online, using the corresponding button below. A big howl out to our spook-tacular Platinum Event Sponsor [Crystal Adams with Equity Real Estate!](#)

**FREE Resident Host Car Registration**

**Business Host Car Registration**



## Horse Around at the 4th Annual Halloweeny!

Join us for our 4th Halloweeny on Saturday, Oct. 26 from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. at the Equestrian Center! Once again, the Halloweeny will feature a Creepy Course of Calamity where horse owners and their trusty steeds will be decked out and ready to brave the spooky obstacles, a riding costume contest for current Riding School students, pony rides for ages 3 and up and our Pumpkin Decorating Contest where pumpkins will be provided and open to all ages. Tickets are \$25 for the day, cash or check only. Please arrive early for registration. For event details and schedule, please click on the button below. Questions? Please email [eqschool@kcranch.org](mailto:eqschool@kcranch.org).

**Halloweeny Information**

## Pumpkin Recycling for a

# Cause!

The Ken-Caryl Ranch Master Association invites you to recycle your pumpkins while supporting a local non-profit at our Pumpkin Drop-Off Event on Nov. 2 from \*9 a.m. – 11 a.m. in the Ranch House parking lot!



After Halloween, don't throw away your pumpkins - donate them to Hog Haven Farm, a pig rescue and sanctuary located near Denver. Founded by Erin Brinkley-Burgardt and Andrew Burgardt, Hog Haven Farm has been giving rescued pigs a safe and loving home for more than 10 years, and your pumpkins will make a delicious and nutritious treat for them!

All collected pumpkins will be transported to Hog Haven Farm immediately after collection. Help reduce waste and support the pigs at Hog Haven! Whole or carved pumpkins accepted (no wax, paint markers or signs of rot or mold, please.)

This idea was suggested by residents John and Lisa Losasso, and Madelyn Orr. For questions regarding pumpkin collection, contact April Crockett at [april@kcranch.org](mailto:april@kcranch.org).

*\*Please note that the time of this event has been updated to 9-11 a.m. The time is incorrectly listed in the Oct. 23 issue Life at Ken-Caryl, as this information was updated after the issue had already gone to print.*

## Pumpkin Recycling Event Information



## Register for a FREE Trishaw Ride with Cycling Without Age

Come along for a ride along the Platte River with Cycling Without Age Littleton (CWAL) as part of our next Ageless & Unstoppable program on Nov. 5! 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. Enjoy a free trishaw experience 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. Participants will meet at the Ranch House at 10:30 a.m. and take a shuttle bus down to Nixon's by Hudson Gardens to enjoy short rides along the Platte River. For details and to

register, please click on the button below.

Ageless & Unstoppable, programming geared toward seniors, retirees and adults, runs on the first Tuesday of each month from 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. at the Ranch House, offering diverse, robust and exciting programming!

Ageless & Unstoppable is proudly supported by Platinum Sponsor [Kali Hepker with Equity Real Estate](#).

**FREE Cycling Without Age Registration**



## Holiday Bazaar on Nov. 9!

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!



This event is proudly supported by [Platinum Sponsor Eva Stadelmaier with RE/MAX](#) and [Gold Sponsor Emporia Home Services](#).





## Veterans Day Breakfast

Veterans, join us at Dakota Lodge for a complimentary breakfast on Veterans Day, Nov. 11 at 9 a.m. in your honor. Enjoy a variety of breakfast options, catered by Biscuits and Berries, live music and more!

The event will feature a slideshow of community veterans. Attendees who would like to be included are asked to send photos from their time in the military to [KateM@kcranch.org](mailto:KateM@kcranch.org).

Space is limited, and while this event is free, reservations are required. Veterans and their immediate family are welcome—please select the total number of participants when registering. There's no need to register each person individually. To register, please click on the button below.

Thank you to Silver Sponsor Jeff Esbshade for his support of this event.

[Veterans Day Breakfast Registration](#)

## CLASSES & COURSES

### Get in Line... Dancing Class!

Line Dance has returned! Come join the fun and learn a variety of dances in this 4-week line dance class. The class

runs on Tuesday nights, Oct. 29 - Nov. 19, from 6-7 p.m. at the Community Center. Each week includes the review of the prior week's dances, so participants will walk away ready to strut their new dance moves! Please only tennis shoes - no boots. To register, please click on the button below.



[Line Dancing Class Registration](#)



## November Parents Night Out - Kids Night In - Onesies

Ready for a kid-free evening? Sign your child up for our November Parents Night Out on Nov. 15 from 5:30-8:30 p.m. at the Ranch House! Your kids will have fun and make new friends in a safe, structured environment while you enjoy a few hours to yourself! Registration fee includes pizza, fruit and a combination of games, toys, art activities and a rated G movie! Kids are encouraged to wear onesies. Parents Night Out is for children ages 3-12 years. All participants are required to be potty trained.

Registration opens online on Nov. 1 at 9 a.m. using the button below.

[Parents Night Out Registration](#)

## Keeping Zen in Your Holidays

Keeping Zen in Your Holidays is a FREE two-class course that provides instruction in Zen meditation and mindfulness strategies. Participants will learn a Zen approach to



relieving holiday stress and staying calm when challenges arise threatening to undermine holiday joy. This class provides a good introduction to Zen practices that participants can use throughout the year. Classes are offered in November and December at the Community Center. For class details and to register, please click on the button below.

## Keeping Zen in Your Holidays Registration



### Upcoming Meetings

[MD Board Meeting](#) - Oct. 22 @ 6 p.m. / Ranch House

### Events & Programs

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Recycling Seminar - Oct. 23 @ 6 p.m. / Ranch House

[Boo Bash](#) - Oct. 25 @ 4:30 p.m. / Ranch House Parking Lot

Pumpkin Recycling for a Cause - Nov. 2 @ 8 a.m. / Ranch House Parking Lot

Community Crime Prevention Presentation - Nov. 5 @ 6 p.m. / Ranch House

[Holiday Bazaar](#) - Nov. 9 @ 9 a.m. / Ranch House

[Veterans Day Breakfast](#) - Nov. 11 @ 9 a.m. / Dakota Lodge



#### Save the Date

**Dog Parade and Tree Lighting** – Nov. 23

**Holiday Happenings** – Dec. 7

\*Information regarding virtual meetings will be communicated as information becomes available. Please see the [Online Calendar](#) for the most current information.

## Helpful Links

[Board Contact Info, Meeting Agendas and Minutes](#)

[Committee & Task Force Agendas & Minutes](#)

[Register for Classes](#)

[Home Improvements](#)

[KC Fitness Center](#)

[www.ken-caryl-ranch.org](http://www.ken-caryl-ranch.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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