Newsletter of the Kipling Villas Homeowners' Association

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# **Enhancing Our Greenbelts**

Great news, neighbors! You still have time to get in on Foothills' chain link fence removal service! Foothills Park and Recreation has begun



removing chain-link fences that line up against wood fences across the neighborhood. Here are three reasons to get the doubled chain link fence removed from around your property:

- 1. The greenbelts will be more attractive without the double fences.
- 2. Removing these fences will eliminate the unsightly weeds and small trees growing between them.
- 3. IT'S FREE! Check out this before and after picture of a neighbor that has already had theirs taken out.

To get on the list for fence removal, please email Chris Byrnes at cbyrnes@fhprd.org with your name, address, and phone number. Remember: It's 100% FREE!







# 14th Annual Carols and Cocoa



Ready to "sing" in the Holiday Season? Kipling Villas 14th Annual Carols and Cocoa Party will take place on Thursday, December

21st, at 6pm! There will be plenty of hot cocoa ready for everyone. Our Carols and Cocoa celebration is always very laid back and a whole lot of fun! All ages and singing abilities are welcome to join us for a joyful night of Holiday Cheer!

This year, we will meet up in the South lot of the Lilley Gulch Rec Center (near the greenbelt). After filling up your mugs with cocoa, we'll begin on our singing route.

This event typically lasts between one and two hours (depending on the weather and our enthusiasm), and we encourage all participants to dress in festive gear. We will also have a relief van traveling alongside (should anyone need an urgent hot cocoa refill or break from walking).

Please invite friends or family to join, even if they don't live in Kipling Villas! The more the merrier!

And, if you know anyone who could use some extra holiday cheer this year, or a neighbor who would like a visit from our Carolers, please email us at kvnewsletter@gmail.com as soon as possible. We will do our best to visit you!

Remember: if you aren't singing along with us on Thursday, December 21st, that means your house is a potential target our for our Merry Band of Carolers!

### **HOA Matters**



We are excited for our upcoming Carols and Cocoa night! Come join us on December 21st! Events like these only happen because of your HOA contributions. Thank you for choosing to pay your HOA dues each year and making these events possible. If you haven't paid your \$40 yet, it's not too late! Please send your dues to P.O. Box 620395, Littleton, CO 80162. Thank you!

— HOA Board

# **KVHA Events Coming Up**

Cocoa and Carols: December 21st, 6pm

HOA Quarterly Meeting at Lilley Gulch Rec Center:

January 9th, 7-8pm

#### **Newsletter Contributions**

Neighbors, we want to hear from YOU! We welcome your articles and ideas for the Kipling Villas Newsletter. Tap into your inner author and send us your thoughts, neighborhood news, pictures of the neighborhood, or something you would like to share with your neighbors. Note: the deadline for articles and photos in the January newsletter is December 15th. Please send articles and photos to the editor at kvnewsletter@gmail.com.

# An Extravaganza of Lights at Hudson Gardens

**Now–Dec. 31, 2023** Walk through a winter wonderland of thousands of outdoor lights in Littleton. Explore the trails, where bursts of light and color wrap around trees and shimmer on bodies of water.

# This Space Intentionally Left Blank for Teen Services



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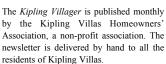
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#### **News Articles**

The deadline for news articles is the 15th of the month before the next month's issue, except for the Jan. issue which is Dec. 4th. All articles must be approved by the editor for publication, or as space permits. Please email **kvnewsletter@gmail.com** to submit an article for the newsletter.

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## Trail of Lights Chatfield Farms

Now – Jan. 1, various evenings, 5-8:30 p.m. (closed Dec. 25). Tucked into the foothills under the dark sky, the glow of lights can be seen for miles. Just under a mile of walking trail, the illumination of cottonwoods, boxelders and pine trees line the pathway through the Green Farm, Crossroads, Deer Creek Discovery Children's Play Area and 1880s Hildebrand Ranch homestead. There is the option of an alternative path for those who want to take a shorter stroll.



**Moms Meetup** 

December 12th from 9:30-10:30am at Chief Colorow Park

This is a group for moms who live in Kipling Villas and want to get connected. For inclement weather, please text me at 620-877-7631 for meetup status.

-Heidi Roesch

#### **Pickleball Meetup**

Come join me on Tuesdays for some pickleball fun! This is an older social group available to any skill level. Bring your own racket; balls are provided. Call me at 303-979-9454 for the time and location each week.

- Gary Messick

If you are interested in starting a meetup, please email us at kvnewsletter@gmail.com. We look forward to hearing from you!



# Fiber Internet Is Coming To Kipling Villas

As you may know, construction crews have been working in Kipling Villas over the past few weeks to prepare the necessary infrastructure for DirectLink, a Fiber internet provider. Please note that this construction began only after extensive efforts to work with local governments to obtain the necessary permits to access the public right-of-way. Utility providers like DirectLink are allowed to work in the public right-of-way. Public right-of-way is the area closest to the road or a bit beyond the front sidewalk of a property.

As stated, the early stages of this project have already begun. It should last between 2-3 months contingent on the weather. The project should be completed by early 2024. Any sprinkler line cuts or damage that occurs will be replaced or fixed by DirectLink. Also, any paint used will be power washed when the project is complete. Handholes will be placed in pre-determined yards, meaning that not every home will have one. Think of these handholes like neighborhood hubs that connect to the main fiber line.

If you have any questions/concerns or damages to your property, please email DirectLink Support at support@dlbroadband.com. You may also speak to a live local representative by calling 720-851-1111. For additional information about our plans, or to pre-order fiber internet service, please visit https://dlbroadband.com/residential-fiber. To see a video overview of what the construction phase will look like, please visit https://youtu.be/uajpgEpTv1k.



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# **New Additions To The Neighborhood**

As 2023 nears the end, we know that so much has happened in the lives of all our neighbors. This might have included having or adopting a child this year. If this was you, let us know! We would love to feature your son or daughter in January's newsletter! Please email their first and middle name, birth (or adoption) date, and photo to kvnewsletter@gmail.com.

Here are just a few of the new arrivals to join our neighborhood this year:







**Jade Susan,** born 7/18/2023



Soren Randell Salazar, born 9/28/2023

## **National Thank You Note Day**

National Thank-You Note Day on December 26th recognizes the time-honored tradition of thanking people for their gifts, hospitality, and generosity. It is a day to get some note cards, paper, pen, envelopes, and stamps to write those special thank-yous.

# **Christmas Tree Cutting**

Cutting down your own Christmas tree can be a memorable and festive experience for the whole family, but it's key to do this activity safely and legally. In Colorado, you typically need a permit to cut down a Christmas tree on public lands. All permits can be purchased online at recreation.gov.

- Plan Ahead: Contact the forest service for more information on permit availability, cutting dates, regulations, and designated cutting areas.
- 2. Choose the Right Tools: Bring a sharp saw for cutting and ropes or straps to secure the tree to your vehicle.
- Select a Healthy Tree: A healthy tree will have vibrant green needles.
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  - -https://www.coloradoparent. com/christmas-tree-cutting/

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Matching download and upload speeds	8	<b>Ø</b>
Always get the speed you paid for	8	<b>Ø</b>
Quickly connect with live customer service in Colorado	8	<b>⊘</b>
Appreciate your business and show it	8	<b>9</b>

Monthly Cost Comparison for Gig Speed	COMCAST CABLE	DIRECTLINK FIBER
Gig speed service fee	\$110	\$89
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## **Holiday's Evening**

Sunday, December 10, 2023, 5:30 to 8 p.m.

The Friends of the Littleton Library and Museum and the Littleton Museum present Holiday's Evening Sunday, December 10, 2023 from 5:30 to 8 p.m. at the Littleton Museum.

Bring your family and friends to this popular outdoor evening event on the grounds of the living history farms. Be transported back to the winter holidays of the 1800s by costumed interpreters who bring the past to life by demonstrating what life was like in early Littleton.

Enjoy a wagon ride, snack on cornbread and cookies, enjoy live music, and look up at the stars as you sip hot cider. Dress warmly - it could be quite chilly! All activities and refreshments are included in the ticket cost.

-https://www.littletonco.gov/Community/City-Calendars

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