



Happy New Year!

Happy New Year, Kipling Villas neighbors! As I reflect on this past year, I can't help but notice a year of change for our family and for those around us. All of our children are now in school, which puts me out of my stay-at-home mom job. I have started working part-time, which brings a new schedule and flow into our home.

I didn't expect to have knee surgery this year, something that has resulted in a different pace of life that I am definitely not used to. I have also watched multiple friends go through some challenging changes in their lives this year.

I don't know about you, but I'm not the biggest fan of change. To be honest, it makes me feel like I have less control of my life. Yet, this year, I have

begun to learn that maybe this is okay. That's because I can trust that these changes are happening for a reason--and I can look for the good that comes out of each situation, with the changes taking place around me.

There are also some welcome changes that have come this year. We met some new friends, watched our kids grow and learn new things, and have been so thankful for the new job opportunity. What's more: I'm looking forward to 2026 and the many exciting changes that will inevitably happen over the coming year.

Whether you've lived here since the first Kipling Villas houses were built, or just recently moved into the neighborhood, I want you to know that I'm proud to call you my neighbors, and I wish you all the best this coming year!

— Your Kipling Villas President, Heidi



Neighborhood Bunco Game Night

Ready for some FUN? Come join us for a Neighborhood Bunco Night! Bunco is a light-hearted dice rolling game, and anyone (teens and adults) is welcome to play! We will be playing at Lilley Gulch Rec Center on February 19th, 6-8pm. It is a \$5 cash entry fee per player. Bring a potluck dish to share. Whether you're a Bunco beginner or master roller, we welcome you to join the fun! If you have any questions, please call or text Summer at 512-656-2794.



Vice President Needed

Looking for a way to get involved and contribute to your neighborhood? Now is your chance! KVHA is looking to fill the Vice President position on the Homeowners Association Board. This is a volunteer position that involves attending HOA meetings and supporting the Board in any way you can. There are four HOA meetings and a few fun events taking place each year. If you are interested or would like to learn more, please email kvnewsletter@gmail.com or come to our January HOA meeting at Lilley Gulch Rec Center. We would love to meet you!



— HOA Board

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KVHA Events Coming Up

HOA Quarterly Meeting at Lilley Gulch Rec Center: January 6th, 7-8pm

Bunco Night at Lilley Gulch Rec Center: February 19th, 6-8pm

HOA Quarterly Meeting at Lilley Gulch Rec Center: April 7th, 7-8pm

HOA Matters

Boy howdy, have we enjoyed some fun neighborhood events this past year! From the 4th of July Parade, Kipling Villas 5K race, to our annual Cocoa and Carols celebration, we know how to ring in the season right. Events like these happen through your HOA contributions.



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Thank you for choosing to pay your HOA dues each year, as these dues are what allow us to put on such fun community events. If you haven't yet paid your \$40, please Venmo @Kipling-Villas (including your First and Last name as well as your address and email) or send cash or check to P.O. Box 620395, Littleton, CO 80162. Thank you!



— HOA Board



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

Remote Workers Meetup

Working from home has many benefits. But sometimes, it can also get rather lonely. If you work at home and are interested in connecting with other remote professionals, please join us! Depending on the level of interest each month, we may take a walk, meet up at the local coffee shop or even grab lunch. If you are interested and want more info on the monthly meetup location and time, text Karlie at 303-507-2508.

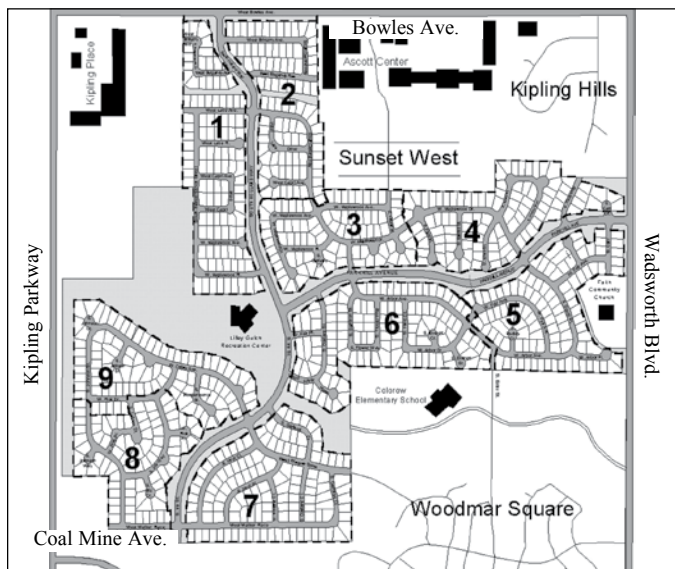


Fishing Meetup

It's fishing season! Do you fish alone? Come join some retirees who fish on Wednesdays or Thursdays (depending on the weather). Bring your own equipment and a valid Colorado fishing license. Call Gary at 303-979-9554 for the next date and time!

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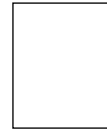


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The deadline for news articles is the 15th of the month before the next month's issue, except for the Jan. issue which is Dec. 4th. All articles must be approved by the editor for publication, or as space permits. Please email kvnewsletter@gmail.com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

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National Clean Off Your Desk Day

January 13 is an opportunity to begin your new year with a clean and organized workspace. Whether your desk is in a private or shared office, cubicle, home or a make-shift desk on the counter, having your workspace uncluttered and organized will help you work more efficiently. A clean workspace improves productivity and inspires us, too. It often gives us a sense of serenity.

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Kiwanis Club of Columbine

Welcome to the New Year – A good time to make new friends and to help make the world a better place by volunteering. Our regular service projects continue, including Salvation Army Bell Ringing. Thank you for those that donated to our “Ding-a’Lings”, provided a smile, and a few cups of coffee. This is being written before the final tally, I anticipate that we will have raised \$18,000 for the Salvation Army. We had a successful blood drive. Our ongoing events – we can always use help.

- Sheridan Food Bank
- Project C.U.R.E.
- Meals on Wheels
- Working with local schools
- Social Events: all welcome

If you’re looking for hands-on service opportunities or want to meet active community members, join us! Details on upcoming projects and events are shared in our weekly newsletter – email info@columbinekiwanis.org to subscribe. Visit columbinekiwanis.org or come for a free breakfast at our weekly meeting every Wednesday at 7 a.m. at 4Gs Restaurant, 5950 S Platte Canyon Rd, Littleton.

The Kiwanis Club of Columbine is a volunteer-led organization of 70 members dedicated to improving the lives of children and families through more than fifty active projects and support for over twenty community organizations each year. All are welcome – no membership required to participate. Join us for service, friendship, and fun as we make a positive impact together.

New Additions To The Neighborhood

KV resident Abigail T. proudly welcomed twins Arie Lynn (left) and Felix John (right) on October 3, 2025. Congratulations and welcome!



National Plan For Vacation Day

National Plan for Vacation Day, on the last Tuesday in January, reminds us to plan our vacation at the start of the year for the rest of the year. The early bird gets to pack their bags and fly away to a little fun and relaxation!

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Where To Ice Skate Around Denver This Winter

DENVER:

McGregor Skate Ice Rink, 1901 Wazee St., Denver

Nov. 28 to Jan. 25. The only option to skate downtown this year is at the McGregor Square plaza, near Coors Field. Admission is \$15 for adults and \$9 for children, including skate rentals.

LAKESWOOD:

The Rink at Belmar, 439 S. Teller St, Lakewood

Nov. 21 to Jan. 4. The Rink at Belmar is in Lakewood's shopping district. Admission is \$12 for adults and \$10 for kids, including skate rentals. There also are winter wagon rides around Belmar, which depart from the plaza where the rink is located. "Drinks Around the Rink" will offer beverages for sale from Great Divide Brewery & Roadhouse, Little India, Tstreet and Wasabi Sushi Bar. The rink opens at 4 p.m. on weekdays and noon on Saturday and Sunday. Closing times vary and can be found on their website.

ARVADA:

Skating in the Square, Olde Town Square at 57th and Olde Wadsworth Blvd., Arvada

Nov. 26 to Jan. 29. The skating rink in Olde Town Arvada is open seven days a week and you can skate under the lights of the Olde Town Tree.

The rink opens at 4 p.m. Mon-Fri and 11 a.m. on Saturday and Sunday. The closing times vary, as well as the holiday hours, and can be found on the website. Admission plus skate rentals costs \$10 for adults and \$7 for kids 11 and under.

EVERGREEN:

Evergreen Lake, 29612 Upper Bear Creek Rd., Evergreen

Evergreen Parks and Recreation is offering ice skating and other winter activities at Evergreen Lake. It costs \$15 per person, or \$20 with skate rental. Children 4 and under are free, or rent the whole rink for \$150 per hour. Annual passes cost \$200. The rinks may close due to weather.

PARKER:

Parker Ice Trail at Discovery Park, 20115 E. Mainstreet, Parker

Nov. 28 to Feb. 28. Located next to Parker's library on Mainstreet, this ice trail is one of the only in the country, according to its website. The rink opens at 11 a.m. on Saturday and Sundays and 5 p.m. on weekdays. It closes at 9 p.m. Monday through Saturday and 7 p.m. on Sundays. The trail is meant to imitate a frozen river or canal. People can buy day passes for \$10 or season passes for \$165, with skate rentals included.

AURORA:

The Pond at Southlands, 6100 S. Main St., Aurora

Nov. 7 to March 1. This rink is in Aurora's Town Square shopping center and is open seven days a week. The rink is open Monday through Friday from 4 p.m. to 9 p.m. It opens at 11 a.m. Saturday and Sunday and closes at 10 p.m. Saturday and 7 p.m. Sunday. Admission is \$15.50 online and \$14 in person, including skate rentals. The rink is surrounded by the outdoor mall's shops and restaurants.

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The National Western Stock Show & Rodeo: January 10-25, 2026

Each winter, nearly 700,000 people visit the National Western Stock Show, an extravaganza of about 30 rodeos, 11 horse shows, and countless other attractions just a couple of miles from the heart of Denver. For so many visitors from the increasingly urbanized West, the Stock Show offers a rare window into Western tradition and the incredible importance that agriculture and ranching industries have made to revolutionize our daily lives. For many other visitors, the National Western Stock Show is a pilgrimage, a gathering of the extended family

that sustains and defines the West. Since the first Stock Show in 1906, it has been a place where generations of farmers and ranchers – people whose hard work feeds the rest of us – spend time reuniting with old friends, learning about new approaches and techniques in agriculture and ranching, and doing some business, year after year.

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