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4th of July Parade & Picnic: Here's What to Know

Parade Info:

Our July 4th Parade begins at the Colorow Elementary parking lot at 11:00am sharp. West Metro is scheduled to join us at 11am to lead the parade. Bikes, trikes, strollers, wagons, scooters and walkers are all welcome! Our route takes us through the neighborhood (along W. Arbor Ave) and ends at Lilley Gulch Rec Center. Patriotic decorations are encouraged. Even if you aren't participating in the parade, we welcome you to join our enthusiastic group of spectators who line the streets to cheer us on.

Picnic Info:

Immediately following the parade is our July 4th Picnic, where we will host a hot dog lunch, bounce houses, and potato sack races. Families are encouraged to set up shade structures, coolers or lawn chairs at the picnic area *before the parade begins*.

Lunch will include a special 50th Anniversary treat!

All residents are invited to join the picnic. Our goal is to bring as many Kipling Villas families together as possible. This event grows every year, and it can be difficult for us to plan for the right amount of people. Last year we served over 220 hot dogs. This year, we are planning for a bit more. We will have two jumping castles this year: One is smaller and will be for children 6 years and younger; One is larger and for the school-aged kids.



If your children plan to jump, please watch them. I count on parents to monitor the children inside so that we can offer these fun activities. Thank you for your involvement.

If you have questions about this event, would like to volunteer, or your business would like to sponsor or donate a prize, please contact me at 303-514-7287. We rely on our amazing HOA directors and volunteers to serve food, set up games, and help with prizes. They are what make this event run smoothly, so please thank them.

Thank you and see you on the 4th!

— Janet Clark, Kipling Villas





KVHA Events Coming Up

- HOA quarterly meeting: July 2nd, 7-8pm
- 4th of July Neighborhood Celebration & Parade: July 4th
- HOA quarterly meeting: October 1st, 7-8pm
- Kipling Villas 5K: October 12th, 2024

HOA Matters

The Kipling Villas neighborhood has a fun summer ahead of us. The 4th of July Parade and Picnic will be a special one this year, as we are

also celebrating the **50th anniversary of the Kipling Villas Neighborhood**. Thank you for choosing to pay your HOA dues each year. If you haven't yet paid your \$40, please send it to P.O. Box 620395, Littleton, CO 80162. Thank you!



- HOA Board

Clean-Up Day: A Huge Success!

This year's Kipling Villas Clean Up Day was a huge success. During last month's event, we completely filled two 30-cubic-yard dumpsters! More than 50 Kipling Villas residents took the opportunity to dispose of unwanted items. Clean-Up would not have been successful without the help of our wonderful volunteers. I would like to thank the residents that stayed around all morning to help unload vehicles. Also, as always, the KVHA Board of Directors gave their time to get the job done. Finally, I would like to give a shout out to our metal recycler. He has saved us the rental of another dumpster, as he recycles metal to help with his personal charity. A real win-win!

- Jerry Shin, Director, District 7



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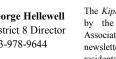
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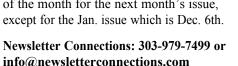
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News Articles

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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4th of July vs Independence Day

As many history buffs know, there's some irony to rise of the phrase "Fourth of July" since the date itself has little significance. Congress approved a declaration of independence on July 2, 1776, and John Adams expected that to be the most important date in American history. The official Declaration, however, was approved two days later by a committee. The first printed copies read "In Congress, July 4, 1776." Since that broadsheet was tacked up in cities all over the nation, the date stuck.

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Moms Meetup

July 17th from 9:00-10:00am at Chief Colorow Park

This is a group for moms who live in Kipling Villas and want to get connected.

- Emily Murphey

Pickleball Meetup

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

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 me at 303-979-9454 for the next date and time!

- Gary Messick

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Did You Know...

- Independence Day was first celebrated in Philadelphia on July 8, 1776.
- Both Thomas Jefferson and John Adams died on Independence Day, July 4, 1826.
- In 1941, Congress declared July 4 a federal legal holiday.
- The 56 signers of the Declaration of Independence did not sign at the same time, nor did they sign on July 4, 1776. The official event occurred on August 2, 1776, when 50 men signed it. Later that year, five more signed separately, and one added his name in a later year. Thomas McKean was the last to sign in January 1777.
- The origin of Uncle Sam probably began in 1812, when Samuel Wilson was a meat packer who provided meat to the US Army. The meat shipments were stamped with the initials, U.S. Someone joked that the initials stood for "Uncle Sam." This joke eventually led to the idea of Uncle Sam symbolizing the United States government.
- Benjamin Franklin, John Adams, and Thomas Jefferson served on the committee that picked the eagle for the national seal. Benjamin Franklin wanted the turkey!

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Red, White & You

Wednesday, July 3, 2024 in Clement Park

Red, White & You is a FREE patriotic, community event focusing on fun for the whole family! Red, White & You is the largest free community event in South Jefferson County. Geared toward all ages and designed to bring the community together, attendance is estimated at 35,000+ annually. The event includes kids' activities, live entertainment, food concessions, community business booths, beer & wine garden, and a fireworks display. Event runs rain or shine.

Concerts in Clement Park

Foothills Park & Recreation District is proud to offer Concerts in Clement Park free to the public and put on for the benefit of District residents and South Jefferson County residents. This outdoor series of concerts incorporates community collaborations and grant funded performances which are free, open to the public and family friendly. Performances are held at the Grant Family Amphitheater in Clement Park. All concerts start at 7 p.m. and are held on select Thursdays.

- July 11: The Grass Project bluegrass, progressive instrumental
- July 18: Roka Hueka Latin ska, rock, cumbia, reggae
- July 25: Groove 'N Motion variety band, R&B, funk
- August 1: SoundTrack Chamber Orchestra orchestral movie soundtrack
- August 8: Julia Kirkwood alternative pop, rock

Summer Concert Series

The Littleton Museum and the Friends of the Library and Museum are delighted to be able to welcome you and your families back to the museum front lawn for the 2024 Summer Concert Series. The concert series is free, with open lawn seating on a first come, first serve basis. Concerts take place on Wednesdays from 6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m

- The ThreadBarons, Wednesday, July 10, 2024
- Chris Thompson & Friends, Wednesday, July 17, 2024
- Delta Sonics Wednesday, July 24, 2024
- Dakota Blonde, Wednesday, July 31, 2024

Food Truck: Mike's Coneys: Food truck serving Michiganstyle coney dogs.

Guests are welcome to bring their own food as well.

Shade: Please don't bring large pop-up tents. If you bring an umbrella for shade, please sit toward the back so you don't block the view of others.

Pets: Well-controlled pets on short leashes are welcome.

Kids' Dance Zone: The Kids' Dance Zone is to the left of the stage (as you face the stage). It's a great spot to get those wiggles out and for kids to dance with their tall grown-ups without blocking views of the stage.

Bad Weather: The show goes on in the rain. In the event of extreme temperatures, strong wind, downpours, severe weather warnings, and/or close lightning the Museum may cancel or delay a show for a short time. If a show is canceled, the Museum will post an announcement on the Museum's Facebook page immediately. If there's no post on Facebook, the show is still on!

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Kiwanis Club of Columbine

The Kiwanis Club of Columbine is a group of volunteers dedicated to improving the lives of children and families in our community. All are welcome to help on any of our projects or attend any of our social events. We do a lot of volunteer working with and for kids in our local schools throughout the year. If you are interested in working with kids we can use your help. Join us at our Columbine Kiwanis Pancake Breakfast at the Sumerset Festival in September! To learn more visit our website at columbinekiwanis.org, or join us for a free breakfast at our weekly meeting any Wednesday at 7 a.m. at 4Gs restaurant, 5950 S Platte Canyon Rd, Littleton. You do not need to join our club to participate. We have a lot of fun, meet new people, and do a lot of good things for our community. For details about a project or social event email kensweet@gmail.com.

National Be Someone Day

On July 21st, National Be Someone Day challenges each of us to take ten seconds to make a difference in a child's life.

What can you do in ten seconds? We can shift gears or water a plant. We can hear or tell a bad joke. In ten seconds, we can change our minds, and after doing so, say a prayer of thanks. When we walk into a room, in that time, we can register the pain in someone's eyes and begin to provide comfort. We can praise and honor someone who deserves it.



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6010 S Garland Way	3	2	1,728	Ranch	\$589,000	Pending
8967 W Maplewood Dr	3	2	2,528	Ranch	\$595,000	Pending
6389 S Garland Ct	3	3	2,246	Tri-Level	\$649,995	Pending
6130 S Garland Ct	3	2	2,001	Tri-Level	\$451,100	Sold 5-31-2024
9621 W Lake Ave	3	2	1,570	Bi-Level	\$547,000	Sold 5-31-2024
6041 S Estes St	4	3	2,064	Ranch	\$595,000	Sold 5-29-2024
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