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4th of July Parade and Picnic

Parade Info:

Our Annual 4th of July Parade and Picnic begins at **11am sharp** at the Colorow Elementary parking lot. We are scheduled to have the West Metro Fire Department join us at 11am to lead the parade. Bikes, trikes, strollers, wagons, scooters and walkers are welcome! Our route takes us through the neighborhood (along W. Arbor Ave) and ends at Lilley Gulch Rec Center. Patriotic decorations are encouraged.



Picnic Info:

Join us at Lilley Gulch (immediately after the parade) for 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.

Even if you won't be participating in the parade, please join our enthusiastic group of spectators lining the streets to cheer us on. All residents are invited to join the picnic. Our goal is to bring as many Kipling Villas families together

as possible.

We will have free hot dogs, chips, and cookies to enjoy, as well as two jumping castles this year, (one is smaller and for children 6 years and younger; the other is larger and for the school age kids). If your child will be jumping, please watch them. We 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 would like your business to sponsor our amazing HOA directors and volunteers--to serve food, set up games and help with prizes to make this event run smoothly--please thank them.

Thank you and see you on the 4th!

— Janet Clark, Kipling Villas



FAMILY Bunco Night

Bring your kids to FAMILY Bunco night, only in July! We will resume our regular Adult Bunco evenings in August, but we wanted to have a family night this summer. Even if you have never played before, bring your family so everyone can learn! For this family night, it will only be \$2 per player. If you come, please bring a potluck dish to share. See you at Lilley Gulch Recreation Center at 6:30 on July 18th!



Kipling Villas
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KVHA Events Coming Up

HOA Quarterly Meeting: July 1st, 7-8pm, Lilley Gulch Rec Center

4th of July Parade and Picnic: (starting at Colorow Elementary)
July 4th, 11:00am

Bunco FAMILY Game Night: July 18th, 6:30-8:30pm,
Lilley Gulch Rec Center

HOA Matters

We have some great community events coming up! KVHA would love to have you join us at the 4th of July Parade and Picnic or at one of our fun Bunco game nights! Thank you for choosing to pay



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your HOA dues each year. If you haven't paid your \$40 for 2025, 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



Dog Walking

As I was walking my dog recently along our greenbelts, I was stopped by a resident that voiced a concern about dogs off leash. She was fearful for herself and her dog. She always has her dog on leash and under control. Over the years I've lived in Kipling Villas, I have observed dogs off leash threatening other dogs and walkers, let out of cars to run through the greenbelts (to relieve themselves before being picked up again), and chasing squirrels and rabbits. According to signs posted along the paths, Foothills Parks and Recreation, and Jefferson County, have regulations that dogs should be leashed, under control, and picked up after. Let's try to be better neighbors and keep our community safe by using leashes. There are dog parks and off leash areas for our dogs to get some exercise. Please use them. Thank you!

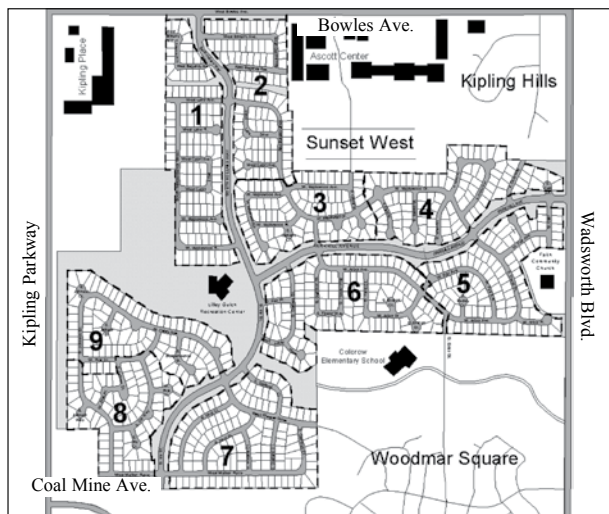
— Jerry Shin



National Father Daughter Take A Walk Day, July 7

National Father Daughter Take a Walk Day is observed annually on July 7th. This day promotes the benefits of family bonding time between fathers and daughters as well as the benefits of physical activity.

The memories made during your time together will stay with you forever. During the summer season, there are many incredible places to walk and enjoy nature as you spend time talking, laughing, and bonding. While taking a stroll, cherish the time spent together. Your child will value the gift of the time you give no matter how old they are.



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National Parents' Day

National Parents' Day honors all parents on the fourth Sunday in July. No matter where our parents may be, this day serves to celebrate their important role in our lives. In May we celebrated mothers, and in June we celebrated fathers. It follows that in July we can bring all our parents together and show them some appreciation all at once. Parents play a vital role in the lives of children. From our birth, parents protect, teach, provide, and serve as role models. As part of a family, we look to them for guidance. We mirror their behavior and learn to be a core part of our communities.



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

Bunco Night

Bunco is a lighthearted dice rolling game. Teens and adults are welcome to play! Our next Bunco Night will be at Lilley Gulch Rec Center on July 18th from 6:30-8:30pm. It is a \$5 cash entry fee per player. We will be having a potluck, so bring some food to share (if you'd like). If you have any questions, text Summer at 512-656-2794.



Pickleball Meetup

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



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!



Rest is not idleness, and to lie sometimes on the grass under trees on a summer's day, listening to the murmur of the water, or watching the clouds float across the sky, is by no means a waste of time.

—John Lubbock

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Pollinators have evolved to seek and find food from plants in their environment. They focus on certain colors, flower shapes, textures, and scents to find the nectar and pollen they need. Plants native to the Rocky Mountain west are naturally more attractive and important to the survival of our local pollinators.

Garden centers offer an amazing array of plants gathered from around the world and created by plant breeding facilities. Hybrids are constantly being created to offer different colors, different shapes, and different statures. Only some of these are important to the survival of key Colorado pollinators.

Pollinators require a constant supply of food, water, and shelter throughout their lifetime. A little advance planning will ensure that your yard provides these.

One key consideration is planting a mix of native plants that flower early, in the middle of the summer, and later in the fall. This provides season-long nourishment. Many plants, including penstemons, bee balm, black-eyed Susans, and blanket flowers, are popular perennials that regenerate yearly from their root system or seeds broadcast after the flowers have faded.

The same native plants that support pollinators also feed and support our local birds and animals. Birds rely on native plants including blanket flowers, black-eyed Susans, sand cherries, choke cherries, lupines, and common yarrow for insects, nutritious seeds, and berries throughout the spring and summer nesting seasons.

Learning more about the relationship between plants and native pollinators is rewarding and environmentally valuable.

– John Ashworth, CSU Extension,
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Summer Concert Series

The Littleton Museum and the Friends of the Library and Museum are delighted to welcome you to the museum front lawn for the 2025 Summer Concert Series. The concert series is free, with open lawn seating on a first come, first serve basis. Concerts take place from 6:30 - 8 p.m.

- **Wednesday, July 9, 2025: The Ninety Percent 90s.** A 3-piece acoustic cover band covering the best and worst hits from the 90s.
- **Wednesday, July 16, 2025: The ThreadBarons.** A combination of Americana, folk, classic rock, folk rock, and garage rock.
- **Wednesday, July 23, 2025: Dakota Blonde.** Acoustic folk, bluegrass, acoustic rock music, part singer/songwriter, and sometimes even Celtic.

The show goes on in the rain. In the event of extreme temperatures, strong wind, downpours, severe weather warnings, and/or lightning near the Museum may cancel or delay a show for a short time.

–<https://www.museum.littletonco.gov/Events-Programs/Summer-Concert-Series>

Spend A Day At The Beach

Many reservoirs throughout the state include spacious beach spots perfect for sunbathing, swimming, picnics, SCUBA diving, and more. Notable ones include Cherry Creek State Park, Chatfield State Park, Lake Dillon Reservoir, and the Boulder Reservoir. Pack a picnic, bring some towels and an umbrella, and soak in some sun.

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Red, White & You

Thursday, July 3, 2025 in Clement Park
(7306 W. Bowles Ave., Littleton 80123)

Event runs rain or shine. 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.

*In the summer, the days were long, stretching into each other.
Out of school, everything was on pause
and yet happening at the same time,
this collection of weeks when anything was possible.*

—Sarah Dessen



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