



## Kipling Villas Homeowners Association Spring Events

Here's a preview of a few important KVHA events coming up this spring:

**Membership Drive** – May 1st will herald in the start of our annual membership drive. Your dues will fund our activities for the next year. These activities include: *The Neighborhood Clean Up Day, the Fourth of July Celebration, 5k Fun Run, and Carols and Cocoa.*

A letter will be sent to all residents of Kipling Villas during the first week of May. The year's membership is \$40. Please send your check to P.O. Box 620395, Littleton, CO 80162. Thank you!

**Neighborhood Garage Sales** – Our annual Kipling Villas Garage Sale Weekend will take place from May 30th to June 2nd. We would like to invite all our residents who plan on having a garage sale this summer to participate this weekend. We can increase the traffic to each sale by having more sales happening at the same time. A garage sale banner will be placed on both entrance signs to encourage more people to visit our neighborhood sales.

**Neighborhood Clean Up Day** – We host our annual Neighborhood Clean-Up Day on Saturday, June 15th.

This event begins at 8am and ends when the second container is full. The dumpster will be located where S. Iris St. dead ends. This is our annual dumpster day and will provide residents an opportunity to get rid of a pickup load of refuse.

Membership is required and can be paid on the morning of the event. Items that we cannot accept include, but are not limited to tires, electronics of any kind, paint, and hazardous materials. A metal recycler will be on hand to recycle anything that he deems recyclable.



## Newsletter Contributions

Neighbors, we want to hear from YOU! We welcome 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 or photos in the June newsletter is May 15. Send articles and photos to the editor at kvnewsletter@gmail.com.



If you have any damage done in your yard or questions about the construction, call 303-529-1111.

## HOA Matters

We are looking forward to our Neighborhood Garage Sale and Clean-Up weekends. These events happen because of the dues residents have paid. Thank you for choosing to pay your HOA dues each year. If you haven't paid your \$40 this year, please send it to P.O. Box 620395, Littleton, CO 80162 before May 15th. Thank you!

— HOA Board



## Potholes

If you are driving around the neighborhood and hit a pothole, you can help fix it! In just a few minutes of your time, you can go on the Jefferson County website and report the pothole. It should be fixed within a few days to a week. Please help each other out by reporting potholes. Go to this website or scan the QR code then follow the directions below. Thank you!

### To report a pothole:

1. Visit <https://jeffersoncountycoco.qscend.com/311/request/add>
2. Fill in Location and click Next.
3. For Type of Issue click on Street and Roadway Maintenance and select Pothole.
4. Add a comment (required) and photos (optional) and click Next
5. Fill in your name, address, phone and email and select how you wish to be notified of updates
6. Click Create Request
7. If you have multiple potholes to report then click at the top on Create another request



## KVHA Events Coming Up

- **Garage Sale Weekend:** May 30th – June 2nd
- **Neighborhood Cleanup:** June 15th beginning at 8am
- **HOA quarterly meeting:** July 2nd 7-8pm
- **4th of July Neighborhood Celebration & Parade:** July 4



### Moms Meetup

May 21st from 9:30-10:30am at Chief Colorow Park

This is a group for moms who live in Kipling Villas to get connected. For inclement weather 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 for 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!

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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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### Bring Flowers To Somone Day

April showers means May 15 is Bring Flowers to Someone Day to celebrate why giving flowers plays a significant roll in kindness. Flowers are one of nature's most beautiful gifts. Bring Flowers to Someone Day is the perfect way to give the gift of love and kindness to those around you. Whether you gift flowers to show sympathy or give them just because, the simple act of giving flowers brings joy to the recipient.



# Memorial Day Activities With Kids

We're so excited for the summer! The pools are opening, the grill's heating up, and school's winding down. But in the midst of the fun, take a few minutes to teach your family that Memorial Day is a special time to recognize the service men and women who've fought for our country.

## Explain the History of Memorial Day

The Memorial Day tradition began around the Civil War, when folks wanted to honor the soldiers who had died in that conflict by decorating their graves. There's some disagreement over whether this started in the south or in Waterloo, NY, but in either case, the tradition started as Decoration Day. Families would gather together at cemeteries, bringing picnics and remembering, together, those whom they had lost. Gradually Decoration Day became Memorial Day, and in 1971, Memorial Day became a national holiday to be celebrated on the last Monday of May. While Memorial Day is specifically a holiday to recognize the sacrifices of men and women who have died in combat, many people also spend the day honoring veterans and current service personnel and working for peace and unity with all people.



## Watch a Parade or Memorial Service

We have some local parades, and kids love a parade, but you can also take the opportunity to point out traditions and Memorial Day etiquette. Teach children that we stand and

take off hats as veterans pass in a parade. Have them look for American flags, and point out that, officially, flags are to be flown at half-staff until noon on Memorial Day as a remembrance. During services you may also see soldiers fire rifles into the air or people throwing flowers into the ocean in memory of those lost at sea. Next time you're at your local town hall or playground, check for a memorial and take time to read it with your kids.

## Make a Tasty Treat

Bring cookies or another treat to our neighbor, a World War II veteran. It's wonderful to recognize someone your kids know. But it's also fun to enjoy a treat yourselves! A simple one is a blueberry and strawberry parfait with yogurt, whipped cream, or ice cream. Put them into clear plastic containers to show the patriotic colors, and pop them into the freezer if it's a hot day.

## Craft Something Special

Want to slide in a history lesson while keeping little hands busy? You can help kids make a tissue paper poppy while explaining about Memorial Day's origins, then explain that poppies, because they are blood-red, became a symbol of sacrifice during World War I. These are easy to create, and they make a lovely gift.

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# Help Protect Loved Ones From Scams

*In part from the Jeffco Sheriff's Behind the Badge Newsletter*

Our victims of scams are not numbers, however; they're real people. People like Susan, who was victimized and whose name we have changed to tell her story.

Susan, 76, got a call from a man claiming to work for an Internet provider. He told her that while he was checking her Internet speed, he noticed she had a \$500 credit on her account for services she was entitled to but did not use. He instructed her to get on her computer and when she did, a page was already open that she did not recall opening. The caller told Susan she had accidentally hit a button that selected a refund of \$5,000 instead of \$500. The caller then told Susan he would lose his job if he didn't get the extra \$4,500 back.

The caller instructed Susan to withdraw \$4,500 from her bank and purchase nine \$500 gift cards. He stayed on the phone with Susan while she went to the bank and two separate stores to purchase the gifts cards. During the call, Susan asked him several times if he was scamming her. He said no. Once she had the gift cards, the caller instructed her to tell him the gift card numbers and security codes. Susan did. After the call ended, Susan tried calling his phone number back but the number was disconnected.

Unfortunately Susan was scammed for \$4,500.00. Could the same happen to your parents? Your grandparents? Even you? Scams come in many forms, but how we should respond to them is the same:

- Do not answer calls from unknown numbers. If it's important, they'll leave a message.
- Do not provide personal information on the phone or in an email or text message to anyone you do not know. Personal information includes date of birth, social

security number, credit card numbers, and bank account information.

- Do not withdraw money, send money, purchase gift cards, or make other financial transactions for someone you do not know.
- If you suspect it's a scam, end all communication – hang up the phone or delete the email or text message.
- If you have been scammed or your personal information has been used without your knowledge or permission (for example, a new credit card arrives in your name), report it to local law enforcement immediately (and cancel the card!).

One of the best ways to help protect your older loved ones from being scammed is to talk to them about common scams and how to avoid them. For more information, visit <https://www.jeffco.us/985/Scams>.

– Reggie Marinelli, Sheriff

## Bike Month

May is National Bike Month. If you don't already have bikes for the family, late spring is a good time to invest in one you can use all summer. Dress up your bikes with Memorial Day decorations like stars and streamers, then head out for a family ride. Add embellishments to your helmets, and wear red, white, and blue for a fun and patriotic ride around town.

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## Teacher Appreciation Day

National Teacher Appreciation Day is on the Tuesday during first full week in May as a reminder to show appreciation for teachers everywhere. We are using this National Day to say thank you to all teachers for their time and dedication to educate our children.

*The secret of happiness is freedom,  
the secret of freedom is courage.*  
-Carrie Jones

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<u>Address</u>	<u>Beds</u>	<u>Baths</u>	<u>Total SF</u>	<u>Style</u>	<u>Price</u>	<u>Status</u>
8912 W Arbor Ave	4	3	1,893	Bi-Level	\$525,000	Active
6132 S Everett St	3	2	2,001	Tri-Level	\$510,000	Pending
6273 S Flower Way	3	2	3,048	Ranch	\$549,000	Pending
6453 S Johnson St	3	2	1,570	Bi-Level	\$599,000	Pending
8908 W Maplewood Dr	4	3	2,246	Tri-Level	\$620,000	Pending
6224 S Dudley Ct	4	4	2,760	Two Story	\$635,000	Pending
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