HIGHLANDS RANCH COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION **NEWSELETTER**IULY 2025

July 4th Celebrations

Get ready for a star-spangled celebration in Highlands Ranch with a full day of patriotic fun.

Kick off the morning of July 4 with the Independence Day 5K, starting at 7:30 a.m. at Town Center South. This familyfriendly race welcomes runners, walkers, and strollers—and festive attire is encouraged! All participants receive a commemorative T-shirt and post-race treats.

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After the race, grab a spot along Highlands Ranch Parkway for the beloved 4th of July Community Parade, beginning at 9 a.m. This year's parade will be emceed by local media personality Susie Wargin, bringing her signature energy and community spirit to the mic. Enjoy a vibrant lineup of community groups, floats and hometown pride!

Then, cap off the day at Highland Heritage Park for the Fireworks Celebration at 9 p.m. Please consider walking, biking, or carpooling to the event as parking is extremely limited. Carpool lots will be available at Eastridge Recreation Center and Southridge Recreation Center.

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A Message From The GM

Dear Highlands Ranch residents,

As summer continues, we're excited to share the many affordable programs and events HRCA has planned for children, adults and families in our community.

For kids, we offer a wide variety of fun and enriching activities—from summer camps and swim lessons to youth sports leagues and art classes. These programs keep children active, engaged and learning all summer long. Adults can enjoy diverse offerings such as group fitness classes, tennis and pickleball clinics, educational workshops and wellness programs. We also have family-friendly events like the Backcountry Outdoor Movie Series, the Summer Concert Series, and our Fourth of July celebration, most of which are low-cost or free to attend.





Summer doesn't have to be filled with expensive trips and activities; some of the best experiences are right in your backyard. HRCA is proud to provide high-quality, affordable programs that bring our community together without breaking the bank. To make the most of your summer, we encourage you to stay informed.

- Follow us on social media for real-time updates and announcements.
- Subscribe to our e-newsletter for a curated list of upcoming events, classes and community news.
- Review our community reports to stay connected to long-term initiatives and improvements.
- Visit our website at HRCAonline.org for program schedules, registration links and facility updates.

We want to ensure you have the tools you need to take full advantage of everything HRCA has to offer this season, even on a budget.

Thank you for being part of the Highlands Ranch community. Let's make this summer full of fun, connection and memorable experiences!

My best, **Mike Bailey**



CEO/General Manager Highlands Ranch Community Association









Link On Demand

If you've ever needed a ride to work, a doctor's appointment, a grocery store or anywhere nearby, there's a new option in town that's completely free.

Douglas County recently teamed up with the City of Lone Tree and Via to launch Link On Demand in Highlands Ranch. On Tuesday, May 27, the expansion was celebrated with a ribbon cutting at Highland Heritage Regional Park.

The county approved a \$2.9 million investment to bring the popular Lone Tree service to Highlands Ranch. You can use the Link On Demand app to request curb-to-curb rides anywhere in the service area. It's easy, free and open to everyone.

All you have to do is download the app, create an account and enter where you want to go. A driver will pick you up within minutes. You can also call 719-212-2430 to schedule a ride.

Try it out and see how simple getting around can be!

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FREE



Get to appointments, work, errands, and more with Link On Demand. Book and track your ride in-app or by calling 719-212-2430.

Service Hours: Monday to Thursday: 7am - 7pm Friday: 7am - 10pm Saturday: 10am - 10pm

Learn more. city.ridewithvia.com/linkondemand

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LINK ON DEMAND



A New Chapter in Community Connection

The Highlands Ranch Community Association (HRCA), in partnership with Douglas County, proudly introduces Bridging Generations: Connecting Wisdom and Wonder—a heartfelt initiative designed to foster meaningful relationships between older adults and youth in our community.

This program was inspired by you. In 2023 and 2024, older adults shared their insights through two live town halls, 26 listening sessions across the county, and a community survey completed by 354 participants. You told us you want to stay connected, engaged, and give back. With the 65+ population in Douglas County projected to grow by 54% between 2023 and 2033—the fastest of any age group—there's no better time to act.

Launching in Summer/Fall 2025, this volunteer program invites older adults to participate in storytime sessions at HRCA's four recreation centers and in our Sunshine & Storytime events in the Backcountry Wilderness Area.

Together, we're bridging generations—sharing life's wisdom with the wonder of youth. Stay tuned for more details and volunteer opportunities in the coming months!

If you'd like to receive more information about the Bridging Generations initiative, or to volunteer, please scan the QR code below to join the mailing list.





NEW ADULT SUMMER SPORTS TOURNAMENTS

AT EASTRIDGE AND WESTRIDGE

HRCA SPORTS IS BRINGING THE HEAT. SIGN UP, COMPETE, AND WIN!

SUMMER FLING
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TOURNAMENT

JULY 26 | 6-10 P.M. EASTRIDGE

TOSS, DODGE, AND WIN PRIZES. JOIN A TEAM NOW! SAND VOLLEYBALL DOUBLES

JULY 26 | 8-4 P.M. EASTRIDGE

PARTNER UP AND GET READY TO COMPETE!

3v3 BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

AUGUST 2 | 12:30-6 P.M. EASTRIDGE

SWING BY AND PLAY IN THE SINGLE-ELIMINATION TORUNAMENT!

NEW CORNHOLE LEAGUE!

AUGUST 7 - OCTOBER 10 THURSDAYS, 6-9 P.M. WESTRIDGE

GRAB YOUR TEAM AND JOIN THE ULTIMATE LEAGUE!

LIMITED SPOTS AVAILABLE, REGISTER TODAY!

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New Douglas County Parking Ordinance Now in Effect

Douglas County has enacted Ordinance No. O-025-001, which regulates the parking of oversized and recreational vehicles (RVs) on public roads in unincorporated areas including nearly all public streets in Highlands Ranch.

Adopted by the Douglas County Board of County Commissioners, the ordinance took effect in early 2025 and is intended to improve visibility, reduce safety hazards and preserve the visual appeal of neighborhoods. While the regulation applies county-wide, it carries particular significance in Highlands Ranch.

In the wake of Colorado House Bill 22-1139, HRCA was no longer permitted to issue violations for public street parking, leaving many residents frustrated as oversized vehicles began appearing more frequently, particularly along residential streets not designed for them. The new county ordinance restores a layer of accountability by empowering the Sheriff's Office to act where we cannot. This means the broader community benefit of reduced visual clutter, improved safety at intersections and greater fairness for residents who follow the rules.

The ordinance assigns enforcement responsibility to the Douglas County Sheriff's Office (DCSO), helping to fill the gap left by the state legislation. It prohibits the long-term parking of oversized vehicles—including RVs, trailers, boats on trailers, and commercial trucks—on public streets or countymaintained rights-of-way within the County's designated "Primary Urban Area," that includes Highlands Ranch. Limited exceptions apply for temporary parking, but only with an approved permit that must be clearly displayed. Violations may result in escalating fines or towing for repeat offenses.

The ordinance includes a tiered fine schedule:

• RVs and Recreational Vehicles: \$25 for the first offense, \$50 for the second, and \$100 for the third (within a 12-month period).



• Commercial Vehicles: \$100 per incident, with a mandatory court appearance after three violations in a 12-month span.

Enforcement is handled entirely by the DCSO, which is responsible for patrols, citations, and if necessary, vehicle removal. Complaints of vehicles violating this ordinance should be directed to DCSO via their non-emergency number 303-660-7500.

We see this new ordinance as a positive and much-needed tool to complement HRCA's own standards. We will continue enforcing parking restrictions on private property (where we have jurisdiction) and are grateful to Douglas County for stepping in to fill this enforcement gap on public rights-of-way.

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COMMUNITY INFORMATION

HERE, OUR BIG TEAM OF EXPERTS CALMS THE FEARS OF OUR SMALLEST PATIENTS.

Learn more at childrenscolorado.org/HRCA





HRCA Hosts Fitter & Faster Swim Camps

HRCA is pleased to host Fitter & Faster Swim Camps on Saturday, September 13, and Sunday, September 14, at the Westridge Recreation Center. Join expert clinicians for focused instruction on freestyle and backstroke technique.

Date: Saturday, Sept. 13 & Sunday, Sept. 14 Location: Westridge, 9650 Foothills Canyon Blvd.

Now Hiring!

Join our team! HRCA is now hiring swim instructors and coaches for fall programs. Enjoy flexible shifts and a fun, supportive environment. Competitive swim experience is preferred for these positions. Apply online today!











Backcountry Outdoor Movie Series

Join us Saturday nights from June 28– August 2 at Backcountry Base Camp for an unforgettable outdoor movie experience– bring your picnic, chairs, and cozy blankets for a film under the stars! Tickets are \$30 per vehicle and support the Backcountry Wilderness Area Fund!

Date: Saturdays, July 5: Mufasa July 12: Shrek 2 July 19: Twisters July 26: Moana 2 August 2: The Sandlot Gates open: 5 p.m. Location: Backcountry Base Camp, 6005 Ron King Trail Details: \$30 per vehicle, (max 45 vehicles/night).



MOVIE

SERIES



Wildcat Regional Park Project

Wildcat Regional Park, a 202-acre open space in southern Highlands Ranch, is poised for a thoughtful transformation. Originally slated for heavy development, the land is being transferred to the Highlands Ranch Community Association (HRCA) under the condition that a trail system be built within three years. Now, HRCA is unveiling a conceptual plan featuring trails that are a mix of natural surface and surfaced. The natural surface trails for hiking, running and mountain biking are designed to preserve wildlife and natural habitats.

Community involvement is central to this project. Residents are invited to an informational in-person meeting where HRCA will present the initial trail layout and planning timeline. This is a chance to share feedback and shape the park's future.

Date: Monday, July 8 Time: 6:30 p.m. Location: Southridge, 4800 McArthur Ranch Rd.

Scan the QR code below to learn more.



WILDCAT REGIONAL PARK PROJECT





Get Ready to Tumble Into Summer Fun!

Explore a new hobby or tap into a creative outlet with HRCA's diverse selection of arts, music, dance and cooking classes—designed for all ages and skill levels.

Children can let their imaginations soar in Painting & Drawing or Sculpture, while adults can discover new skills in Drawing 101, Macrame, Knitting, Zen Doodle or Encaustics.

Share the joy of music with your little one in Music Together or help your young musician get started with Piano Pals.

Stay active with adult classes like Ballet, Line Dancing, Couples Dance, Swedish Dance or Belly Dance.

In the kitchen, kids and teens can enjoy hands-on experiences in Chef in Training, Kids Rule the Kitchen, Creative Cooks or Teen Cuisine.

No experience necessary—just bring your curiosity! Scan the QR code below and register today.

Make This a Summer of Music!

Inspire your child's creativity this summer with our engaging and educational music classes & camps! Whether they're an aspiring vocalist, an eager young pianist, or simply love to move to rhythm, we offer the perfect program to spark their musical passion.











TUMBLING

MTB Series



Summer Concert Series

Join us this July for four exciting nights of free live entertainment! Enjoy a dynamic lineup featuring:

- July 10 Ninety2k ('90s-'00s rock)
- July 17 Jewel & the Rough (R&B, '80s hits)
- July 24 Christie Huff (country, pop)
- July 31 Phillip Lamar & Paizley Park (Prince tribute)

Bring your lawn chairs, grab a bite from the food trucks, and soak in the sounds of summer!

Date: Thursdays, July 10, 17, 24, 31 Time: 6:30 - 8 p.m. Location: Highland Heritage Regional Park, 9651 S Quebec St. Details: Free to attend

Splash Mash Dash



EVENTS

Join us for four mountain bike races in the beautiful and pristine Backcountry Wilderness Area. Open to ages 10 and up with multiple classes, there is a place for everyone to race!

Date: Wednesdays, July 9, 23, 30 and August 6 Time: Start times vary based on class Location: Red Tail Park, 2674 Pemberly Ave. or Rocky Heights Middle School, 11033 Monarch Blvd. Details: Prices vary



Get ready for a day full of fun, movement and donuts! Our Splash Mash Dash Kids Triathlon is the perfect way for kids to "TRI" something new or practice their racing skills in a fun and supportive environment! This non-timed event is all about participation, personal bests and big smiles.

Date: Saturday, August 2 Time: 9 a.m. Location: Eastridge, 9568 University Blvd. Details: Prices vary

Global Sessions: An Evening with Miguel Espinoza Fusion



Don't miss an unforgettable evening of music at the Highlands Ranch Mansion with the awardwinning Miguel Espinoza Fusion. This dynamic ensemble masterfully blends flamenco, classical, and jazz with global influences, creating a vibrant and soulful sound. Experience a captivating performance in the elegance of this historic setting.

Date: Thursday, August 7 Time: 6:30 - 8 p.m. Location: Highlands Ranch Mansion, 9950 Gateway Dr. Details: \$30

Wildcat Mountain Trail Races

The Wildcat Mountain Trail Races combine scenic beauty with a rewarding challenge on dirt singletrack trails through the Backcountry Wilderness Area. Choose from a 10-mile, 10K, or ageappropriate kids' race—each starting just south of Rocky Heights Middle School and following the East/ West and Wildcat Mountain Trails. Whether you're new to trail running or a seasoned racer, it's a fun and energizing way to experience the outdoors.

Date: Saturday, September 6 Time: 8 a.m. Location: Rocky Heights Middle School, 11033 Monarch Blvd. Details: Prices vary





Sip & Stretch

Unwind and recharge at Sip & Stretch—the perfect mix of relaxation and connection. Enjoy a gentle, all-level yoga class led by a certified instructor, concluding with a calming restorative rest. Then, head to the patio for a glass of wine or beer, light snacks and great company.

Date: Thursday, July 17 Time: 6 - 8 p.m. Location: Southridge, 4800 McArthur Ranch Rd. Details: \$30 (Ages 21+)

Registration includes one drink ticket and snacks (non-alcoholic options available). Please bring your own yoga mat.

Free Yoga in the Park





In partnership with the Metro District, join us this summer for Free Yoga in the Park—a rejuvenating way to connect with nature, move your body and find your calm. Held Saturday mornings at Civic Green Park, enjoy gentle instruction in the fresh air and a welcoming community atmosphere. Please arrive early to complete a waiver, and remember to bring your mat, sunscreen and water.

Date: Saturdays, July 12, 19, 26 and August 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 Time: 8 - 9 a.m. Location: Civic Green Park, 9370 Ridgeline Blvd. Details: Free to attend (Ages 13+)

Personal, Semi-Private and Small Group Training

Reach your fitness goals with training options tailored to your needs and lifestyle. Our Personal Training provides one-onone attention for customized workouts and focused support. Prefer a workout buddy? Semi-Private Training lets you train with a partner or small group, combining personal guidance with shared motivation. Craving energy and community? Small Group Training offers dynamic, coach-led sessions in a fun, supportive setting.









YOGA IN THE PARK



PERSONAL TRAINING Let's reclaim our rightful place as



Join the challenge at uchealth.org/readysetco



Highlands Ranch Hospital

Summer Pickleball

Summer pickleball is thriving in Highlands Ranch! We offer both outdoor and indoor leagues and lessons, Friday Socials, and our first-ever youth camp. Plus, don't miss HRCA's inaugural independent Pickleball Tournament launching this month. Visit our website to get involved—we look forward to seeing you on the courts!



Summer Sports Camps

There's still time to sign up, so don't miss out—there's something for every young athlete to enjoy this summer! Whether your child is drawn to the precision of golf, the agility of fencing, the discipline of taekwondo, the teamwork of volleyball and basketball, the strategy of flag football, or the fast-paced action of dodgeball, our camps offer fun-filled, skill-building experiences in all these sports and more.









PICKLEBALL

Sports Sampler



Sports are a fun and rewarding way to develop new skills—especially teamwork and sportsmanship! In this action-packed program, participants will explore a different sport each day. Activities may include T-ball, kickball, broomball, frisbee and more. It's a great way to stay active, try something new and have a blast!

Date: Wednesday, July 2 - 30 Time: 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. Location: Southridge (Gym), 4800 McArthur Ranch Rd. Details: \$69 members/\$79 guest

Summer Break Sports Camp

Stay active and connected at the Therapeutic Recreation Summer Break Sports Camp, held every Tuesday in July. Each session features three hours of fun, with a variety of sports rotating weekly to keep things fresh and engaging!

Date: Tuesdays, July 1 - 29 Time: 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. Location: Southridge (Gym), 4800 McArthur Ranch Rd. Details: \$163 members/\$187 guest



Therapeutic Recreation Taekwondo



Enhance balance, concentration, self-control and confidence in this inclusive taekwondo class designed for individuals of all abilities (ages 5 to 20). In-class belt testing offers students the opportunity to challenge themselves and gain recognition in a supportive and encouraging environment.

Date: Tuesdays and Thursdays, July 1 - 31 Time: 3:50 - 4:30 p.m. Location: Northridge, 8800 Broadway Details: \$110 members/\$127 guest



THERAPEUTIC RECREATION

Community Partners

HRCA continuously strives to enhance property values and quality of life through recreation, community events and leadership. In line with our commitment to fostering stronger connections within our community, we would be delighted to partner with you in making your business successful.

If you are interested in learning more, please scan the QR code at the bottom of the page.

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Events

Sundays through October 26: Highlands Ranch Farmers' Market

Friday, July 4: Independence Day 5K 4th of July Parade 4th of July Fireworks

Saturday, July 5: Backcountry Outdoor Movie Series - Mufasa

Wednesday, July 9: MTB - Highlands Point Circuit

Thursday, July 10: Summer Concert Series: Ninety2k

Saturday, July 12: Free Yoga in the Park Backcountry Outdoor Movie Series - Shrek 2

Thursday, July 17: Summer Concert Series: Jewel & The Rough Sip & Stretch

Saturday, July 19: Free Yoga in the Park Backcountry Outdoor Movie Series - Twisters

Tuesday, July 22: **Delegate & Board Meeting**

Wednesday, July 23: MTB - Rocky Gulch Circuit

Thursday, July 24: Summer Concert Series - Christie Huff Music

Saturday, July 26: Backcountry Outdoor Movie Series - Moana 2 **Backcountry Bigfoot Bash** Free Yoga in the Park

Wednesday, July 30: MTB - Badlands Circuit

Thursday, July 31: Summer Concert Series: Phillip Lamar & Paizley Park

Check the website for the most up-to-date closure information and event details. Visit HRCAonline.org.

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Facility Closures

Friday, July 4: All recreation centers open at 7 a.m. and close at 5 p.m. in observance of Independence Day.

Saturday, July 12: Northridge Outdoor Pools Closed

Saturday, July 19: Northridge Outdoor Pools Closed

Monday, May 12 - Friday, September 5: Westridge Renovation - Please check the website for the most up-to-date information.



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