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THE SQUEAKY SQUIRREL

THE SAMPSON COMMUNITY CLUB'S NEWSLETTER

ABOUT AND FOR OUR MOUNTAIN COMMUNITY, PRODUCED BY KIM VANTREASE

SAMPSON COMMUNITY CLUB 16150 SAMPSON ROAD, LITTLETON, CO 80127 FACEBOOK.COM/SAMPSONCOMMUNITYCLUB OR WWW.SAMPSONCLUB.ORG

COMING SOON!



Next Movie Night is July 14th at around 8:15 PM - Check the website or Facebook for movie title.



JULY 15, 2023 - ICE CREAM SOCIAL @ 2:00 PM That perfect time of year for ice cream! Also, Don Coenen will be providing great music for us! So, grab the gang, neighbors, and Uncle Louie and come on down for the annual ice cream social! This long-cherished event wouldn't be complete without home-made ice cream and all the fixins! Show off your ice cream-making skills and impress your neighbors. Bring your home-made ice cream (or store bought) to the Sampson Community Club and gather round your friends and neighbors. *Let's dig in together!*



SAMPSON COMMUNITY CLUB NEEDS

The Sampson Community Club is seeking firewood. If you have any to donate, up to 14 inches in diameter, we would love to take it off your hands. Call Kim at 303-681-2104 for information about drop-off or have us come pick it up. Thank you!

♥ COMMUNITY NEEDS

If you know somebody in the community who has recently lost a spouse or experienced another tragedy, just let us know and we'll bring them a warm meal or a pick-me-up basket of goodies. We would like to share our community support with our neighbors in need.

2023 CALENDAR OF EVENTS AT SAMPSON COMMUNITY CLUB



EVERY WEDNESDAY at 6:30 PM – BIBLE STUDY AT THE SAMPSON COMMUNITY CLUB

All welcome to come anytime! Come as you are or when you feel that tugging in your heart. If you have questions, feel free to email Pastor Bob at deercreekcanyonbiblechurch.org and click the **Contact Us** tab. We fellowship from 6:30 to 7:00, which includes a table of snacks, coffee/hot chocolate and then the teaching begins at 7. So, if you can't get there by 6:30, you can still make the lesson. Deer Creek Canyon Bible Church only rents space from Sampson Community Club and is not a part of the Sampson Community Club. www.deercreekcanyonbiblechurch.org.



JULY 15, 2023 – ICE CREAM SOCIAL @ 2:00 PM Come on up, or down, for the annual ice cream social! This long-cherished event wouldn't be complete without home-made ice cream and all the fixins! So, bring your homemade ice cream (or store bought) and have some fun with your neighbors. Thankfully, Don Coenen will bring his talents for us to enjoy over a big ole bowl (or cone) of ice cream! 😊



AUGUST 5, 2023 - ANNUAL PIG ROAST @ NOON The festivities kick off at noon! Bring your favorite side dish to share and enjoy a feast with your friends and neighbors. This is another treasured event that has continued for many years. Bring yourselves down and meet others in your community. We always have a great time hanging out and meeting new people. If you have any questions about the Pig Roast, please contact any of the Board Members. This favorite fundraiser is only \$10.00 per family or \$5.00 per person; extra donations are always welcomed. Donations received are put toward the betterment of the Sampson Community Club Building and events. This year we will have **games and door prizes!** *Oink...*



MOVIE NIGHTS THIS SUMMER!

JULY 14TH Movie begins around 8:15 PM

AUGUST 11TH Movie begins around 8:15 PM

Bring your camping chair and movie snacks/drinks and spend an evening under the stars watching family-friendly movies. Movie titles will be announced at [FACEBOOK.COM/SAMPSONCOMMUNITYCLUB](https://www.facebook.com/SAMPSONCOMMUNITYCLUB) **and** WWW.SAMPSONCLUB.ORG. If you forget your camping chair, no worries, just use the club's chairs.



OCTOBER 7, 2023 – CHILI COOKOFF @ 5:30 PM!



Bring a pot of your homemade chili and share among the hungry tasters. Let's pick a winner to hold the Chili Cookoff title for 2023! Hope you can join in this fun fall event. Don't have time to make chili? No problem, come on down anyway and enjoy a bowl of chili and you can help decide who wins! Donations always welcome!



OCTOBER 20-31, 2023 – HAUNTED HOUSE

Details will be posted in the next Squeaky Squirrel and soon on [FACEBOOK.COM/SAMPSONCOMMUNITYCLUB](https://www.facebook.com/SAMPSONCOMMUNITYCLUB) OR WWW.SAMPSONCLUB.ORG

Boooooo.....



NOVEMBER 11, 2023 - THANKSGIVING MEMBERSHIP DINNER @ 5:00 PM

The Sampson Community Club provides the turkey, and everyone is invited to bring a side dish. This is a good time to experiment with new holiday recipes on your friends and neighbors. Office of Vice President and Treasurer are up for election/re-election this year. Have ideas about events at the Sampson Community Club? Bring them! Let's discuss opportunities and new events as we fellowship among neighbors. We invite you all to join in the fun again this year!

WELCOME...

If you are new to the area and curious about the happenings at The Sampson Community Club, or want to join in the action, just reach out to one of the Board Members and they would be happy to answer any of your questions. Membership is just \$20.00 per year and renews every December 1st. Internet is available for members to use at the Sampson Community Club. With your new/renewed membership, you will get the internet password for your personal use. Contact us about getting a Membership Form to you or you can pick one up at the Sampson Community Club on the front porch in a red folder. *As a Member of the Sampson Community Club, you're never obligated to volunteer for events or fundraisers. It's just up to anyone who would like to volunteer their time. Members or nonmembers always welcome to participate!*

WILDLIFE TREASURES

Contributed by Kim Vantrease

For many, spotting wildlife never gets old. We are fortunate to share in this experience from the many birds to the mighty bears that roam freely just doing their thing. Remember to keep trash secure and garages shut so we don't get our bears into trouble or euthanized. And don't forget that half-eaten candy bar in the truck either...bears are wise to munchies left in cars...we learned the hard way. This guy meandered up our road on June 10th while we were cleaning up our yard.



WE WOULD LOVE TO HEAR FROM YOU

Contributed by Kim Vantrease

Last November, we discussed future events to be held at the Sampson Community Club. Winter Movies in the schoolhouse, Bingo, Game nights, Thursday Night Football, Poker Tournaments, Mystery Dinners for Adults and Teens, Craft Days, Story Hour for our youth in the community, Painting classes, and Silent Auction Fundraisers. If you have an interest in these or other events that you would like to **host** or **attend** at the Sampson Community Club, please feel free to reach out to any Board Member with your valued input or questions! **The Sampson Community Club exists for you!** So, feel free to share your ideas and get involved in the fun! You can reach me directly at Valleyhawk7@msn.com or text me 303-570-9028

IMPORTANT NOTE: Throughout the year, events may be cancelled, or events may be added that are not listed on the current Calendar of Events, so please be sure to check often for new events or important updates at [Facebook.com/SampsonCommunityClub](https://www.facebook.com/SampsonCommunityClub) and www.Sampsonclub.org.



HISTORY NIGHT

Contributed by Kim Vantrease

This past April, The Sampson Community Club hosted a History Night for the community. Ace Eriksen, a long-time resident of Deer Creek Canyon came and shared his knowledge of the area and a lot of other interesting stories. Several people who attended this event commented at the end of the evening how nice it was to learn about the area's history. It really is enriching to discover new things about the area in which we live. Kurt Hopkins, whose father attended Sampson School way back in the day, lent us a poster of the ski areas that used to operate around here. This poster is on display at the Sampson Community Club. You can check it out at the Ice Cream Social and Pig Roast this summer. We are planning on hosting another History Night next April.

YOUR SAMPSON COMMUNITY CLUB BOARD

President, Kim Vantrease, valleyhawk7@msn.com 303-681-2104 or text 303-570-9028

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HOMESCHOOL HAPPENINGS

Contributed by Amanda Dougherty

THE VENUE THEATRE PRESENTS *MATILDA JR* * TICKETS AVAILABLE AT www.thevenuetheatre.com



SHOW TIMES

Thu. Jun 29th 2023, 7:00 pm

Fri. Jun 30th 2023, 7:00 pm

Sat. Jul 1st 2023, 2:00 pm

Sat. Jul 1st 2023, 6:00 pm

Many homeschool families are enjoying the activities occurring regularly at The Venue Theatre in Conifer. If you are a homeschooler, contact them to get more information about homeschool opportunities for your child.



VOLUNTEER PAINT DAY

Contributed by Kim Vantrease

This past May, the Sampson Community Club held a Volunteer Paint Day. On behalf of the Sampson Board and Members, thank you all who came out and offered up your talents! The day was filled with fun, laughter and painting of the schoolhouse foyer and exterior of the building. We got lots done and Red Vantrease made some more repairs on the building. Pastor Bob's wife, Crystal, even washed all the interior windows! Bonus!!! The Sampson Community Club always appreciates your generosity of your time, even it is a small amount of time. Thank you to the Vernon Family, Frederick Family, Amanda Dougherty, Erin Guennel, Pastor Bob and Crystal, and Shawna Lawrence for coming out on that Saturday and helping us restore this beautiful treasure that belongs to all of us. Below are some pics of this fun day.



GOOD NEIGHBORS

Contributed by Kim Vantrase

Last month, we were all surprised by the excess amount of rain. While we all appreciate rain here in the forest, it was...a lot. Some lost driveways and experienced great flooding in basements and such. Red and I awoke to our neighbor, Yon, in his machine furiously hurrying to reroute the small river that had overtaken my driveways and yard. His quick action saved our driveways from complete loss and stopped further damage to the rest of our property. Yon's clients were so kind as he was a little late for their appointments that day because he was saving my property. You never realize what it means to have good neighbors until you're in need. In this case, Yon took care of our problem before we even knew we *had* a problem! And Tim, with **Elk Mountain Excavating**, also joined in the restoration efforts that saved our property. Both Yon and Tim are busy men, but they stepped in to help a neighbor in need. Thank you, Yon and Tim!!! I'd also like to mention our newest neighbors who jumped in to help when they came upon all the activity happening at my place. Without being asked, Elana and Jimmy immediately started moving stones, mud, and other debris to clear the ditch! To say we were touched by everyone's efforts seems so small; we were overwhelmed with gratitude. Thank you! ❤️

All too often we see news stories where the *bad guy* is the headliner, but after this sudden disaster, we realize there truly is more good than bad. Not only is Yon a firefighter, but he is also an accomplished farrier; his company is **Front Range Farrier Services**. So, keep Yon and Tim in mind if you need their type of service in the future.

2023 SLASH SCHEDULE FOR JEFFERSON COUNTY

2023 SLASH COLLECTION DATES & LOCATIONS

| Month | Day | Location |
|-----------|------|---|
| MAY | 1-6 | Tincup Ridge Park (151 S Rooney Rd, Golden, CO 80401) |
| | 7-31 | Elk Creek Elementary (12004 US HWY 285, Pine, CO 80470) |
| JUNE | 1-3 | Elk Creek Elementary |
| | 4-30 | Tincup Ridge Park |
| JULY | 1-31 | Marshdale Property* (20624 N Turkey Creek Rd, Evergreen, CO 80439) |
| | 1-31 | Settlers Drive Property (8335 Settlers Dr, Morrison, CO 80465) |
| AUGUST | 1-5 | Blue Mountain Open Space (73401 Coal Creek Canyon Rd, Arvada, CO 80007) |
| | 6-31 | Marshdale Property* |
| SEPTEMBER | 1-31 | Marshdale Property* |
| | 1-31 | Settlers Drive Property |
| OCTOBER | 1-7 | Evergreen Parks & Rec. (1521 Bergen Pkwy, Evergreen, CO 80439) |
| | 8-31 | Tincup Ridge Park |

*Site opens at 3 p.m. daily

Site locations hours: 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Please arrive no later than 3:30 p.m. as the unloading process takes ~30 mins.

WHAT IS SLASH?

Sustainable Lands And Safer Homes.
Allows residents to dispose of the wildfire fuel on their property, creating defensible space around their home.

Organic debris such as tree limbs and branches, known as slash, contributes to the high risk of fire danger in Jefferson County. All slash is composted.

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| Accepted | Not Accepted |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Limbs ✓ Branches ✓ Woody debris ✓ Tree bark ✓ Pine cones ✓ Logs: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Max length: 8 feet -Max diameter: 6 inches | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✗ Construction material ✗ Lumber ✗ Household trash ✗ Metal of any kind ✗ Rocks ✗ Tree stumps ✗ Yard waste/grass clippings ✗ Bags ✗ Leaves |

SIGN-UP FOR SLASH ALERTS **BAGS ARE NOT ACCEPTED**

COST

1 load = 6 cubic yards (162 cubic feet of material)
\$20/load (1 truck bed or trailer) **Credit Cards ONLY**

JEFFERSON COUNTY SLASH

For more information, resources, and directions, go to: JEFFCO.US/SLASH

WITH CONTINUED APPRECIATION

Contributed by Kim Vantrease

The Sampson Community Club genuinely appreciates your time, energy, and monetary donations to the Club. Working together and helping others makes us grow and thrive. We are ever so grateful to our event hosts, coordinators, volunteers, those who attend the events, and the Board for bringing this community together. Also, thanks to Mitch Tanenbaum for printing the “Squeaky Squirrel” as well as the event fliers and e-mail blasting the Sampson Community Club's announcements. You all really do make a difference and our community is better because of you! Thank you for all your support in this first half of 2023!

Just an FYI, the Sampson Community Club uses Sampson School for its events, so if a neighbor invites you to the Sampson Community Club for an event, they are talking about Sampson School, which is located at 16150 Sampson Road. Internet is now available for members to use at the Sampson Community Club. With your new/renewed membership, you will get the internet password for your personal use.

The Club is tax exempt as a 501(c)(4) organization. 501(c)(3) organizations are the only ones that your donations are tax deductible on your personal income tax. According to the IRS, all donations to the Club are not tax deductible by the donor. As always, all are welcome to attend the Club functions! We look forward to meeting you! C’mon and join the fun!

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The Sampson Community Club
16150 Sampson Road
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EVENTS AT SAMPSON COMMUNITY CLUB AT A GLANCE

BIBLE STUDY EVERY **WEDNESDAY NIGHT 6:30 PM**

MOVIE NIGHT **JULY 14TH** UNDER THE STARS 8:15

ICE CREAM SOCIAL **JULY 15TH** 2 PM

PIG ROAST **AUGUST 5TH** AT NOON

MOVIE NIGHT **AUGUST 11TH** UNDER THE STARS 8:15

CHILI COOK-OFF **OCTOBER 7TH**

HAUNTED HOUSE **OCTOBER 20-31 – WEEKENDS**

THANKSGIVING MEMBERSHIP **NOVEMBER 11**

BINGO IS COMING – WATCH FOR ANNOUNCEMENT ON OUR WEBSITE AND FACEBOOK PAGE!

*BE SURE TO CHECK [FACEBOOK.COM/SAMPSONCOMMUNITYCLUB](https://www.facebook.com/SampsonCommunityClub) OR WWW.SAMPSONCLUB.ORG FOR UPDATES ON EVENTS OR RECENTLY **ADDED** EVENTS*