Meridian Service Metro District
Recreation Center Mission:

To offer a healthy lifestyle for the residents of Meridian Ranch through facilities and programs for personal fitness, group exercise, organized sports, aquatics, and special community events.
SPORTS

MERIDIAN RANCH REC CENTER

BASKETBALL SKILLS CLINIC

JULY 25TH & 26TH
9AM-11AM
COME JOIN US
$30 RESIDENTS - $40 NON-RESIDENTS
AGES 7-12

REGISTRATION OPENS JULY 1

FLAG FOOTBALL
AGES 5-12
REGISTRATION OPENS AUGUST 1ST
MORE INFO COMING SOON!

JUNIOR GOLF CLINICS

5-8 years old
July 11th & 12th
10:00am - 11:00am
$50 per child

9-14 years old
July 18th, 19th & 20th
10:00am - 11:00am
$90 per child

For more information or to sign up, please call the golf shop at 719-494-1900 ext. 1

GAME ON!!

ADULT BASKETBALL LEAGUE 18+
MORE INFO COMING SOON!
Falcon Freedom Days at Meridian Ranch
Saturday, July 2nd, 2022

8am  5K Race Start/Finish at Rec Center
1-4pm  Vendors, Bounce Houses, Beer Garden & DJ at The Shops at Meridian Ranch
9:20pm  Fireworks Show Begins

Activities Include:
5k Run at Rec Center
Beer Garden | DJ |
Bounce Houses | Petting Zoo | Vendors | Fireworks

This year we are bringing back our in-person activities for Falcon Freedom Days. Meridian Service Metro District, Meridian Ranch, Antler Creek Golf Course and The Shops at Meridian Ranch have teamed up to kick off the 17th annual Falcon Freedom Days on Saturday, July 2nd, 2022. Music, food, family fun activities and the best fireworks show in Colorado are all back and bigger than ever. Bring your chairs, blankets, family, friends and the kids to this FREE celebration. This year the fireworks will launch from north of the High School and vendors and festivities will be at The Shops at Meridian Ranch.
Happy 4th of July

KIDS MINI SUMMER CAMP
JULY 15 8A-4P AGES 5-12YRS
$40 RESIDENTS
$50 NON-RESIDENTS
$5 AFTERCARE 4-6P
MERIDIAN RANCH REC CENTER

- Swimming
- Park Time
- Crafts
- Gym Play
- Organized Games

*Pizza Lunch Included*

Register in Child Care!
Must have enrollment, physical, and shot records/exemption to register!
ChildCare@meridianservice.org (719) 495-7119

FLY-SWATTER VOLLEYBALL

Played while sitting in a chair, hitting a balloon over a net with a fly-swatter.

Fridays 10AM until Noon.
Meridian Ranch Recreation Center Gym

Come join in!!
It is great exercise.

Every Summer Has Stories. write yours in Meridian Ranch.
**Meridian Ranch Rec Center**

**Active Older Adults**

**Water Volleyball**

Thursdays 1pm - 3pm
lap lanes @ MRRC

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**GOLF Memberships**

A-List Prime Membership
- Unlimited Golf any day
- Includes Shared Cart
- 1 Range Token per day
- Receive a 25% discount on logo merchandise
- Invited to participate in A-List only tournaments.
Non Prime membership level available.

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**MERIDIAN RANCH REC CENTER**

**ACTIVE OLDER ADULTS**

**GAME DAY**
Spare Your Time for Fun

Tuesdays
1pm-2:30pm
at MRRC Auditorium

Games to Play
BOARD GAMES & CARD GAMES

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**MERIDIAN RANCH REC CENTER**

**DROP-IN GYM CLASS**

AGES: 7-12
SUPERVISED DROP-IN OPEN GYM
BASKETBALL, VOLLEYBALL, SOCCER AND MORE!
Tuesdays & Fridays 12:30PM-2:00PM
FLICK N' FLOAT

THE SPY NEXT DOOR

JULY 23RD | 6:00 PM

Have you signed up for the golf tournament yet? What are you waiting for? If you are a Meridian Ranch resident and active or retired military call 719-494-1900 to secure your spot in this FREE day of fun and golf for yourself and spouse or significant other. Don’t worry if you aren’t good at golf, this is a day of fun with a little dose of competition.

Parent's Night Out

Meridian Ranch Recreation Center

Friday, July 29th
5:30p-10:00p
Ages 5-10

- Laser tag
- Crafts
- Glow Sticks
- Pizza
- Movie
- Popcorn

Residents: $20
Additional Children $15

Non-Residents $25
Additional Children $20

There is some paperwork needed. Sign up in Child Care!
ChildCare@meridianservice.org
(719) 495-7119

Trivia Night

Madera’s Grill and Cantina

Monday Nights
6:00 - 8:00 pm

4th Annual Military Appreciation Golf Tournament

Saluting those who serve!
Reward for Information on Vandalism to District Property

$1,000 REWARD

Report the vandals.
Stop the vandalism.

When District-owned property is vandalized, all residents of the community pay the price. We are finding that repair, replacement, and repainting is taking a major toll on our budget and as a reminder, it is our residents that fund our operations. District-owned property that can be damaged by vandalism includes playground equipment, monument signs, the Recreation Center building and grounds, retaining walls and concrete trails, streetlights, and fences.

To assist in putting an end to acts of vandalism, Meridian Service Metropolitan District (MSMD) offers a $1,000 reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of anyone graffittiing, vandalizing, destroying, or stealing MSMD property.

We strongly encourage you to notify the El Paso County Sheriff's Office to file a report when you witness acts of vandalism. Call the Sheriff's Office using their non-emergency phone number at (719) 390-5555.

Because the District is the owner of the community's public property, the District must also submit a police report. To notify the District of damage and report any relevant information, please complete the brief online form at the “Contact Us” link on the District’s website, www.meridianservice.org, or call the District at (719) 195-6567. If possible, please include photos of the damage, and the names and home addresses of suspected perpetrators and their accomplices. Our staff will work with the Sheriff’s Office from there.

Whether or not you witness the crime, as you encounter new evidence of vandalism or destruction of MSMD property, please contact us or complete the online form below, so we are aware of new problems and can remedy them.
Get Your Utility Bill Electronically!
Sign up to receive your monthly utility bill via email
Help your District save money and receive your bill on time every month!
Use the form on the District’s website, meridianservice.org, under the “Contact Us” tab, to request your utility bill via email. You’ll save the District printing costs and postage, and ensure you receive your bill timely wherever you are.
Tree Stakes
Trees require tree stakes as extra support for the tree as it stabilizes its root system by establishing new roots and can help the new tree from being uprooted in strong winds. According to the International Society of Arboriculture, trees establish more quickly and develop a stronger trunk and root system if they are not staked at the time of planting (http://www.treesaregood.org/treelowner/plantingtree), however, living in the Falcon area means we experience frequent winds and it is normally recommended to stake trees for 1-2 growing seasons to keep them from uprooting.

The stakes need to be removed as soon as the root system is established because the tree will not develop the strength needed to face nature's forces when it is staked. The simplest way to see if a tree requires staking for stability is by grasping the trunk of the tree and gently moving it while watching for movement of the root ball. If the root ball is firmly in the ground, stakes can and should be removed immediately.

Trees that have been staked too long tend to either topple over or simply snap in half in strong winds, rather than swaying as trees are supposed to. Trunk damage can also occur as the tree attempts to grow around the supports that get tighter as the tree increases its girth. Trees which have been staked too long will develop less trunk taper and have weaker tissue and therefore be more prone to breaking and bending (https://www.finegardening.com/article/to-stake-or-not-to-stake; https://edmondok.com/1439/Stake-Trees-Properly-to-Prevent-Damage).

Tree Health
Suckers on the bottom of a tree is the tree's last effort trying to survive as they indicate root damage, and this compromises the primary canopy. When suckers have grown it is more effective to remove and replace the tree to keep your minimum requirements. When you buy a high-quality tree, plant it correctly, and treat it properly, you and your tree will benefit greatly for many years. When you buy a low-quality tree, you and your tree will have many costly problems even if you take great care in planting and maintenance. Consider the following when selecting a tree at the nursery:

- Tree should appear healthy. No discolored bark, wilted leaves, etc.
- Branches should be spaced evenly around the trunk.
- Tree trunk should taper from a solid base, gradually becoming more slender towards the top.
- Tree foliage and branches should be distributed on upper 2/3 of tree.
- Tree should contain a central, dominant leader.
- Tree should be free from mechanical damage.
- Tree should be free from insects and diseases.
- Roots should not be girdling, circling, or pot bound.

If you have not brought your property into compliance with planting trees, NOW is a good time to plant.

Plant the top of the root ball slightly above ground level. The root collar (flare) must be visible one inch above final grade. Set root ball on SOLID ground and not on loose backfill in the hole as this will eliminate settling. Remove at the least top ½ of all wire and baskets from balled and burlapped trees and completely remove containers from containerized stock. Adding peat moss or manure to soil in planting hole is not necessary (too much can cause a potted tree effect and restrict root growth). Backfill hole with original soil. Do not fertilize at planting time.
Happy Fourth of July, Everyone!

With summer now in full swing, we hope that everyone is enjoying our beautiful Colorado weather.

Summer also brings landscape irrigation and we sincerely hope that everyone has by now checked their irrigation systems for leaks and proper head adjustments to prevent wasted water.

Feel like you might be using too much water each month? You have checked your irrigation system for leaks, you have set your irrigation clock for the minimum time for proper cycle and soak applications and your usage is still high? You might have a leak somewhere inside your home.

Average indoor usage for a single-family home should be around 5,000 gallons of water or lower per month. If you find you are higher than this, consider looking for unseen leaks. The most common cause of water leaks is in the toilet. Toilets can leak and not make any sound so it can be difficult to notice the loss of water.

A good source for assistance in determining if you have a toilet leak is https://www.wikihow.com/Detect-Toilet-Leaks. This website has complete instructions, with pictures, to show you how to find leaks in your toilet. Even small leaks can add up to huge water losses. The table shows how even a small leak can lead to the loss of over 3,000 gallons of water a month.

Unrepaired Leaks can be Costly

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Jim Nikkel, General Manager
Who Does What In Meridian Ranch?

There are multiple entities working in Meridian Ranch to keep the community running as smoothly as possible. They are the Design Review Councils, the Service Districts, and El Paso County.

The Design Review Councils or DRCs are the entities that enforce the covenants by doing governance, approving submittals for landscaping and changes to the properties, as well as hosting community events like the Clean-Up Days, the Holiday Lights Contest, Falcon Freedom Days, etc. Residents pay an annual assessment to the DRC. For more information and to see the Governing Documents for your community please visit the Homeowner Portal at https://portal.warrenmgmt.com/.

The Meridian Service Metropolitan District and the Meridian Ranch Metropolitan 2018 Sub district are the entities that provide water, sewer, streetlights, etc. for the community. They are also in charge of the running and maintenance of the Recreational Center, the maintenance of the parks and trails, and the maintenance and landscaping of common areas. The Service District is who you pay monthly and for more information of the services provided and the billing breakdown, please visit their website https://www.meridianservice.org/.

El Paso County is responsible for the maintenance and repairs of the roads, curbs, and sidewalks in Meridian Ranch. The county is also responsible for the snow removal on the streets. Residents are responsible for clearing the sidewalks abutting their lot. One of the best ways to alert the county to issues with the roads, curbs, and sidewalks is through their website https://citizenconnect.elpasoco.com/#/homepage. You can also sign up for email alerts regarding the issues reported.

Black Hills Energy provides gas service to Meridian Ranch and can be reached at 888.890.5554. Electricity is provided by Mountain View Electric, which can be reached at 800.388.9881. For more information, please review the FAQs which can be found on both the Homeowner Portal and the Metro District website.

**Governing Documents can be found on the websites:**
- http://portal.warrenmgmt.com/?c=16 (DRC no 1)
- http://portal.warrenmgmt.com/?c=99 (DRC no 2)

Questions? Please contact your Meridian Ranch DRC Management Team:
- Jamie Adams, CMCA, AMS, PCAM - Managing Agent – Jamie@warrenmgmt.com
- Julie Sampson, Governance Director – DRC1governance@meridianranchdrc.org
- Hannah Shea, Governance Administrator-DRC2governance@meridianranchdrc.org
- Chaylyn Petrik, DRC Director- DRC@meridianranchdrc.org
Still need to set up your Meridian Ranch Recreation Center online portal?

Stop by the Meridian Ranch Recreation Center front desk to make sure your account is up to date and your email is on file.

THEN, go to meridianranch.clubautomation.com

Scroll down to the section labeled "First time here?" and click on the "Access My Account" icon.

This will then prompt you to fill out your first name, last name, and email. Once this is done and Club Automation was able to locate you in the system, an email will be sent to you to prompt you to complete your online portal set up.

Questions or issues? Call 719-495-7119 or stop by MRRC front desk.
Meridian Ranch Community Directory

MSMD Board of Directors:
President: Butch Gabrielski
Secretary/Treasurer: Wayne Reorda
Assistant Secretary/Treasurer:
Bill Gessner
Mike Fenton
Tom Sauer

Meridian Ranch Recreation Center
Phone: 719-495-7119
mrrc@meridianservice.org
MSMD Office:
Phone 719-495-6567

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Julie Sampson, Governance Director – meridianranch@warrenmgmt.com
Chaylyn Petrik, DRC Administrator – meridianranch2@warrenmgmt.com

Governing Documents can be found on the website:
DRC No. 1 & DRC No. 2 - portal.warrenmgmt.com/ ; Resources;
Governing Documents

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Hours of Operation

Meridian Ranch Recreation Center
Mon-Fri 5:30 AM - 8:30 PM
Saturday: 8 AM - 6 PM
Sunday: 9 AM - 5 PM

MSMD Office
Mon-Fri 8 AM - 4:30 PM