Merry Christmas



Dear Neighbors,

As the year comes to a close, I want to take a moment to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy Holiday Season. It has been a pleasure to serve this community, and I've been touched by the kindness and cooperation I've seen among so many of you.

Thank you for your continued support.

Daniel Martin

KOA President

Can The KOA Board Change Rules?



Changes to the operating rules usually don't require a vote from our membership, the reason we had a vote during the General meeting was to gage the "buy-in" from our association members... **YOU!**

Article 7.1 Rules and Regulations. The Board of Directors may, from time to time, **without a vote of the members, promulgate, modify, or delete rules and regulations applicable to the community.** By being transparent as possible YOU make the decisions that matter to YOU. Prior to implantation of copy the 2026 the Board needs your feedback.

Go to our webpage; <u>www.kensingtonowners.com/documents</u> **read the draft,** you can then send your comments and feedback several ways.

- Kensington Webpage: www.kensingtonowners.com/contact
- Email: Daniel: <u>betdnl@gmail.com</u>
- Email Jessica "Jess" @ jessica.carter1831@gmail.com

~ Modification ~

Is the act of changing or making a change to something, often to improve it.

- **❖** Addressing Changes in Technology and Lifestyle
- Clarifying Ambiguities
- Will Enhancing Your Property Values
- Adapting to Demographic Changes
- Resolving Existing Copy Conflicts

Changing the bylaws or covenants usually requires a vote from the membership. Per your vote/ballot on November 9th, you overwhelmingly voted in favor of making copy changes to the CC&Rs (over 90% of the ballots turned, including proxies).

These copy changes will supersede the copy "body" currently in place. These are deletions and additions that are applicable today ARC standards, new GA e-mail laws and common-sense deletions from the original 1999 document. Once we receive your suggestions a final draft will be sent out for final corrections & input from you. By doing this process we save huge legal fees, a key consideration to this process.

Be part of the process" engage with the journey this Board has taken on , not just the end result, by contributing to the modification update.



Don't protest, criticize or complain if you don't offer up change.

How Do Different Countries Say, "Merry Christmas"?

"Merry Christmas" is a phrase that transcends linguistic and cultural boundaries, symbolizing the universal spirit of joy, peace, and goodwill during the holiday season.



"Christmas gives us an opportunity to pause and reflect on the important things around us."





"Santa Paws is coming to town," "Have a Meowry Christmas and a Yappy New Year," and "May your days be furry and bright"

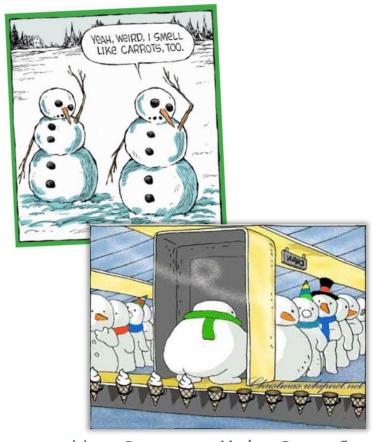
New Pants for Christmas

In halls decked with holly, and trees all a-glow, I feasted on goodies, let my inhibitions go, From gingerbread houses to mulled wine so bold, I consumed with abandon, in holiday's hold.

Eggnog flowed like a river, a creamy delight, Pies disappeared faster than stars in the night, Turkey and stuffing, and oh, the mince pies, I ate 'til I felt like a stuffed Christmas prize.

Dear Santa, I plead, as the scale gives a sigh, Bring stretchy new pants and don't ask me why, For I've eaten like royalty, bursting at seams, Now I need new attire, for my dining regimes.

So here's to the feasting, our holiday rite, Merry Christmas to all, let's eat day and night, With waistbands expanded and spirits held high, May your holidays be filled with joy and pie!





Christmas was started by the early Christian church, which chose December 25th to celebrate the birth of Jesus, likely to coincide with existing pagan winter solstice festivals. This date was formalized in 336 AD, during the reign of Emperor Constantine, though some Christians were already celebrating the birth of Jesus as early as the 2nd century.

Emperor Constantine:

As the first Christian emperor, Constantine made Christianity the official religion of the Roman Empire, and his reign saw the formal establishment of Christmas on December 25.

Pagan and Roman festivals:

The chosen date coincided with festivals like Saturnalia and the birthday of Sol Invictus, a Roman sun god, leading some historians to suggest the date was chosen partly to absorb or replace existing pagan celebrations.

Early Christian celebration:

The earliest records of Christians celebrating Jesus's birth date from the 2nd century, though there was no single, universally agreed-upon date at that time.

Evolution of traditions:

Over time, the celebration of Christmas evolved, incorporating various traditions from different cultures, including those from pagan winter solstice celebrations.