



WEDDINGS

2022 2023



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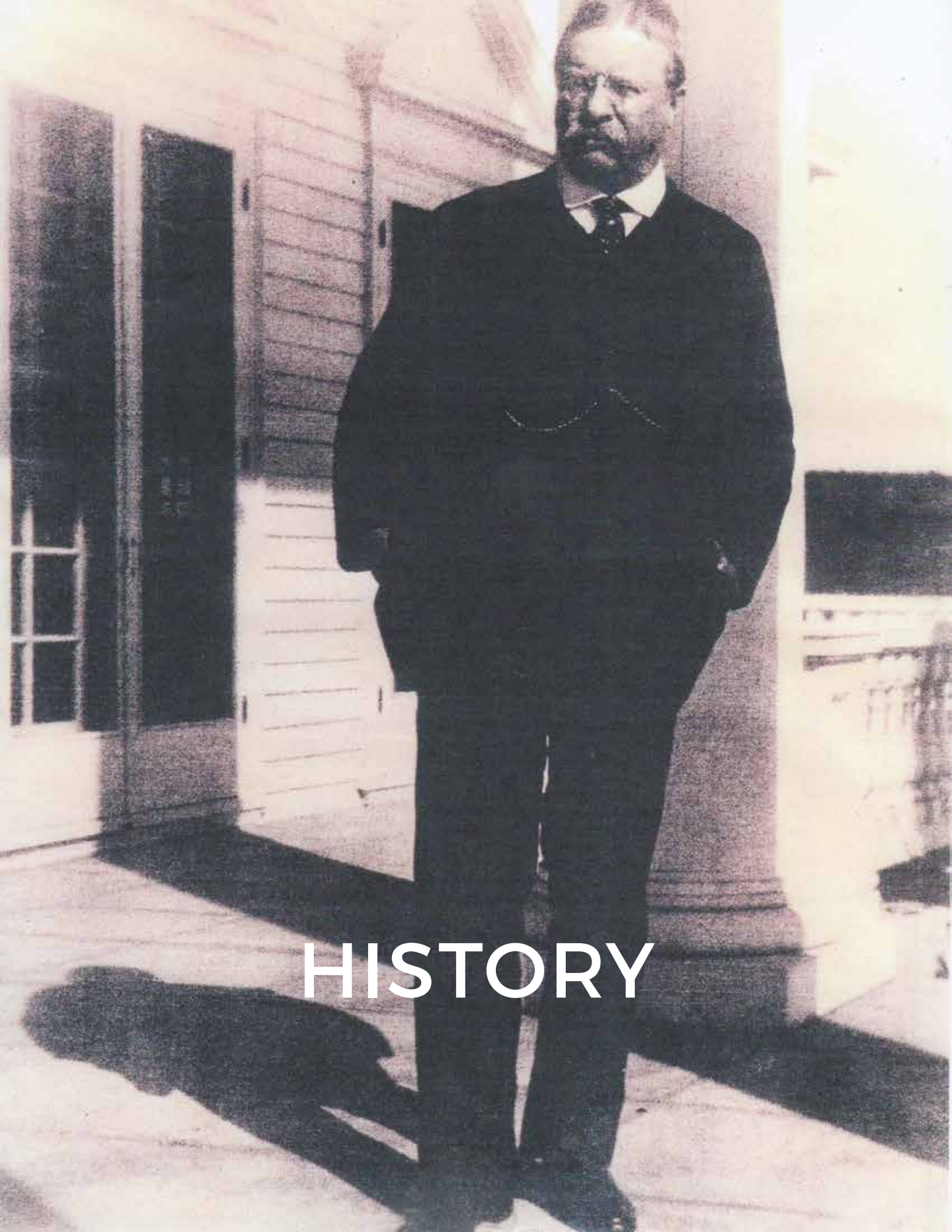
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Nate Shepard

Please allow us to send a warm, heartfelt congratulations on your engagement. Our exclusive 12,000 square-foot estate has hosted US Presidents and other dignitaries from Teddy Roosevelt (pictured left on our front porch) to William Howard Taft, Babe Ruth to Lou Gehrig and the humorist Will Rodgers. Built in 1914, our property is one of the first major homesteads in the Southwest Denver area and remains one of the few landmarks of years past. Sitting high on a hill in the Ken Caryl Valley, we have spectacular views of the entire front range. From Red Rocks to Roxborough and right onto Downtown Denver through the famous hogback. We look forward to hearing more about your wedding plans and sharing our beautiful property with you.



THANK YOU



HISTORY

Year Built
1914

Architect
Frank E Edbrooke
1840-1921

Square Footage
12,000 Main House
2,000 Guest House



OCTOBER 17, 1914 - John Charles Shaffer purchased the first 2,660 acres of what would become the Ken-Caryl Ranch for \$100,000. He and his wife, Virginia Conser Shaffer (1850 – 1932), named it Ken-Caryl after their sons, Kent and Carroll. John Charles Shaffer (1852 – 1943) was born in Baltimore. He arrived in Chicago in 1874 where he worked as a grain commission trader. A few years later he purchased his first street railway company in Richmond, Indiana. From there he purchased street car lines in Indianapolis and Chicago. In 1901 he purchased the Chicago Evening Post newspaper and from there went on to acquire a string of newspapers in the Midwest. After visiting his son Kent, who was living in Denver, in 1913 Shaffer expanded his empire with the purchase of the Rocky Mountain News, the Denver Times and the Denver Republican newspapers.

The Denver Times reported that “Mr. Shaffer gave instructions for the drawing of plans for a summer home modeled on the colonial style to cost approximately \$100,000. This building will be situated on the highest portion of the estate and is prophesied to become the nucleus of a colony of summer retreats for millionaires.” He immediately commissioned the architect Edbrooke, famous for his work on the Brown Palace, Oxford Hotel and many other prominent Denver buildings.

The Manor House included over 8,000 square feet of living area, with 20 rooms, six baths and a living

room that was 80 feet long with mirrored fireplaces at each end. The dining room featured an enormous picture window overlooking a view so spectacular it was treated as a painting. Special draperies were designed to frame the view without obscuring it.

The Shaffers had friends in high places. Shaffer supported Theodore Roosevelt’s Bull Moose party, and was friends with presidents William Taft and Warren Harding. Indiana Senator Albert Beveridge was one of his closest and oldest friends. President Theodore Roosevelt was a luncheon guest at the Manor House on October 24, 1916. Shaffer’s relationship with Roosevelt was so close in 1917 that he carried a letter granting him immediate admittance to the president. This letter hangs on the walls of the mansion today. Presidents were not the only distinguished guests of The Manor House. The Shaffers hosted other industrial chieftains, actors, musicians and other prominent figures from the era.

The 110 foot flagpole behind The Manor House has a light at the top that was originally battery operated. The light could be seen from Denver through the saddle of the Dakota Hogback and when lit was an invitation to the social community to come join the Shaffers for a grand celebration.

We are proud to continue this tradition of hosting special guests and memorable events at The Historic Manor House.



MANSSION RENTAL

FRIDAYS AND SUNDAYS (3PM-11PM)

8,000

SATURDAYS (3PM-11PM)

12,000

*14,000 food and beverage minimum

SATURDAY BUYOUT (10AM-11PM)

15,000

*based on availability

MONDAY - THURSDAY (3PM-11PM)

5,000

AM WEDDING (7AM - 2PM)

4,000

holiday rates may apply



ALL INCLUDED

The Manor House is an exclusive venue. You are our only event during your rental time.

Site rental allows guest access to our entire property, which includes:

- Private Heli-Pad
- Incredible 360 degree views from Downtown Denver to Red Rocks and the surrounding foothills.
- Wrap-around slate terrace with outdoor seating and fire pits
- 200 White Chiavari chairs
- Full selection of tablecloths and napkins
- Standard china, glassware and flatware (upgrades available)
- Private bride's dressing room as well as a dedicated man-cave for the groom's men to get ready.

The Food



\$60/PERSON

INCLUDES

TWO PASSED HORS D'OEUVRES

ONE SALAD

ONE ENTREE

TWO SIDE DISHES

\$64/PERSON

INCLUDES

TWO PASSED HORS D'OEUVRES

ONE SALAD

GUEST CHOICE PLATED

TWO SIDE DISHES

\$67/PERSON

INCLUDES

TWO PASSED HORS D'OEUVRES

ONE SALAD

DUAL ENTREE

TWO SIDE DISHES

The Manor House is a full-service venue with experienced service staff. Executive Chef Rhett Montague, CEC has put together a full range menu for your guests to enjoy. Of course, any menu can be customized if you have something specific in mind. The pricing includes your choice of either plated or buffet service style.

The process of selecting your menu is quite simple. Three to six months prior to your event, we will schedule a tasting with you. This meeting allows you to sample the many different menu options we provide within a relaxed dining experience. In addition to the tasting, we will work with you on some planning details including timelines and decor setup. We are happy to help out in any way that we can during the wedding planning process.

PASSED HORS D'OEUVRES

MANOR HOUSE CRAB CAKE

Lump and Claw blue crab meat with just enough bread crumbs to hold them together and spiced just right.

BEEF WELLINGTON WITH BLUE CHEESE

Beef tenderloin topped with blue cheese and mushroom duxelle wrapped in puff pastry.

ADDITIONAL PASSED HORS D'OEUVRES \$4/PERSON

SALAD COURSE

THE STEAKHOUSE WEDGE

Baby iceberg wedge with crisp bacon lardons, buttermilk blue cheese, grape tomato, julienne red onion dressed with cracked black pepper ranch.

MAIN COURSE

Based on Dual Entree Selection

GRILLED FLAT-IRON STEAK

USDA choice flat iron steak grilled to perfection topped with au poivre sauce.

SKUNA BAY SALMON

Grilled and Topped with a Creole Cream Sauce

MIXED MUSHROOM RISOTTO

and

ROASTED BABY CARROTS and ASPARAGUS

SAMPLE MENU



ADDITIONAL STATIONS

Prices Vary

SEAFOOD STATION

Court bouillon poached shrimp, fresh shucked oysters, assorted local hot sauces, cocktail sauce.

WHITE CHEDDAR MAC&CHEESE

Chopped bacon, scallions, sauteed mushrooms, fried onion strings, truffle oil, sun-dried tomatoes, parmesan cheese.



SODA, TEA & COFFEE

Included in all Bar Packages

\$5 / Person without Bar Package

BEER & WINE

\$30 / person (four hours)

\$4 / person (each additional hour)
COASTAL VINES (ALL VARIETALS)
DOMESTIC - COORS AND MILLER LIGHT

HOUSE BAR

\$35 / person (four hours)

\$5 / person (each additional hour)

COASTAL VINES (ALL VARIETALS)
DOMESTIC - COORS AND MILLER LIGHT

CANE RUM, BENMARK 8 WHISKEY, GORDON'S
GIN AND VODKA, BLACK & WHITE SCOTCH,
PEPE LOPEZ TEQUILA

CALL BAR

\$40 / person (four hours)

\$6 / person (each additional hour)
ALL OF THE HOUSE BAR PLUS

CORONA
SMIRNOFF, TANQUERAY, JOHNNIE RED, JACK
DANIELS, BACARDI, EL JIMADOR TEQUILA,
KAHLUA AND BAILEY'S

PREMIUM BAR

\$45 / person (four hours)

\$8 / person (each additional hour)

ALL OF THE CALL BAR PLUS
FAT TIRE AND BLUE MOON

TITOS, KETEL ONE, CROWN ROYAL, MAKERS
MARK HENDRICKS GIN, GLENFIDDICH, DON
JULIO BLANCO

ULTRA PREMIUM BAR

\$50 / person (four hours)

\$10 / person (each additional hour)

ALL OF THE PREMIUM BAR PLUS
EVERY BEER OPTION WE HAVE AVAILABLE
CHANDON CHAMPAGNE AND WHITE CLAW

LAWS WHISKEY, MACALLAN 12, DON JULIO
TEQUILA

BRUNCH BAR

\$25 / person (morning events only)

DOMESTIC BEER & HOUSE WINE BAR PLUS

MIMOSAS & BLOODY MARYS

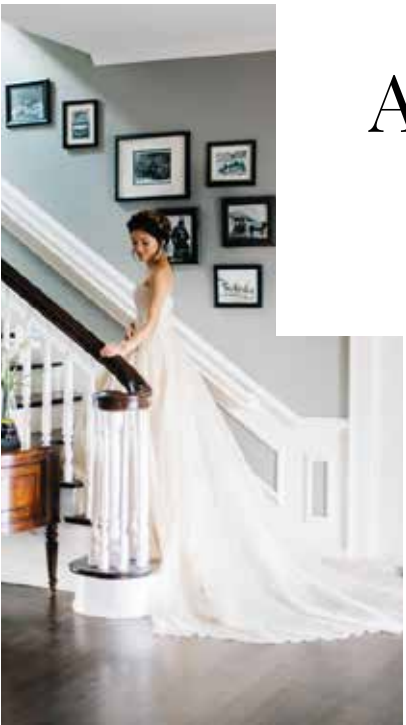
***ALL BAR ITEMS SUBJECT TO CHANGE AND
AVAILABILITY

The
Bar



A little something extra

SOME EASY ADDITIONS
TO COMPLETE THE PACKAGE



**COLORADO
CRAFT BEERS**

\$5 / person for 2 bottle selections
from:

Great Divide
New Belgium
Odell
Oskar Blues
Ska
and more . . .

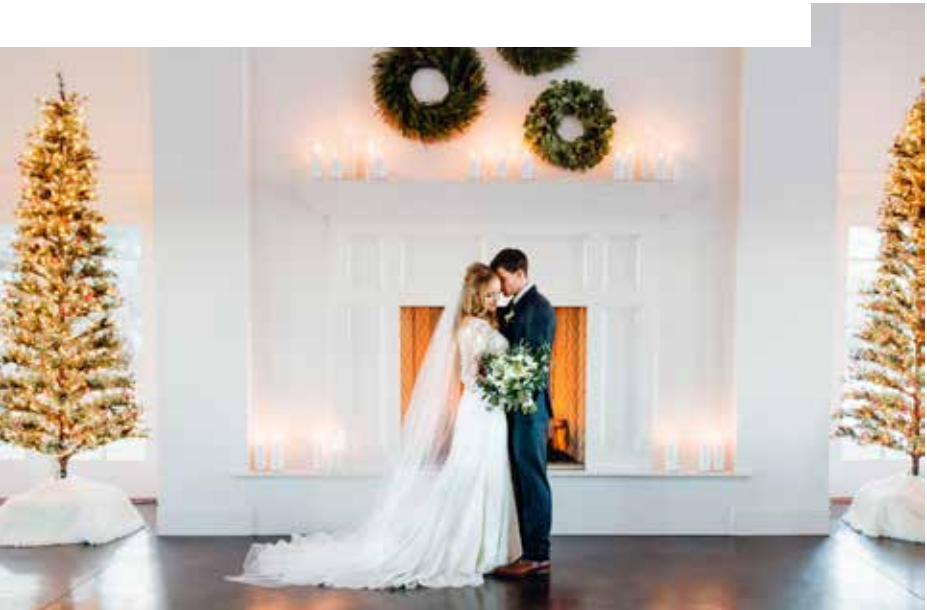
WELCOME DRINK

\$3 / person with a bar package
\$5 / person without

* Champagne or wine only

CHAMPAGNE TOAST

\$3 / person with a bar package
\$5 / person without



WINE UPGRADES

Extensive Wine upgrades available

For those who expect the best for their
guests, please check the full menu of
potential wine upgrades!



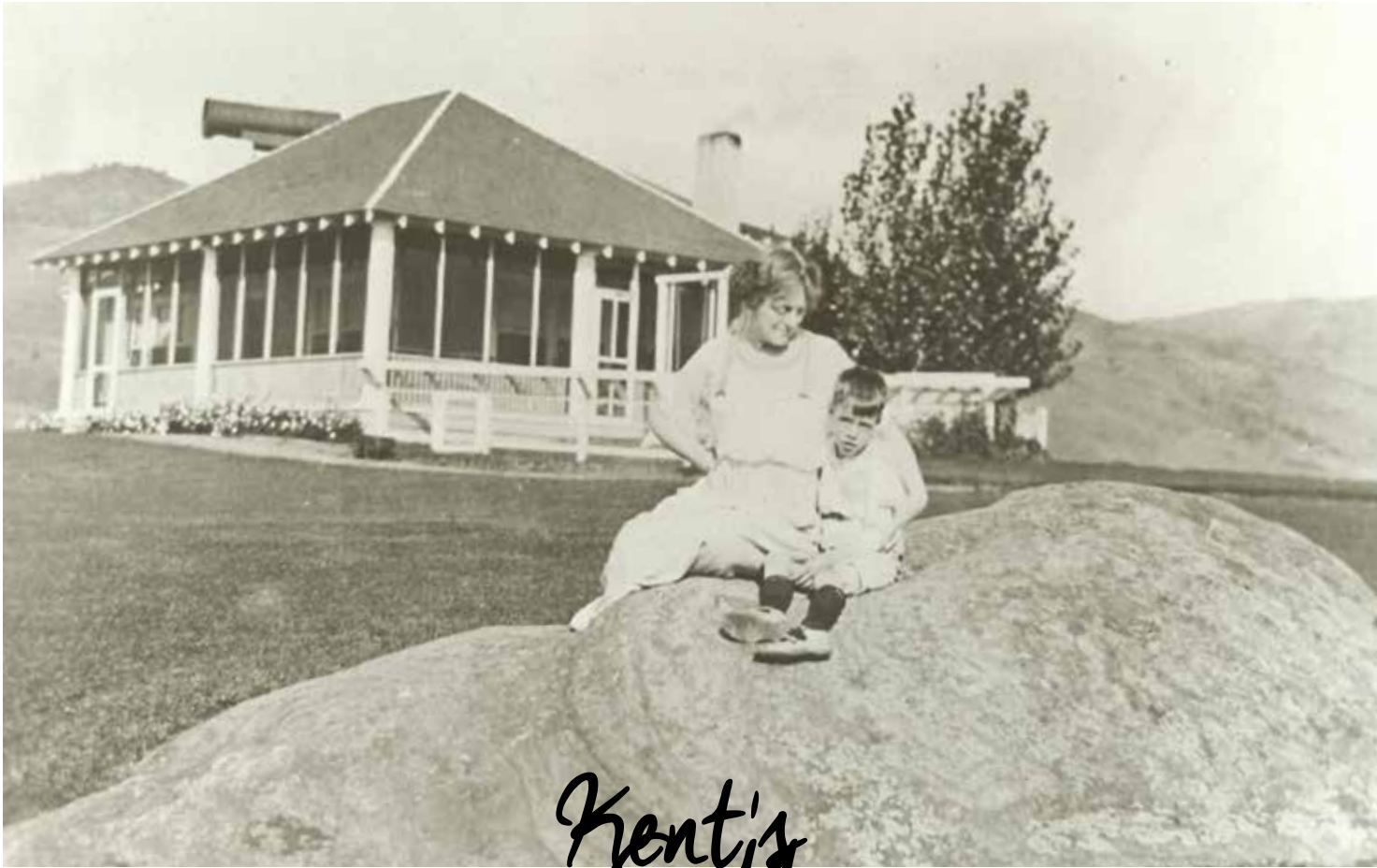
EXTRA SNACKS

GETTING READY

Starting at \$10/person

LATE NIGHT

Starting at \$5/person



Kent's Cottage

\$1,500

INCLUDES GETTING READY TIME IN

2,500 Sq. Ft HOUSE

3 BEDROOM / 2 BATH

FULL KITCHEN

9 AM CHECK-IN

END OF RECEPTION CHECKOUT

John C. Shaffer and his wife Virginia had two sons, Kent and Carroll, which is how this gorgeous valley came to be named Ken-Caryl. John Shaffer decided to build The Manor House in the foothills of Colorado because the high altitude helped to alleviate his son Kent's health issues. As his sons grew older, Mr. Shaffer went on to build homes for Kent, Carroll and their families. Today, the Kent House is known as 'Kent's Cottage,' while the two-story Carroll House no longer exists.

Kent was born October 9, 1885. He attended Hill School, followed by Yale. Later, Kent married Helen Phillips. The couple along with their two children lived in the cottage from 1917 into the 1930's.

Kent was a talented composer of music. His war ballad, "I Am Thinking Dear Of You" was presented in a concert in City Park in 1917 and all proceeds went to the Red Cross for the purchase of Liberty Bonds. Kent also composed the song "Ken-Caryl March" which he dedicated to the class of 1900 at Hinman School in Evanston, Illinois.

Kent's Cottage now serves as the guesthouse to The Manor House. With a 9am check-in time on the day of the wedding, the spacious house is an ideal place to begin the day with lunch, hair and makeup and photos of the wedding party.



Sample Proposals



Site Fee	\$5,000	(Thursday evening site fee)
Food	\$6,000	(One entrée buffet @ \$60/guest x 100 guests)
Bar	\$3,000	(4 hour Beer & Wine Package @ \$30/guest x 100 guests)
Tax	\$450	(Based on 5% of the Food & Beverage)
Service	\$1,890	(Based on 21% of the Food & Beverage)
TOTAL	\$16,340	

Site Fee	\$12,000	(Saturday evening site fee)
Food	\$10,200	(Two entrée buffet @ \$68/guest x 150 guests)
Bar	\$4,500	(4 hour Premium Bar Package @ \$45/guest x 150 guests)
Tax	\$735	(Based on 5% of the Food & Beverage)
Service	\$3,087	(Based on 21% of the Food & Beverage)
TOTAL	\$30,522	

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