

FIRESIDE EMBERS



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Free to Colorado FCRV
Members - Founded 1967

Miss Colorado FCRV

Alyssa Salazar 2015—2016
with Father, Mark Salazar



Alyssa Salazar CO Teen Queen

Alyssa with Mark & Jody Salazar



Ryan Thompson

Colorado Teen King and
International FCRV Teen King



Best Wishes LOANA from Colorado FCRV



Loana gets Roses & a hug from Ryan



Loana's Family came from Neb & CO To wish her well



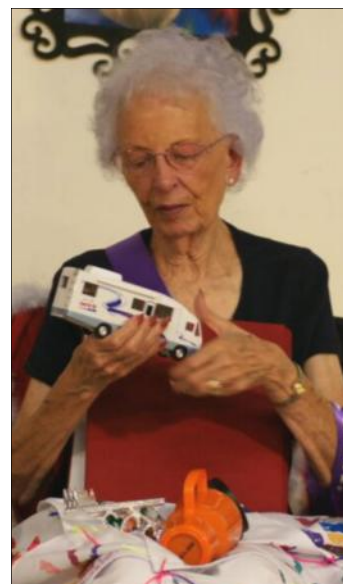
Large FCRV crowd attended this special event.



Colorado Youth sang and presented her a quilt. Below they gave her a group hug.



Several Colorado members put on a skit about Loana's events over the last 14 Yr.



Loana received a new Motor Home & \$1000 from Co FCRV. In 14 years there is probably more than \$1000 in expenses she never turned in.



AWARDS PROGRAM 2015

NATIONAL AWARDS:

Humanitarian award: Wanda Parkhouse of the Gray Wolves/Ute Bobcats won the Humanitarian award.

Wanda Parkhouse was on the national team with Red Cross Disaster Health Service for thirteen years. She traveled all over the United States as a volunteer responding to the health needs of people affected by forest fires, tornadoes, hurricanes, floods, and to victims affected by the 9/11 terrorist attack. All kinds of injuries needing medical care, some due to the disaster, the rest due to the cleanup. Exacerbations of current medical problems flare up, everything from blood pressures clear out of sight, respiratory problems, heart problems, even babies come a little sooner than expected. It took all of Wanda's people skills and all of her nursing experience to help people get their lives back together after a disaster, whether it was clear across the country somewhere or right here in Colorado.

Wanda was also the Colorado State Nursing Supervisor for Red Cross for three years. She provided leadership and guidance to Red Cross Volunteers all over Colorado. She also traveled all over the state recruiting nurses and teaching them what to do in case there was a disaster in their area. She gave classes on emergency preparedness to various agencies in Colorado Springs, around the state, and while on disaster in other parts of the country. In fact, after one of the wildfires that devastated Colorado, a lady thanked Wanda for the presentation she had given the year before at a large state conference on the Three Day Emergency Backpack. The lady said she only had a few minutes to leave her house, so she was able to just grab that backpack and head out the door. It was a scary and smoky drive to safety, but the survival things in her backpack were key to her emotional well-being. All that smoke aggravated her asthma, but with prompt treatment the lady was fine.

National scrapbook contest: Colorado received 2nd place in the national scrapbook contest, and this year's scrapbook was submitted by the Star Gazers.

Award for the most propelled miles for an individual chapter: The Colorado Eagles won the award for the most propelled miles for an individual chapter with 330 miles recorded.

Award for the most propelled miles for an Individual: Ron Wright of the Colorado Eagles won the award for the most propelled miles for an individual with 71.2 miles recorded

Conservation Poster contest:

Dorothy Bagenstos of the Gray Wolves 3rd place in the Age 20+ group.

Camping Is Poster contest:

Taryn Christenson of the Rocky Ramblers took 3rd place in the Age 5 group

Ryleigh Lefkowitz of the Country Side Runaways took 1st place in the Age 8 group

President's Float Award: The Oops Chapter took the President's Float Award and Loana gave them the "Best Chapter" Award.

A \$1,000 wildlife grant was presented to the Wildlife Sanctuary near Hudson, CO.

Duck & Cover Award: Shirley Kendle received the 1st Annual "Duck & Cover Award" from Shari Weber. This was the first of its kind. Shirley was in the registration tent when a gust of wind came up and blew the tent down on top of her. They later found her covering her head and underneath the registration table. Image that, wind in Wyoming!!

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5 YEAR CHAPTER ANNIVERSARY AWARDS:

BACKWOODS EXPLORERS CHARTERED 03/16/2010
 ROLLING WAVES CHARTERED 03/16/2010
 CAMPFIRE COYOTES CHARTERED 10/31/2010

10 YEAR CHAPTER ANNIVERSARY AWARDS:

SILVER RIDERS CHARTERED 04/10/2005

15 YEAR CHAPTER ANNIVERSARY AWARDS:

MILLENNIUM MAVERICKS CHARTERED 01/01/2000
 RV RASCALS CHARTERED 08/14/2000
 GOOD TIMERS WEI CHARTERED 08/14/2000

20 YEAR CHAPTER ANNIVERSARY AWARDS:

GRAY WOLVES CHARTERED 08/24/1995
 TECHNICALLY ROUGHING IT CHARTER 08/24/1995

25 YEAR CHAPTER ANNIVERSARY AWARDS:

LONGMONT PIONEERS CHARTERED 06/08/1970
 UTE PASS CRICKETS CHARTERED 12/08/1970

5 YEAR MEMBER ANNIVERSARY AWARDS:

Lyle & Liz Wilgers	Ute Pass Crickets	Members since 01/10
Arlo & Jean Dupont	Ute Pass Crickets	Members since 01/10
Robert & Anita Van Der Eyken	Rocky Mountain Revelers	Members since 01/10
Michael & Joyce Grooms	Trailblazers	Members since 01/10
Neal & Patricia Stewart	Outlaws	Members since 02/10
Kent & Phyllis Olsen	Mountain Goats	Members since 03/10
Gary & Pat Beres	Silver Foxes	Members since 03/10
Randy & Jan Wick	Camp Stars	Members since 03/10
Bruce & Linda Baltzer	Fun on Wheels	Members since 03/10
David & Julie Walden	Rocky Ramblers	Members since 03/10
Edwin & Carol Samberg	Mountain Goats	Members since 03/10
Terry & Jan Teetor	Gypsies	Members since 03/10
George & Sally Hoyland	Colorado Eagles	Members since 03/10
Mike & Kathryn Mayfield	Ute Bobcats	Members since 03/10
Jerry & Kathy Clemons	Weekend Warriors	Members since 03/10
Bob & Leslie Tabor	Road Runners	Members since 03/10
Ralph & Cheryl Stanion	View Finders	Members since 03/10
Tom & Cheryl Martinez	Hi Country Campers	Members since 04/10
Rick & Dianna Stockton	Rambl'n Rec's	Members since 04/10
Stan & Karen Benson	Rolling Renegades	Members since 04/10
Anthony & Michelle Demarest	Technically Roughing It	Members since 04/10
Bob & Debbie Detmer	Rocky Mountain Maniacs	Members since 04/10
Brett & Leslie Kitzman	View Finders	Members since 04/10
Joanie McCord	View Finders	Member since 04/10
Judy McDonald	View Finders	Member since 04/10
Robert & Debra Phillips	Silver Riders	Members since 04/10
Barbara Dreben	Colorado Eagles	Member since 04/10
Fred & Linda Berner	Rambl'n Rec's	Members since 05/10
Donnie & Louanne Clark	Rocky Mountain Revelers	Members since 05/10
Richard & Ann Sewell	Campfire Coyotes	Members since 05/10
Scott & Christina Ducommen	Unaffiliated	Members since 07/10
Brian & Jaci Borden	Unaffiliated	Members since 07/10
Barbara McNelly	Campfire Coyotes	Member since 07/10
Joan Wilshire	Good timers W.E.I.	Member since 08/10
Jerry Thomas & Kay Poland	Weekend Warriors	Members since 08-10
Kristia Briggs	Mountain Goats	Member since 09/10
Bill Hutchison & Nola Wilson	Rolling Renegades	Members since 09/10
Justin Warner & Debbie Clark	Rocky Mountain Revelers	Members since 09/10
Gene & Cathy Porter	Road Runners	Members since 10/10
Jim & Janet O Reilly	Millennium Mavericks / Campfire Coyotes	Members since 10/10
Wallace & Peggy Scott	Silver Foxes	Members since 10/10
Joan Cross & Sandra McDonald	Road Runners	Members since 11/10
Troy & Denise Ellis	Colorado Cruisers	Members since 11/10
Ken & Tricia Watson	Camp Stars	Members since 11/10
Buck Maloney & Florence Johnson	Pikes Peak Rainbows	Members since 12/10
Melvin & Rena Wieck	Over the Hill CO Retirees	Members since 12/10
Mike & Michelle Ienna	Gypsies	Members since 12/10

10 YEAR MEMBER ANNIVERSARY AWARDS:

Mike & Tami Anderson	Star Gazers	Members since 02/05
Patrick & Terri Donahue	Golden Nuggets	Members since 02/05
Dan & Gloria Finerty	Fun on Wheels / Waggin' Ears	Members since 02/05
JR & Connie Fulmer	Gypsies	Members since 02/05
Shelly Gold	Rocky Mountain Revelers	Member since 02/05
Mike & Jan Jones	Camp Stars	Members since 02/05
Jim Klein	Good Timers W.E.I.	Member since 02/05
Terry Leonhart & Mary Kay Hines	RV Rascals	Members since 02/05
Darrell & Trudy Price	Outlaws	Members since 02/05
Yavonne Seymour	Sundowners	Member since 02-15
Wally & Elsie Seymour	Unaffiliated	Members since 02/05
Don & Lorna Smith	Rocky Ramblers	Members since 02/05
Bill & Sharon Thomas	RV Rascals	Members since 02/05
Sue Weiland	Rocky Mountain Revelers	Member since 02/05
Larry & Linda Woods	Timberliners	Members since 02/05
Mary Bernard	Trailblazers	Members since 03/05
Rick & Charlene Coulson	Unaffiliated	Members since 03/05
Homer Galloway	Colorado Cruisers	Member since 03/05
Lonnie & MaryAnn Glover	Weekend Warriors	Members since 03/05
Kenneth Holm	Ute Pass Crickets	Member since 03/05
Ted & Marion Klimek	Trailblazers	Members since 03/05
Ken & Sherry Krause	Ute Bobcats	Members since 03/05
John & Carol Lyttle	Good Timers W.E.I./Campfire Coyotes	Members since 03/05
Vicki Patterson	Trailblazers	Members since 03/05
Mike & Judi Smaldino	Trailblazers	Members since 03/05
Harvey & Lynn Ulmer	Star Chasers	Members since 03/05
Doug & Cheryl Forry	Rocky Explorers	Members since 04/05
Jim & Becky Godfrey	Rocky Toppers	Members since 04/05
Rick Hayes	Star Gazers	Member since 04/05
Robert & June Jordan	Oops	Members since 04/05
Mal & Patricia Maloney	Over the Hill CO Retirees	Members since 04/05
George & Wan Wan Nichols	Rocky Mountain Maniacs	Members since 04/05
Allen & Jan Yerxa	Rolling Waves	Members since 06/05
Paul & Kathy Aplan	Pikes Peak Rainbows	Members since 08/05
Dale & Judy Pralle	Good Timers W.E.I.	Members since 08/05
Harry & Darlene Council	Over the Hill CO Retirees	Members since 09/05
Preston & Janice Koons	Over the Hill CO Retirees	Members since 09/05
Paul & Karen Lebsack	High Plains Drifters	Members since 09/05
Mike & Judy Murphy	Ute Bobcats	Members since 10/05
Sil & Linda Fernandez	Northern Lights	Members since 12/05
Ray & Marlene McGrady	Star Chasers	Members since 12/05

15 YEAR MEMBER ANNIVERSARY AWARDS:

Walter & Elsie Diem	Unaffiliated	Members since 04/00
Stanley & Joan Cahn	Pikes Peak Rainbows	Members since 05/00
Bob & Jan Ginnow	Over the Hill CO Retirees	Members since 05/00
Ken & Sandy Shockley	Northern Lights	Members since 05/00
Howard & Nancy Boehme	Star Chasers	Members since 06/00
Ken & Jeri Harper	Trailblazers / Silver Riders	Members since 06/00
Robert & Evelyn Humiston	Trailblazers	Members since 06/00
Doug & Betty Ibach	Weekend Warriors	Members since 06/00
Ed & Maria Mannerberg	Silver Foxes	Members since 06/00
Bob & Jean Maxwell	RV Rascals	Members since 06/00
Charles & Gloria Mielke	Pikes Peak Rainbows	Members since 06/00
Dorothy Pendleton	Over the Hill CO Retirees	Member since 06/00
Rich & Cheryl Price	Rocky Explorers	Members since 06/00
Allen & Shirley Royer	RV Rascals	Members since 06/00
Jean VanEtten	View Finders	Member since 06/00
Red & Ruth Williams	Ute Pass Crickets	Members since 06/00
Donlan & Elaine Dobbert	Pikes Peak Rainbows	Members since 08/00
David & Judy Jenson Lohnes	RV Rascals	Members since 09/00
Thelma Widger	Gray Wolves	Member since 10/00

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20 YEAR MEMBER ANNIVERSARY AWARDS:

Monroe & Loyselle Alexander	View Finders	Members since 04/95
Cris & Frances Criswell	Colorado Eagles	Members since 04/95
Nancy Jenks	Unaffiliated	Member since 04/95
Larry & Anita Trudell	Road Runners	Members since 04/95
Gene & Dorothy Bagenstos	Gray Wolves	Members since 05/95
John Bentz	Gray Wolves	Member since 05/95
Marv & Edith Kramer	Silver Foxes / Gray Wolves	Member since 05/95
Don & Kay McDermid	Gray Wolves	Members since 05/95
Warren Slagle	Gray Wolves	Member since 05/95
Don & Coral Yakel	Millennium Mavericks	Members since 08/95
Dave & Donna Watkins	Star Chasers	Members since 10/95

25 YEAR MEMBER ANNIVERSARY AWARDS:

Rudy & Sharon Olivo	Rolling Renegades	Members since 06/90
Carl Bird	Colorado Eagles	Members since 12/90

45 YEAR MEMBER ANNIVERSARY AWARDS:

Bob & Ann Herronen	Timberliners	Members since 08/70
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2014- 2015 COLORADO MEMBERSHIP CONTEST:

Our members brought in 37 new members alone just by inviting them to come and camp with us. A few of these members were brought in by way of the RV Shows. Every member that brings in a new member, even a cadet member will receive the \$5.00 voucher that is good for two years towards the registration fee for Spring Fling or Statewide or they may apply this voucher to purchase any Colorado merchandise or other merchandise at the insignia booth.

Rich & Cheryl Price of the Rocky Explorers brought in Steve & Becky Kinder (cadet members)
Byron & Jan Johnston of the Gypsies/Colorado Eagles brought in Vic & Connie Robb (cadet members)
Dan & Jane Turner of the Good Timers brought in Belva Blue (cadet member)
Vicki Patterson of the Trailblazers brought in Larry & Monte Hudson (member #1)
Ron & Sue Frindt of the Trailblazers brought in Russ & Dawn Skillman (member #1)
Richard & Marcy Trahan of the Camp Stars brought in Larry & Shelly Lantz (cadet members)
Lyle & Marilyn Luttrell of the Campfire Coyotes brought in James & May Kauanui (cadet members)
Preston & Jan Koons of the Over the Hill CO Retirees brought in Dave & Arlene Kohlwey (cadet members)
Mike & Jan Olivieri of the Over the Hill CO Retirees brought in Darrell & Carolyn Brasier (member #1)
Bob & Peggy Marty of the rocky Ramblers brought in Thomas & Jacqueline Clarke (member #3)
Billy & Leisa Moore of the Silver Foxes brought in Kenneth & Helen Sanko (cadet members)
Colin & Gay Peecher of the Rocky Mountain Revelers brought in Craig & Cherylene Evans (cadet members)
Bob & Peggy Reyes of the Gray Wolves brought in Robert & Jean Danforth (member #1)
Gary & Mary Ann Merritt of the RV Rascals brought in Brian & Betty Seeman (cadet members)
Doug & Ruth Wert of the RV Rascals brought in Garland & Tresa Woods (cadet members)
Will & Vodean Benham of the Mountain Goats brought in Glen & Tamra Hayden-Rice (cadet members)
Floyd & Jackie Failor of the rock N Chair Roadies brought in Dean & Ruth Gensert Jones (cadet members)
Tommy & Helen Thompson of the Ute Bobcats brought in Martin & Debbie Payne (cadet members)
Dick & Jerry Oursler of the Trailmix brought in Mark & Lynn VanderHorck (cadet members)
Phil & Lynn Sullivan of the Pikes Peak Rainbows brought in Dudley & Linda Sigler (cadet members)
Tony & Patti Maccagnan of the Rocky Toppers brought in Scott & Marcia Lee (cadet members)
Don & Cheryl McCarthy of the Rolling Springs brought in Daniel & Martha Beatty (member #4)
Joe & Susan Machado of the Gray Wolves brought in Jason & Deb Machado (cadet members)
George & Connie Kerr of the Gypsies brought in Roger & Carol Friedrich (cadet members)
Roger & Deb Hardy of the Rocky Explorers brought in Tim & Tracy Sanders (cadet members)
Jim & Linda Carroll of the Fun on Wheels brought in Kurt & Holly Akin (cadet members)
Art & Judee Colton of the Rambl'n Rec's brought in Phillip Godsey (cadet members)
Mark & Marcia Sadler of the Timberliners brought in Randy & Tina Cunningham (cadet members)
Dorothy Clark of the Good Timers/Campfire Coyotes brought in Cathy Bekian (cadet member)
Larry & Marshia Yarberry brought in Al & Fran Allain and Tom & Verla Gray (cadet members)
Moye & Denise Harris brought in Mike & Kimberly Randels (cadet members)

John & Sonja Zamora of the Runaways brought in 4 new cadet members this year.

John Schott & Mary Decker, LaMont & Cynthia Cupp, Jim & June Bush, and Fred Goff & Ronnette Hanson

John & Sonja received the recruiter of the year award

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Program Director of the Year

OUTSTANDING COLORADO PROGRAM DIRECTORS OF THE YEAR

AWARDED to Carter & Ann Bloomfield, Retiree Directors

Carter & Ann have consistently planned a great Retiree Rally every year with lots of different activities for our retirees to enjoy.

AWARDED to Bud & Ann Farnum – Legislative Directors

Bud & Ann write an article for every Fireside Embers, which keeps us up to date with all the changes that affect our State & National Parks.

AWARDED to Bill & Rita Newell – CAMP Director

For their outstanding efforts in supporting Colorado FCRV and its activities, and because of their hard work and due diligence, Colorado has won several state & chapter awards through the Campers Actively Moving Program.

Field Directors Recognition Award

Thank you for all you do as a Field Director and submitting reports and changes in a timely manner and just doing a great job in general. Your commitment to the State Director's office is commendable and much appreciated.

Awarded to Gene & Dorothy Bagenstos

AWARDED to Ed & Vicky Brunner

AWARDED to George & Jan Carlson

AWARDED to Floyd & Jackie Failor

AWARDED to Ken & Karen Fleming

AWARDED to Carlyle & Elaine Glover

AWARDED to Art & Margie Hanson

AWARDED to Jim Harbison/Andy Munoz

AWARDED to Moya & Denise Harris

AWARDED to Bill & Elaine Hobden

AWARDED to Marv & Edith Kramer

AWARDED to Jerry & JoAnne Lien

AWARDED to Lyle & Marilyn Luttrell

AWARDED to Allison Moore

AWARDED to Bob & Anna Peduzzi

AWARDED to Larry & Sandy Scott

AWARDED to Bill & Linda Snyder

AWARDED to Ray & Rosemary Walkowski

AWARDED to Dave & Donna Watkins

AWARDED to Pat Wise

STATE DIRECTOR'S RECOGNITION & APPRECIATION AWARDS

AWARDED to Bill & JoAnn Eckman

With our deepest appreciation for your dedication and efforts of serving as our Assistant State Directors and Membership Directors, as well as your commitment to the Colorado Fireside Embers. We also thank you for your total commitment to Colorado FCRV and its activities.

AWARDED to Will & Vodean Benham

With our deepest appreciation for your dedication and effort of serving as our State Treasurer and coordinating the registrations at Spring Fling and Statewide every year. Your help at all the membership meetings is appreciated as well. We also thank you for your total commitment to Colorado FCRV and its activities.

AWARDED to Ron & Shalah Costello

With our deepest appreciation for your coordination of all the Corporate Sponsors again this past year. Your efforts have been commendable and has brought close to \$10,000.00 in revenue to Colorado FCRV. We also thank you for your total commitment to Colorado FCRV and its activities.

AWARDED to Ron & Heddy Servant

With our deepest appreciation for their dedication and efforts of serving as our Southern Colorado District Directors, and coordinating the RV Show and membership meetings. We also thank you for your total commitment to Colorado FCRV and its activities.

AWARDED to Don & Coral Yakel

With our deepest appreciation for their dedication of serving as the Northern Colorado District Directors, and working with new members and assigning them to chapters. We also thank you for your total commitment to Colorado FCRV and its activities.

AWARDED to Byron & Jan Johnston

With our deepest appreciation for their dedication of serving as the Colorado State Secretary, taking all the notes of all our meetings and getting them out to the field staff in a timely manner. We also thank you for your total commitment to Colorado FCRV and its activities.

AWARDED to Robert & April Cederburg

With our deepest appreciation for their dedication and sacrifice while serving as our Colorado Youth Directors for many years, and now congratulations are in order on being approved as the National Youth Directors. We also thank you for your total commitment to Colorado FCRV and its activities.

PAST FIELD DIRECTORS:

AWARDED to Debra Hill

With our deepest appreciation for your dedication and service while serving as a Colorado Field Director for the Rocky Toppers for many years.

AWARDED to Red & Ruth Williams

With our deepest appreciation for your dedication and service while serving as a Colorado Field Director for the Ute Pass Crickets for several years.

INDIVIDUAL AWARDS:

AWARDED to Irene Backes

With our deepest appreciation for your help at the membership meetings every year is greatly appreciated. We also thank you for your total commitment to Colorado FCRV and its activities.

AWARDED to Carl Bird

With our deepest appreciation for your help at the membership meetings every year is greatly appreciated. We also thank you for your total commitment to Colorado FCRV and its activities

AWARDED to Bob Blanchette & Vicky Lang

With our deepest appreciation for your donating the use of the jumping/air castle for the Youth at Spring Fling & Statewide for the past several years. We also thank you for your total commitment to Colorado FCRV and its activities.

AWARDED to Roy & Vivian Crouse

With our deepest appreciation for your volunteering to help with the membership meeting and assigning new members to chapters. We also thank you for your total commitment to Colorado FCRV and its activities.

AWARDED to Brian Dimock

With our deepest appreciation for your dedication while serving as the Colorado First Aid & Safety Director at our state campouts. We also thank you for your total commitment to Colorado FCRV and its activities.

AWARDED to Linda Fernandez

With our deepest appreciation for coordinating the Flea Market every year at Spring Fling. We also thank you for your total commitment to Colorado FCRV and its activities.

AWARDED to Sil Fernandez

With our deepest appreciation for coordinating the Communication radios every year at Spring Fling & Statewide. We also thank you for your total commitment to Colorado FCRV and its activities.

AWARDED to Mike Ireson

With our deepest appreciation for your willingness to maintain the Colorado Website. We also thank you for your total commitment to Colorado FCRV and its activities.

AWARDED to Dan & Judy Kimzey

With our deepest appreciation for your dedication and service while serving as the Colorado State Photographers at all of our state sponsored events. We also thank you for your total commitment to Colorado FCRV and its activities.

AWARDED to Jerry & JoAnne Lien

With our deepest appreciation for your coordination of the photo contest every year at Statewide and conducting the scrapbook contest every year at Spring Fling. We also appreciate you taking care of the history of Colorado FCRV. We also thank you for your total commitment to Colorado FCRV and its activities.

AWARDED to Ron & Carla Martinez

With our deepest appreciation for your dedication and service while serving as the Colorado Teen Directors. We also thank you for your total commitment to Colorado FCRV and its activities.

AWARDED to Steve & Judy Nesvold

With our deepest appreciation for your coordination of the Bonfils Blood Bank Bus every year at Statewide. We also thank you for your total commitment to Colorado FCRV and its activities.

AWARDED to Al Orlofsky

With our deepest appreciation for your coordination of the Northern Colorado Medical Center blood bank bus this past year at Spring Fling. We also thank you for your total commitment to Colorado FCRV and its activities.

INDIVIDUAL AWARDS: (Cont'd)

AWARDED to Cheryl Price

With our deepest appreciation for your volunteering to help with the Youth Bingo at Spring Fling and Statewide every year. We also thank you for your total commitment to Colorado FCRV and its activities.

AWARDED to Heddy Servant

With our deepest appreciation for your coordination of the Friday night chicken dinner every year at Statewide. We also thank you for your total commitment to Colorado FCRV and its activities.

AWARDED to Ray & Jewell Shields

With our deepest appreciation for your dedication to our organization and its activities and taking care of our insignia booth and making sure we have plenty of Colorado merchandise to sell. Your help with the Teen Queen Pageant every year is so much appreciated as well.

AWARDED to Larrie Thomase

With our deepest appreciation for your dedication to our state functions each year as our State Chaplin. Your kind and thoughtful words of hope are so much appreciated by our membership. We also thank you for your total commitment to Colorado FCRV and its activities.

AWARDED to Carrie Tolzien

With our deepest appreciation for you and Ryan to coordinate the efforts of the Bean Bag Baseball game this past year at Spring Fling. We also thank you for your total commitment to Colorado FCRV and its activities.

VENDOR AWARDS:

AWARDED to Ken & Cheryl Hahn

With our deepest appreciation for your dedication to our state campouts as vendors for several years, and providing us with wonderful merchandise to purchase. We also thank you for your total commitment to Colorado FCRV and its activities.

AWARDED to Melvin & Doris Nigh

With our deepest appreciation for your dedication to our state campouts as vendors for many years, and providing us with wonderful merchandise to purchase. We also thank you for your total commitment to Colorado FCRV and its activities.

AWARDED to Larry & Marshia Yarberry

With our deepest appreciation for your dedication to our state campouts as vendors for many years, and providing us with wonderful merchandise to purchase. We also thank you for your total commitment to Colorado FCRV and its activities.

CHAPTER RETENTION

We have 26 chapters this year that have either gained in membership or at least retained their membership.

Chapters with a net gain or retained their membership in 2015

Backwoods Explorers	1 member gain or 33.3% gain
Camp Stars	retained
Colorado Cruisers	1 member gain or 6.3% gain
Colorado Eagles	2 member gain or 9.5 % gain
Fun on Wheels	1 member gain or 14.3% gain
Gadabouts	1 member gain or 11.1% gain
Golden Nuggets	1 member gain or 9.1% gain
Gray Wolves	1 member gain or 5.9% gain
Hi Country Campers	retained
Longmont Pioneers	retained
Millennium Mavericks	1 member gain or 7.7% gain
Mountain Goats	retained
Northern Lights	retained
Oops	1 member gain or 10% gain
Outlaws	1 member gain or 25% gain
Over the Hill CO Retirees	1 member gain or 6.3% gain

CHAPTER RETENTION (Cont'd)

Pikes Peak Rainbows	retained
Road Runners	1 member gain or 6.7% gain
Rocky Explorers	retained
Rocky Mountain Revelers	1 member gain or 5.9% gain
Rocky Ramblers	3 member gain or 15% gain
Runaways	4 member gain or 66.7% gain
RV Rascals	1 member gain or 5.9% gain
Star Gazers	retained
Sundowners	retained
Trailblazers	1 member gain or 4.2% gain

**Chapter Appreciation Award
Awarded to the Runaways
For having a net total of 4 gain in membership, or 66.7% gain.
2014 - 2015**

STATE CHAPTER AWARDS

Aurora Gate Keepers

In appreciation of your interest displayed in the activities of Colorado FCRV and taking care of the door prizes every year at Statewide.

Colorado Eagles

In appreciation of your interest displayed in the activities of Colorado FCRV and the help and support they give to the Retiree Directors at the Colorado Retiree Rally each year.

Fun on Wheels

In appreciation of your interest displayed in the activities of Colorado FCRV and the many years of doing the layout & parking at Statewide and Spring Fling every year. Your help in coordinating the Bean Bag Toss last year at Statewide is appreciated.

Oops

In appreciation of their efforts displayed in the activities of Colorado FCRV and your community project at the Ronald McDonald House for the past twelve years.

Road Runners

In appreciation of their interest displayed in the activities of Colorado FCRV, and your community project at the Ronald McDonald House for the past several years.

Rocky Explorers

In appreciation of their interest displayed in the activities of Colorado FCRV, and your community project at the Ronald McDonald House for the past several years, and volunteering to coordinate the different games at Spring Fling and Statewide every year is greatly appreciated.

Rolling Renegades

In appreciation of your interest displayed in the activities of Colorado FCRV and for coordinating the Casting contest and the pet parade at Statewide again this year, and also conducting the flag raising ceremony at Spring Fling and Statewide again this year.

RV Rascals

In appreciation of their interest displayed in the activities of Colorado FCRV, and your involvement with many different community projects is very much appreciated.

Silver Foxes

In appreciation of your interest displayed in the activities of Colorado FCRV and for coordinating the efforts of the Saturday morning breakfast again this year at Statewide. Your community project all year long for the Colorado Springs Care & Share is very much appreciated as well.

Sundowners

In appreciation of your interest displayed in the activities of Colorado FCRV, and for helping with registration this last year at Spring Fling.

STATE CHAPTER AWARDS (Cont'd)

Technically Roughing It

In appreciation of your interest displayed in the activities of Colorado FCRV, and helping with the coordination of the Bean Bag Toss this year at Statewide.

Timberliners

In appreciation of your interest displayed in the activities of Colorado FCRV, and for helping with the registration this last year this last year at Spring Fling.

Trailblazers

In appreciation of your interest displayed in the activities of Colorado FCRV and coordinating the efforts of the Southern Colorado Retiree Rally last year.

Ute Bobcats

In appreciation of your interest displayed in the activities of Colorado FCRV, and for coordinating the efforts of the horseshoe competition again this year at Statewide.

Waggin' Ears

In appreciation of your interest displayed in the activities of Colorado FCRV, and for coordinating the Cribbage tournament at Statewide for many years, and your help with parking this year again at Spring Fling and Statewide is greatly appreciated.

OUTSTANDING COLORADO CHAPTERS OF THE YEAR AWARD

STAR GAZERS

In appreciation of their interest displayed in all the activities of Colorado FCRV and being such great supporters of everything we do at our state campouts.

The Star Gazers chapter has been such a great supporter of all of our activities since they were chartered in 2004.

They work every RV show and even come to the show when they are not scheduled and bring snacks and handouts for people to take.

They consistently submit a chapter news story with pictures for every Embers newsletter to tell us about their camping activities, and their campouts are always full of fun things to do.

For the past several state campouts, they have brought the staff a basket full of good healthy fruits and snacks, which keeps us going and nourished at all times.

They collect nearly all of the items that are put into the "Goodie Bags" at Spring Fling each year and they spend a weekend stuffing those bags and deliver them to Brush on Wednesday evening.

They also take care of the doggie poop buckets that are placed in the campground at Spring Fling and Statewide.

They have helped with Security at both campouts as well for several years.

There were approximately ten members of the chapter that actively worked on key 2015 Campvention committees.

I can't thank them enough for all they do for me and the staff at state campouts and are always there to help when something needs to be done.

Carter & Ann Bloomfield travelled the furthest with 155 miles and received a \$20.00 gift certificate

Thelma Widger was the "Most Senior" Camper at the young age of 92 and received a \$20.00 gift certificate

Connor Dillon was the "Youngest" Camper at the age of 11 months and received 1 stuffed animal & \$10.00 gift certificate

Two families that were "First Timers" won two gift certificates worth \$20.00 each.

Star Chasers

Their outstanding efforts of giving back to their community and their generous donations to several charitable organizations, and coordinating the bolo horseshoes again this year at Spring Fling. They also did the registration and parking again this year at Statewide.

Every year, several of the members will donate several hours to working the booth at both Denver RV shows. They have always supported the state by attending every Spring Fling and Statewide, plus their interest displayed in all the activities of Colorado FCRV

The Star Chasers Chapter is active in performing community work on behalf of FCRV. Here are some of the things the Chapter has done in 2014:

At our monthly campout in April, they went to Fort Collins KOA in Fort Collins, CO. While there, they collected \$2 a person to play their miniature golf and donated a total of \$60 to the KOA Cancer Camp. They made sure that the campground knew who we were and what organization we were part of so that FCRV could receive recognition.

Just before Halloween in October, all the members of the Chapter decorated Halloween Treat bags and filled them with stuffed animals and activity toys for the children hospitalized at Children's Hospital in Aurora, CO. All together we donated 181 bags in 2014, which was the most bags they have ever donated. The cost per bag is estimated at about \$20 equating to over \$3,600. The Chapter has been doing this community project for years now and the hospital has become dependent on us to come through for the kids during this time of year.

As the Thanksgiving holiday approaches, they start thinking about our Food Drive for the Salvation Army Food Bank in Centennial, CO. At their November meeting, they collected can goods and other non-perishable food items from their members. This year they donated 627 lbs. of food. They also split the 50/50 fund which they collect all year. A total of \$395 was also given to the Salvation Army so they could purchase food more specific to the needs of the community. Also the Chapter donated \$200 to the Denver Rescue Mission. They represent themselves as part of FCRV when they make these donations to promote the organization.

Lastly, they collected a total of 550 pounds of gently used clothes which was donated to the Jefferson County Action Center. Hopefully the donation of clothes helps those who are struggling financially not to have the added stress of trying to come up with money for clothes.

Star Chasers does their best to support Colorado FCRV by helping at Spring Fling and the Statewide Campouts. They hosted the Bolo Horseshoes game at Spring Fling in May. They also volunteered to work Registration at the State Wide Campout in the Fall. They come in on Thursday night to set up and then worked Friday through Saturday. Everyone from their Chapter who came participated in working the Registration booth. Two additional couples came up for the day on Sunday to help with our Hospitality to celebrate their 25th Anniversary. Dan and Judy Kimzey of their Chapter are the State Photographers and they spend many hours taking pictures at State and National events. We also help to support Colorado FCRV First Aid and Teen Queen Programs by participating in their fund raising efforts.

Several members of their Chapter are also helping to support the National Campvention in Gillette, Wyoming in 2015. There has been lots of meetings and planning that has taken place in 2014. Here are some of the ways their members are helping to support the FCRV Campvention:

Three couples travelled to Gillette, WY in July 2014 for the Planning Meeting

- Team 6 Team Lead
- Team 6 Co-Team Lead
- Photography Chairman
- Adult Outdoor Games Chairman
- Adult Outdoor Game Co-Chairman
- Made 500 Bags of Rocky Mountain Wild Flower Seeds for the goodie bags
- Solicited donations of advertising cups, pens and note pads for the goodie bags

As a Chapter, they feel fortunate to be a part of FCRV. They promote the organization in our communities and work and help support the organization on State and National levels.

STATEWIDE 2015 – MEMORY BELL

Barbara Paull – 8/14/14 – Sister of Coral Yakel of the Millennium Mavericks
 Betty Crawford – 9/5/14 – Sister of Robbie Richards of the Timberliners
 Roger Newman – 9/14/14 – Ramblin' Rec's
 Lori Suzuki – 9/27/14 – Gypsies
 Paul Powell – 10/3/14 – Rock N Chair Roadies
 Scott Neal – 10/23/14 – Son-in-law of Steve & Judy Nesvold of the Road Runners
 Roy Schraeder – 10/24/14 – Colorado State Director and Gypsies
 Hilliard Moore – 10/30/14 – Colorado Eagles
 Charlie Batley – 11/4/14 – Former member of the Gray Wolves
 Norm Gates – 11/9/14 – Brother-in-law of Pauly Hemmersbach of the Rolling Springs
 Curtis Leck – 11/27/14 – Husband of Karen Leck and Father of Bill Leck of the Star Chasers
 Agnes Porter – 12/5/14 – Sister of Lee Stewart of the Star Chasers
 Judy Bartlett – 12/6/14 – Former member of the Ute Bobcats
 Bob Baker – 12/9/14 – View Finders
 Seth Batt – 1/23/15 – Father of Tim Batt of the Rolling Springs
 Joette Batt – 2/11/15 – Mother of Tim Batt of the Rolling Springs
 Judy Harris – 1/29/15 – Golden Nuggets
 Charles Bell – 2/13/15 – Good Timers
 Ruth Carter – 4/4/15 – Long time member of the Gray Wolves
 Asley Batt – 4/13/15 – Niece of Tim Batt of the Rolling Springs
 Elaine Cook Brown – 5/27/15 – Mother of Marshia Yarberry
 Josh Autrey – 4/20/15 – Son of D & Toya Autrey of the Rocky Mountain Maniacs
 Stephen Lichenberg – 5/17/15 – Cousin of Pat Wise of the View Finders
 Josie Carbayal – 5/18/15 – Gadabouts/Backwoods Explorers
 Richard Branaghan – 5/21/15 – Father of Pat Wise of the View Finders
 Wilson Price – 5/22/15 – Colorado Eagles
 Catherine Zeble – 5/26/15 – Sister of Tim Batt of the Rolling Springs
 Jeanne Perman - 6/2015 – Golden Nuggets
 Dave Downing – 6/30/15 – Former member of the View Finders
 Frances Hemmersbach – 7/1/15 – Mother of Dave Hemmersbach of the Rolling Springs
 Ray Noble – 7/4/15 – Former member of the Aurora Gate Keepers
 Donna McCulloch – 7/19/15 - Long time member of the Rolling Renegades
 Janet Todd – 7/28/15 – Friend of bob & Anna Peduzzi of the Rolling Renegades
 Catherine Branaghan – 7/30/15 – Mother of Pat Wise of the View Finders
 Reba Lewis – 7/30/15 – Mother of Gene Lewis of the Star Chasers
 Jan Fabry – 7/27/15 – Long time member of the Gypsies
 Byron P. Meyers – 8/4/15 – Cousin of JoAnn Eckman
 Don Cowan – 8/11/15 – Brother-in-law of Elaine Hobden of the Rolling Springs
 Dean Patterson – 8/16/15 – Former member of the Ute Bobcats
 Rita Nichols – 8/21/15 – Niece of Lee Stewart of the Star Chasers
 Nora Greenwood – 8/22/15 – Mother of Alice Zimmer of the Road Runners
 Bill Little – 8/28/15 – Long time member of the Rolling Renegade
 Walter Crawford – 8/30/15 – Brother in law of Robbie Richards of the Timberliners
 Lloyd Doughty - 9/2/15 – Brother of Anna Peduzzi of the Rocky Mountain Revelers



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Everyone's pets that members have lost

Statewide Winners

CRIBBAGE WINNERS

1st place winner—Marianne Nyman—Fun on Wheels
 2nd place winner—JoAnne Lien—Timberliners
 3rd place winner—Bettie Miller—Technically Roughing It



CASTING—LONGEST

1st place winner—Gene Lewis—Star Chasers
 2nd place winner—Ron Servant—Colorado Cruisers
 3rd place winner—Caleb DeMarest—Technically Roughing It

CASTING—ACCURACY

1st place winner—Caleb DeMarest—Technically Roughing It
 2nd place winner—Butch Eaton—Rolling Renegades
 3rd place winner—Bill Hutchison—Rolling Renegades



HORSESHOES (Men's Doubles)

1st place winners—Paul Apland—Pikes Peak Rainbows
 Keith Widger—Gray Wolves
 2nd place winners—Mike Hawkins & Anthony DeMarest
 both of Technically Roughing It
 3rd place winners—David Watkins—Star Chasers
 Carlyle Glover—Ute Bobcats

HORSESHOES (Men's Singles)

1st place winner—Carlyle Glover—Ute Bobcats
 2nd place winner—Brian Dimock—Colorado Eagles
 3rd place winner—Cliff Richards—Timberliners

HORSESHOES (Womens's Doubles)

1st place winners—Carrie Tolzien—Star Gazers &
 Judy McDonald—View Finders
 2nd place winners—Michelle DeMarest & Caleb DeMarest
 both of Technically Roughing It

HORSESHOES (Women's Singles)

1st place winner—Carrie Tolzien—Star Gazers
 2nd place winner—Judy McDonald—View Finders
 3rd place winner—Teresa Walorski—Oops



BONGO BOARDS

1st place winners—Carrie Tolzien & Ryan Thompson
 both of the Star Gazers
 2nd place winners—Kieth & Sharon Widger
 both of the Gary Wolves
 3rd place winners—Paul & Kathy Apland
 both of the Pikes Peak Rainbows



Statewide Winners

BEANBAG TOSS

1st place winners—Ken Shockley &
Sil Fernandez—both of the Northern Lights
2nd place winners—Tom Martinez &
Richard Hunter—both of the Hi Country Campers
3rd place winners—Dan Finerty & Bruce Baltzer—
both of the Fun on Wheels



PHOTO CONTEST

“Funniest”

1st place winner—Ann Bloomfield—Colorado Eagles
2nd place winner—April Cederburg—Rolling Waves
3rd place winner—Cinda Champlin—Rolling Waves

“Most Unusual”

1st place winner—Cinda Champlin—Rolling Waves
2nd place winner—Ann Bloomfield—Colorado Eagles

“Most Artistic”

1st place winner—Bill Newell—Ute Bobcats
2nd place winner—Ann Bloomfield—Colorado Eagles
3rd place winner—Rita Newell—Ute Bobcats

“Wildlife”

1st place winner—Jeff & Shirley Kendle—Gadabouts
2nd place winner—Sandy Scott—Camp Stars
3rd place winner—Ann Bloomfield—Colorado Eagles

“Too Cute for Words”

1st place winner—Jeff & Shirley Kendle—Gadabouts
2nd place winner—Sandy Scott—Camp Stars
3rd place winner—Ann Bloomfield—Colorado Eagles



PET PARADE

“Waggiest Tail”

1st place winner—Rita Newell with Toro—Ute Bobcats
2nd place winner—Caleb DeMarest with Maisy
Technically Roughing It

“Best Owner & Pet”

1st place winner—Caleb DeMarest with Maisy
Technically Roughing It

“Best Begger”

1st place winner—Jeri Harper with Misty—Trailblazers
2nd place winner—Geri Noland with Daisy—Star Gazers



Statewide Pictures



Getting ready for dinner!



Friday night "Finger Lick'n Good" Chicken



Getting that walk in before breakfast.



Silver Foxes getting breakfast ready.



Breakfast is almost ready.



Breakfast for the whole family.



Teens preparing food for lunch.



I seem to remember that she was a good cook.



Jerry Frase's Band—Colorado Storm



Chapter News

HI COUNTRY CAMPERS



The year of 2015 started out with a fine pot luck dinner and meeting in January at Bob and Karen Pugh's home. March was all you can eat at the County Buffet. April was our first outing and we headed for the Lakeside KOA in Fort Collins. The weather was cool but we had a good time despite.



Lakeside KOA



Who can turn down ice cream and cookies?



Dinner out is always good!



Judging the Conservation Posters

We then hit the road north for Campvention in Gillette, Wyoming, home of the Jack-a-lope.



Red Hat Luncheon



Cowboy Hat Luncheon



We made a visit to the RV show



Box seats for the entertainment



Then it was up to Estes Park at the RV Manor



Following Estes was State Wide in Kiowa. Richard Hunter and Tom Martinez placed 2nd on playing bean bag toss.



The 4th of July fireworks put on by the Complex were very good and the sunset grand



Next up we will meet for our last camp out at Parish Ranch, Oct 1-5.

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Chapter News



*Beautiful evening at
Cherry Creek State Park*

Trailblazer News

After all the rain we had at our last campout, we were all grateful that our June campout to Cherry Creek State park was drier. Everything was so green and lush. We all marveled at the amount of water in the reservoir and the surrounding area.

A BIG Trailblazer thank you goes out to our hosts Dave and Geri Brown, Merle and Betty Newton, and Hank and Rose Stamps. With so much to do at Cherry Creek State Park, several members brought along their grandchildren for the campout. Everyone had a great time. Our hosts asked everyone to bring a high school

graduation picture or a wedding picture to share with the group. We all enjoyed seeing the "younger" version of our fellow Trailblazers!

We were able to have a campfire every evening courtesy of our own "Mr. Pyro", Merle Newton. Members were encouraged to bring hot dogs to roast over the fire. Many of us didn't need much encouragement!



*Trailblazers having a
great time at Gillette's
4th of July Parade*

We all found this to be a very relaxing and enjoyable campout. We had wonderful food and great discussions with a lot of laughter thrown in!

What a great time we all had at the Campvention! Nine rigs traveled to Gillette and arrived in time to celebrate the 4th of July Wyoming style. Many of the Trailblazers attending were "First Timers". Everyone enjoyed the parade downtown even though it got a little "toasty"! Participants in the parade handed out water and soft drinks. Enough candy was given out that kids left the parade looking like they'd been Trick or Treating. It was great to see the patriotism and pride that the citizens of Gillette displayed.

Several of the Trailblazers took part in some of the activities that Gillette planned for the rest of the day.

We all got together in the early evening to enjoy food and fellowship before the start of the fireworks. The city of Gillette did an excellent job with their fireworks display. With the fireworks being set off at the Complex, there wasn't a bad seat in the house! It was a 4th of July to remember!



*Winners in the Dog Parade
with their owners: (L) Sally
with Sue and Ron Frindt;
Rebel with Monte Hudson;
(L) Misty with Jeri Harper*

The Trailblazers would like to thank everyone who had a part in this year's Campvention. We can't even begin to realize the amount of work that went into the planning and execution of a huge event like this. We thoroughly enjoyed the seminars that were offered and the evening entertainment.

We do have to do a little bragging, though. We had some winners in the Pet Parade. Congratulations to Rebel, who came in Second in the Smallest Dog category with Sally placing Third in the same category.

In the Unique Dog category, Misty placed Second. Our "furry" Trailblazers did a great job!

We're proud to say our Jackalope placed First in the Best Dressed category! We'd like to thank member Geri Brown for her creativity in designing our Jackalope. Thank you to all the Trailblazer members who contributed the pieces and parts that made our Jackalope truly special.

We all had such a good time in the Campvention Parade! It was great fun and we were awarded First Place for Best Walking Unit! We are an enthusiastic bunch! How fun it was to wave and say hello to fellow FCRV'ers.

All of us had a wonderful week in Gillette. It was hard to see it end and our time there was very special. How many of you can say you sat and watched as fellow members had their holding tanks cleaned out? "Thank You" to John from All-Pro Water Flow for answering all our questions as you worked on our RVs!

We feel fortunate that so many of our members could travel to the Campvention this year. We shared many meals, enjoyed the seminars and nightly entertainment, and just appreciated each other's company.

We might just have to do this again next year in Oklahoma and make some new memories. "

Thank You" again to everyone!



*Breakfast at Cherry Creek
State Park*



*Trailblazers 4th of July
potluck dinner at the
Complex*



*Trailblazer Jackalope
winning 1st Place -Best
Dressed
Our new Trailblazer
banner!*



*Some members of the
Trailblazers getting ready
for the parade at
the Campvention*

Chapter News

GRAY WOLVES NEWS

July found the Gray Wolves at Circle The Wagons near LaVeta, one of their favorite campgrounds. In addition to having many campsites right next to the river, one evening the owners even provided the added benefit of free pizza!

When the wolf pack found out the campground was trying to raise money to help put in cement walkways at the nearby VA Home in Walsenberg, they pitched right in to help. They discovered that local volunteers have worked for many years right along with the vets at the home to help with the raised vegetable gardens. Unfortunately, the dirt pathways are not only weed and grass infested, but too dangerous for the aging volunteers to walk on due to gopher mounds and uneven ground. The Gray Wolves came up with the idea of selling 50/50 tickets to all the campers who attended the free pizza night. \$140 was raised; \$70 to the lucky winner and \$70 to this very worthwhile project.

The town of LaVeta was just a few short blocks from the campground and the explorers were charmed by the fun stores and art galleries. They even found a restaurant that served homemade pies! Best of all was the sculpture outside the museum. It showed a young local girl gazing into the future and at the woman she was to become. Yes, the woman, Doris Bristol, grew up to be a WASP in the US Army during WWII. She and many women pilots flew transports ferrying much needed and vital supplies and equipment so the men could be freed up to fly combat missions.

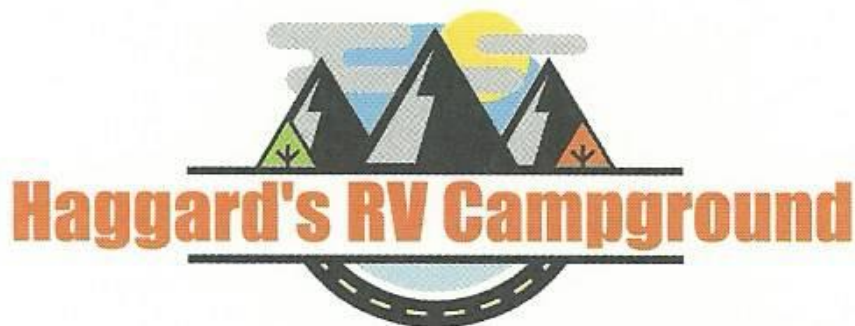
The guys got together one morning for a rousing nine holes of golf at a nearby course. The ladies were wondering why the game was taking so long, until the guys came dragging back to the campground. Seems it was only nine holes, but they were all over every inch of that course!

The Gray Wolves took time to just relax and enjoy their time together. There was a loose schedule of activities, not rigid at all, so it didn't interfere with the flow of the day. Some of the best times happened just after our morning walk. Our CAMP directors brought fresh fruit, so everyone gathered at a shady table after our walks for coffee, fruit and fellowship.

Yep, it was another fun camp-out!

Wanda Parkhouse

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Chapter News



Kathy giving crocheting lessons

COLORADO CRUISERS

JUNE 2015 CAMPOUT

COTOPAXI KOA

Our chapter had a large group attend this month's campout. We all braved some of 3,000 the bicyclists biking Highway 50 to support muscular sclerosis, which caused some on-coming traffic to veer into our lane. There were almost 30 folks with us, including guests of our members, and we all arrived safely. The weather was warm, but not too hot. The Arkansas River was so high from the more than usual rain we've had this year, that the river was not accessible from the campground, as it normally is. It was accessible by a trail near the campground. But, brrr, that water was COLD!

Our Wagon masters, Chuck and Marilyn Clark, went over the top on gathering our group to their site. They treated us to a fabulous Friday night hors d'oeuvres' table, where some of our best cooks wowed us with their unique creations. There was enough food to count it as dinner! Afterwards, we had our very own DJ play some tunes, which encouraged some dancing around the campfire.

Saturday, some of us went into town to enjoy the town of Salida. Others just enjoyed the time in campground, swimming in the refreshing pool, relaxing, eating frozen treats from the camp store. About 4:30, we gathered together, and had our monthly meeting. Happy Birthdays, and Happy Anniversaries were mentioned. After the meeting, we shared what each of us brought to the table, so to speak, to share dinner. Grilled brats, hamburgers, meatballs, you name it, we had it. Then, in addition to all the wonderful desserts, we had home-made Sundaes. That was perfect to cool us down. After dinner, some of us played Ladder ball, and some of us played Yard Yahtzee, as you can see in the photo. When it got dark, we gathered 'round the campfire, told stories, jokes, and enjoyed each other's company until 'curfew' ;)!

Sunday morning we gathered for breakfast at 9:00 a.m. What a feast! Sausage, bacon, eggs, even waffles, fruits, and all manner of yummys were brought to share with everyone. The weather, again, was lovely, with a nice breeze for us, keeping mosquitoes at bay. Afterwards, those of us checking out that day, got to work breaking camp and heading home from a lovely weekend.

————→ SPECIAL NOTE TO ALL FCRV MEMBERS ←————

Loana informed all of the Field Staff that after many years FCRV National has decided to raise the dues from \$30 per year to \$35 as of January 1st, 2016. If your dues is renewing soon or you just want to pay ahead, make your payment so it reaches the National office before January 1, 2016. In the next issue of the Embers we will have more information on what was discussed at the September Field Staff campout.

Bill Eckman - Editor



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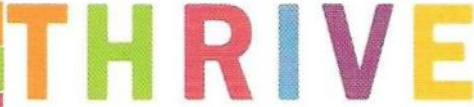
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| 5. Laugh | 11. Let it go | |
| 6. Walk outside | 12. Declutter | |

Camping this summer has been the best...LaVeta & Lake DeWeese, Canon City & the winery at the ‘Abby’ and just places of beauty all in Colorado surely lifts our spirits more ways than one.

The Sand Dunes...Summertime tends to go by way too fast to us campers. Don’t you agree!



Highway of Legends



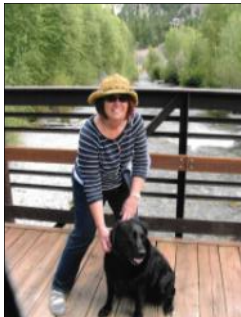
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Chapter News



Rolling Springs Chapter News

The summer months and fall months have been very busy for the Rolling Springs. July was Campvention in Gillette WY. The Rolling Springs representatives Bill and Elaine Hobden were in charge of the door prizes and were assisted by several other Rolling Springs members. Everyone had a super time visiting with people and made many memories for a life time.

August found our chapter in Rye, Co with beautiful warm weather. Several members enjoyed a fun game of Corn hole. While others enjoyed basking in the sun, reading, relaxing and visiting. Also in August several members attended a Sky Socks baseball game and a picnic at the VIP Sky Socks terrace area. The weather brought afternoon rain and cancelled the game, much to our disappointment.



September started with the Colorado Statewide in Kiowa, Friday night Fried Chicken dinner was headed up by Rolling Springs' members Heddy and Ron Servant. The next weekend was our regular chapter campout in Buena Vista. There was a Patriotic Theme including red, white and blue, Flags flying and Rockets! Paper rockets that is and glow rockets in the evening. Our members both young and old participated in rocket building and air launching with great results, and lots of cheers from bystanders. We also ventured in to town for the Apple Festival and events at the local Foster Farm, including eating fresh apple pie and sampling apple cider.

October is our last campout of the year and was in West Cliff, CO. Several members enjoyed shopping and an art show in town as part of their local homecoming celebration. What a beautiful area, and time of year. Donations from the Chapter 50/50 go to the Mill Dog Rescue this month.

Submitted by Candy Furnish

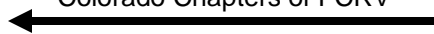


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Chapter News

OOP'S - Rolling Waves - Combined Campout

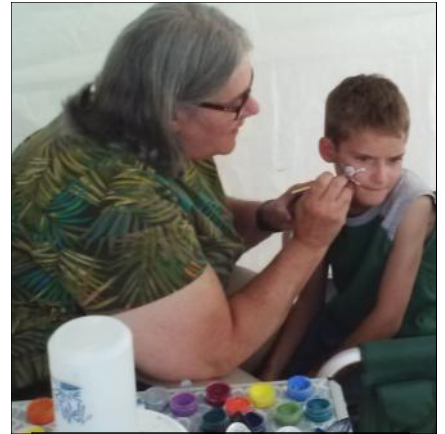
These 2 chapters had a combined campout over the October 10th weekend. The Oops chapter invited the other chapter to join them in a Halloween themed event at Cherry Creek State Park. There was Trick or Treating, Scavenger Hunt, Costume Parade, Photo Booth, Hot Dog Lunch, Face Painting, Haunted House and a Chili Cooking Contest. There was estimated to be about 80 adults and children.



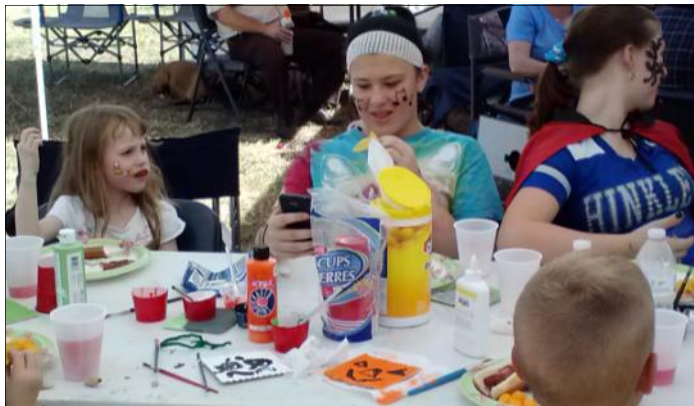
Raele is ready to carve her pumpkin.



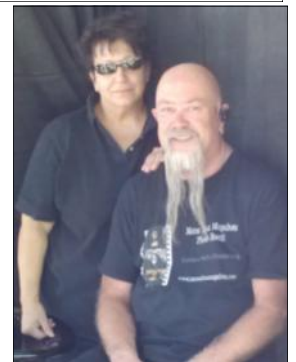
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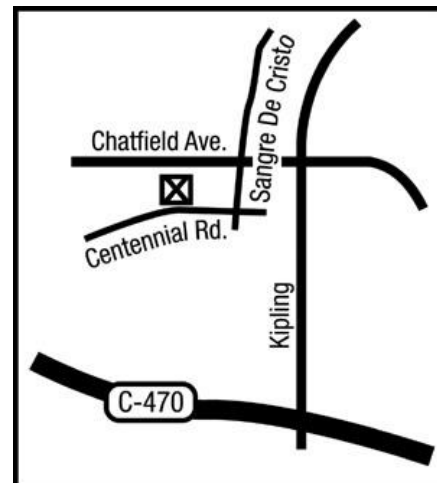
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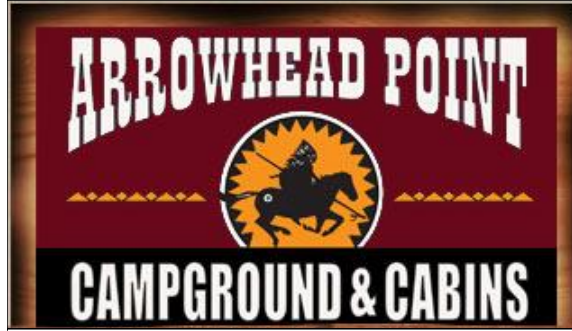
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Ron was the Executive director of the Brush area Chamber of Commerce. Ron worked mostly with Loana Schraeder and some with Bill Eckman. It was Ron who arranged for many things that involved the Fairgrounds and efforts of the Chamber to promote FCRV. Ron always seemed to come up with ideas and help for the Flag raising as he worked with Loana. I am sure Ron had something to do with us getting the fairgrounds for free the last two years. Loana and Bill will surely miss Ron Prascher.

Ron served as Principal at Brush High School until 1997, when he retired. In 2000 Ron was hired to be the Executive Director of the Brush area Chamber of Commerce. Among the projects that he was very involved with for the Chamber of Commerce, were the Main Street Improvement Project and the All American City designation for Brush. Ron loved working with the people of Brush and the surrounding area.

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