

FIRESIDE EMBERS



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Spring Fling Registration is on Page 30 - Dead line to register is May 6th

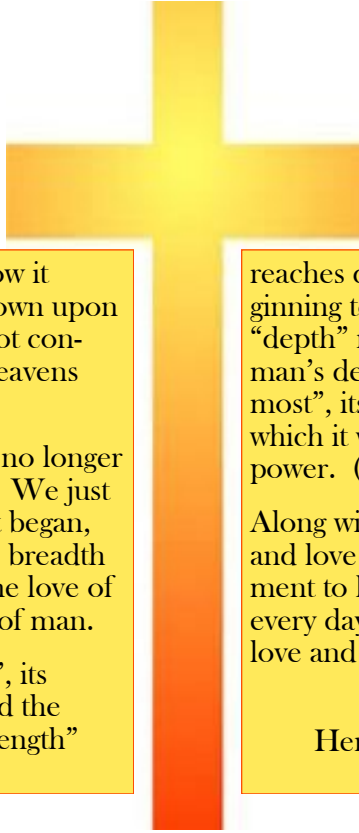
SPRING FLING

May 12-15

Morgan County Fairgrounds - Brush, Colorado

- 4 Days and 3 Nights of Fun!
- Thursday Night Card Bingo
- Line Dancing lessons Friday Afternoon with Bill & Rita
- Free Dinner Friday Night
Provided By our Corporate Sponsors
- Friday Night Karaoke and Line Dancing
- 3 Seminars Interstate Battery, Jim Moravec on Weather and RV Interiors
- Special Flag Ceremony
Teens, Pre Teens & Youth bring in flags
- CAMP Walk & Bike Ride
- Camping Is & Conservation Posters. Bring your entries!
- Games - Bean Bag Baseball, Golden Skillet Contest, Bolo Horseshoes, Cribbage, Bingo, Puzzles + More.
- Scrapbook Contest
Chapters bring your entries
- Blood Drive on Saturday
- Chapter Project Sales
- Teen and Youth Activities
- Shop the Commercial Vendors
- Saturday Night Catered Meal
Place your order on registration form
- Ice Cream Social Following Meal
- Saturday Night Entertainment
Three of a Kind Band (Classic Country)
- Church Service with Chaplain
- Free Coffee & Donuts
after Church
- Food Drive for Brush

Chaplains Corner



Abraham Lincoln stated, "I can see how it might be possible for a man to look down upon the earth and be an atheist, but I cannot conceive how he could look up into the heavens and say there is no God".

Have we become so blind that we can no longer see him, his love, and his forgiveness? We just have to look back to the cross where it began, because the cross alone measures "the breadth and length and depth and height" of the love of God, it is beyond the comprehension of man.

The love of Christ "passes knowledge", its breadth is wide enough to comprehend the whole world, including all races. It's "length"

reaches down through all the ages from the beginning to the end of the reign of sin, it's "depth" reaches down to the lowest depths of man's degradation and saves even "to the uttermost", its height includes the highest heaven to which it will eventually lift those who know its power. (Taylor G. Bunch)

Along with the blood, and love of God (Christ) and love at that cross, comes the commandment to love and forgive one another each and every day. Let us see how many people we can love and forgive each day.

Chaplain Larrie Thomase

Here is the prayer for our Homeland:

Dear Heavenly Father,

Today I pray that You will secure the borders around my house.

I pray You will protect this great nation from those who seek to destroy her.

Keep us safe. Keep us strong.

May we remain one nation under God.

I pray that You will protect my family from influences that seek to do them harm.

Keep them under Your wing. Keep them in Your care.

May we remain one family in Your World.

I pray You will protect me from evil as I go throughout my day.

Keep me in Your holy presence as I keep my heart, body and mind focused on You.

May I remain one who will be found faithful serving You today.

God, You are the security of my country, my home, and my soul.

In You I put my trust.

Amen



State Directors Report for March and April 2016



It is currently 32 degrees outside. I am asking myself when will spring be arriving? Punxsutawney Phil did not see his shadow on Groundhog Day, suggesting an early spring. Since 1988, according to USA Today, Phil has only been "right" 13 times and has been "wrong" 15 times. That doesn't help much. The 2016 first day of spring is March 20th. That still doesn't help much.

Why am I asking these questions, you might ask yourself? My answer is pure and simple. I want to go camping. I want to break winterizing in the motor home and head out for a favorite camping location. Doesn't that sound great? Nice weather with lots of sunshine, great friends and family from FCRV and a beautiful camping site. Sounds wonderful, right? But 32 degrees doesn't fit into my picture of great camping weather. So alas, I think I will have to be content waiting for winter to finish and spring to arrive.

The last Embers issue, Ron suggested that everyone should



check out their camper anticipating camping season soon approaching. We did go out and checked our motor home. Good thing we did because our batteries were down. We had to recharge the batteries in our motor home and then gave her a thorough check out. Our motor home is also ready to go camping. Ron and I are all set to go camping. But the weather is not prepared for us to go camping. So we wait... counting down for Spring Fling....



Spring Fling is May 12 through May 15, 2016. We have a lot of activities, seminars, food, friends and fun planned. There is something for everyone. Please be sure and **check the box** if you planned to eat with us on Friday. This meal is provided to you at no cost from our Corporate Sponsors. Please **check the box** on the Spring Fling form so we can have the right amount of food for those of you who are joining us for dinner Friday night at Spring Fling.

Have you never been to Spring Fling? Please join us. If this is your first time to Spring Fling, please **check the box** on the registration form so we know that you may have some questions that we can answer for you. There are many activities to participate in. You get to meet some really fun people from many different chapters. Spring Fling is what you want to make of it. One can be very active and participate in the games, seminars and fun or one can be selective, pick a few activities and catch a nap or two. It is all up to you. This is your Spring Fling so make it what you want it to be.

Look at this Embers or on the Field Directors' Planning Meeting Notes to see what kinds of activities we have planned. We have bingo on Thursday night, karaoke and line dancing on Friday night and a live band on Saturday night. Lots of games and activities are planned for the weekend during the day time. Kids and Teens also have many activities that are planned.

Please remember to bring your stuff for the Flea Market (no clothes this year), \$5 Bingo prize, & Brush food bank items. Camping is right around the corner....but we are still counting the days.

Shalah Costello

News & Updates

Things to Bring to Spring Fling

- Non-perishable food Items for the Brush Food Drive
- Items for the Flea Market (No clothes this year)
- Posters for Conservation & Camping Is Contest
- Your Chapter Scrapbook for scrapbook Contest
- Some extra money to spend at Chapter Sales
- Chapters bring a Bingo Door Prize worth \$5
- Pick a team from your chapter for the Golden Skillet Contest



Be a part of SOCIAL MEDIA! Let's help build the membership and bring new people to Colorado FCRV. Join the Facebook group and page!

This is the Colorado FCRV Facebook group:

<https://www.facebook.com/goups/1680243058923788/>

This is where you post pictures and stories about your chapters.

This is the Colorado FCRV Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/ColoradoFcrv/>

This is where you can do Visitor post.

Retiree Luncheon Door Prize Winners

Heddy Servant Melvin & Doris Nigh Bob & Anna Peduzzi Mike & Lynda Edsenger Kent & Sally Schroeder
 \$25 Safeway Card \$25 Safeway Card Free Lunch \$15 Cash Free Lunch



Participants in Embers Jan/Feb Contest

Jerrilyn Eaton, Joan Cross, Marty Christensen and Coral Yakel

These were the 4 folks that sent me an email with their answers. Jerrilyn, Marty and Joan got the correct answer. Remember you had to be at the February workshop to win a prize. Marty Christensen was the only winner there and he got a scratch card that he could win possibly up to \$27,000. Haven't heard from Marty so maybe he got something less. I gave Coral a nice TO DO pad for her efforts. Thanks to those who participated. *Bill Eckman* - Editor

Correct Answer - There was no page 27

Welcome New Members

Tim & Linda Bozeman - Gary & Kim Condreay
 Ross & Kathryn Duncan - Daniel & Jacque Reilly
 Steven & Misty Henderson - Rob & Kathy Farina
 Mark & Nicole Murray - Gary & Linda Jacobson
 Thomas Thilman & Cate Jenkins- Tamara Weniger
 Clay & Cindy Shores - Tim & Gloria Walker
 Steven & Juliana Scott - Don & Donna Buckalew
 Richard and Kelly Lopes - Bob & Elaine
 VanDeWega

EDITORS Note: This wonderful remembrance of Will Benham was left out of the previous Embers. My mistake - *Bill Eckman* →

Remembering Will Benham

We have all lost a sweet friend who made us smile so often. An affable man who could figure out how to fix impossible things, who, when asked if he wanted another serving of pie, would say, "yes, please". He wore his Mountain Goat blue jacket with such pride—even when it wasn't our event. He had a marvelous chuckle and a glint in his eye when he would tell a joke. Oh, yes—we will miss Will Benham. He was the one who had a pretend water faucet that he would stick in the ground in a National Forest campsite where there was no water hookups. People walking by wondered how he got lucky enough to garner a site with available water. He did things in his own time and in his own way, but was always so kind it didn't matter. We watched him closely when the weather got cold. A man who didn't have enough body fat to keep himself warm, would start to shiver—and the blankets would come out for him. Oh, yes. We will miss Will Benham. You are our gift to God today

Written By *Kathy French* - Mountain Goats

Sometime in the fall of 2016 we will stop sending the Embers to all Colorado FCRV members. Your Field Director will email a digital copy to you. We will continue to print the Embers & send to anyone who Opt-in so fill in the form below if you want a copy starting in the fall.

Delivery of the Fireside Embers is Changing -- Fall 2016

Beginning in the late summer/early fall of 2016, our primary method of delivering your Embers newsletter will be changing from "snail" mail to electronic mail. BUT, if you want to continue receiving your Embers by regular mail, you can easily do that. Just fill out the form below and mail it in or send your request by e-mail to Rcostello@coloradofcrv.org

If you don't need a printed copy of the Embers, then your Field Director will E-Mail you a copy of the Embers in Adobe (PDF) format every other month, as it is published. To view the newsletter, you can download and install a free copy of the Adobe Reader software from our coloradofcrv.org website. Between now and next summer your Field Director should contact you and make sure he or she has your correct and current E-Mail address. For those Colorado FCRV members who do not belong to a chapter, your State Directors or Assistant State directors will make sure we have your current E-Mail and then will send your copy of the Embers to you. The current copy of the Embers, along with several years of prior issues are also available on our website for your easy reference.

Embers Opt-In

Yes, I want to continue receiving my printed copy of the Embers.

Cut out & Mail to: Ron and Shalah Costello

352 Mountain Cloud Circle - Highlands Ranch, CO 80126

or e-mail to: Rcostello@coloradofcrv.org

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Signature: _____

E-mail address: _____

APPLICATION FORM FOR VENDOR BOOTHS/PROJECT SALES

If you are planning on having a vendor booth at Spring Fling, please attach this application to your registration form and indicate whether you need electricity or not. We are very limited on space in the building so please register your booth along with your camping registration so that we can plan ahead of time. Commercial vendors need to furnish their own tables.

If you are going to need space for your chapter project sales, please let us know that as well by attaching this form to your camping registration. Tables will be available for chapter project sales.

If you do not need electricity, please don't set up your booth along the outside walls.

Commercial vendors must **include the fees** for your booth along with your registration to Vodean Benham.

Name: _____ Chapter: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Phone : _____

Only one person from the chapter to register for your project sales.

10 X 10 Commercial Vendor booth: How many? _____

With electricity [] Without electricity []

Chapter project sales: With electricity [] Without electricity []

(Chapters do not pay a booth fee for project sales)

STATE HISTORIANS'S SCRAPBOOK CONTEST FOR SPRING FLING

Chapter Historians, it's time to begin collecting those "priceless" photos and memorabilia from your chapter meetings/campouts/projects and get that chapter scrapbook completed. Guidelines for your scrapbook are as follows: Refer to your field director's national field manual under the History Program.

Page 1 (the actual first page, not the inside cover) or title page, Chapter Name, Nat'l Charter Number, Charter Date, Chapter Patch or Emblem, Colors and State.

Lower right hand corner of title page to be reserved for State Director's certification (stamp).

Scrapbook shall be no larger than 20" X 24" X 8".

Include a list of officers and a schedule for the year with dates, name of host and location.

Explain who and what is pictured in the photo.

Limit the subject matter to your chapter activities only.

Include chapter awards.

Include a photo of chapter patch if possible.

Scrapbooks shall cover events from January 1st to December 31st.



Please be aware that not complying with all the rules will disqualify your scrapbook. Don't let this happen to you. There will be a short meeting on Friday night conducted by JoAnn Lien to go over your scrapbooks to be sure they will be in order for the judging. Any chapter submitting a scrapbook is encouraged to attend this meeting.

"CAMPING IS" POSTER CONTEST

The "Camping Is" Poster Contest will be held at Spring Fling on Saturday. This contest is open to all Colorado Youth. All posters must be turned in to the State Youth Director on Saturday morning. There will not be any special time set aside for the youth to do their posters at Spring Fling, so they need to be completed before arrival. The winning poster in each category will be sent to the National Campvention in July for competition. Colorado awards will be handed out at the Spring Fling Saturday evening program.

Contestants who enter should portray what camping means to them.

The contest rules are as follows:

The contest is divided into four age groups:

5-6 years 7-8 years

9-10 years 11-12 years

Age to be determined as of July 1st of the year of the contest.

Contestants' parents must be members of FCRV in good standing.

Posters must be on standard sized poster board (approximately 22" X 28" not to vary more than 1/2")

Name, birth date and complete address of the contestant along with the Field Director or State Directors certification (stamp) of FCRV membership must appear on the lower left hand corner on the back of the entry.



YOUTH/TEEN/ADULTS CONSERVATION POSTER CONTEST

ALL Conservation Posters must be turned in for judging at Spring Fling on Saturday morning to Anita Maile, Colorado's Conservation Director. If the posters get turned in after the judging is completed, they will be disqualified. Please check your schedules for time to turn in posters.

As you can see below, this contest is open to all ages: Youths, Teens, and Adults. The winning poster in each category will be sent to National Campvention in July for competition. The rules are as follows:

A poster will be defined as a medium to catch the attention of the observer and convey a specific conservation message pertaining to some phase of conservation.

Each poster must be approved by a Field Director and signed by the Field Director to certify that the entrant is a member in good standing with FCRV.

Posters must be on standard sized poster board (approximately 22" X 28", not to vary more than 1/2"). **Do not put scalloped edges around your posters, they will be disqualified.**

Name, birth date, chapter, complete address of contestant and Field Directors certification (stamp) must appear on the lower left hand corner of the back of the poster.

The posters must be the contestants' own work and must have been created for the FCRV contest only.

Any art media may be used.

Age categories will be:

Up to 5 years inclusive - 6 – 8 years inclusive - 9 – 11 years inclusive - 12 – 14 years inclusive - 15 – 19 years inclusive
20 years and older

Age is determined as of July 1st of the year of the contest

Judging at all levels will be based on adherence to National Conservation Board Rules:

Originality, Neatness, and Adherence to or development of the theme.

Web Reporter Contest

Here is your chance to be a “Web Reporter” and brag about your chapter. Tell others about your chapter’s favorite camping trip(s) in 2015 or 2016.

Many of our chapters are involved in very exciting outings and we would like to publish a story about them on our ColoradoFCRV web site. This will provide a way for other chapters to learn more about your chapter and maybe get some great ideas for their future campouts.

RULES:

- Your Camping Story must reflect a recent (2015 or 2016) camp outing. Submissions may be made by individual members, chapters or group (retiree, pre teen, teen)
- Please identify if entry is from one person, more than one person or from a chapter. Awards will be made only to identified submitter
- Story must contain 2 to 6 photos of activities and be no longer than one page in length (not including photos)
- Story should be about an outdoor **Camping** activity and tell where the location of the event took place. Campground name is always nice.
- Please refrain from publishing full names, telephone numbers or email addresses
- Originality and creativity are encouraged
- You may enter more than once but you can only win one prize
- Credit will be given for early submissions. So as soon as you write your story, submit it!
- Reporter’s name(s) and chapter name or group must be on the entry
- By entering the contest you agree that the story may be published on our Colorado FCRV web site
- Entries will be posted on the Colorado FCRV web BLOG as they are received.
- 1st Place wins \$100.00 – 2nd Place wins \$50.00 – 3rd Place wins \$25.00
- ALL entries become the property of Colorado FCRV
- Contest is from Spring Fling thru April 1, 2017. Winners will be announced and prizes awarded at “Spring Fling” 2017. You do not need to be present to win.

This is meant to be a FUN project! Submissions are to be ELECTRONIC and include photo files separately.

Send submission(s) to Webmaster@ColoradoFCRV.org

FLEA MARKET AT SPRING FLING

We will be having the flea market again this year, so bring all your gently used items to donate, so we can sell it back to you!! The market will be open all day, every day until Saturday night. We will then box up all that’s left over and donate it to a charitable organization. Kitchen items, garden tools, tools, RV stuff, books, records/cds, and small pieces of furniture. No clothing this year!!

2016 DATES TO REMEMBER

| DATE | TIME | EVENT | LOCATION |
|--|----------------|--|--|
| Mar 7 th | 7:00 – 8:30 PM | Chapter's Night Mtg. 1 st Denver Show | Cabela's Outfitters Exit 226 off of I-25 N 14050 Lincoln St. Thornton, CO |
| Mar 8 th * | 7:30 – 9:00 PM | Chapter's Night Mtg. 1 st Denver Show | REA Bldg. Exit 262 off of I-25 N 7649 REA Parkway Fort Collins , CO |
| Mar 8 th | 7:30 – 9:00 PM | Get Acquainted Mtg. Colo. Spgs. Show | International Salon & Spa Academy 5707 N. Academy Blvd. Colo. Spgs, CO |
| Mar 10 th | 7:00 – 9:00 PM | Chapter's Night Mtg. 1 st Denver Show | Gander Mountain Outfitters 14000 E. Jewell Ave. Aurora, CO |
| Mar 15 th – 21 st | N/A | National Retiree Rally | Houma, Louisiana |
| Apr 4 th | 7:00 – 8:30 PM | Get Acquainted Mtg. 2 nd Denver Show | Cabela's Outfitters Exit 226 off of I-25 N 14050 Lincoln St. Thornton, CO |
| Apr 5 th * | 7:30 – 9:00 PM | Get Acquainted Mtg. 2 nd Denver Show | REA Bldg. Exit 262 off of I-25 N 7649 REA Parkway Fort Collins , CO |
| Apr 5 th | 7:30 – 9:00 PM | Chapter's Night Mtg. Colo. Spgs. Show | International Salon & Spa Academy 5707 N. Academy Blvd. Colo. Spgs, CO |
| Apr 12 th | 7:30 – 9:00 PM | Get Acquainted Mtg. 2 nd Denver Show | Gander Mountain Outfitters 14000 E. Jewell Ave. Aurora, CO |
| Apr 29 th – May 1 st | N/A | Field Staff Workshop & Campout | Fort Collins KOA Lakeside in Ft. Collins , CO |
| May 2 nd | 7:00 – 8:30 PM | Chapter's Night Mtg. 2 nd Denver Show | Cabela's Outfitters Exit 226 off of I-25 N 14050 Lincoln St. Thornton, CO |
| May 3 rd * | 7:30 – 9:00 PM | Chapter's Night Mtg. 2 nd Denver Show | REA Bldg. Exit 262 off of I-25 N 7649 REA Parkway Fort Collins , CO |
| May 4 th | 7:00 – 9:00 PM | Chapter's Night Mtg. 2 nd Denver Show | Gander Mountain Outfitters 14000 E. Jewell Ave. Aurora, CO |
| May 12 th – 15 th | N/A | Spring Fling | Morgan County Fairgrounds in Brush, CO |
| June 6 th – 10 th | N/A | Colorado Retiree Rally | Fort Collins KOA Lakeside in Ft. Collins , CO |
| July 24 th – 29 th | N/A | National Campvention 2016 | Shawnee, Oklahoma |
| Sep 2 nd – 5 th | N/A | Colorado Statewide | Elbert County Fairgrounds in Kiowa, CO |
| Sep 26 th – 30 th | N/A | Southern Colorado Retiree Rally | Pueblo South Colorado City KOA I-25 @ Exit 74 – South of Pueblo |
| Sep 30 th – Oct 2 nd | N/A | Field Staff Workshop & Campout | Pueblo South Colorado City KOA I-25 @ Exit 74 – South of Pueblo |

FOR SALE

1996 Seabreeze 31' Class A Motorhome
454 Chevrolet engine—one owner, generator, roof air conditioner, hydraulic jacks, electric step. Near new tires, including spare, near new coach batteries and new engine battery. Two awnings, twin beds, couch, barrel chair, and booth dinette. Clean inside.
Call Lois at (303) 789-3024



Chapter Officers workshop & General Membership Meeting



The room at the meeting was almost filled, this meeting was open to all members not just chapter officers. Plan on attending next year, we need your input.



Our Teen Queen and Teen King were selling their goodies to raise money to go to Campvention in Oklahoma next July.



Marilyn Luttrell leading one of the breakout sessions at the Chapter Officers portion of the workshop.

Random Thoughts

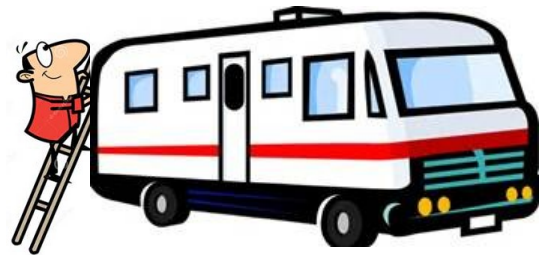
Random Thoughts

By Angel Ireson

I was asked several months ago to come up with random ideas to write about. As I am not a writer I was very hesitant to try this. I tossed around a lot of different ideas and picked this as my starter.

I got to thinking about how, each fall when we pull the RV into the back yard for the winter it becomes the “elephant in the back yard” so to speak. I say that because it means at some point we need to put the dreaded cover on it. You are probably wondering why I call it the **dreaded cover**. It seems that each year when we decide to do it seems to be the day a front is moving in and the wind is gusty and strong. However, it also means that snow is on the way and if we don’t get the cover on it could be several weeks before the roof is totally clear and we can try again.

So come with me now to the Land of Fanciful Thoughts...A man is climbing up the ladder on the back of his RV holding the ladder in one hand and pulling up the RV cover with the other. The wind begins to pick up and he holds on tighter. The cover is becoming a sail so he hurries to get off the ladder and onto the roof. As he stands up an exceptionally strong gust catches the cover and up into the air they both go. It made me think of the story of the kid who supposedly was carried aloft in a saucer balloon. But no, he is hanging on and blowing away. Should I call the Police or the Fire Department; maybe they could catch the trailing edge of the cover and pull him down. Or, if Clifford the Big Red Dog lived next door he could just jump up and catch the cover and rescue him.



Oh well, this is real life and I must get on with the true story. We got a new cover for the RV and we even read the instructions (yes, really) on how to put it on more easily. We also decided to do it almost as soon as we put it in the yard instead of waiting. Gee, guess what! No *Wind*. The new cover even has weights tied to the ends of the tie down straps that go underneath and latch to the cover on the other side. This took much less time. The old ones required you to wrap a rock in the tie down, toss them underneath and hope the rock stayed wrapped long enough so the person on the other side would catch the end and snap it into place. Oh how I miss the old times. NOT!

FOR SALE

Adco Class A RV Cover

Never been used!

Owner sold RV & moved to St. Croix

Adco Part # 32826,

34ft to 37ft long,

Designer Series 3-layer Tyvek

Original price \$450,

asking \$220 obo.

Call Lyle at 303-489-1908

Thanks to everyone who worked the Colorado Springs RV Show

Carlyle & Elaine Glover, Deb Hill, Chuck & Shirley Karlstrum, Elbert & Eileen Carter, Pat & Herb Guild, Anita Maile & Don Clough, Abe & Karleen Williams, Ron & Heddy Servant, Lonnie & Maryann Glover, Jame & Pam McNutt, Hobbe & Cladeen Ragland, Arnie & Jane Carlsen, George & Jan Carlson, Jerry Thomas & Kay Poland, John & Donna Neff, Dave & Andrea Perterson, Don & Cheryl McCarthy, LeRoy & LaVoris Fischer, Matt & Kim Gogan, Dave & Pauly Hemmersbach, Bill & Elaine Hobden, John Bentz, Ted & Michelle Kibe.



LEGISLATIVE ISSUES MARCH - APRIL 2016

Every thing appears quiet under the Dome at the capital unless you are involved with guns, etc.

HB 16-1030 increases control and operations of Off Highway Vehicles. It is pretty confusing and if you are interested, I recommend that you get a copy and take a look. Same thing regarding SB 16-008, however, it is primarily concerned with getting an HOV from one side of a highway to the other.



With that being said, here are couple of other items that you may find interesting -

THE FEE-FREE PRESS DEAR PUBLIC LANDS SUPPORTER

Public comments are being sought by the Forest Service and BLM regarding two proposed new fees. The agencies frequently claim that they can't get the public to respond to these opportunities. Then they say that the lack of response must mean the public supports their plans.

All it really means is that most people never knew what was happening until it was too late. Well it's not too late to weigh in on these new fees proposed in Arizona and Colorado. It's time to send in your comments RIGHT NOW! It's up to you to take action - here's how!

BLM COLORADO TO TRANSFER FREE DISPERSED CAMPING AREA TO STATE CONTROL AND FEES

"BLM will accept public comment on the proposed lease until Nov. 2. Comments can be submitted to Melissa Garcia at 719-269-8724 or by emailing rgfo_comments@blm.gov with "Salida East" in the subject line."

We recommend that you send your comment in writing by email, so that it will be on the record and accurately documented. Especially if you have enjoyed this free camping area in the past, or if you have been thinking about doing so in the future, please let your thoughts be known by email to the address above. Remember polite, thoughtful comments are most likely to be seriously considered.

The last remaining free dispersed camping area along the Arkansas River in Colorado is about to bite the dust. The Salida East BLM dispersed camping area is proposed to be leased to Colorado State Parks, which already controls every other public access point to the river and charges both day-use and camping fees. If this lease is executed those fees will be applied here too.

This is a non-developed site where you can walk to the river, fish, and camp without facilities for up to 14 days. It does not qualify under federal law for the BLM to charge a fee because of its undeveloped nature - which is what visitors are looking for when they select this site.



By leasing it to a non-federal agency, BLM would be removing this area from under federal law and transferring it to de facto state ownership and control. Colorado State Parks would then begin charging fees there under state law for both day use and camping. :

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

The Continuing Resolution that Congress recently passed to keep the government funded through December 11 also extended the expiration date of the Federal Lands Recreation Enhancement Act to September 30, 2017.

That's actually a good thing, because if it is allowed to expire and not replaced, the federal agencies would not be constrained by any law at all as to what recreation fees they can and cannot charge. FLREA, while far from perfect, is better than nothing. The extra time should allow Congress to draft a better, fairer, and more enforceable law. The WSNFC is actively engaged with key members as to what that law should include, and we will keep you informed as the process unfolds.

FEATURED ARTICLE

CO's best winter digs It's hard to disconnect in the winter. Sure, you could still go camping..but s'mores just don't taste as good when the temperature is below freezing.

Thankfully a snowbound tent isn't your only option. The Colorado mountains are littered with yurts, huts, and cabins that provide shelter from the elements without the distractions of modern life. Here is one of our favorites.

Hidden Treasure Yurts

These rustic yurts aren't recommended for first-time backcountry travelers—located about 16 miles south of Eagle on I-70, just getting to them requires a 6.2-mile trek with about 3,200 feet of elevation gain. All that climbing has a purpose, though. The huts are perched on the side of New York Mountain at about 11,200 feet, so the views from their decks are phenomenal. They're also stocked with stoves (wood burning and propane) and are surrounded by outstanding snowshoeing trails. If you go: Yurt rental costs \$200 per night or \$250 per night on the weekends, and a 2 night minimum stay is required for trips that include Friday or Saturday. Each hut has beds for 8 people, but visitors should bring warm sleeping bags. Booking details are available online. Photo courtesy Hidden Treasure Yurts.



FROM OUR PARTNER

Love to Snowshoe? See you in Frisco on March 5. Calling all Snowshoers! One of Colorado's best family-friendly winter events is back this year. It has a different name, though—the Tubbs Snowshoes Romp to Stomp event is now the Susan G. Komen® Colorado Snowshoe for the Cure. But don't let the new name fool you. The event will still have all the fun and community spirit that made it a Colorado favorite in years past. And it will still have a pancake breakfast, a 3k or 5k walk, and a "Lil' Stomper Dash" for kids 12 & under. The Susan G. Komen® Colorado Snowshoe for the Cure will start at 7:30 a.m. at the Frisco Nordic Center on March 5. Prizes will be awarded to the top fundraisers. Check It Out!

FEATURED ARTICLE

Never Summer Nordic Huts



Few places in Colorado offer as much privacy for as little hiking as the Never Summer Nordic Huts. Tucked away in the Medicine Bow Mountains west of Fort Collins, the huts are approached by hikes as short as half a mile. Never Summer operates almost a dozen huts and yurts, each of which can hold 5–9 people and is equipped with a propane cook stove. We're partial to the Clark Peak Yurt, which is nestled in the trees below the cirque of Jewel Lake. All of the yurts boast snowshoeing access to nearby State Forest State Park. If you go: Weekday rates for most Never Summer huts and yurts costs \$90, while weekends run \$110. Be sure to book online in advance. Photo by Tennessee Pass Sleep Yurts

These yurts have room service. We repeat—you can get chef-prepared buffalo meatloaf delivered right to your handcrafted log bed. And this is right after your baggage and beverages are transported to the yurt before your arrival. Located just 9 miles west of Leadville, these 4 yurts are accessed by a 1-mile hike with about 300 feet of elevation gain. Each is fitted with full linens (including down comforters), fresh drinking water, a kitchenette, and complimentary coffee and hot cocoa. Gourmet dinner is served at the nearby Cookhouse yurt. If you go: Yurts cost \$225/night and sleep up to 6 guests. Advance online reservations are required. Since the yurts are part of a property that houses a nordic facility, we recommend nordic skiing on the 27 km of trails or snowshoeing on the 8 miles of snowshoeing trails on the property. There are equipment deals for yurt guests. Words by Anna Baldwin.

That is it for this time. We'll see you down the road!
Bud & Ann Farnum, Colorado Legislative Directors

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Welcome 2 New Chapters

It is Thrilling to welcome two new Chapters. New Chapters show we are growing the number of Chapters in Colorado FCRV.

Below is a brief article from each Chapter.

Welcome Aspen Adventurers and Woodland Wookies

ASPEN ADVENTURERS

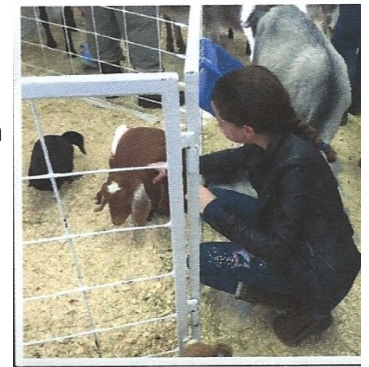
Who is Ready for Adventure? The newly formed chapter "Aspen Adventurers" are. Although the name may imply that we are from Aspen, CO - we are not.

Previous members of another FCRV chapter, we decided to form a new chapter in December of 2015 that accommodated the needs of younger families and their children in a healthy environment. It is our goal to attract younger families to Family Campers and RVer's.



We are a mixed aged group of "happy campers" that consists of five families and are ready to begin new adventures and explore the outdoors. We enjoy hiking, biking, activities with the kids - big and small, bean bag baseball, potlucks, and sitting around the campfire. We are thrilled to welcome our newest prospective members Rob, Kathy, and their son Nate to our chapter.

We have some exciting adventures planned for this year and look forward to making new memories with old and new friends and most of all enjoying outings that are educational, fun-filled, and relaxing.



WOODLAND WOOKIES

Woodland Wookies are a down to earth camping group that love to dry camp mostly...boondocking! We have many wonderful locations that are pretty Awesome. A couple will host as Wagonmasters and choose where our campsite is for the 2nd Weekend of the month!! We do occasionally camp at State Parks as well. Wookies just love, love, love, nature and true camping we mainly focus on that. We also camp with our four-legged dogs, and they seem very content to be free and off leash as much as possible. We are an Adult group only but do allow once in awhile sweet grandchildren, plus guests to camp right there with us.. the more the Merrier!

Woodland Wookies enjoy the simple things with camping such as Star Gazing, Photography, Kayaking, Biking and even fishing...It's the catching that can be the challenge..but we never tire of it. We especially like to go exploring and ATVing...Wookies are laid-back and do whatever we feel like at any campout...we even choose to do nothing at all by just sitting back enjoying the campfires and the serenity of just "being away from it all".. Everyone knows what that feels like.. just plain serenity!

As a group we have our Saturday meetings with pot luck meals.. We even cook with Dutch Ovens.. Happiest Woodland Wookies seems to be when we are surrounded by breathtaking views! It Doesn't Get Any Better Than That!

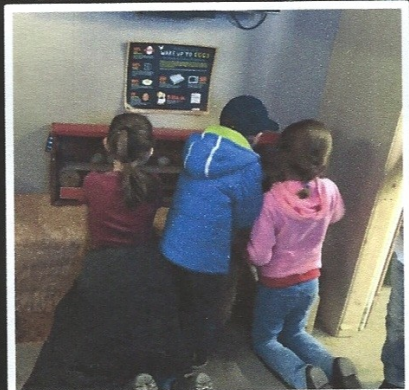
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Aspen Adventurers

The Aspen Adventurers began the year with a trip to the Stock Show in January. We began our adventures by taking a private tour of the grounds and learned some of the history of the National Western Complex and the Stock Show. Eli, Rachel, Sarah, Dawnella, and Ian learned how to take fibers and spin then into yarn, how to milk a cow, and had fun dressing up and singing karaoke. It was amazing to see how much time and work was spent on the animals to make sure they looked their best for judging. There was so much going on that we couldn't see everything, but we did spend some time watching a wood carving demonstration and an educational program about the birds of prey which was very interesting. A trip to the Stock show would not be complete without a trip to the petting zoo where everyone mingled with the goats, llamas, chickens, and sheep.

February we enjoyed lunch at Panera Bread and then off to NCAR, National Center for Atmospheric Research in Boulder. If you haven't been there, it is well worth a trip. This was a fascinating and free tour. We played with clouds, made tornadoes that we could reach out and touch, learned about how climate has changed and why, saw weather satellites and tree rings and walked around for hours. We watched videos, about the Big Thompson flood, the 2013 Colorado Front Range flood that devastated Boulder County, and how solar flares impact earth. Only thing missing was the popcorn. Of major interest was the Super Computer Center and how computers have evolved through the years. We also saw the world's first supercomputer by Cray which was quite interesting. There were so many opportunities for reading, watching, touching, and listening without it becoming dry and boring. Not only was NCAR educational but has really interesting architecture.

We are now counting the days to our next adventures.



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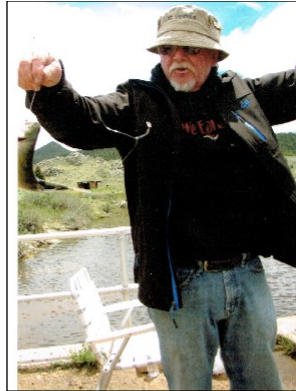
Gerry Clemens - Chad Houser & Lonnie Glover



Woodland Wookies



Possible Wolf Tracks?



Gill Bandy - Good catch



MaryAnn Glover - Tammy & Chad Houser

A Man Sees In The World What He Carries In His Heart



Our camping club truly loves to be out in nature and explore. That's what camping is all about to the Woodland Wookies.... We are looking forward to many camping trips in 2016! Boon docking - Hillbilly camping is another way of saying a lot of dry camping Or is it dry gamping?



There's Nothing Like Camping Baby!
To add to that
There's Nothing Like Camping with Friends!

Thank You FCRV

"Happy Trails To You Until Wee Meet Again"



Submitted by MaryAnn Glover



Linda Brandy & Tammy Houser



Chapter News

Trailblazers

The Trailblazers were saddened by the recent loss of long- term member, Ted Klimek. Ted was an active camper and enthusiastic traveler, who thoroughly enjoyed life with his wife, Marion, at his side. He shall be greatly missed.

We had a terrific turnout at our January luncheon and meeting. It was great to see everyone and hear about their holiday adventures and travels.

In January, the Trailblazers held their annual Photo Contest. A **BIG** "Thank You" to Ray Walkowski for again organizing the event! Photos eligible for the contest had to have been taken at our monthly campouts.

At the end of the luncheon, the Trailblazers voted to select the winners for each category. This year's honors went to: Sue Frindt (Most Interesting), Monte Hudson (Wildlife), Ray Doble (Most Scenic) and Monte Hudson (People). Each winner received several prizes, including a selfie stick and a visor Kleenex holder.

Merle Newton, AKA Mr. Pyro -- our own campfire builder and tender, was presented with a picture (a little photo-shopping involved!) of himself doing what he does so well: lighting the fire in his own special way!

Several Trailblazers will be making the journey to Houma, Louisiana, in March for the National Retiree Rally.

Those of us unable to attend, will be looking forward to hearing about the Rally at our April campout.

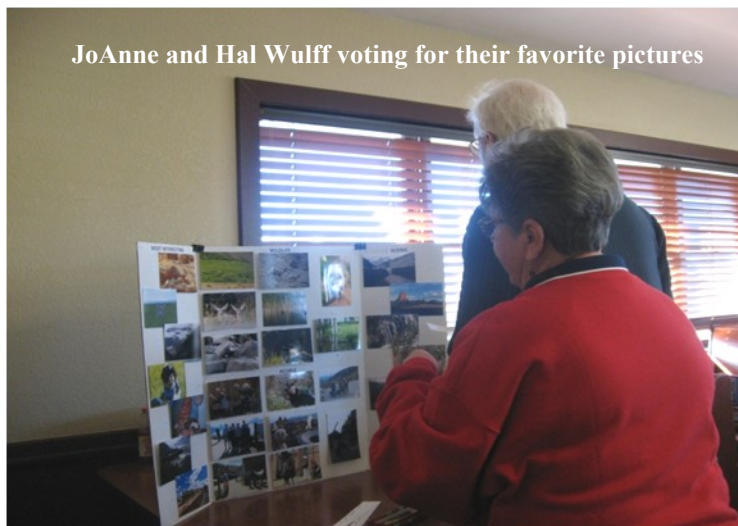
Many of the Trailblazers are hitting the road this winter and heading to warmer climates. We expect a lot of stories at our first campout in April about the adventures our intrepid travelers! Submitted by Cathy Vegvary



Photo winners:
Sue Frindt and Ray Doble
Not pictured: Monte Hudson



President Vicki Patterson
presenting the picture to Merle Newton



JoAnne and Hal Wulff voting for their favorite pictures

Chapter News

Rocky Explorers



The Rocky Explorers have been busy despite it being the winter months. We love to meet in the off-camping season for fun outings. Our host for the January outing for the Rocky Explorers was Mary Levandoski. Mary organized a fun day at the National Western Stock Show and Rodeo and ended with tickets to the Free Style Reining Competition. Mary is a long-time volunteer at the Stock Show and arranged for fabulous (almost front row) seats for this competition. Never having been to an event like this for most of us, we were very excited and loved the show! We all had our favorites, but the competitors all looked like winners! This was the first meeting held by our new president, Dave Kotary. A challenge to hold a meeting in an arena, but he pulled it off and we got all of our business accomplished.

The Rocky Explorers met in February for an afternoon of bowling fun hosted by the Kotary's! We met at Fat Cats in Westminster for a couple hours of bowling and a pizza buffet. We had three lanes of bowlers and ranged from children to some past "league" bowlers. It was all in good fun and the time flew by. We played some games for prizes, like the one below showing our bowlers trying to bowl with their opposite hand!



The Rocky Explorers have two upcoming events that will also be a fun and rewarding. In March, the Rocky Explorers plan to provide a meal to parents at the Denver Ronald McDonald House. The Ronald McDonald House provides housing to siblings and parents of patients at the Denver Children's Hospital. The Rocky Explorers always love to work with this organization and we will provide a St. Patrick's Day themed meal and decorations. In April, we hope to take in a Rockies game shortly after opening day. Time to put away the orange and blue and put on Rockies purple! We hope they will have a great upcoming season.

The Rocky Explorers had a large turnout for the FCRV planning meeting held on February 13, we came away with lots of good ideas for the club and energized to start the 2016 camping season! We were inspired by the State Conservation Director and hope to plan a conservation event this spring. Submitted by Cindy Kotary

Chapter News

Ute Bobcats

The Ute Bobcats have been having some fun times trying to decide if they or the restaurants in the area are the better cooks. The jury is still out, but in January we did a great job with soups & salads. February saw us at IHOP trying for a good breakfast at 6 o'clock in the evening not sure if they did it for us, but in March we will try MacKenzie's Place for lunch. After March we will start our camping, can hardly wait. We always have good potlucks but sometimes we still try a restaurant in the area, so it should be any interesting summer.

Submitted by *Elaine Glover*, Ute Bobcats chapter



Many chapters in Colorado have supported KPC Kids Place. This is a reminder from *Elaine Glover*.

KPC KIDS PLACE INFORMATION

Looking for a good needy charity, where you can volunteer to work and/or donate goods or services? KPC Kids Place Respite Center was created by the parents of Kevin Patrick Cullum who died as a result of 'shaken baby syndrome' caused by a care giver. Kevin's parents wanted a place that care givers could bring a child and safely leave them until the care giver could calmly deal with the child and not hurt them. Parents or Guardians may leave their child for up to 72 hours for free, while they get their life under control again. The Respite Center has access to many helpful & educational resources for the adults to use while the children are in a safe environment. This is a respite center for children, infants to 12 years old & is located at 2500 Holiday Lane, Colorado Springs, CO 80909.

Being a non-profit in our economy is not easy and KPC Respite Center does have a new business partner, Lutheran Family Services (LFS). The Respite Center will still need private donations to help their operation to continue. An example of the care given, prior to July 2015 they had about 8 new families per month and gave 550 hours of respite care. In July they had 76 children from 38 families, 14 of which were new, and they gave 864 hours of care. August brought 69 children from 38 families with 12 of them being new to the system & they needed 960 hours of respite care. With the holidays coming up this need increased and they needed much additional help.

Donations are greatly appreciated. They do have to be sent through Lutheran Family Services (LFS), **but if it is designated for KPC** once it is recorded for bookkeeping purposes it goes directly to KPC Kids Place Respite Center for use. The LFS has a line item for each of the entities that they support and must do the diligent bookkeeping for each, but they then make sure it is used by the place for which it has been donated. The amounts donated do not diminish the amount that LFS provides.

A short list of needs would include paper products (paper towels, napkins, & diapers), nonalcoholic baby wipes, snack foods & gift cards or cash. Volunteers are greatly appreciated and if you have time they probably have a job you can help them accomplish. Their address is 2503 Holiday Lane, Colorado Springs, CO 80909 and the telephone number is (719) 634-5439.

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Rolling Waves

Rolling Waves – How We Roll



2016 heralds a new year and new opportunities for the Rolling Waves Chapter to ROLL. Yet, how do we *roll*? Well, it's not a roll call, it's not a sushi roll (although many of us would enjoy those at a meal), it could be a dinner roll, or a cinnamon roll. More likely for our group, it means:



- 1 : to move across the ground or another surface by turning over and over
- 2 : to turn over one or more times
- 3 : to move smoothly on wheels – one thing that rarely happens for the Rolling Waves!



As we gather to camp, we *roll* in with our RVs of all sizes shapes, and types. Excitement mounts each time we spot a recognized vehicle *rolling* in safely. While clearly marked sites with concrete pads make for smooth leveling and setting up, we more frequently gather in less luxurious surroundings. Dirt roads beckon, dirt sites welcome us, trails await and hook ups are a rarity.

Set up often includes unloading ATVs and dirt bikes. Ownership of these toys is optional since none of us mind sharing. Rides start with a leader in position, riders lined up, full tanks and motors revved. Dust flies as we *roll* out on trails, winding, weaving, bouncing, riding to places few explore. Breathtaking vistas and unexpected surprises are part of each escapade.



Tired, dirty, and happy we *roll* back into camp. Recounting the day's experience amid laughter and good food provides a perfect ending to the day.



Lyrics from a Brad Paisley song sum it up nicely:

There's a place I know about where the dirt road runs out
And we can try out the four-wheel drive
Come on now what do you say
... I can hardly wait to get a little mud on the tires Submitted by [April Cederburg](#)

Columbines

Columbine news

Our February meeting was hosted by Sandy Onnen at her beautiful home. What a wonderful day to have a meeting. Yummy tacos and pot luck with fantastic desserts. We had a quick meeting to finalize most of the camping trips and talked about the awesome changes coming from the State Directors Ron & Shalah Costello.

After lunch, we reminisced about past members, sang "Frosty the snowman" and played hand and foot. Next month we meet at Nicoles for pizza and finishing up old business. Until then keep Facebooking!
Respectfully submitted

Pam Rusk – Columbine Social Director

Chapter News

Timberliners

Our December 12, 2015 luncheon was held at Spring Valley Golf Club, north of Elizabeth. Spring Valley provided an excellent buffet style luncheon with service to match. The room was fully decorated for the Holiday Season with Christmas tree and blazing fire place, which really put us in a Christmas mood. Our chapter hosts, Jim and Patti Altmix, decorated each table with lovely floral center pieces which were raffled off after dinner. We had a good turnout, approximately 30 attendees. Jerry and JoAnne Lien celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary by providing cake for dessert. Their actual anniversary date was Dec. 30th and a good thing it was celebrated early; JoAnne spent the 30th in the hospital with breathing problems. She is now on oxygen 24/7 and is feeling much better.

February's meeting and luncheon, hosted by Larry and Linda Woods, was held at Fox n Hound Bar and Grill, Colorado Springs. We had a semi-private room. Food and service was very good. Valentine treats were provided by our hosts. We had a very nice turnout. Jerry and JoAnne Lien were unable to attend the January meeting and were sworn in as Vice-President for our chapter. Main body of officers were sworn in at the January meeting. They were Mark and Marcia Sadler, President; Wendy and Tom Koch, secretary; JoAnn and Don Ramig, Treasurer.

Submitted by Jerry and JoAnne Lien



Chapter News

Camp Stars

Camp Stars Activities

The Camp Stars have continued to stay busy this winter, even though more and more of our members are staying busy in warmer climates. Overcome by envy! In December we had a wonderful Christmas party at the home of John & Judy Feyen. As always, there was an excellent turnout, and everyone enjoyed the spirit of the season. It's wonderful to spend such quality time with our "second families".

Our January outing was a tour of the Kress Theater in Greeley. This tour was arranged by Jim & Julie Nunn. The Kress is a National Historic Building in Downtown Greeley that has recently been converted into a theater and café.



We ate lunch in the café in a meeting and banquet room on the property. After we placed our meal orders, the owners gave us a tour of the theater. This was incredibly interesting because they used a video presentation in the theater to show how the restoration took place. Over the years there had been significant damage to molding and decorative pieces, and a sculptor helped with the casting of all the replacement pieces. In order to be able to get first run movies, they needed a digital projector which is an expensive proposition. They did a "Go Fund Me" project on the internet and the community stepped up to provide the money. It was a very interesting presentation. After the tour and eating our lunches, we went to Jim & Julie's house for dessert and a business meeting. (Plus an NFL Playoff game on the TV.) Thanks Jim and Julie.


In February we took a special trip to the Wiley Roots Brewing Company. Larry & Shelly Lantz joined the Camp Stars in 2015, and their nephew has started this microbrewery near downtown Greeley. They won a couple of medals at last year's Great American Beer Festival. Larry & Shelly arranged for us to take a tour of the brewing operation with explanations of each step in the brewing process. Then we had the opportunity for a tasting session (which

includes their own home-brewed root beer). The evening was capped off by a pizza party and business meeting in space provided by the brewery. Larry and Shelley graciously plied us with several fantastic varieties of pizza. A good time was had by all.

We are looking forward to our March outing which will be hosted by Bill & Eliese Person. This will be a "Banjo Billy Bus Tour" of Boulder. We have enough members committed that we will have the bus to ourselves. After the tour, we will eat lunch at BJ's restaurant in Boulder. Sounds like a lot of fun.

Submitted by Larry Scott





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Silver Foxes

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March 2016

Silver Foxes – Colorado Springs

Marvin Kramer, our retiring Field Director, held the annual swearing in Ceremony for all of the 2016 Officers and Directors. President: Herb and Pat Guild, Vice President: Don and Caroline Jamison, Secretary: Lynn and Marion Waterhouse, Treasurer: Oznur Quinones; Directors: Charles and Shirley Karlstrum, Ted Lunacek, Louis and Ruth Schwarzman and Peggy and Scotty Scott.



The Silver Foxes are sad to announce the resignation of our very dedicated Field Directors - Marvin and Edith Kramer. They never had an age or date in mind when they wanted to give up camping. But after 19 continuous years service, they found themselves with no choice. They felt it was time to step aside and do what . The only good thing is they will be at the meetings to guide us.



We held our December Luncheon at Zio's Italian Restaurant. We had fairly decent weather for our Christmas Luncheon. We had a fantastic turnout – 44 out of 48 members managed to find their way to the restaurant. There were no mistletoe around at the restaurant, but who needed them when you are a Silver Fox. Hugs and kisses were abundantly given while we participated in the traditional exchange



of Christmas cards. Edith Kramer exhibited her creativity with a surprise Silver Fox ornament for her Christmas card!!! We enjoyed our meals as we caught up on the past month and wished each other Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Submitted by Eileen Carter/Marion Waterhouse

A bit of sad note is the passing of a long time Silver Fox.

Sidney Hugh Walker (1936 - 2016)

Sid, 80, was born in Russelville, AL to Harry and Annie Walker. He died at Penrose Main peacefully in the arms of his family after courageously fighting several cancers for years. He was a long time resident of Colorado Springs after moving for the Army military service of almost 22 years to many places including Vietnam. He was a welder, mechanic, teacher and loved fishing, bowling, golfing, traveling and most of all his family. Survivors include his wife of 47 years Waltraud "Willi", son Rodney (Cindy), daughters Sandra Dodds (Galen), Diana Walker Corsentino, granddaughters Katie Holsapple (Adam), Meagan Walker, Allison Corsentino, grandsons Joey Chaussi, Ken Jr. (Martine), great grands Riley, Sydney, Chevy, Aunt Mary Tullis, Brother Joe (Mary), Sister in Law Maggie, and lots of cousins, nieces, and nephews.



Come To Me
 God saw you were getting tired,
 And a cure was not to be.
 So He put His arms around you,
 And whispered, "Come to me."
 With tearful eyes we watched you,
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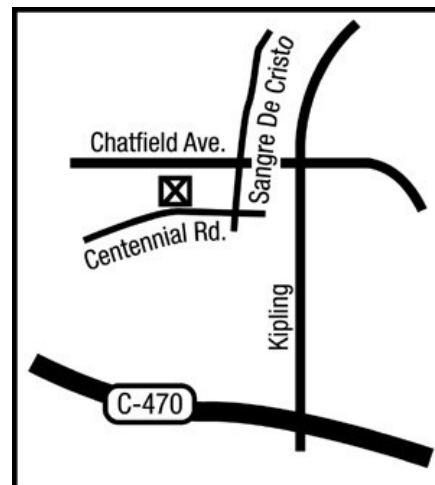
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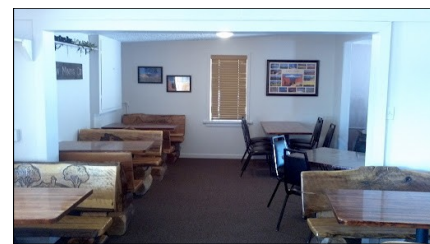
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June 6 – 10
KOA Lakeside, 1910 N. Taft Hill Road, Ft. Collins, CO 80524

Name _____ Spouse/Guest _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

E-Mail _____

Chapter _____ Phone _____

Handicap space required? _____

Type and length of rig _____ Number of slides _____

Towing an extra vehicle? _____

| | |
|--|---------|
| Rally registration, per RV | \$10.00 |
| A one night camping deposit of \$40.00 +tax is required. | \$41.42 |
| Dinner reservations @ <u>\$15.00 per person</u> | _____ |

Make check payable to: Colorado FCRV Retirees TOTAL _____

Registration deadline is May 15, 2016

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*Group will be charged one night charge for every cancellation and/or no show
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- Volleyball & Jumping pillow
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2016 - Colorado FCRV's 29th Spring Fling

May 12-15, 2016

Morgan County Fairgrounds - Brush, CO

Camping fees are for 3 nights and includes a \$15.00 Registration fee

Camping Fees: Families \$50 or Singles \$40

At the gate-Families \$55 or Singles \$45

All camping is Dry camping unless you require electricity for medical reasons. (Only camping fees are refundable in case of medical/family emergency)

Two families attending Spring Fling and camping in one unit and/or campsite . The 1st family must submit a registration & pay the camping fee which includes the \$15.00 registration. The 2nd family must submit an added registration and pay only the registration fee of \$15.00.

If you are coming out for the day only, you must pay a daily fee of \$5.00. The daily fee is for the whole family. When you arrive, please register at the information table in the main building and pay your daily fee. This fee is on the honor system, we are not going to chase you down to collect the \$5.00. These proceeds are one of the most important sources of revenue that pay our expenses.

Deadline to pre-register is May 6, 2016

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ Spouse: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: () _____ Chapter: _____

Type of Camper _____ Size of Camper _____ ft # Slide outs _____ Handicap [] Electric only []

Anyone plugging into the electrical outlets at the fairgrounds must have an electric cord with a size 12 or preferably size 10 wire.

Reason for requiring handicap and/or electricity _____

of adults _____ # of youth _____ # of pre-teens _____ # of teens _____

| | Youth | | Pre-teens | Teens | |
|--------|-------|-----|-----------|-------|-------|
| | 0-5 | 6-8 | 9-12 | 13-15 | 16-19 |
| Female | | | | | |
| Male | | | | | |

| Saturday's Meal | Adult | Child (3-10) |
|-------------------|----------|--------------|
| Roast Beef Dinner | \$ 12.50 | \$ 8.00 |
| | X | X |
| Totals for Meals | | |

Camping Fees: _____

Meal Fees: _____

Grand Total enclosed: _____

Make checks payable to Colorado Chapters of FCRV

Mail to: Vodean Benham 5452 S. Camargo Road, Littleton, CO 80123

In order to camp with your chapter you must pre-register and it must be received by May 6, 2016, otherwise you will be put into the overflow section. This is dry camping (no electric or water).

There are limited electric hookups in the handicap area for those with a medical need for electricity.

All other handicap spaces will provide only a closer location to the activities.

Parking will begin promptly on Thursday at 10 a.m.

If this is your First Spring Fling, check here []

FRIDAY'S DINNER—COMPLIMENTS OF OUR CORPORATE SPONSORS

The Friday night meal will consist of pulled pork on a bun plus baked beans, pasta salad & drinks.

Please mark this box if you plan to be there to eat on Friday night by 5:00 PM []

The Saturday night roast beef dinner will be served at the campground and should be paid for in advance. The meal consists of roast beef, mashed potatoes & gravy, green beans, salad, ice cream, and coffee, lemonade or iced tea.

**Specific Directions to the Morgan County Fairgrounds
(Map on Colorado Website @ Coloradofcrv.com)**

Going north east on I 76 out of Denver, go to exit 90A and turn right on Colorado. Go south on Colorado to the dead end (two graneries at the end of the street) and turn right, go one block to next stop sign, which is Clayton St. go left over the railroad tracks and go to Ellsworth, turn right and go a couple of blocks and turn left into the Fairgrounds

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So load up the camper
and head North. →

