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NATIONAL AWARD RECIPIENTS MARVIN & EDITH KRAMER



Marvin and Edith Kramer received a Citation for Outstanding Service in FCRV at the National Campvention in Lima, OH. The award was presented to Edith Kramer at the 2017 Colorado Statewide held at the Elbert County Fairgrounds in Kiowa, Colorado on September 2nd.

Marvin and Edith Kramer joined FCRV in 1995 and were the Field Directors for the Silver Foxes for over 20 years. During this time they participated at the FCRV booth at the RV shows helping to recruit new members for many years.

At a Regional Campout, Edith devised and headed an extremely successful fundraiser sewing on patches. As Field Directors of the Silver Foxes they organized and held the first Southern Colorado Retiree Campout, which they continued to host for several years. The Southern Colorado Retiree Campout is still held annually during the month of September. Edith has also been active in presenting craft projects at many FCRV events.

Marvin and Edith have been involved in numerous community projects. They participated in the Grey Wolves conservation project landscaping the area surrounding new on and off ramps on I-25 in Colorado Springs. Marvin taught the AARP 55 Alive Senior Driver Safety Course for many years, and was always available to offer it as an activity at campouts of all sizes. Marvin was also a committee member of the Colorado Springs Classic Hot Air Balloon Festival for 20 years, serving as Launch and Safety Director. Edith worked as a docent at the Pioneer Museum for over 20 years. Edith was also a Cheyenne Mountain Zoo docent for 12-14 years.

Marvin and Edith have helped increase visibility and awareness of FCRV activities as well as fostering esprit de corps by creating patches, making denim vests for the Grey Wolves, and embroidering hoodies, t-shirts, and aprons with chapter names and logos.



STATE DIRECTORS CORNER

JEFF & SHIRLEY KENDLE



Greeting Colorado Members! We have just left the Fall State Campout behind us. We had approximately 90 rigs in attendance and a few walk-ins throughout the weekend. There were a few first timers even though some have been members for a while. We received some good feedback and ideas from them which we will look at implementing.

The 2017 Colorado Teen King, Caleb Demarest, was crowned at Statewide. Caleb's bio is located on page 9 of this issue. Caleb will be doing some fundraising over the next few months to help with expenses to attend the 2018 Campvention in Virginia. Please support Caleb in his fundraising. Rumor has it that we may have some girls and boys interested in next year's pageant.

The band, Zac Charles and the Red, was really good and probably made as much in tips as what they were paid! The jar was pretty full of \$\$\$. It was great to see so many appreciate their talent.

As usual, our members donated many food items, school supplies, and clothing. A special thanks to Don Clough and Anita Maile for obtaining donated gift cards in the amount of \$400 from their local Walmart for food and school supplies. These gift cards were presented to Sheila Kelley - Sheila was speechless. These will be put to good use to help the students that attend Kiowa Elementary School and to the individuals that use the Local Food Bank.

Another special thanks to all who volunteered their time in putting on this annual event and to all for attending. Our State Events would not be possible without your support. Please tell your chapter and other chapters to plan on attending the State Events. We have been trying to add different things to Spring Fling and Fall Statewide hoping to increase members interest. We welcome all ideas and will look at and consider all of them. Remember by attending and supporting Spring Fling and Statewide allows Colorado FCRV to do more.

On the 26th of August, Ron and Carla Martinez and yours truly, attended the Great Erie Outdoor Adventure. We set up the FCRV Booth and handed out many brochures and promoted FCRV as much as we could. We furnished s'mores to those who came by in the evening and yes, we gave up the comfort of our RV and tent camped with all the Erie attendees! We hope to enlist some of them into FCRV in the near future.

We have sent a request to the Affinity Group for a space at the January RV Show in Denver. We will keep you updated on this endeavor.

That's all for now. HAPPY CAMPING!

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MEET THE EDITOR

KIMBERLY KENDLE



My name is Kimberly Kendle, daughter of Jeff and Shirley Kendle. I am 34 years old and originally from Parker, Colorado. I graduated from Chaparral High School in 2001, graduated from Arapahoe Community College with my Associates Degree as a Paralegal in 2003, and graduated from Metropolitan State University with my Bachelors of Science in Criminal Justice and Criminology in 2007. Eventually I want to go to Law School and become the lawyer I have always dreamed about becoming. I am happily married to Brian Hosford. We met when we were both in High School 18

years ago. We have been married for 12 years and we have two amazing kiddos together, Breanna and Dylan.

Brian is in the United States Army and we are currently stationed at Fort Huachuca in Arizona. Breanna is 17 years old and is currently a senior in high school finishing up her three required classes so she can graduate in May 2018. Breanna is also currently enrolled in Cochise College here in Sierra Vista where she is taking a full load of classes so



she can graduate with her Associates in English in May/July 2018. Breanna enjoys reading, watching tv, and sleeping! Dylan is 11 years old and in 6th grade. Dylan loves playing soccer, building Legos, and playing video

games with his friends. Brian and I also have two Shih Tzu puppies, Sophie and April who love to sleep and play. Back in 2013, Brian and I purchased a 2014 Keystone Bullet Travel Trailer. We never planned on owning a camper,

however when we moved from Fort Hood, TX to Arizona we didn't have a house. We ended up living in the camper for 7 months while we waited for our house. Our camper only gets used a couple times a year due to Brian's work/TDY schedule and with the kiddos activities. It will get used for the 1st time this year in December when we load it up and head back to Disneyland – our favorite place to go! When I am not running errands, driving the kiddos back and forth, attending soccer practices and games, helping with homework, cleaning the house, making dinner, fulfilling PTO Vice President duties, and completing my mile long to do list...I enjoy hanging out with my family and friends, shopping, watching tv/movies, putting together puzzles, and making cards/crafting. Since I became unemployed in May 2017, my parents didn't think I had enough to do so they recruited me to be the Editor of the Embers.

2017–2018 DATES TO REMEMBER

DATE	TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
Sep 25th – 29th	N/A	Southern Colorado Retiree Rally	Pueblo South Colorado City KOA I-25 @ Exit 74 – South of Pueblo
Sep 29th – Oct 1st	9:00 am	Field Staff Workshop & Campout	Pueblo South Colorado City KOA I-25 @ Exit 74 – South of Pueblo
Jan—TBD	N/A	Colorado Retiree Luncheon	Cinzzetti's 281 W. 104th, Northglenn, CO (104th & I-25)
Feb 10th	9:00 am	General Membership & Planning Meeting	Arvada Presbyterian Church 5592 Independence St, Arvada, CO
Mar 20th - 25th	N/A	FCRV International Retiree Rally	North Florida Fairgrounds, Tallahassee, FL
Apr 27th – 29th	9:00 am	Field Staff Workshop & Campout	Lakeside KOA, Fort Collins, CO
May 17th - 20th	N/A	Spring Fling	Morgan County Fairgrounds, Brush, CO
Jun 4th - 8th	N/A	Colorado Retiree Rally	Lakeside KOA, Fort Collins, CO
Jul 9th - 18th	N/A	2018 International Campvention	Meadow Event Park, Doswell, VA
Aug - TBD	N/A	Statewide	TBD
Sep - TBD	N/A	Southern Colorado Retiree Rally	TBD
Sep - TBD	N/A	Field Staff Workshop & Campout	TBD
Nov 9th—11th	N/A	FCRV International Veterans Campout	ABC Campground, Branson, MO

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2017 EMBERS CUT OFF DATES

Nov - Dec

Nov 1st

Jan - Feb

Dec 31st

Mar - Apr

Feb 28th

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AWARDS

2017 NATIONAL AWARDS

Outstanding Service in FCRV

Marvin & Edith Kramer Silver Foxes

Conservation Poster Contest

Anita Maile - Honorable Mention Silver Riders

Camping Is Poster Contest

Taryn Christensen - Honorable Mention-Age 7 - 8 Oops & Rocky Ramblers

Harlie Christensen - 3rd Place - Age 9 - 10 Oops & Rocky Ramblers

Morgan Dimock - 1st Place - Age 11 - 12 Unaffiliated

Coloring Page

Ryan Yanke - Honorable Mention - Age 3 -4 Oops

2017 CHAPTER ANNIVERSARY AWARDS

25 YEAR

Rambl'n Rec's - Chartered Jul 26, 1992

15 YEAR

Outlaws - Chartered Mar 15, 2002

Rolling Springs - Chartered Aug 10, 2002

10 YEAR

Waggin Ear's - Chartered Mar 31, 2007

2017 INDIVIDUAL MEMBER ANNIVERSARY AWARDS

50 YEAR ANNIVERSARY - 1967

Bud Farnum

Timberliners

45 YEAR ANNIVERSARY - 1972

Al & Carolyn Vigil

Columbines

30 YEAR ANNIVERSARY - 1987

JoAnn Eckman

Road Runners & Rocky Ramblers

25 YEAR ANNIVERSARY - 1992

Nancy Koepsel

Rambl'n Rec's

20 YEAR ANNIVERSARY - 1997

Ken & Cheryl Hahn

Technically Roughing It

Bill & Rita Newell

Ute Bobcats

15 YEAR ANNIVERSARY - 2002

Roger & Linda Anderson
Lee & Ruth Ann Baldwin
Don & Alice Boswell
Harvey & Linda Crow
James & Barbara Galvin
Jack & Janice Gordon
John & Mary Haynes
Bill & Elaine Hobden
Monika Holdridge

Rolling Springs
Sundowners
Rolling Waves
Rocky Ramblers
Good Timers WEI
Rambl'n Rec's
Mountain Goats
Rolling Springs
Silver Foxes

Donald & Caroline Jamison
Bob & Doris Jones
Dick & Elaine Klundt
Tom & Wendy Koch
Bob & Mary McCord
Phyllis Mulso
Sandy Onnen
Bill & Linda Snyder
Willi Walker

Silver Foxes
Rocky Mtn. Revelers
Rocky Ramblers
Timberliners
Rolling Springs
Pikes Peak Rainbows
Columbines
RV Rascals
Silver Foxes

AWARDS

2017 INDIVIDUAL MEMBER ANNIVERSARY AWARDS

10 YEAR ANNIVERSARY - 2007

Lucky & Patty Brotzman	Star Chasers	Harold & Carolyn Martine	Road Runners
Robert & April Cederburg	Rolling Waves	Ray & Lynn Mullins	Rambl'n Rec's
Wayne & Cinda Champlin	Rolling Waves	Melvin & Doris Nigh	Support Member
Joseph & Marge Coito	Rolling Springs	Jack & Evelyn Pasco	Backwoods Explorers
Jack Czerwinski & Freda Spurlock	Silver Foxes	Bill & Joan Pickens	Colorado Eagles
Clayton & Lilo Elleman	Weekend Warriors	Kent & Sally Schroeder	Rocky Mtn. Revelers
Ken & Karen Fleming	Rambl'n Rec's	Gary Smith	Backwoods Explorers
Richard & Darlene Fox	Outlaws	Michael & Tamy Stuck	Rocky Toppers
Mike & Barb Heier	Trailmix	Dan & Jane Turner	Good Timers WEI
Danny & Judy Hodges	Trailmix	John & Belinda VonFeldt	View Finders
Jim & Carol Knoll	Colorado Eagles	Jack & Joy Wade	Trailmix
Dick & Paula Lieberman	Star Chasers	Larry & Marcia Yarberry	Support Member

5 YEAR ANNIVERSARY - 2012

Steve & Erica Aldrich	Mountain Goats	Tony & Patti Maccagnan	Rocky Toppers
Thomas & Roxene Ballard	Colorado Cruisers	Bob & Peggy Marty	Rocky Ramblers
Robert & Cathy Baylis	Mountain Goats	Bill & Judith McBride	Campfire Coyotes
Rick & Kathy Boatwright	Colorado Cruisers	James & Pam McNutt	Weekend Warriors
Howard & Diana Boman	Colorado Eagles	Russell Mehls & Marge Pearl	Rambl'n Rec's
Tim & Teresa Clanton	Sundowners	Debra Melton	Campfire Coyotes
Raymond & Karen Clark	Rocky Ramblers	Gary & Mary Ann Merritt	RV Rascals
Gerry & Kathy Clemens	Woodland Wookies	Bill & Monique Montgomery	Rock N Chair Roadies
Larry & Rita DeTomas	Millennium Mavericks	Dick & Jerri Oursler	Trailmix
Ronald & Susan Frindt	Trailblazers	Valerie Park	Rocky Explorers
Richard & Beverly Giadone	Weekend Warriors	David & Andrea Peterson	Colorado Cruisers
Matthew & Kim Gogan	Weekend Warriors	Paul & Maggy Porter	Rocky Ramblers
Paul & Beverly Hassler	Trailblazers	Ron Purvine	Trailblazers
Chad & Tammy Houser	Woodland Wookies	Jack & Susan Redmond	Sundowners
Mike & Angel Ireson	Colorado Eagles	Robert & Brenda Rivard	Rambl'n Rec's
Dean & Karen Jones	Weekend Warriors	Gene & Clare Schmeling	Pikes Peak Rainbows
Marlene Kingsford	Timberliners	Corinne Shutt	Rambl'n Rec's
Chuck Lang	Backwoods Explorers	Gary & Kathern Stone	Rocky Mtn. Maniacs
Mike & Robin Leaf	Northern Lights	Paul & Ginny Turnquist	Golden Nuggets
Bob & Lindsay Leaman	Rocky Mtn. Maniacs	Robert & Cathy Vegvary	Trailblazers
Rick & Bobbie Lobberding	Northern Lights	Abe & Karleen Williams	Colorado Cruisers



STATEWIDE GAME AWARDS

Bean Bag Toss

1st Place Team

David Watkins Star Chasers
Kay McGrady Star Chasers

2nd Place Team

Dennis Lobberding Northern Lights
Colleen Lobberding Northern Lights

3rd Place Team

Kurt Akin Fun on Wheels
Jolene Brown Fun on Wheels

Casting (Accuracy)

1st Place

Ron Servant Colo Cruisers

2nd Place

Rick Boatwright Colo Cruisers

3rd Place

Kathy Boatwright Colo Cruisers

Casting (Longest)

1st Place

Rick Boatwright Colo Cruisers

2nd Place

Bill Hutchinson Rolling Renegades

3rd Place

Kathy Boatwright Colo Cruisers

Cribbage

1st Place

Melvin Nigh Unaffiliated

2nd Place

Bettie Miller Tech Roughing It

3rd Place

Marrianne Nyman Fun on Wheels

Horseshoes (Women's Singles)

1st Place

Carrie Tolzien Stat Gazers

2nd Place

Jackie Keelon

3rd Place

Thalien Demarest Tech Roughing It

Horseshoes (Women's Doubles)

1st Place

Linda Snyder RV Rascals
Marianne Merritt RV Rascals

2nd Place

Carrie Tolzien Star Gazers
Thalien Demarest Tech Roughing It

Horseshoes (Men's Singles)

1st Place

Ray McGrady Star Chasers

2nd Place

Carlyle Glover Ute Bobcats

3rd Place

Paul Apland Pikes Peak Rainbows

Horseshoes (Men's Doubles)

1st Place Team

Ray McGrady Star Chasers
Dave Watkins Star Chasers

2nd Place Team

Carlyle Glover Ute Bobcats
Paul Apland Pikes Peak Rainbows

3rd Place Team

Mike Hawkins Tech Roughing It
Tony Demarest Tech Roughing It

PET PARADE WINNERS

BEST TAIL WAGGER

1st Place	Tucker	Joy Christensen	Rocky Ramblers/Oops
2nd Place	Stormy	Larry Woods	Timberliners
3rd Place	Lillie	Juliet Abbott	Sundowners

MOST OBEDIENT

1st Place	Keyla	Larry Yarberry	Vendor
2nd Place	Teddy	Teresa Walorski	Oops
3rd Place	Lucee	Linda Woods	Timberliners

BEST COSTUME

1st Place	Oscar	Arnie Carlson	Colorado Cruisers
2nd Place	Hatchi	Rachel & Sarah Ward	Aspen Adventurers
3rd Place	DeeDee	Teresa & Tim Clanton	Sundowners

PHOTO CONTEST

FUNNIEST

1st Place		2nd Place		3rd Place	
June Abbott	Sundowners	Larry Scott	Camp Stars	Linda Snyder	RV Rascals

MOST UNUSUAL

Monica Culver	Oops	Ann Bloomfield	Colorado Eagles	Linda Woods	Timberliners
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MOST ARTISTIC

Ann Bloomfield	Colorado Eagles	Bill Snyder	RV Rascals	Larry Scott	Camp Stars
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WILDLIFE

Larry Scott	Camp Stars	Ronald Servant	Colorado Cruisers	Ann Bloomfield	Colorado Eagles
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TOO CUTE FOR WORDS

Ann Bloomfield	Colorado Eagles	Bill Newell	Ute Bobcats	Chuck Camp	Oops
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2017 COLORADO TEEN KING

CALEB DEMAREST



Caleb Demarest is 14 years old and a 9th grader at Horizon High School in Thornton, Colorado.

Caleb is a competitive gymnast at Gymnastics Unlimited. He practices 16-18 hours a week. His favorite and best event is the pommel horse. When Caleb is not at school or gymnastics he likes to work on his RC cars, create with Legos, play Minecraft with friends, and read.



Caleb's favorite subjects in school are math and science. He is also on the tech team at his high school and part of his duties included fixing and updating all of the school's computers.

Caleb's future goals include attending college and majoring in Computer Science or Engineering. Caleb is unique because he has autism.

COLORADO FCRV C.A.M.P. ACTIVITIES



It's September already and we see the 2017 camping season rapidly approaching the finish line. Most of us will winterize our campers pretty soon, but there other Campers Actively Moving Program (C.A.M.P) options available to Colorado FCRV chapters – other than walking/hiking and bicycling. See your chapter C.A.M.P. activity chairperson to find out what you can do throughout the year - within the national program guidelines (as amended April 25, 2017).

Colorado C.A.M.P Status

At the 2017 Colorado FCRV Statewide Rally, Kiowa, CO – members of 11 chapters (23 participants) and one unaffiliated member walked/hike for a combined total of 69 miles. That's pretty darn good for the two days scheduled!

Overall, as of September 4, 2017 – Colorado reported a total of 1,009.5 miles to the International C.A.M.P. Director:

- 20 chapters - 818.5 miles hiking/walking
- 5 chapters - 191 miles bicycling

We have also reported - and been recognized for- bowling, dancing, swimming, and golfing at official FCRV (chapter, state, regional, and/or national/international) functions.

Come and join the fun – you'll like it and meet new friends!



Submitted by: Bill Newell, Colorado FCRV C.A.M.P. Director

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- Basketball
- Catch & release fishing
- Dog park
- Fishing dock
- Fitness trail
- Lakeview sites available
- Library/Fitness room
- Mini-golf
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- Playground & Sports field
- Volleyball & Jumping pillow
- Bolo & Regular Horseshoes
- Bumper & Paddle Boats
- Chuckwagon—Ends 9/15/2015
- Wading pool—Ends 9/7/2015
- Arcade—Ends 9/15/2015
- Recreation Center—Ends 9/15/2015
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CHAPTER NEWS



STAR CHASER HAPPENINGS

Hope everyone is having a great camping season so far. The Star Chasers started off the camping season by going to the Spring Fling in Brush Colorado in May. It was a great event put on by the State and we all had a lot of fun. Then in June we went to camp at Curt Gowdy State Park in Cheyenne Wyoming. At the "Wyoming Get Away" there was lots of good food and opportunity for the Star Chasers to get together and relax, play games and enjoy being together.

In July, we had "Christmas in July" at Circle the Wagons campground in LaVeta Colorado. What a treat our hosts had for us with deep fried Turkey! Yum. On Saturday night we played Christmas themed games. It was a beautiful weekend in LaVeta and many of us were able to get out and tour the town and even take a scenic drive in this beautiful mountain area.

The August, "Dog Days of Summer" campout was held at Lakeside KOA in Ft. Collins Colorado. We played miniature golf on Saturday with proceeds collected going to the KOA Kids Cancer Camp. Hosts provided hot dogs steamed in beer with all the trimmings. Games and social gatherings were held on Friday and on Saturday night we played Polish Poker.

Thank you to all of our hosts who have made camping with the Star Chasers such an enjoyable summer. The friendships we have all made and the fun we share just can't be replaced.

As always, happy camping and be safe until we meet again.

Submitted by: Donna Watkins, Field Director



GARBAGE DIP

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Submitted by: Martha Beatty / Rolling Springs

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CHAPTER NEWS

ASPEN ADVENTURERS



In August Aspen Adventurers ventured north west of Fort Collins to what used to be Western Ridge. For those that do not know, Western Ridge was sold and now is called Orville's. Let's just say the company and potlucks were good, but we will not go back and leave it at that.

September proved to be a much better outing at Cheyenne Mountain State Park. The weather cooperated, the food was plentiful and good. Saturday we started off with waffles for breakfast. Everything from fruit, whip cream, sausage, eggs, and hash browns was available. If anyone went away hungry, it was not from the lack of food. The boys racked up some miles riding their bikes, while others went on hikes and some just chilled catching up on what has been going on. It was a great weekend to just relax, enjoy the weather, and enjoy each other's company. Until next month.



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CHAPTER NEWS

THE TRAILBLAZERS



Adventures With the Sun and Moon

Trailblazers campers met at Steamboat KOA in August. Most campers were there on the 20th. We found an excellent pub/restaurant for that evening's fun. We had heard that O'Neill's was the place to be. O'Neill's has a restaurant in their basement. We headed downstairs and through much laughter, learned that one of our members accidentally phoned Glasgow, Scotland trying to find where O'Neill's was!!



The 21st saw us awaiting the eclipse! We had a clear sky and it was enchanting to watch the moon cover the sun. We didn't have full coverage, but it was exciting, none-the-less. We noticed that the shadows changed and it got much cooler as the sun was covered!

A group ventured out to Steamboat Lake State Park, which is about 26 miles from the KOA. Some of us were interested in what facilities were there. The area is beautifully green and wildflowers were bountiful. Camping is electric at some sites, water is available. Some sites are dry camping only. Trees are scarce.

Another highlight of the trip was experiencing the famous (noted in "Bon Appetite" and "Cooks Illustrated") cinnamon rolls at Winona's restaurant. If you are in Steamboat, this is a good place to eat! (Sorry, I have no photos of faces covered in frosting....)

With games and party favors from Judy Banta, a good time was had by all!

Submitted by: VickiPatterson



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How about the 3 Rs of Conservation? Recycling, Re-using and Repurposing? Here it is!

Recycling. We just take certain, cleaned-up items (plastic, metal, paper ...) to a recycling center or we have a company pick them up. This refuse is then processed.

Re-using. Remember when we would pass down the clothes that John or Jane had outgrown, and a new baby got them? Or we returned bottles to the store for next time?

Repurposing. We used our worn-out clothing for making bed-covers ... or canning jars for decorations ... remember?

So there are the 3 Rs of conservation. Let's keep them alive.

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WOODLAND WOOKIES



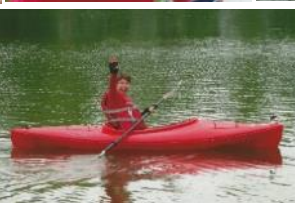
Out here it's all earth and sky. Reconnect with the basics of life. Where strangers become friends and friendships last forever.

The Woodland Wookies tend to like to seek adventures not just relax in the forest while camping but we are good at our hammocking! We have good eats along with campfires...“Yummm.” Wookies enjoy small wonders, hummingbirds, chipmunks, and butterflies...all pictured “heh heh.” Also, a hawk!



Our camping has countless memorable moments and we are in awe of moose, antelope, and deer because we love to keep an eye out for wildlife! July and August Campouts were successful with all members able to make it! The Wookies enjoyed the lake in Colorado City! Good simple fun getting together and kayaking on “Beckwith.” Greenhorn Campground was awesome. Summertime has zoomed by and we are looking forward to our Fall camping trips now. Happy Trails All!

Submitted by: MaryAnn Glover



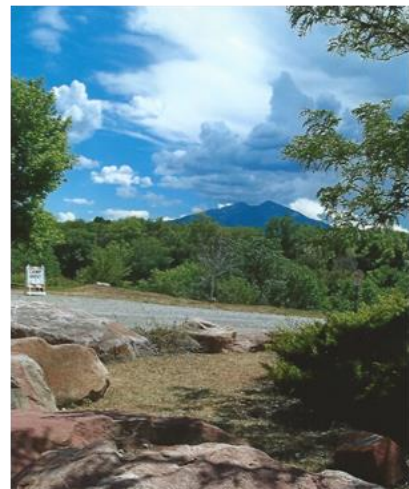
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CHAPTER NEWS

VIEW FINDERS

Gateway RV Park is owned by the city of Carbondale and was the site of the View Finders July campout. The North Fork River nearby provided fishing and a walking path into Carbondale.

A few folks rode the circulator bus to view the mountain town. Some drove their cars to enjoy swimming or the hot springs. There are other activities and places of interest too. Two vehicles went 28 miles up the road by Crystal River to the small town of Marble which has provided the highest quality of marble for Italian sculptures and headstones of those in the military cemeteries.



The mountain scenery was beautiful and the food and friendship enjoyed by members were good.

Submitted by: Cheryl Stanion

CONGRATULATIONS

Jim and Judy Moravac
From the View Finders



CHAPTER NEWS

THE CAMP STARS



The Camp Stars had two campouts in August because of the special nature of our second outing. Our normal weekend we went to Bellaire Lake National Forest Campground in the Red Feather Lakes District, and the very next weekend we went to Glendo State Park in Wyoming for the Solar Eclipse. That was anything but a normal weekend.



At Bellaire our turnout and our activities were hampered by weather, but we still managed to get in some hiking and some fellowship in between rain showers. Plus we were fortunate enough that the clouds moved out each evening, and we were treated to the Perseid Meteor shower both nights and a fly-by from the International Space Station. All very cool!!

Then it was on to Glendo for the Eclipse show. We spent four days checking out the State Park and the Lake, and also participating in Eclipse related events put on by the organizers. There were all kinds of seminars being conducted by scientists at several sites, as well as street dances and flea markets in the town. Great BBQ was available every time you turned around.



And then came the eclipse itself. That was pretty spectacular to watch, and some found time for relaxing and watching at the same time. And as soon as totality was past, a steady stream of cars started exiting the state park (only to get caught up with several hundred thousand more trying to get onto the highway and headed back to Colorado). We found out later that it took several hours just to go about thirty miles. We stayed an extra day and sailed home.

Submitted by: Larry Scott



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THE COLUMBINES



Right on schedule, the Columbines had 2 very delightful campouts. In July, we went to Riverview RV Resort which is a peaceful campground on the Big Thompson River. If you are able to get the spots that back up to the river, you can listen to the babbling, flowing water and take in some entertainment by floating down the river or, in our case, watching the younger folks endure the refreshing, cold water in an inner tube. As a group we walked the north side of 29th at Loveland's Sculpture in the Park. While there, the girls decided they should pose

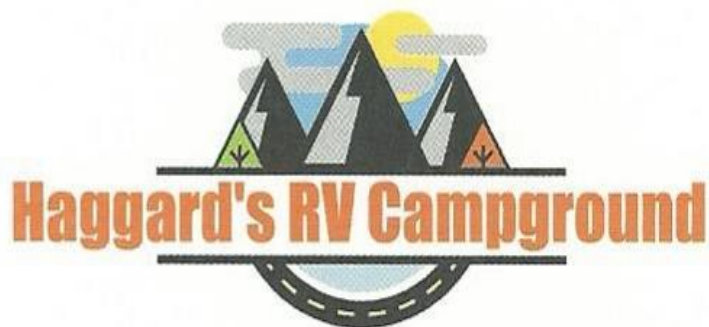
like one of the glamorous statues. Don't they look just as good? The guys decided they would pose as if they could handle this bull. Our men are such studs. Looks like Don made a new friend. Then onto lunch at the Pizza Ranch. We ended the weekend with a tasty potluck, entertainment from the RV Resort and fabulous social togetherness.



In August, the Columbines took off to Buena Vista and stayed at Arrowhead Point RV Resort for a pre lunar eclipse camp out. The surrounding area was lush green given the moisture we have had in August. After a meal at Quinceys Steak House (limited menu of low priced Prime Rib, Sirloin and Veggie Lasagna-Yummy) Friday night we enjoyed company with a campfire. Saturday we went into town and took a museum tour and learned some of the history about the area. Then of course, out for a group lunch at Jan's which was perfectly timed after the museum visit. That evening we used the group meeting room at Arrowhead Point for a potluck meal, discussion and some Mexican Train. Most headed out for home Sunday morning while a few stayed to go ATV riding and headed home Monday after the eclipse. This summer has really gone by fast but we still have some good camping ahead of us in September and October.



Submitted by: Carol Peterson



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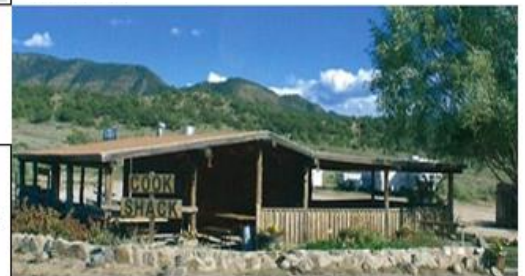


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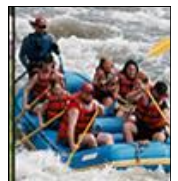
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COLORADO EAGLES



Our July meeting was hosted by the Adolf's and Budzynski's. Lunch was at the Egg & I and then over to the Cussler Museum in Arvada. If you are a reader of adventure novels then Clive Cussler will be familiar. In a lot of his novels he acquires cars and some of those cars are in this museum, approximately 70 cars at a time, and they are rotated each year with others he owns.

When everyone arrived, we gathered around the Museum sign for a picture and realized we were one couple

short. We waited for a while and then took the picture without them and went on in. It was amazing to walk in and see cars we grew up with. The first car you see is a 1956 "Woody" Station Wagon the Beach Boys sang about. Then in the other room were cars that were older and way out of the average budget. A 1906 Stanley Steamer Touring Car, 1921 Rolls Royce Silver Ghost and many more. Wow were they beautiful! There were some strange looking cars also. Several of them had backs that looked like boats and one even had a small door on the side that was storage for a set of golf clubs. Since we are a camping club there was also a 1937 Pierce Arrow Travelodge Trailer that is 16 ½ feet long and a bathroom with a toilet! You can't get better than that in 1937, can you? Oh, our lost couple, the Bloomfield's, finally found the Museum no thanks to their GPS that sent them on a wild goose chase.

If this sounds interesting to you, the address is 14959 W. 69th Ave., Arvada. The phone #303-420-2795 for hours and dates of operation and admission costs. Even if you are not a car buff it was interesting.

Submitted by: Angel Ireson



Star Chasers - Spot the Difference Answers

- 1) Woman talking on the cell phone and then not talking on the cell phone
- 2) Man moved cell phone on belt from left side to right side
- 3) Man moved his regular glass from his face to top of the hat and moved his sun glasses from the top of his hat to his face and removed cell phone from his shirt pocket to his hand
- 4) Woman behind a man moved from his left side to behind his right side
- 5) Man with his hat on and then man without his hat
- 6) Woman holding a Pepsi can and then not holding a Pepsi can
- 7) A different woman holding the Pepsi can
- 8) Man with hair comb in his pocket and then no comb in his pocket
- 9) Woman with no sunglasses on and then has sunglasses on
- 10) Calvin the dog is looking straight ahead and then Calvin the dog is looking down
- 11) Small flower appears on right sight of table

CHAPTER NEWS

WEEKEND WARRIORS



The Weekend Warriors finally got into the swing of things after a slow start for the camping year.

The June campout found us in Cripple Creek at the Hospitality House and RV Park. What a beautiful surprise, as many of us had never camped there. The "Original Teller County Hospital" turned B&B is a hidden gem. Although we had our own campers, a tour of the residence reveals a warm, inviting, vintage B&B, and the surrounding RV park is delightful. Deer, a whole family of skunks, casinos, rodeo, street dance, train rides, shopping in the newest businesses, and getting together for our business meeting and potluck managed to satisfy every taste and level of interest. We will definitely stay there again, as the owners are friendly accommodating, and costs are kept reasonable.

July found us in a more arid climate at the Sand Dunes RV Park and Pool. "Wow" is the best word to describe this oasis just a few miles from the Sand Dunes National Park. The hot-springs-fed "Pool" is actually several pools and hot tubs fed by natural hot springs. There are pools of every temperature and even a "Greenhouse" of hot tubs and pools for adults only. This was especially appealing to our adult-only camping club. Not many camping sites, 12, but we all found sites, and although there is no sewer hookup, they have a great dump station onsite. Of course, we visited the Zapata Falls, Great Sand Dunes, nearby gator farm, and just enjoyed the outdoors. The added attraction of watching the coy, tilapia, and listening to the bull frogs at night were a great surprise. No fishing, but the walkways were between the ponds, and provided entertainment while walking the dogs.



August found us at Lathrop State Park near Walsenburg. We made reservations last minute, but we were still able to get all RVs into one of the loops. We hiked, fished, took day trips to Walsenburg and LaVita, and were blessed with mild weather, and cool nights. Mosquitos are always a problem there, but some of us are more prone to bites than others, and a good repellent is a necessity. The sun set brilliantly behind the nearest Juniper while we dined outside, and told stories of our pasts and laughed about the craziness. Our group is such a pleasure to be with. Can't wait for the next trip to Taos, NM in September.

Submitted by: Kay Poland, Weekend Warriors Treasurer



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CHAPTER NEWS

THE ROLLING SPRINGS



The travels of the Rolling Springs continue to a tree lined hideaway, Casey's RV Hideaway in Elizabeth, CO in fact. The weather was warm and sunny and we enjoyed dinner at the Catalina Grill on Friday evening, that local farmers market, and antique shopping on Saturday. Several of our members got a once in a life time private tour of Kiowa Creek Horse Ranch by a family member. The best part of the weekend was the time spent with our RV family, time to share our lives and reunite with each other. As the weather heats up we are heading for higher altitude the next couple of months. Hold on here we go.

August already, and we have landed in Beautiful Westcliffe, CO. The Rolling Springs enjoyed a one hour guided tour of The Beckwith Ranch/Waverly House. The Beckwith Ranch/Waverly house was built and owned by Edwin and Elton Beckwith in 1869. At the time it was referred to as the "Mansion on the Hills." The brothers went on to be cattle ranchers and Elton became a Colorado Senator in 1886 for the 6th district. We also enjoyed shopping in town, visiting the local bakery for goodies, hiking, polish poker and star/meteor gazing in the open valley. Keeping our heads in the clouds we are off to Buena Vista next month. See you there.

Submitted by: Candy Furnish



Barbecued Meatballs

Meatballs:

- 3 lbs ground beef
- 1 can evaporated milk
- 1 cup oatmeal
- 1 cup cracker crumbs
- 2 eggs
- ½ cup chopped onion
- ½ teaspoon garlic powder
- 2 teaspoons salt
- ½ teaspoon pepper
- 2 teaspoons chili powder

Sauce:

- 2 cups catsup
- 1 cup brown sugar
- ½ tsp liquid smoke or to taste
- ½ teaspoon garlic powder
- ¼ cup chopped onion

To make meatballs, combine all ingredients (mixture will be soft) and shape into walnut size balls. Place meatballs in a single layer on wax paper-lined cookie sheet; freeze until solid. Store frozen meatballs in freezer bags until ready to cook. To make sauce, combine all ingredients and stir until sugar is dissolved. Place frozen meatballs in a 13in x 9in x 2in baking pan; pour on sauce. Bake 350 degrees for 1 hour. Yield: 80 meatballs

Submitted by: Kathy Wilson / Rolling Springs



MEMORY BELL STATEWIDE 2017



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Gary Petri	2003	Camping Buddy & Friend of Vicki Patterson	Member of the Trailblazers
Betty Patterson	2008	Mother of Vicki Patterson	Member of the Trailblazers
James Patterson	2010	Father of Vicki Patterson	Member of the Trailblazers
Joel Patterson	2011	Brother of Vicki Patterson	Member of the Trailblazers
Vera Marie Woods	17 Aug 16	Mother of Larry Woods	Member of the Timberliners
Karen Clark	3 Sep 16	Friend of Linda Snyder	Member of the RV Rascal
Lou Gibson	8 Oct 16	Husband of Darlene Gibson	Member of the Sundowners & Timberliners
Dr. Eric Wedell	29 Oct 16	Friend of Linda Snyder	Member of the RV Rascals
Earl King	4 Jan 17	Husband of Mary Lou King	Member of the Mountain Goats
Marvin Kramer	10 Jan 17	Wife Edith Kramer	Member of Gray Wolves & Silver Foxes
Velma Bunde	2 Feb 17	Mother of Mike Friedrichs	Member of the Star Chasers
Anna Farnum	24 Jan 17	Wife of Bud Farnum	Legislative Dir. & Member Timberliners
Pat Graves	4 Apr 17	Mother of Patti Altmix	Member of the Timberliners
Donald Keefe	8 Apr 17	Husband of Sue Keefe	Member of the Hi Country Campers
Donald Holdridge	10 May 17	Husband of Monika Holdridge	Member of the Silver Foxes
Mildred England	May 17	Husband of Bob England	Former Member of the Colo Eagles
Colin Peecher	21 Jun 17	Husband of Charlotte Peecher	Former Member of Rocky Mountain Revelers
Bobby Koller	24 Jun 17	Son of Mary Ann Koller	Member of the Timberliners
Darlene Gibson	25 Jun 17	Wife of Lou Gibson	Member of the Timberliners
Bob Glover	29 Jun 17	Cousin of Carlyle Glover	Member of the Ute Bobcats
Shirley Leiker	4 Jun 17	Former Member	Rocky Mountain Revelers
Joshua Stanley	4 Jul 17	Husband of Virginia Stanley	Former Member of Colo Cruisers
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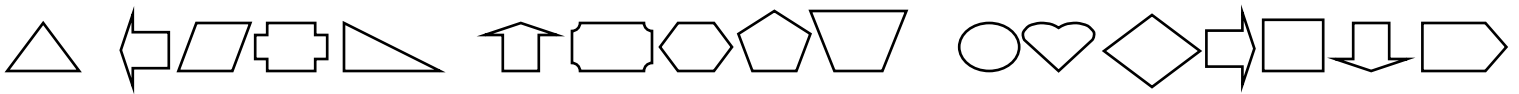


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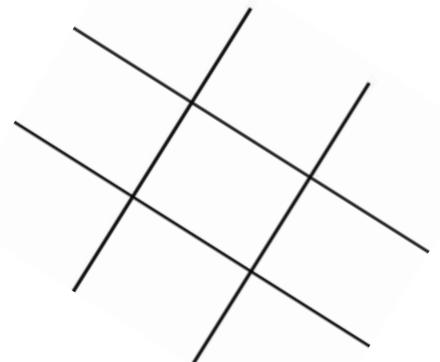
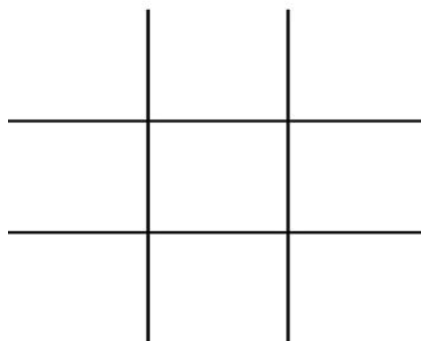
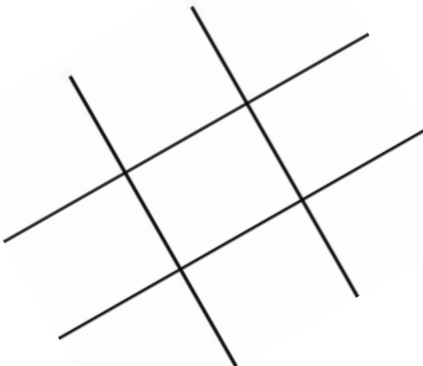
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