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joy
of the
Christmas Season
remain with you
throughout
the coming year.



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Fall is upon us. Most chapters have wound up their camping season, winterized and put their RV's to "Bed for the Winter." The time has been turned back an hour and the hours of daylight have decreased.

This brings us to another change. Our membership is decreasing and attendance at our state functions is declining. Most of this is because of age and health. Many are finding it harder to load up and hit the road. Many are letting their RV's sit and others are selling them. It's just another part of life. We miss seeing their smiling faces, company, and friendship.

Along with these changes, we must also change. We will continue to have Spring Fling in Brush. There will be some changes to activities there. The fall campout will change the most. To comply with the many wishes for full hookups and to keep from going "in the hole" we are going to revamp the fall campout. Some things will be shifted to Spring Fling; others will be eliminated because there is simply not enough room to accommodate all the things we have had at past fall statewide campouts.

This will surely be a topic of discussion at the Planning Meeting in February. So, come with an open mind and ideas that you may have.

Have a Great Rest of the Year!

*Happy
Thanksgiving*



2019 DATES TO REMEMBER

DATE	TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
Jan 11th	11:00 am	Colorado Retiree Luncheon	Cinzetti's 281 W 104th, Northglenn, CO (104th & 1-25)
Feb 9th	9:00 am	General Membership & Planning Meeting	Arvada Presbyterian Church 5592 Independence St, Arvada, CO
Mar 19th - 24th	N/A	FCRV International Retiree Rally	Houma, LA
Apr 26th -28th	9:00 am	Field Staff Workshop & Campout	Lakeside KOA, Fort Collins, CO
May 16th - 19th	NA	Spring Fling	Morgan County Fairgrounds, Brush, CO
Jun 3rd - 7th	NA	Colorado Retiree Rally	Lakeside KOA, Fort Collins, CO
Jul 8th –12th	NA	2019 International Campvention	Kansas State Fairgrounds, Hutchinson, KS
Sep 16th—20th	NA	Southern Colorado Retiree Rally	Pueblo South, KOA, Colorado City, CO
Oct 4th—6th	NA	Fall State Campout	Lakeside KOA, Fort Collins, CO

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Jan - Feb

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CHAPTER NEWS

SILVER FOXES

SOUTHERN COLORADO RALLY

SEPTEMBER 2018



The Silver Foxes were fairly well represented at the Southern Colorado Rally. Don & Caroline Jamison, El and Eileen Carter, Willie Walker and Lynn and Marion Waterhouse. Ken and Helen Stanko were unable to camp with us but did manage to come down for several days and participate in activities. We even had Oznur Quinones and Edith Kramer join us for a day trip. The Jamisons, Willie Walker and the Stankos were Silver Fox volunteers for the

Southern Colorado Rally. Caroline was tasked for crafts and Willie for games.

Every campout we continue to discover that you are never too old to continue living your life and prove you are never too old to have fun. The theme for the Southern Colorado Rally this year was "I Think I Can" as the poster exemplified.

The Rally continued on that very premise and demonstrated that age is just a number and it had no effect on how much fun can be had. We play the good old standby games of bolo horseshoe, putt-putt golf, bean bag baseball, and card bingo.



Every morning started with walking hosted by the Colorado CAMP (SPC) Directors Bill and Rita Newell. Participants from the Several Silver Foxes included Caroline Jamison and Willie who walked 7 miles each. Lynn Waterhouse contributed his one mile.

Monday evening the get-togethers included a pot luck with soup and sandwich provided by the Committee supplemented with side dishes from the other campers. Helen and Ken Stanko's "vegetable soup" introduced us to just how tasty gluten free can be. As usual, a bounty of great food!!!!



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SILVER FOXES (CONT.)

The evening culminated with saran balls filled with candy and money. The Durbins saran wrapped 3 balls filled with “prizes”. The first person with the ball started unwrapping the ball while the person on their right rolled a pair of dice, trying to roll doubles. Once doubles were rolled, the ball was passed to the next player and the sequence began again. The person with the ball did not stop unwrapping until the person to their right rolled doubles. This created an urgency to the game! You wanted to roll the dice over and over again as quickly as you could so you get the ball! You got to keep the treasures you unwrap! Watching the fun challenge as the battle in anticipation through dozens of layers of plastic wrap was almost as fun as unwrapping the ball. To think it took only candy and a few dollars to motivate us into fun filled physical activity.



Tuesday Caroline Jamison (crafts) exhibited her talents by showing us step-by-step acrylic pouring art for beginners. You don't need 'talent' to be an acrylic pouring artist – just enthusiasm, some basic instruction, and a willingness to trust and the patience for the art to take form. There were 15 ladies who participated.



Tuesday afternoon was Line Dancing 101 with Willie Walker and Caroline Jamison instructing 13 dancers of which 7 were Silver Foxes. Oznur Quinones and Edith Kramer (who chair danced) came down for the day to join in on the fun. Bill and Rita gave out fifty cent vouchers to each of the participants.

Tuesday evening was the bean bag baseball hosted by Jean & Clee (Gray Wolves). “The Hot Shots” – the Jamisons, Willi Walker, Lynn Waterhouse all from the Silver Foxes were joined by Jean Berg (Gray Wolves) and Heddy Servant (Rolling Springs) to form the winning team. Check out some of techniques and the resultant poses.



Wednesday was the day for Putt-Putt golf as well as real golf for Don Jamison, Lynn Waterhouse and George Hoyland at Holly Dot at Colorado City. Bolo Horseshoe was the name of the game with Willie Walker and Caroline Jamison (Silver Foxes) taking the lead with help from some score keepers. El and Eileen Carter were the big winners of this event.

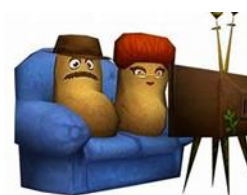
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SILVER FOXES (CONT.)



The Wednesday night pot luck was the smell of grilled charred meat with complementary dishes. Later in the evening, for those whose bucket list included public singing there was karaoke. While they “serenaded” the group, others brushed up on their analytical skills of card games played long ago (pinochle, canasta, cribbage, and pegs and jokers. The karaoke songs even beckoned a few

brave souls to cut a rug or two - jitter bugging, line dancing and heaven forbid even slow dancing. Not bad for those of us who have limited mobility. The card playing woke up the hankering in us to possibly consider getting together outside of camping to play cards rather than being a couch potato. Let the winter games begin....



Thursday began with light rain showers which slowly dissipated. The Frog Race which Ron Servant (Rolling Springs) won followed the coffee and walking. Next was the Nerf Gun game hosted by Gray Wolves. Idle time is wasted time so Willie Walker set up the Flyswatter Volleyball game. **Flyswatters** and **balloons!!!** There was swatting, bouncing, balancing, and all kinds of busy, active play. This hilarious game forced the players to reach and stretch in all different ways to get to the balloon and over the net all the while **sitting down**. The 12 participants had a great time. This game is bound to be on the schedule for next year. Of course, the Rally had the yearly Ice Cream Social. The entertainment for the evening was the great Alan Polka Band. Great music and lots of dancing.

After Friday morning's breakfast we all said our goodbyes. Till next year!!!!!! El and Eileen Carter volunteered as the new Southern Colorado Rally Directors and will have their work cut out for them.



While the picture may give the impression Lynn and Marion Waterhouse were parked in a remote site, it had its advantages. They had a brick floored picnic area with a “view”. They were next to the clubhouse. They were located next to the dog relief and exercise area. And last but not least, they were greeted every morning with two bulls - black with a white stripe around the middle grazing along the fence line. They looked like Oreo cookies!! Come to find out they are the Belted Galloway, a heritage breed of beef cattle originating from Galloway on the west side of

southern Scotland. They are adapted to living on the poor upland pastures and wind-swept moorlands of the region and are bred for meat not milk. The land on the other side of the motor home was in keeping with their lifestyle.



Submitted by Pat Guild/Marion Waterhouse

C.A.M.P. ACTIVITIES

It's mid-October already and the 2018 camping season rapidly approaching the finish line. Most of us are winterizing our campers now, but there are other Campers Actively Moving Program (C.A.M.P.) options available to Colorado FCRV chapters – other than walking/hiking and bicycling during the winter months. See your chapter C.A.M.P. activity chairperson to find out what you can do – within the national program guidelines (as amended April 25, 2017).

31 August-3 September 2018 Colorado FCRV Statewide Rally. Members of 11 chapters (28 participants), and one unaffiliated member walked/hiked for a combined total of 46 miles.

17-21 September 2018 Southern Colorado FCRV Retiree Rally. Four chapters (12 participants) hiked/walked a combined 48 miles. Also, five chapters (13 participants) enjoyed a basic line dancing class (combined total of 390 minutes, or 6.5 hours).

Colorado FCRV Summary (as of 15 October 2018)

Colorado. Has reported the following to the International C.A.M.P. Director:

19 chapters and one unaffiliated member for	485.9 miles hiking
2 chapters for	49 miles biking
6 chapters for	555 minutes, or 9.25 hours dancing

A Personal Note

As previously announced, Rita and I are retiring as the Colorado FCRV C.A.M.P. Directors effective 31 December 2018. We have enjoyed our 6-year tenure - from January, 2012 to the present - but it's time to move on. We will continue to be Colorado FCRV members for the foreseeable future, and participate in chapter and state campouts and rallies to the extent possible.

Thanks to the Colorado FCRV state directors (past and present), state officers and field directors, and the chapters for your support and participation. Please do the same for our successors, Rick & Kathy Boatwright—we wish them well.

Bill & Rita Newell
Colorado FCRV C.A.M.P. Director

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We are seeking volunteers for the following positions. These positions are open to all active Colorado FCRV members. A brief summary of duties is listed next to the positions.

- ⇒ Colorado State Director - Hold Field Staff meetings, maintain membership list, handle issues in the state, approve changes to constitution and by-laws of chapters, request proof of insurance for events, present anniversary awards to chapters, visit chapters when requested, pre-planning for Spring Fling and Statewide. Note—This is a partial list of duties.
- ⇒ Fireside Embers Editor - Responsible for obtaining articles from chapters, special staff, etc. Designing and publishing the Fireside Embers. Printing and mailing copies for the Colorado Sponsors and Advertisers, emailing to the Field Staff. Printing flyers, tri-folds, etc.
- ⇒ Youth/Pre-teen Director - Responsible for setting up activities for youth/pre-teens at State functions.

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MILE HI GYPSIES

The Mile High Gypsies have had a fun summer and fall. Some members are still flying high with their memories of their first Fall Statewide where they participated in many events. And the teens and youth had fun too. All are looking forward to Spring Fling. We've had two potluck dinners and meetings getting our new chapter set-up.

Our last campout of the season was at St. Vrain. Friday, we had a hotdog roast for dinner, with all the necessary side dishes. Saturday was a beautiful day with sunburns and all. We spent some time in the afternoon selecting our campouts for 2019. We will re-visit some favorite campgrounds and try out some new ones. We've incorporated some campouts with State events as well. It's shaping up to be a fun year.

While most of us worked on scheduling, the older boys went fishing. Fish weren't biting but the huge frogs surely were. They prepared their frogs legs for dinner while the rest of us had chili and other goodies. The 'iron kettle chef' made a delicious cherry cobbler for all to share. Nothing like good outdoor cooking.

After dinner and the temperature started to drop, three units packed up and left in hopes of getting winterized because of the predicted incoming snow storm. One unit came home Sunday.

We wish all of our camping friends a *Happy Thanksgiving, a Merry Christmas, and a Happy New Year.*

See you along the trails.

Submitted by: Jan Johnston



NATIONAL FCRV UPDATE

NEW MEMBERSHIP PROGRAM

Starting July 1st FCRV will be starting a new membership program which has been named an "introductory membership". This will be an 18-month membership for the price of a 12-month membership! (\$35.00). Previous FCRV members are not eligible for the new "introductory membership program" unless their previous membership has been expired for more than 5 years.

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As always, please continue to send all membership forms/Colorado Tri-Folds to Jeff and Shirley Kendle

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WOODLAND WOOKIES



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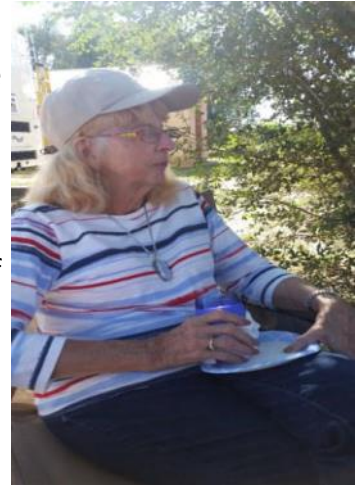


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ROLLING SPRINGS



In September we camped at John Martin Reservoir. The group camping area is secluded, beautiful and has a nice building for meals or meetings. We enjoyed spending Saturday basking in the sunlight and warmth of the season. Members were visiting around the camp sight, fishing, exploring the local area and the Dam at the Beauvoir. We had guest join us Saturday evening one of our members granddaughter and her new fiancé came to visit. If you visit here, please watch for low branches on the trees that can-do damage to your roof.



Presidents monthly quote: Life is like a rainbow-it brightens your life when you've been through a storm.
(Unknown)



The first weekend of October in West Cliffe was cool nights, crisp air and beautiful daytime weather. Friday night dinner was at Ranchers Roost Café which has good food and a panoramic view of the mountains. We watched the passing deer as we dined. Saturday was filled with trips to town to shop, adventures to an old ski area a potluck of warm casseroles and Chocolate cake for dessert. Saturday found several of men helping one of our group fix a propane gas leak in his motorhome. It took a venture to the local gas company and to the hardware store to be able to fix it. But all safe and sound by the days end.



Note: if you smell gas please check for leaks and don't risk your or your family's health and safety.



Presidents monthly quote:
The trouble with opportunity, sometimes its disguised as hard work.
(Unknown)

*Submitted by:
Candy Furnish*

CHAPTER NEWS

WEEKEND WARRIORS

The Weekend Warriors spent a beautiful weekend at Mueller State Park in September. A little early for the fall colors, but the nights were cooler, and hiking in the park was gorgeous. Our hosts had an unusual plan for our potluck on that Saturday night. Each RV hosted at their own place with the courses of an Italian meal; ie, appetizers at the first one, then antipasto, then main course, until the last camper had dessert. So much fun, and since there wasn't a clubhouse, we didn't haul food around. I'd like to try that again.

October found us in La Veta at Circle the Wagons, where we meet for the annual Octoberfest on the first weekend in October. This is a tradition with our group, and the leaves were a little past their peak this year. No water in the Cucharra Creek, which runs through the campground. We met at the Hayes' camper on Friday night for a potluck "brats and trimmings" party. Yummy! Followed up with some fun games. Saturday morning we always go to the church rummage sale and breakfast burritos. The vintage car show is adjacent, so we hit that next, and then visit all the different vendors. By noon, the beer area with food and good German bands provide the entertainment. A group of us played Mexican Train until time to go to Alyces' for 7:30 reservations. Great food there, as usual. The owners of the RV park cooked our breakfast on Sunday morning and we sadly had to pack up and drive home.



This wraps up our camping season and we'll be reporting from different restaurants all winter. Already anticipating next summer.

Submitted by: Kay Poland



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ASPEN ADVENTURERS



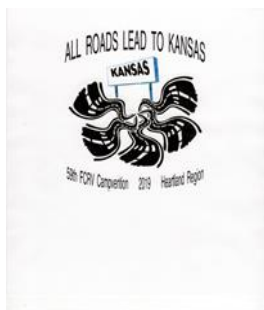
Aspen Adventurers wrapped up the camping season at Chatfield State Park. The weather on Friday and Saturday was decent; however, winter decided to pay a visit Saturday night. Saturday afternoon we held our annual auction for the kids. There were lots of goodies for the them to bid on using play money. The highlight of the auction was the bike that Ian bid on and won for \$4.00. After the auction, potluck dinner with lots of goodies, the kids put on their Halloween costumes and trick or treated between the rigs. On Sunday morning we woke up



to snow covering the ground which put an end to our camping season. We now look forward to our winter activities until we can camp again next year.



The Feb 9th planning meeting is for ALL Colorado members.
Bring some new ideas of things to do at the State events for 2019.



59th INTERNATIONAL CAMPVENTION FAMILY CAMPERS & RVer's

Hosted by the Heartland Region # 3

"ALL ROADS LEAD TO KANSAS"

Kansas State Fairgrounds, 2000 North Poplar St.
Hutchinson, KS 67502

Campvention Days: July 8 – 12, 2019 fees covers
July 7 – 12 (6 nights)

Early Bird Days: July 5 & 6, 2019 @ \$25 / night (pay @ registration – cash/check)

Registrations are needed by: June 1, 2019

There will be room for you if you decide to come at the last minute.
Just bring this registration with you. We want everyone to come see us!!!



Last Name: _____ **First Name:** _____ **Spouse/Guest:** _____

Address: _____ **City:** _____ **ST/PRV:** _____ **Zip Code:** _____

Phone #: _____ **e-mail:** _____

Is this your first Campvention? Yes _____ No _____ Send my confirmation letter in PDF: Yes _____ No _____

Number of people in your unit:

Of Adults: _____ Teens: _____ Youth 9 – 12 _____ Youth 5 – 8 _____ Young Adults _____ Total number of people in Unit: _____

Please list the names and ages of all Teens and Youth:

Name	Age	Name	Age

CAMPVENTION PARKING:

The gates will be open all days from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. **The first 211 registrations will be parked in the full hook up sites.** All others will be parked with water & electric. If you are not registered prior to arrival, you will be in a water & electric site. The full hook up area has paved streets and gravel parking sites. The water & electric sites are in grass areas. Tent sites are available in grass with shade and close to the shower house.

Special Needs Information:

Check if you are requesting a special needs site: _____ There will be no special needs sites available at the gate.

REGISTRATION:

Everyone must complete a registration form including second families and camp passes. Submit payment with the registration form. All funds should be US currency of checks or money orders. **NO CREDIT CARDS.**

	<u>Registration</u>	<u>At Gate</u>
One Family in the Unit	\$300.00	\$310.00
Extra Family in the Unit (separate pay)	\$150.00	\$160.00
Week Drive-in Pass (July 7 – 12)	\$175.00	\$185.00
Walk-in Camp Pass (per day)	\$35.00 Per Day	Same

Motor Home _____ 5th Wheel _____ Travel Trailer _____ Pop-Up _____ Want in shade trees _____

THINGS TO SEE AND DO AROUND HUTCHINSON:

Cosmosphere (Smithsonian-affiliated Space Museum), Strataca (a salt mine museum), Yoder (a Amish community), Hutchinson Zoo, Dillon Nature Center, Hedrick Exotic Animal Farm, Soldiers & Sailors Memorial, Reno County Museum, Kansas Kids Museum, Reno County Veterans Memorial, Salt Discovery Site & Memorial Marker,

Make checks payable to: 2019 FCRV Campvention

Mail to: Keith Koontz
2224 Woodland St
Wichita, KS 67204-5938

Refund policy: If you are unable to attend, all except \$ 25 will be refunded

Contact them at: 316-655-2970 or k.koontz@sbcglobal.net

We would like to volunteer for: _____

KIDS KORNER

By Breanna Kendle

Christmas Word Scramble

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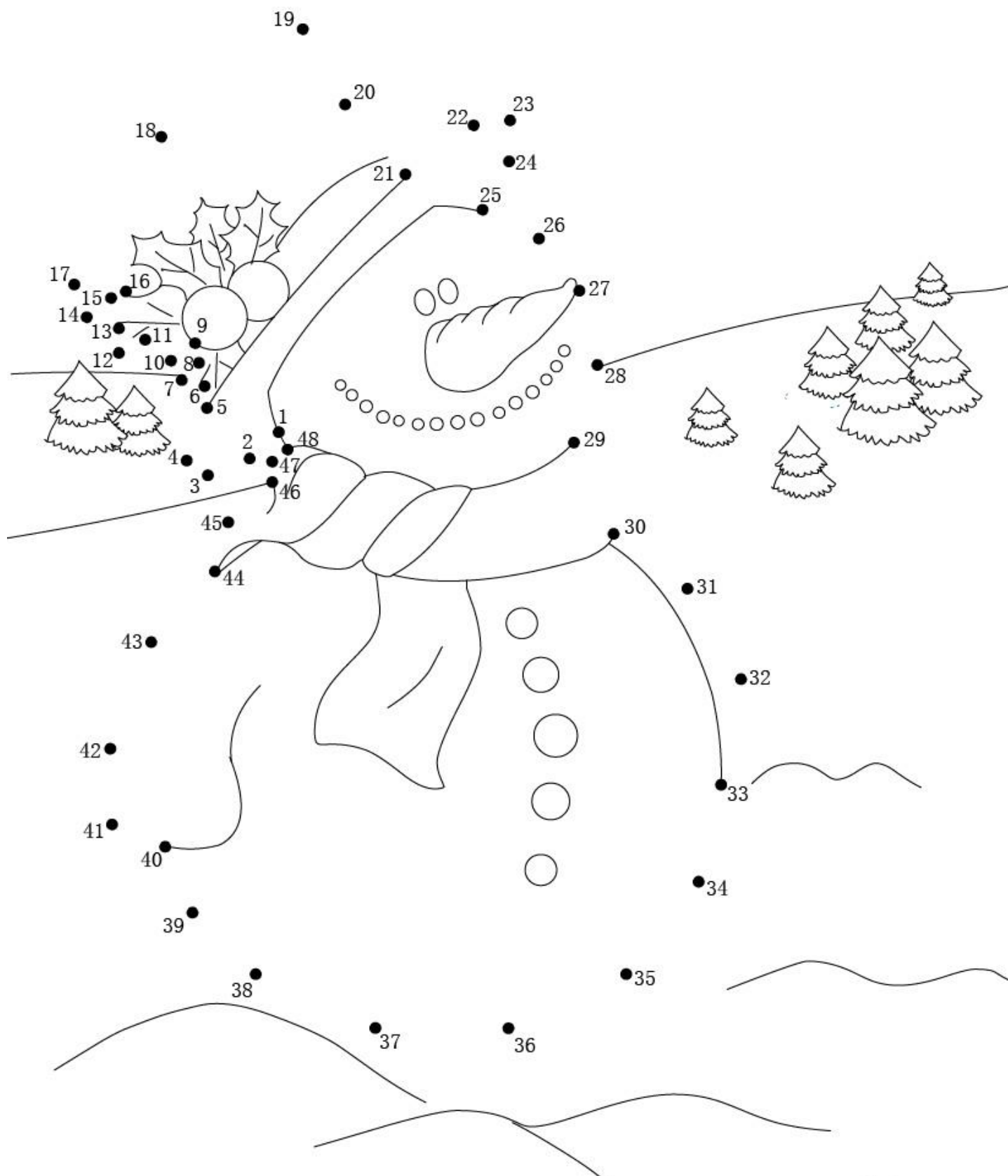
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Connect the Dots



COLORADO CHAPTERS OF FCRV
A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION
2278 Dogwood Circle
Erie, CO 80516

Retiree Luncheon

CINZZETTI'S



All you can eat Italian Feast

Cost: Seniors \$15.00 per person, includes buffet, beverage, tax, and tip
Doors open at 11:00 am, buffet opens at 11:30 am
281 W 104th Ave, Northglenn, CO
Cinzzetti's is located in the Northglenn Market Place
Northwest corner of 104th and I-25—Take exit 221 off of I-25

Pay by cash or check made out to *Colorado FCRV Retirees*

Friday, January 11th, 2019