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Spring Fling

Morgan County Fairgrounds,
Brush, CO

May 16th - May 19th

Social Hour

Family Bingo

Polish Poker

Chapter Sales

Casting Contest

Horseshoes

Cribbage

Teen Activities

Potlucks

Golden Skillet

Flea Market

C.A.M.P.

Youth/Pre-Teen Activities

And More!!!

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Hi all – Here we are approaching Spring and we know what that means. Camping season is just about to begin. Time to get those rigs out of storage and start the task of de-winterizing, checking batteries, propane and looking for any leaks or evidence of those unwanted visitors!

We completed our annual Planning and Officers Workshop on Feb 9th. We discussed changes to Spring Fling and the Fall Campout. By now all chapters should have been informed about these changes and why by their Field Directors or Presidents. The minutes of the meeting should have also been forwarded to you by your Field Director. We would like to thank all those who attended and to those who volunteered to help this year.

A special thanks goes out to those that have volunteered to fill Colorado's vacant positions; The C.A.M.P. Directors – Rick and Kathy Boatwright; The Southern Retiree Directors – Elbert and Eileen Carter; The Teen/Youth Director – Dezirae Eggers and to Shannon Sanders who will help with the Youth and Teen Activities.

Hope to see most of you at Spring Fling in May – Until then – Get Ready for Spring and “Happy Camping”.

COLORADO FCRV IS IN NEED OF VOLUNTEERS

The “HELP (Volunteer) WANTED” sign is still out there. We desperately need volunteers for the following positions THIS YEAR (2019). A brief summary of duties are:

- ⇒ Colorado State Director - Hold Field Staff meetings, maintain membership list, review and approve changes to state and chapter constitution and by-laws, request proof of insurance for events, present awards to chapters and members, visit chapters when requested, pre-plan Spring Fling and Fall State Campouts. (This is a partial list of duties) This position has to be approved by the FCRV International Office. Contact Kendle's for more information.
- ⇒ Fireside Embers - Responsible for obtaining articles from chapters, staff, etc. Design and publish the Embers. Responsible for printer/copier, Print and mail copies to Sponsors and Advertisers, email Embers to the Field Directors and Special Staff. Print flyers, tri-folds, etc.

**If no one volunteers for any of these positions,
we do not know what the future may hold for Colorado FCRV.
For further information, contact Jeff or Shirley Kendle.**

2019 DATES TO REMEMBER

DATE	TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
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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EMBERS CUT OFF DATES

May - Jun
Jul - Aug
Sep - Oct
Nov - Dec
Jan - Feb

Apr 15th
Jun 15th
Aug 15th
Oct 15th
Dec 15th

CAMPVENTION AMATEUR PHOTO CONTEST

Get those cameras ready and enter the Wildlife Amateur Photo Contest at National Campvention! Show your talent for photography, and help provide a look at the beautiful sights of your outdoor travels.

RULES

- Only Amateur Photos
- No Domesticated Animals (i.e. dogs, cats, birds, pets)
- Pictures must be of wildlife in their natural habitat not in a zoo. (Wildlife in a reserve will be accepted)
- Photos must be taken within the last year (July 2018—June 2019)

Instructions for submitting your Photos

- Photos must be no smaller than a standard 4" x 6" photo and no larger than an 8" x 10".
- Photos must be on regular photo paper.
- There is a limit of two photos per individual.

On the back of the picture print

- Your name
- When and where the picture was taken
- Age group for submission
- If the photo is entered in the youth group categories, please state the age of the photographer.

Age Groups and Prizes

- | | |
|--------------------------|---------------------|
| • Youth—ages 7—13 | \$15.00 First Place |
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CHAPTER NEWS

THE CAMP STARS

Well, the Camp Stars have completed our Winter (Indoor) schedule for the year. March will find us back in the great outdoors again at St. Vrain State Park, which is our traditional start of the season campout. In January we congregated at Old Chicago in Greeley for a dinner and business meeting. They have a nice meeting room that could accommodate all of us, and we had a good meal and some excellent fellowship. It was nice to see the Trahans again after their move to Florida. They still have ties to Greeley so they still get back to visit with us now and then.

In February we went to the Hammond Candy Factory in Denver. Hammond's is one of the few remaining candy companies that still make their candy by hand. They have a well done video that tells the history of the company, and a little about the processes involved in making candy. Then we were on to the tour of their assembly lines. We were watching them make candy canes. There are large glass windows at each stop for viewing, and for the vertically challenged (of which we have a few) there are TV screens which show an overhead view of the process. It went from a large glob of material weighing 80 to 100 pounds that was stretched by hand down to a half inch twist, and then cut off with scissors. The next person puts the bend in the cane before passing it off to the person who wraps it. All very interesting. Then we got free samples before being led into the gift shop. Some members exercised some restraint in the gift shop while others used their grand kids as an excuse to go hog wild. Fun was had by all. After we were done there, we all went to the Cheesecake Factory for dinner. We had a good time there visiting and eating. I know I showed no restraint when it came to the actual cheesecake part of the meal.

Submitted by Larry Scott



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.

If you are going to need space for your **chapter project sales, including raffles, or 50/50's** 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. **Commercial vendors need to furnish their own tables.**

Because we will be using the tables and chairs on Friday evening, we ask that you don't claim your space for chapter sells until Saturday morning.

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

Name _____ Chapter _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____

Phone _____

Vendor Booth Fees for each 10 x 10 space

FCRV member—\$25

Non FCRV member—\$100

10 x 10 Commercial Vendor booth— How Many? _____

With Electricity _____ Without Electricity _____

Chapter Project Sales: Food _____ Raffle _____ 50/50 _____

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Can Goods and Non-Perishable Food Items for the Brush Food Drive



Adult Bingo Prizes for Family Bingo (Retail value of \$10.00 would be appreciated).



Bring your Fishing Poles for Casting Contest



Bring finger type foods for the get-together on Thursday afternoon



Bring your nickels for Polish Poker on Friday evening



Pop Tabs from aluminum cans.

SPRING FLING FLEA MARKET

Once again we will be having the Flea Market so bring all your gently used items to donate, so we can sell them back to you!! The market will open on Friday morning and also be open on Saturday. Just about anything will be accepted - Kitchen items, garden tools, tools, RV stuff, books, records/cds/dvds, toys, and small pieces of furniture are just some examples of what you can bring. Items should be clean and useable.



Please do not bring any clothing items or large furniture!!

**All items not sold must be picked up by the donor
between 5:00 and 5:30 on Saturday.**

CHAPTER NEWS

ROLLING SPRINGS



The Rolling Springs are starting off the new year with enthusiasm. Our first meeting was held at East Coast Deli in the downtown area of Colorado Springs. We enjoyed the older building and the history it told of another time. High ceilings, brick walls and windows covered in brick peaked our interest, posters on the walls of old television shows. The food was very good, and they have very generous portions, so go hungry. The thing we always enjoy most is the renewing of friendship.

Presidents quote: When you put away the Christmas things, don't put away the Christmas Spirit.

February found us at Fox & Hound. We had an early celebration of Valentine's day with Valentine's table decorations, sweets to snack on and people dressed in red or pink. Our meeting was held while we waited for our food. The food came out just as we were finishing. After dinner some of the members moved to play pool at the two tables that were in the room. That brought fun rivalry and lots of laughs and bonding. The evening was very relaxed and enjoyable.

Presidents quote: Life doesn't require that we be the best, only that we try our best. (H. Jackson Brown, Jr., writer)

Submitted by: Candy Furnish





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THE ROADRUNNERS



On a very cold day in January, the Roadrunner's ventured out to prepare dinner at the Ronald McDonald house for families with loved ones in nearby hospitals. Hopefully, we provided them with a little bit of joy and fun fellowship during this delicious meal.



No gathering is complete without food for this group! Cinzetti's was our January chapter destination and almost all members were present, so I kept them at the table for a group photo before they could go eat!!



What are you going to plan in February with many Roadrunners who are racing fans? You're going to have a NASCAR opening day celebration for the Daytona 500 at the Kellett's—the aficionados of NASCAR and Daytona!! There was a lot of speculation among our members on which drivers would place in the top spots of this grand race, as seen in these pictures-- Norm and Gene are in deep discussion over a beer and the guys are circled around with great anticipation in the food and events of this day. Becky Gordon is obviously exasperated and holding her head during the second major accident of this long race—

she knows she will owe Mike D. twenty-five cents, most likely!!



Our 2019 camping season is planned. We are ready to feel the warmth of Spring and Summer and to smell the smoke of campfires! We look forward to our twenty-fifth year as a chapter and to our big anniversary celebration in the Black Hills of South Dakota in September.

Submitted by Connie Davidson

CHAPTER NEWS

ASPEN ADVENTURERS



The Aspen Adventurers started off the year with a trip to Fat Cats in Westminster for a few games of bowling. It's always fun watching the kids bowl especially watching their face light up when the pins are knocked down or when they jump up and down when they got a strike.

February, we ventured to Mama Alvino's for some awesome calzones, pizza, and spaghetti.



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WEEKEND WARRIORS



The January 2019 Weekend Warrior luncheon was held at the Hacienda Mexican Restaurant in University Village in Colorado Springs. This was a new place for many of us, and did not disappoint. There was a condiment carrier with a beer batter bread mix as a door prize, followed by our business meeting and visiting with friends not seen since early December. The weather cooperated for those from outlying areas.

Our February outing was a delightful change of pace. We had a reserved room at Painting With a Twist on Garden of the Gods Road. Each of us paid for a blank canvas and a drink of our choice, and we spent the next 2 hours painting a mountain scene with coaching from a talented young lady. The finished products were all the same but so different. Have to say some real talent emerged. We followed up with a quick business meeting and I have to say, it was a quick 2 hours.



We just have 1 more monthly dinner, and then we'll be having our first campout. Can't wait!

Submitted by Kay Poland





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- 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
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WOODLAND WOOKIES

The Woodland Wookies had a great time in January! It was held at Jim & Linda Goldsworthys home which were our Wagon Masters ! The dinner was exceptional and our company wonderful! Extra fun with cuddling Odin, adorable Bull Mastiff Puppy. Nothing like good puppy love with puppy kisses!

The snow pictures along with the Mystical White Buffalo was taken on the drive up to see the Breckenridge Internal Snow Sculpture Challenge!



Happy Trails To All, Stay Warm Spring Is On The Waaay...!!

Submitted By: MaryAnn Glover



CHAPTER NEWS

THE SILVER FOXES

Well not much has been happening the last couple of months for the Silver Foxes. In January, we did not have our usual monthly meeting/luncheon. We gathered in February at the Golden Corral. Our Host El and Eileen Carter set our tables with little white paper bowls decorated with a red heart and filled with candy-one for each of us. A nice Valentine.

During our monthly meetings we always collect for Care and Share and did so this month. Last year we collected and donated \$303.35 and were delighted to do so. We discussed our plans for 2019 campouts. Our chapter "The Silver Foxes" has campouts planned for May, Jun, July and August and with our participation in other FCRV campouts it should be a good year. That all from the Silver Foxes - till next time.

Submitted by Pat Guild

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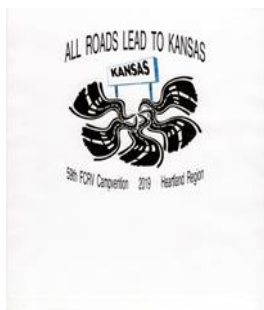
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Address: _____ **City:** _____ **ST/PRV:** _____ **Zip Code:** _____

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

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Special Needs Information:

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

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Handicap space required? _____
Arriving June 3 and out on the 7th. YES _____ Change of arrival or departure _____***Type of RV Circle one: Class A, B, C, or 5th Wheel, van or trailer.******Length of unit _____******Number of slides _____***Towing an extra vehicle? Yes _____ No _____
Rally registration, per person, is \$10.00 and is **nonrefundable** Total amount: _____

2019 Colorado FCRV Retiree Rally

June 3rd to 7th

KOA Lakeside

1910 N Taft Hill Road, Fort Collins, CO 80524

The Retiree Rally is open to all FCRV Retirees regardless of chapter affiliation.

Monday June 3rd

Please arrive at KOA after 1:00

7:00: Monday evening hospitality and information meeting upstairs.

Tuesday, June 4th

8:00 walk or bike

Outdoor games,

9:00 Bo-Lo

10:30 Horseshoes

Afternoon: Please enjoy all of the interesting and fun things at KOA

6:00 Pot Luck Dinner

Please bring a main dish and either a salad, a vegetable or dessert.

Singles please bring one dish of your choice.

7:30 Card Bingo

Please bring two \$1.00 bills per person

The room upstairs will be available until 10:00 for games following card bingo

Wednesday June 5th

8:00: Walk and bike

9:00: Miniature Golf

10:45 Cribbage

7:00 Polish Poker

Or play games of your choice.

Please bring snacks to share.

Thursday, June 6th

8:00 walk and bike

Please enjoy the day doing whatever you would like.

Some suggestions: Enjoy activities at KOA

River rafting, plan on 4 hours

Estes Park and, Trail Ridge,

Old Town Square, Ft. Collins

CSU Experimental Gardens, 1401 Remington Street, Ft. Collins

Games upstairs at 7:00

KOA room upstairs will be open for games and fellowship until 10:00PM

Friday 7:30 – 8:30 AM

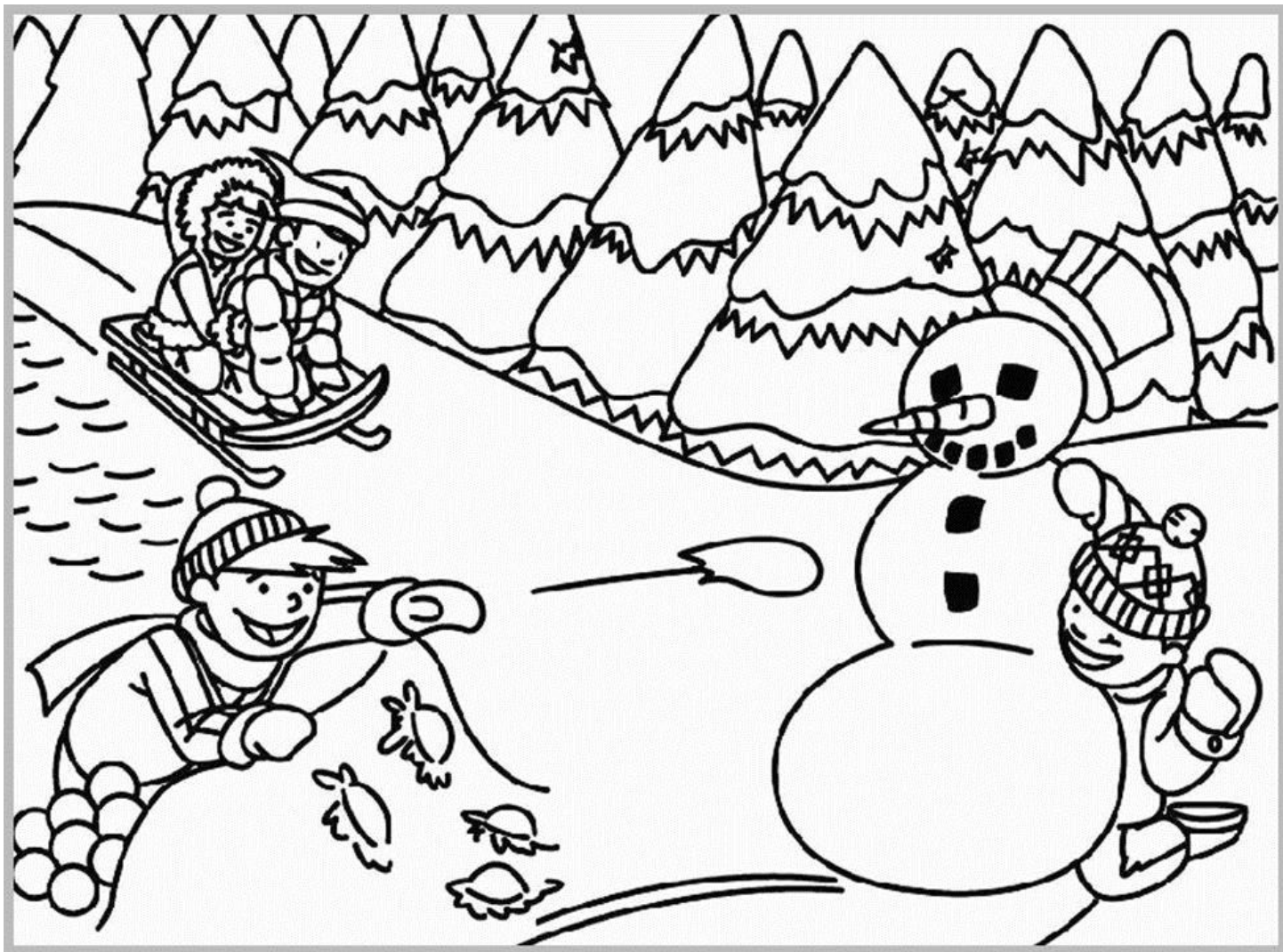
Breakfast prepared for you.

We don't charge a certain amount for this breakfast, but your donations are appreciated.

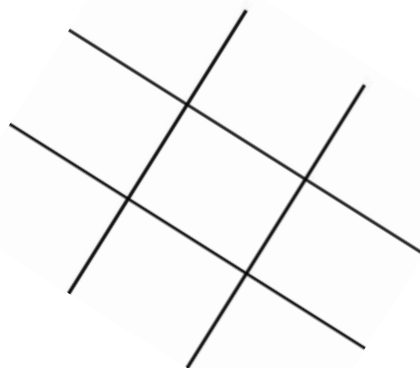
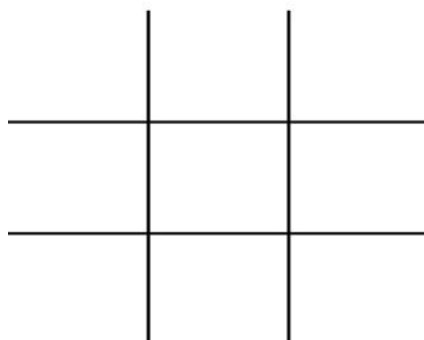
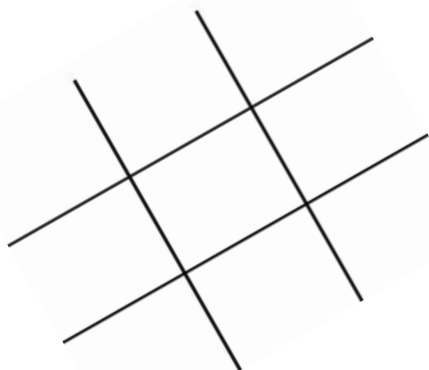
Please plan to exit park by 11:00. Thank you for coming!

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By Breanna Kendle



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2019 Colorado's 32nd Spring Fling

May 16-19, 2019

Morgan County Fairgrounds - Brush, CO

Camping Fees: Families \$55 or Singles \$45

At the gate: Families \$60 or Singles \$50

DAY ONLY: \$5.00 per family. *When you arrive, please register at the information table in the main building and pay your daily fee.*

Camping fees are for 3 nights and includes a \$20.00 Registration fee

This is **DRY Camping**—Water is available, dump station available at the park next to the fairgrounds.

Two families attending Spring Fling and camping in one unit and/or campsite.

The 1st family **MUST** submit a registration form & pay the camping fee which includes the \$20.00 registration. The 2nd family **MUST** submit a registration form & pay the registration fee of \$20.00.

Deadline to pre-register is May 6, 2019

In order to camp with your chapter you must pre-register and your registration must be **RECEIVED BY MAY 6, 2019**, otherwise you will be put into the overflow section.

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ Spouse: _____

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

Cell Phone: (____) _____ Email: _____ Chapter: _____

Handicap [☐] Electric only [☐] Reason for requiring handicap and/or electricity _____

Anyone plugging into the electrical outlets **MUST** have an electric cord with a size 12 or preferably size 10 wire.

There are limited electric hookups for those with a medical need for electricity.

Handicap spaces will provide a closer location to activities.

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

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

Camping Fees Enclosed: \$ _____

Mail to:

Make checks payable to: Colorado Chapters of FCRV

**Vodean Benham, 5452 S. Camargo Road
Littleton, CO 80123**

(Camping fees are refundable only in case of medical/family emergency/registration fee is not refundable)

FRIDAY MEAL (5:30 to 6:30) will be a potluck.

Bring your own meat to grill, condiments, plates, plasticware, napkins, etc. and a side dish to share.

Coffee, ice tea, and lemonade will be furnished. Gas Grill is being furnished by the city of Brush.

Saturday night dinner will be Chapter Potlucks or you can visit your favorite restaurant in town.

Parking will begin promptly on Thursday at 10:00 a.m.

For Specific Directions to Morgan County Fairgrounds go to the Colorado FCRV Website (Colorado FCRV.com)

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

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Field Staff Meeting
Apr 26th –28th
Lakeside KOA, Fort Collins, CO

Dinner Potluck Saturday