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REGION 1 DIRECTORS



We have begun the task of training and turning over the reins of Colorado FCRV State Directors to Ron and Carla Martinez.

We would like to Thank all those members who have stood by us and supported us the past 3 1/2 years. During these past years we have met many people from not only Colorado, but from all over the US and Canada. FCRV is definitely about friendship. It was the biggest reason people go to Campvention. According to the FCRV survey taken this past year 60% of members attend to see friends.

We hope that you will continue to support Colorado FCRV and the newly appointed State Directors, Ron and Carla Martinez. Since we continue to be the Region 1 Directors, it is our responsibility to train and assist them as needed.

We will continue to be active with the State of Colorado and the two chapters that we belong to. We will also attend meetings and State functions as we are the Field Directors of two chapters, Region 1 Directors, and most of all, we want to see all of your smiling faces!

Thanks again for the "Ride".

Jeff & Shirley Kendle
Region 1 Director



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2020 DATES TO REMEMBER

DATE	TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
Jan 10th	11:00 a.m.	Colorado Retiree Luncheon	Cinzetti's, 281 W. 104th, Northglenn, CO
Feb - TBD	NA	General Membership & Planning Meeting	TBD
Mar 24th - 30th	NA	FCRV International Retiree Rally	National Peanut Fairgrounds, Dothan, AL
Apr 24th - 26th	9:00 a.m.	Field Staff Meeting	Lakeside KOA, Fort Collins, CO
May 14th - 17th	NA	Spring Fling	Morgan County Fairgrounds, Brush, CO
Jun 1st - 5th	NA	Colorado Retiree Rally	Lakeside KOA, Fort Collins, CO
Jul 13th - 17th	NA	2020 International Campvention	Brigden Fairgrounds, Brigden, ON
Sep 14th - 18th	NA	Southern Colorado Retiree Rally	Colorado City KOA, Colorado City, CO
Oct 1st - Oct 4th	NA	Fall State Campout	Lakeside KOA, Fort Collins, CO

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EMBERS CUT OFF DATES

Jan - Feb
Mar - Apr
May - Jun
Jul - Aug
Sep - Oct
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Dec 15th
Feb 15th
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Jun 15th
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Oct 15th

FALL CAMPOUT HIGHLIGHTS



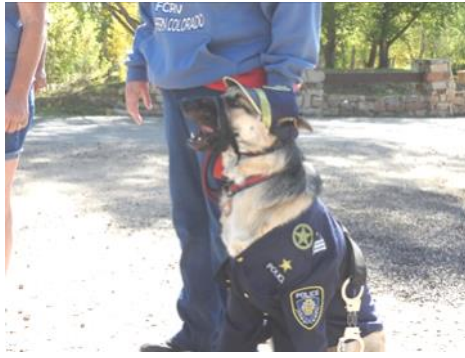
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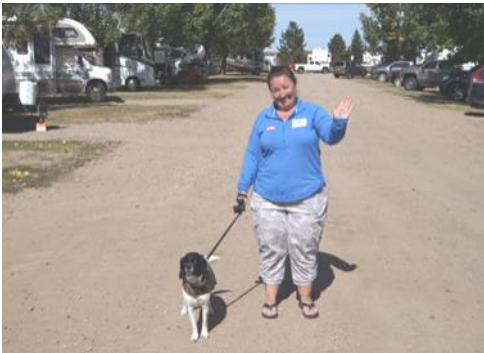
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CHAPTER MILESTONES



UTE BOBCATS 50 YEARS

COLUMBINES 50 YEARS



VIEW FINDERS 25 YEARS

Thank you Jerry Lien
and Bill Hutchinson for
the great photos

CHAPTER MILESTONES

ROAD RUNNERS 25 YEARS



CAMP STARS 15 YEARS



WINDSOR GARDENS RETIREES CHARTER PRESENTATION

MEMORY BELL

Name	Date		Chapter	Military Service
Gene Courtney	19 Oct 2018	Brother	of JoAnn Eckman	U.S. Army
Frances Jane Carper	5 Mar 2019	Mother	of Wendy Koch of the Timberliners	
John Vegter, Jr	10 Mar 2019	Father	of Ken Vegter, RV Rascals	
John Stewart	2 Apr 2019	Husband	of Lee Stewart, Star Chasers	U.S. Air Force
Wayne Jones	5 Apr 2019	Brother	of Mike Jones of, Camp Stars	
Donald Stewart Smith III	17 May 2019	Younger brother	of Lindsay Leaman, Rocky Mountain Maniacs	
Joan Johnston	17 May 2019	Sister in law	of Byron & Jan Johnston, Co Eagles & Mile High Gypsies	
Ray Walkowski	7 Jun 2019	Wife	of Rosemary, members of the Trailblazers	LTC, Ret U.S. Air Force
Joan Wilshire	29 Jun 2019		of the Good Timers, WEI	
Christine Hill	19 Jul 2019	Mother	of Jerrilyn Eaton, Rolling Renegades	
Fred Grigsby	28 Jul 2019	Friend	of Byron & Jan Johnston, Co Eagles & Mile High Gypsies	
Harry Sprague	11 Aug 2019	Member of Nebraska NCHA/FCRV & friend	of Bryon & Jan Johnston, Co Eagles & Mile High Gypsies	
Richard B Eggers	15 Aug 2019	Father	of Michelle Vegter, RV Rascals	U.S. Army
Connie Keith	18 Aug 2019	Sister	of Julie Thomase, Rocky Mountain Revelers	
Debra French	19 Aug 2019	Sister	of Donna Watkins, Star Chasers	
John Menke		Brother	of Larry Menke, Trailblazers	
Beverly Sutton		Honorary Member	of Good Timers, WEI	
Scott Lowe	13 Sep 2019	Former member of Rolling Springs	& sister of Cheryl McCarthy, Rolling Springs	Vietnam Veteran, USAF
Barbara Anderson	19 Sep 2019	Member of Timberliners	Mother of Marlene Kingsford, Timberliners	
Gary Wayne Little III	30 Sep 2019	4 th Grader in Sterling CO		
Georgeann Hoffman	2 Oct 2019	Sister-in-law	of Allison Moore, Colorado Eagles	
Wayne Weber	2 Oct 2019	Father	of Julie Nunn, Camp Stars	
Donna Doughty		Sister-in-law	of Anna Doughty/Peduzzi. Rocky Mountain Revelers	
Keyla		Pet	of Larry & Marsha Yarberry, Vendor	

FALL CAMPOUT GAME RESULTS

Bean Bag Baseball

1st Place

Linda Snyder - RV Rascals
Tricia Watson - Camp Stars
Shelly Lantz - Camp Stars
Margaret Dorn - Camp Stars
Ken Watson - Camp Stars
Larrie Lantz - Camp Stars
Roger Price - Camp Stars
Claudia Price - Camp Stars
Cesar Paez - Camp Stars
Kim Stegman - Camp Stars
Tim Stegman - Camp Stars
Bill Snyder - RV Rascals
Sandy Scott - Camp Stars
Larry Scott - Camp Stars

2nd Place

Ken Krause - Ute Bobcats
Lee Nicholson - Windsor Gardens Retirees
Steve Passon - Ute Bobcats
Carol Passon - Ute Bobcats
Carmen Caballer - Aspen Adventurers
Angel Torres - Aspen Adventurers
David Ward - Aspen Adventurers
Terri Ward - Aspen Adventurers

Pet Parade

Happy Butt

1st Place

Tucker - Joy Christensen - Oops

2nd Place

Winston - Jan & George Carlson - Trailmix

3rd Place

Charlie - Tricia Watson - Camp Stars

Best Smile

1st Place

JJ - Carmen Caballer - Aspen Adventurers

2nd Place

Tucker - Joy Christensen - Oops

3rd Place

Gizmo - Carrie Tolzien - Star Gazers

Costume

1st Place

Dakota - Margaret Dorn - Camp Stars

2nd Place

Oscar - Arnie Carlsen - Colorado Cruisers

3rd Place

Charlie - Tricia Watson - Camp Stars

Cribbage

1st Place

Dan Kimzey - Star Chasers
Dan Finerty - Fun on Wheels
Jim Knoll - Colorado Eagles

Teen Mini Golf

1st Place & Hole in One

Nick Baca - Aspen Adventurers

2nd Place

Rachel Ward - Aspen Adventurers

3rd Place

Dylan Kendle - Aspen Adventurers

FALL CAMPOUT GAME RESULTS

Photo Contest

Funniest

1st Place

Rita Newell - Ute Bobcats

2nd Place

Connie Strack - Columbines

3rd Place

Ed Strack - Columbines

Most Unusual

1st Place

Ed Strack - Columbines

2nd Place

Connie Strack - Columbines

3rd Place

Ann Bloomfield - Colorado Eagles

Most Artistic

1st Place

Arnie Carlson - Colorado Cruisers

2nd Place

Ed Strack - Columbines

3rd Place

Carter Bloomfield - Colorado Eagles

Wildlife

1st Place

Carmen Caballer - Aspen Adventurers

2nd Place

Ed Strack - Columbines

3rd Place

Kathy Boatright - Colorado Cruisers

Too Cute For Wards

1st Place

Mike Mayfield - Ute Bobcats

2nd Place

Connie Strack - Columbines

3rd Place

Ed Strack - Columbines

Bean Bag Toss

1st Place

Hugh Strong - Fun on Wheels

Bruce Baltzer - Fun on Wheels

2nd Place

Bill Snyder - RV Rascals

Linda Snyder - RV Rascals

3rd Place

David Ward - Aspen Adventurers

Terri Ward - Aspen Adventurers

Carrie Tolzin - Star Gazers

Tom Zimmerman - Windsor Gardens Retirees

Chapter Milestones

Ute Bobcats - 50 Years

Columbines - 50 Years

Golden Nuggets - 45 Years

Gypsies - 40 Years

Sundowners - 40 Years

Star Chasers - 30 Years

Rolling Renegades - 25 Years

Fun on Wheels - 25 Years

***OTH Colorado Retirees - 25
Years***

Road Runners - 25 Years

View Finders - 25 Years

Rocky Explorers - 20 Years

Rocky Toppers - 20 Years

Colorado Cruisers - 15 Years

Camp Stars - 15 Years

Star Gazers - 15 Years

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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
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CHAPTER NEWS

ASPEN ADVENTURES



Hard to believe that camping season is over for this year. It seems like we just started camping.

In September, Aspen Adventurers headed to Mueller State Park. We were hoping to see the Aspen change but we were a little early. Although we didn't see the trees changing colors we still had a good time and the weather cooperated.

Aspen Adventurers ended the camping season attending the Fall Campout at Lakeside KOA in Fort Collins. Although it was windy in the evening, it warmed up during the day so everyone was able to participate in the games, play a few games of mini golf, and enjoy the chapter potluck outside.

November we will be going to Mama Alvino's for lunch and we will round out the year with a Christmas Party and gift exchange.



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ASPEN ADVENTURES



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TRAILBLAZERS



Highlights of Winding River campout in Grand Lake, CO - August 2019.

A bull moose joined us across the street for several of our gatherings. He ate, we ate, we looked, he ate, we looked, he ate and so it went!

Regrowth of the trees after the pine bark beetle was very apparent, especially with the moist summer we've had. New trees and green growth were very promising.

We heard the long history of the Harbison sisters with a unique ending to the story that the story teller was actually a distant relative of the sisters. Others enjoyed the Holzwarth dude ranch from the 1920's and learned about the ecology of the area, with attempts of the Park to bring back the beaver and wet lands as the area used to be.

Swing or rock, your choice in the new chairs Daphne and Joyce had. Each kept hopping up, as almost all the members had their turn at trying out the new style chair. Three more were ordered this week. Should we change our name from Trailblazers to the Swingers??

This was the first campout of the season with no rain. Yea! Weather was terrific. Wild flowers were still in bloom as some took hikes or traveled by car.

New word for us to learn: Krummholz: German word meaning "crooked wood". They are the trees that grow near the tundra---gnarled, stunted trees which are the result of cold temperatures and icy gales that can exceed 150 miles per hour.

Trailblazers traveled to Chama, New Mexico, in September 2019. A majority of the club went on the Cumbres and Toltec Scenic Railroad. The weather which had been iffy, turned out to be beautiful for the day trip. The lunch was enjoyed by all, as was the trip. It was about a week too early for the fall colors, but beautiful anyway. Some of the club stayed behind and explored the local sights and stores.

The folks that run the Rio Chama Campground were very friendly and helpful and it is truly a beautiful place to camp with beautiful large trees for shade. There is a very nice pavilion where we gathered to eat and play games.

And a good time was had by all!

Words of wisdom from Peanuts: I don't have time to worry about who doesn't like me, I'm too busy loving the people who love me.



Submitted by
Sue Menke and Rose Stamps

CHAPTER NEWS

WOODLAND



The Wookies have had a Wonderful Camping Season! Lake DeWeese, Westcliff, Clear Creek, Buena Vista are pictured! Fall Is Now Upon Us, Life is full of Beauty. Take time to notice it! Living in our Great State of Colorado has been such a opportunity for Camping life, Having

friends to join FCRV can be such a plus! One more October trip has been planned for Mueller State Park. The Woodland Wookies are keeping their fingers crossed for snow to just wait a bit!



I would like to share with all of you fellow FCRV campers. The Woodland Wookies Field Directors Lonnie & MaryAnn Glover were driving to go camp near Lake Brainard just a week ago. It's named Indian Peaks Wilderness in between Nederland and Estes Park. If anyone knows MaryAnn, you know that Moose is her favorite thing to see. Well The Glovers nearly plowed into a Mob of Moose driving to Peaceful Valley Campground! Literally! It was almost comical...they could not stop! The five moose just split off the road two to the right and three to the left all in a matter of seconds! The truck hauling the 5th wheel RV just breezed right in between this mob of moose! Lonnie did keep calm and break slowly too. For sure God had his hand in this outcome. Such A Miracle-the moose had popped out of nowhere crossing the road - young babies and adult moose!

The timing just was amazing. The Glovers were sure that something drastic was about to happen! Moose hoofs flying everywhere, such grace for moose anyways! The adult moose are as tall as the truck. It all happened in a split second! Man O Man. This will be a experience and repeated story for The Glovers Forever and ever!

Happy Trails To You All!



CHAPTER GATHERINGS



ROADRUNNERS

Black Hills, SD



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CHAPTER NEWS

MILE HIGH GYPSIES



Finishing up August at Fountain KOA. There are many activities for all ages. We celebrated birthdays with cake and ice cream and enjoyed each others' company. We had a prospective member couple with their 2 grandsons and other family members visiting us.

In September, we camped at Chatfield State Park. We accepted the visiting couple as new members in our chapter, bringing our membership to 10. Welcome Kelley and Terry. Time was spent playing Dominoes. We watched the prairie dogs keeping an eye on us!! When we'd laugh loud, the sentinel would let out his warning yip and all would dive in their dens. Some of our group

saw deer close by. A member brought his boat out and went fishing Saturday. They did well. Teen Morgan was displaying some very nice sized fish he had caught. We had our usual plentiful, good potluck dinner and finished it off with caramel apples. A member went with volunteers to clean the Clear Creek Canyon. They picked up thousands of pounds of litter/trash. It reminds us of the litter drives NCHA/FCRV conducted years ago. Thank you, Doug, for helping with that endeavor.

Our final campout for the season is at St. Vrain's with Trick or Treat for our area. The state employee was pleased to know that we'd do that for the kids. We're planning pots of soup cooked over the open fire for dinner Saturday night.

We are encouraged to bring ideas for next year's camping: Places, meals, activities, etc. to our meeting in October. We have already booked places for the winter meetings.

Some of us attended Fall Statewide at Fort Collins and had a good time. It was good seeing friends from throughout the state.

Wishing everyone a wonderful holiday season coming up.

Submitted by Jan Johnston



CHAPTER NEWS

HI-COUNTRY CAMPERS

Hi-Country Campers have had a good year and look forward to 2020. We had a very good dinner and meeting at the West 29th Restaurant and Bar. This was followed by a camping trip to the Wellington KOA. Spring Fling followed and we had a great time there. We went over the hill to Quray KOA and then a hot but fun trip to Campvention in Hutchinson, KS. Canon City KOA was our next trip and we did get a bit of rain. We headed north to Terry Bison Ranch and did a couple of museums in Cheyenne. Last outing was Statewide in Fort Collins. We look forward to our Christmas party in December.



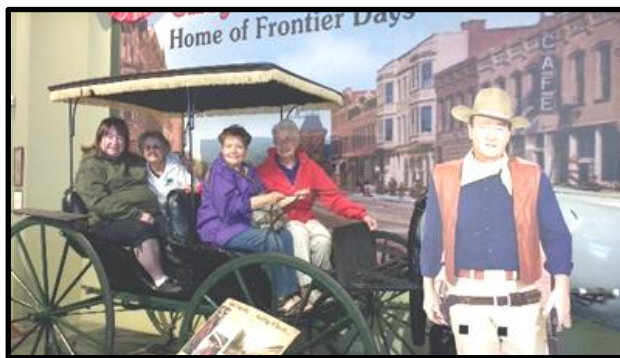
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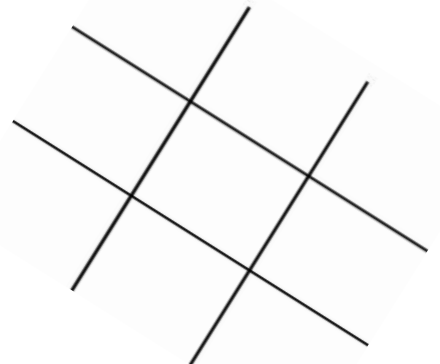
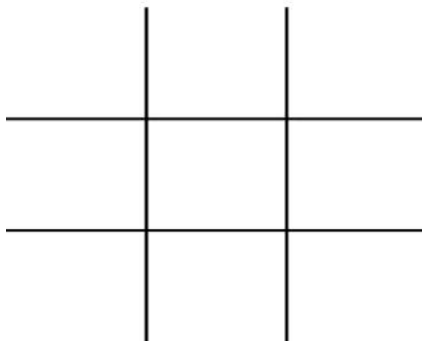
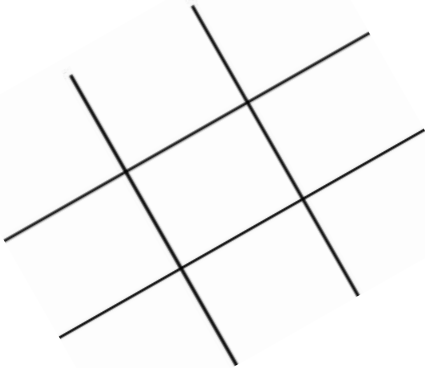
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Family Campers & Rver's

Hosted by Region #7 Eastern Car

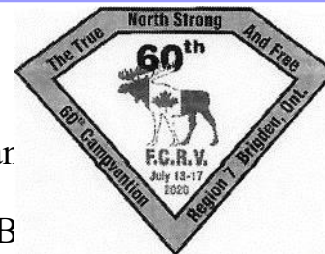
Brigden Fairgrounds,

2435 Courtright Line Brigden, ON, N0N 1B

July 13 - July 17th 2020

fee covers July 12-17th (6 nights)

Early Bird Days: July 10th & 11th @ \$ 25/night (pay @ registration- **cash**) Registrations are needed by: **June 1st, 2020**



Last Name: _____ First Name: _____

Spouse/Guest: _____

Address: _____ City: _____

State/Province: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone number: _____ Email: _____

Handicapped/Special Needs Parking: Yes _____ No _____

Motor Home _____ 5th Wheel _____ Travel trailer _____ Pop-up _____ Tent _____

Number of people in your unit:

of Adults: _____ Teens: _____ Youth 0-12: _____ Total # of people in unit: _____

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

Name	Age	Name	Age

Gates will be open from 8am- 8pm (all days)

REGISTRATION

Everyone must complete a registration form including second families and camp passes. Submit payment with the registration form. All funds should be Canadian currency of cheques or money orders.

NO CREDIT CARDS.

Registration

At Gate

One Family in the Unit	\$325 CDN	\$335 CDN
Extra Family in Unit (pay separate)	\$200 CDN	\$210 CDN
Week Drive-In pass	\$200 CDN	\$210 CDN
Walk-In Camp Pass (per day)	\$40 CDN	\$40 CND

Make cheques/Money Orders payable to: 2020 FCRV Campvention

CASH ONLY AT THE GATE

**Mail to: Marilyn Rosenberger
3500 Chilligo Road RR#2
Breslau Ontario, N0B 1M0**

**Refund policy: If you are unable to attend,
all except \$35 CDN will be refunded**

Contact at: 1-519-648-2017 or rosenberger44@gmail.com

I would like to volunteer for: _____

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 10th, 2020