President’s Corner: Snowshoeing into Summer

by Marilyn Eisele

I went snowshoeing recently and the weather was so great that it made me think of summer and The Colorado Trail.

The CT Foundation had its annual Board of Directors meeting in January where we elected new board members, new officers and reviewed plans for the coming summer. We were pleased to welcome as a new Board member Jack Berryhill who, when he's not out in the mountains, serves as a district judge for Jefferson County. Board members returning for another three-year term are Jerry Brown and Tom Gramling. Officers for the 2005 years are President Marilyn Eisele, Vice President Carolyn Burtard, Secretary Pat Nagorka, and Treasurer Tom Gramling.

We thank Liz Truitt for keeping us fed at the Board meeting. We had a full agenda but completed it in a timely manner.

This summer there will be 16 week-long trail crews and 6 weekend crews. The weekend crew on June 3–5 will be a weekend of training on trail construction and maintenance primarily for future crew leaders and adopters.

Gudy Gaskill will direct nine outdoor classes at the educational facility at Lake City this summer. Class topics will again range from painting, photography and wildflowers to hiking, climbing and orienteering.

Our supported trek managers, Pete and Lisa Turner, will offer eight weeks of supported treks this year—Sections 2 through 7, with sections 6 and 7 offered twice since they are the most popular. This will be the third year Pete and Lisa have managed the trek program. We are pleased to have them as our trek leaders again for we have had nothing but positive feedback from the treks the past two years.

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You should have received information on the 2005 trail crews, outdoor classes and supported treks in the mail by now. The annual “stuffing party” to prepare the materials for mailing was held in late January at Tracy and Lois Cochran’s home.

The Board worked on finalizing a new Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the U.S. Forest Service. This is the main working agreement between the Forest Service and The Colorado Trail Foundation and so is an important document for us. Tom Gramling has spearheaded the drafting with important input from USFS representative Greg Warren. The Board decided it was ready to forward the updated agreement to the Forest Service for review and joint approval.

Merle McDonald reported on his efforts to collect current trail data for the next edition of THE COLORADO TRAIL The Official Guidebook. The current edition will be sold out sometime in the next 12 to 18 months. The Guidebook needs to be updated with new section descriptions as well as accurate information on trailhead access, water sources, camp sites, trail markers, GPS waypoints and mileage.

The board appointed Bill Manning and Bill Bloomquist to work with Gudy as a committee to continue investigating and planning terminus monuments at each end of the Trail, at Waterton Canyon in the north and Junction Creek Trailhead in the south.

Jerry Brown has again offered to conduct Wilderness First Aid Training for our crew leaders and adopters this spring. The Foundation thanks Jerry for this important service.

The Board agreed to hold our Fall Picnic in Golden on September 17. Be sure to mark your calendar.

This past year I felt privileged to work with Jon Greeneisen and have him as my mentor. Jon, retiring President of the Colorado Trail Foundation, has given us dedication, leadership and understanding. As the new President of the Foundation, I would like to personally thank Jon for his efforts to help me and to strengthen the Foundation.

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Jon Greeneisen, CTF President in 2003 and 2004, passes the gavel to newly-elected CTF President Marilyn Eisele.
New Guidebook in the Works

Merle McDonald, Past CTF President, is spearheading preparations to publish a new guidebook for the Trail. It will be the seventh edition of THE COLORADO TRAIL The Official Guidebook. As with previous editions, The Colorado Mountain Club Press will work closely with Merle in editing and publishing the new Guidebook. Merle says it's really a joint effort between the CMC Press and the Colorado Trail Foundation.

The current sixth edition of the Guidebook is expected to be sold out around the end of the year. Randy Jacobs, who wrote trail description text for the current and previous editions, says the text is out of date and needs to be rewritten. Some descriptions are nearly 20 years old and there have been many changes in that time. For this reason he asks that we not use current trail descriptions in the new and future editions.

The CTF Board of Directors believes that availability of an accurate Guidebook is vital in maintaining the Trail. Likewise, it is essential for the safety and enjoyment of Trail users. For this reason, the Foundation is undertaking a complete re-survey of The Colorado Trail to produce the new Guidebook. Jerry Brown, supported by Merle and others, will hike the Trail from end to end this summer specifically to accomplish the detailed survey.

Merle invites Friends of the Trail to help with this important project by suggesting things to include in the new Guidebook. If you know such things as points of interest along the Trail, good water sources and campsites, or other useful or interesting information for Trail users, please send your suggestions to the CTF Office by March 31. Your input will be helpful in planning this summer's survey of the CT. You can help make an already excellent CT Guidebook even better.

Our Trail Crew Registrars Are a Vital Link by Suzanne Reed

The team of Marylin and Jon Greeneisen handled our trail crew registrations for ten years, from 1994 through 2004. (Uta McDonald filled in the summer of 2002 when Marylin was out of commission with a fractured elbow.) In the ten years Marylin and Jon signed up more than 3,000 trail crew volunteers.

For many Friends of the Trail their first contact with the CTF was a friendly note, phone call or email from the Greeneisens confirming a crew registration or answering questions about how to get to the crew and what to expect—how cold it will get at night, what type of food will be served, what kind of clothes will be needed. With only the one year off in their long tenure, the Greeneisens declared 2004 to be their last. We thank Marylin and Jon, two of our most dedicated CT volunteers, for giving up every spring and early summer for so many years to help volunteers get registered and to assure our trail crews were filled.

Fortunately, they are staying on as one of our most popular trail crew leader teams, adopters, and editors of Tread Lines. Our new Trail Crew Registrars are old friends to many of you who have had the good fortune to spend a trail crew week with Tracy and Lois Cochran, long-time CT volunteers. They willingly agreed to add Crew Registrars to their long list of volunteer jobs. As “first responders” to our trail crew registrants the Cochrans will continue this vital task of helping recruit volunteers, the heart of the Colorado Trail Foundation.

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Summer 2005 Volunteer Work Crew Schedule

We are pleased to announce our 2005 summer Colorado Trail Volunteer Crew Schedule. We invite you to join as many crews as you wish. Everyone is welcome!

**Brief Overview:** To work on a trail crew, you must be at least 16 years of age and in good physical condition. You need to bring your sleeping bag, pad, tent, eating utensils, work clothes and personal items. The Colorado Trail Foundation and the U.S. Forest Service furnish food, cooking utensils, hard hats, tools and supplies. Trail crews are highly participatory. Volunteers join in trail building/maintenance as well as share in the work of setting up camp, meal preparation and other camp chores, and enjoy the evening campfire. Crews typically meet early on the afternoon of the first Saturday, with volunteers responsible for their own transportation to the meeting place. On Sunday there is a demonstration of tool safety and an introduction to trail building. Workdays are each day except Wednesday which is free for recreation. Departing crews help pack equipment on Saturday so the camp can be moved.

**Cost:** The registration cost is a one-time, non-refundable charge of $50 ($25 for weekend crews) per person regardless of how many crews you register for.

Please contact The Colorado Trail Foundation at (303) 384-3759 for a registration packet or print out the registration form and waiver from the CTF website at http://www.coloradotrail.org. Your registration will be confirmed within 30 days. Detailed information will be mailed later as well as a roster of participants should you wish to car pool.

Registrar: Tracy or Lois Cochran, phone (303) 934-8838 or email tcochran@idcomm.com

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<td>Buffalo Creek</td>
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<td>Drive In: This is our annual training weekend for leaders and adopters. Training will concentrate on trail maintenance from the adopter's point of view. We will build some sample trail and survey existing trail for problems and discuss how to solve them. This crew is open to all volunteers and we welcome your participation. <strong>Elevation 7,500 ft.</strong> Segment 3.</td>
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<td>Drive In: Work will consist of a small reroute and culvert placement to eliminate a wet crossing. Camp will be in a nice wooded area next to the Trail. Crew will meet Friday afternoon or early Saturday morning. <strong>Elevation 7,500 ft.</strong> Segment 3.</td>
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<td>Drive In: This project will entail building a post and rail fence to replace a barbed wire fence across the front of Blank's Cabin at this new trailhead. Camp will be in a lovely location at worksite and base of Mt. Shavano. <strong>Elevation 9,160 ft.</strong> Segment 14.</td>
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<td>Jeep In: Camp will be in an inviting meadow on top of Georgia Pass with views in all directions. Work will consist of eliminating trail threading and widening on the west side of the pass. <strong>Elevation 11,800 ft.</strong> Segment 6.</td>
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<td>Drive In: Crew will replace signposts in Camp Hale area and on to Tennessee Pass and repair the Trail in this area. Camp will be in East Fork Group Campground. This is a wonderful place to work this time of year. <strong>Elevation 9,400 ft.</strong> Segment 8.</td>
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<td>Drive In: Work will consist of building or rebuilding bridges on South Fooses Creek. Worksites are about 2 miles from camp at the trailhead. This will be a fun project consisting of cutting and shaping logs for bridge tread. <strong>Elevation 10,000 ft.</strong> Segment 15.</td>
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**fresh air**

**new friends**

**fun**

**rewarding work**
2005 Colorado Trail Outdoor Classroom Series

Enjoy a wonderful week in the mountains this summer. The educational program has been enjoyed by many participants from around the country. Classes are small and continuing education credits are available.

Leave the cooking to us and relax in a dramatic setting in the shadow of three 14ers in the San Juan Mountains. Volunteers Gudy Gaskill and Jan and Dan Wolfe (Dan, a retired physician) maintain the facility and cook the robust, healthy meals. Sleep in your own tent or use our platform dormitory tents (with beds). The Swiss chalet-style, solar-lighted cabin, is available for inclement weather. Meals are served on the deck or on the canopy-covered patio. A variety of classes are being offered with top-notch instructors. Most classes, except Monday lectures, are conducted in the beautiful, flower-covered meadows and high peaks. Class size is limited to ten participants.

Kids’ Outdoor Adventure cost per adult is $295 ($255 + $40 public land use permit fee) and per youth is $115 ($75 + $40 public land use fee). Cost per person for all other classes is $350 ($310 + $40 public land use fee).

The facility is located on the Alpine Scenic Byway, southwest of Lake City, at the foot of Redcloud and Sunshine Peaks and looks directly across at White Cross Mountain.

The last seven miles to the Education Center is a narrow shelf road but suitable for most normal centered cars. Leave your Porsche at home! Car-pooling is encouraged. Treat yourself to this pampered camping experience!

For information or to register, contact Charlotte Briber at (303) 526-0809 or Gudy Gaskill at gudyct@ecentral.com. You may also print out a registration form and waiver from the CTF website at http://www.coloradotrail.org.

Cabin Work Party
June 5 – June 11 Gudy Gaskill
Join in preparing the CTF Educational Facility for the class season. Set up facilities, cut tons of wood, open the water line, unload summer supplies and enjoy the camaraderie of 10 like-minded souls. No fee charged.

Kids’ Outdoor Adventure
June 12 – June 18 Dean Thurston
Have a great time with your kids or grandkids in a magnificent mountain setting. One parent or grandparent must accompany the child(ren). While the kids are off on adventures (climbing, fishing, nature study, etc.) the elders will have optional half day workshops in Anasazi pottery, sketching and watercolor, wildflower and historical walks, and perhaps storytelling. Ages 6 to 11. A family of 3 or 4 can use a dorm tent.

San Juan Hiking, Climbing and Orienteering
June 19 – June 25 Jerry Brown/Connie Wian
Join two Durango residents for a week of hiking and non-technical climbing in the spectacular San Juans. Jerry is known for his backcountry mapping achievements and is an internationally-renowned GPS expert. Connie is a dedicated mountaineer having climbed all of the Colorado 14ers at least once.

Geology of the San Juans
June 26 – July 2 Pete Varney
A living history before your eyes! Pete Varney, a Metro State University professor, will instruct this class. This workshop will include strenuous field trips—participants should be in good physical condition. Visit mines, rock glaciers, a caldera, earth flow and many other interesting geologic phenomena. Teacher enhancement credits available.*

Practical Digital Photography
July 3 – July 9 Lee B. Van Ramshorst
The high country of Colorado offers a variety of opportunities for photography, from the detail of individual wildflowers to the panoramas of geologic magnificence. There are practical approaches to this photography that will enhance the experience and fun yet help assure a safe trip to more remote but rewarding areas. This is high country and the photographer must be in good physical condition for the altitude, weather and physical exertion. Come prepared with your own digital camera equipment and supplied daypack. The course is for most levels of expertise. Teacher enhancement credits available.*
Oil and Watercolor
July 10 – July 16    George Callison

Beginners through intermediates acquire and polish your outdoor painting skills. Have an adventurous week painting and learning in the San Juan mountains. Learn how to select subjects and compose paintings with strong central themes. Learn the science of geomorphology, hydrology, meteorology, and plant ecology that help us understand the mountain landscape. Drifts of wildflowers, gushing streams, creaky ghost towns, soaring high peaks, and beaver pond meadows make inspiring subject matter. Teacher enhancement credits available.*

Wildflowers
July 17 – July 23

Treat yourself to a wonderful week in the San Juans. Daily field trips to the spectacular flower country in the immediate vicinity of the CTF Educational Facility. Participants must be in good physical condition as there are long walks at high altitude. If you have ever found yourself thumbing through wildflower field guides and still have doubts about the identification of the flower before you, this class is for you. Teacher enhancement credits available.*

Wildflowers and Wildflower Photography
July 24 – July 30    Lee B. Van Ramshorst

This class will be two separate courses combined and taught by two separate instructors. Sign up for either one; minimum of four students per course. Each course will have different daily field trips with the Wildflower emphasis on wildflower identification. Last summer, we identified over two hundred flowers. The Wildflower Photography class will photograph flowers, learn the common names and critique close up shots as well as masses. Field trips are mostly above timberline so good physical condition and acclimatization will be necessary. Traditionally this week has been the height of wildflower displays in the San Juans. Teacher enhancement credits available.*

Plein Air Watercolor
July 31 – August 6    Margaret Barge

Taught by Durango artist Margaret Barge, there will be spectacular scenery and field trips from below tree line to high mountain passes. You will have individual help and critiques daily with plenty of time to paint and sightsee. A Friday afternoon art exhibit and critique of matted work will end this wonderful week.

Individual Painting
August 15 – August 21    Gudy Gaskill

There is no instruction during this week but individual critiques will be shared. Limited to 10 painters, we will share costs and household chores, as well as the cooking (or a cook could be hired). This is a terrific chance to paint outdoors for a week in a spectacular setting and share expertise and techniques. Great food, expert companions, inspirational scenery. An approximate budget is available upon request. Dorm tents with beds can accommodate eight artists. One camper space available.

*Class may be taken for 2 credit hours in the Teacher Enhancement program through the Colorado School of Mines.
It’s Time to Go Trekking!  

by Pete and Lisa Turner

Supported treks are a great way to hike the Colorado Trail without having to carry a heavy backpack, worry about meal preparation and shuttle logistics. Treks are a lot of fun, too, and full of adventure. This summer Pete and Lisa Turner of Durango, Colorado, will conduct eight week-long treks along the Trail for the Colorado Trail Foundation.

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At a cost of $740 per person, the eight treks are offered on a first come first serve basis. Treks are limited to 12 persons each week so SIGN UP NOW for a week of great hiking!! For trek information, contact Trek Program Managers Pete or Lisa Turner at 1-877-600-2656 or visit the website at www.coloradotrail.org or www.coloradotrailhiking.com.

All photos courtesy of Pete and Lisa Turner from treks in 2004. © 2004 All Rights Reserved.
“We met a through hiker who was making his way on the Continental Divide Trail and Colorado Trail to the Wyoming border. He had started at Wolf Creek Pass three weeks earlier. He was happy to see us since he hadn’t encountered anyone for more than a week.”

–Lisa Turner

Above: Crossing the bridge over Wurtz Ditch.

Right: Lunch break on top of the Continental Divide south of Fooses Creek.

Above: Making our way up the Trail to Marshall Pass.

Right: Hiking to the top of Coney Summit.
I went on the first trail crew of the summer and, on completing a week of hard work, I was asked to write this paper about my experience. When I arrived at our campsite above Lakeview Campground near Leadville, I thought the week would be all work and not much fun. It didn’t take long to get a different opinion!

I arrived at the campsite Friday afternoon with the leader who also happened to be my uncle, Phil Smith. Saturday morning my brother Luke Stoneman and I helped Phil unload from his truck boxes of food and a large canopy. Some of the boxes were rather heavy, being filled with canned foods, etc., and my brother and I did not really feel like hauling the boxes clear across camp. So we persuaded Phil to move his truck nearer to the place where the cook tent would be.

About five minutes after he moved the truck, a heavy wind gust blew down a huge pine tree!! The tree missed Phil’s travel trailer by about five feet and his solar panel by about three inches—it crashed to the ground right where his truck had been parked five minutes before! My brother and I figured that sometimes being lazy can be an advantage.

Late that morning we drove to the Leadville Ranger Station to meet the rest of our crew and bring them back to camp. It was a small crew, compared to the one I had been on last year. Other crew members were Michael Lovett, Paul Newendorp, Phil Rhees, Mae Smith, Betsy and John Sylvester, and Carolyn Thiessen. We spent the rest of the day getting camp set up and learning that we would have to be up at 6:30 every morning.

On Monday evening, one of our crew members did not return from his walk. After searching for an hour both by truck and on foot, we began to get a little worried. After two hours, we got seriously worried. Phil called the sheriff to come help search. The night was not particularly cold although there was light rain around 11:00 p.m. The Search and Rescue Team also was called to help. Phil sent my brother and me to bed around midnight, neither of us feeling very hopeful.

The next morning we got up and who should be standing by the side of his vehicle but our missing man! He had met an old friend in the Lakeview Campground and talked into late hours. Because of the lateness, he decided to stay in his friend’s trailer and join up with us the next morning. It was great to see him alive and well!

There is work on a trail crew. We did 284 feet of re-routing trail. Re-routing is difficult, but also really fun because you get to see a completely new trail developed. We began by cutting down the trees within a three-foot radius of the chosen route. Then we used McClouds to clean off loose leaves and sticks. Then we started building trail by cutting away the duff with Pulaskies and sloping the trail so that water would run off. Several things are needed for a good trail. First, it must slant so that water will run off and not down the trail. Water is the number one destroyer of good tread. Next, all roots, rocks, and bumps must be eliminated. Hikers should be able to look up and see the view every now and again instead of putting all their effort into not tripping and falling on bad trail. Lastly, the Trail must be three feet wide so that horses and their riders can travel without hurting themselves.

Our crew also did 450 feet of maintenance on the Trail which meant slanting and enlarging older trail. Trail making may be hard but it is rewarding to see something accomplished when you are finished. There are also those unforgettable moments like watching Mr. Sylvester dance hunched over down the Trail. Or arguing with Mr. Sylvester about who gets the last of the cranberry sauce at dinnertime. Or making ice cream with everyone chipping in. All in all, it is an amazing experience that makes memories for a lifetime.

(Editor’s Note: Jessie Stoneman, who was 16 years old last summer and lives in Greeley, CO, wrote this good report.)
Crew Leader Merle McDonald and our band of 25 took on a 3-mile steep stretch of the CT from North Cottonwood Creek trailhead up to timberline on the side of Mt. Yale. The gang included Richard Conger, Cherry von Stroh, Ken Walker, Roy Syno, Katie Walker, Harriet Hamilton, Roy Leonard, Bev Mulholland, Art Roberts, Geri Wink, Michael Lovett, Peggy Lovett, Brooks Taylor, Laura Farmer, Jerri Miller, Janice Taylor, Larry Miller, Sarah Ebert, John Lipe, Elisabeth McDonald, Merle and Uta McDonald, Ken Stagner, Cheryl English and Tom Croke. It was a big crew with a big challenge.

Merle describes the problem and our crew’s task this way. The Colorado Trail runs south from the CT trailhead on the north side of North Cottonwood Creek some 6 miles west of Buena Vista. The trail was originally constructed as the Main Range Trail by the Civilian Conservation Corp in the 1930’s. When it became part of The Colorado Trail in 1988 it was in pretty rough shape. The average grade from the creek to the top of the saddle 3 1/3 miles away was 15 percent. The first mile had deteriorated into a steep, rocky drainage ditch. The next mile had rock outcroppings that almost bisected the Trail. A Volkswagen sized rock had fallen on the Trail that completely blocked it to horse use, and below the beaver dam the Trail was frequently under water.

In 1993 the CTF dispatched a large maintenance crew to see what could be accomplished. The lower portion was rerouted out of the drainage ditch and several switchbacks were added to lessen the grade. Just below the beaver ponds the Trail was reconstructed 15 feet higher on the bank which put it well above the water.

By 2001 the beavers decided they had used up all of the good wood around the beaver ponds and they should look for a new home. They chose The Colorado Trail about 200 yards south of the new North Cottonwood Creek Trailhead. The CTF sent in crews in 2002 and 2003 to work out the boundary dispute with the beavers, i.e. relocate the CT.

In spite of maintenance on this section mentioned above we had never been able to get the heavy duty maintenance crew above the two-mile point. In 2004 we wanted to get all the way to the top. A log bridge was needed across Silver Creek and a semi-permanent snowbank kept the top few hundreds of the Trail a boggy mess. The challenge was that it was a four-mile walk from camp to the top of the saddle.

Despite the challenge Merle describes, by week’s end we had built 106 water diversion dips and completed tier one and two trail remediation. We widened, rerouted, trimmed vegetation and cut trees. We also constructed a dandy two-log bridge with handrail across the headwaters of Silver Creek to replace an old log.

It was hard work but not all work. On our day off most of us took to the local hot springs to soak. A hardy few climbed the local Collegiate 14’ers through falling snow above 12,000 feet elevation.

Bev Mulholland spoiled us with her awesome camp meals. Nightly entertainment included recitations from cowboy poet Ken Stagner. Michael Lovett played his classical guitar, accompanied by Harriet Hamilton who also taught us the true meaning of the ditty, “I don’t know but I’ve been told.” We learned how to convert muffins to Irish muffins by Irishman Tom Croke who demonstrated how to set fire to the griddle toast, “Hey it’s just like our Irish pub back home.”

The amused local wildlife occasionally joined our motley crew. We had a really big wild turkey (not the bottled kind), a mouse (YIKES!) running a 2:00 a.m. Indy 500 in one crew member’s tent, beavers slapping the ponds with their tails, and coyotes singing in the night. We figured the coyotes were warning the rest of the critters to steer clear of a certain area till we left. And leave we finally did—with warm hearts and hugs, many new friends and a really beautiful trail for all our friends to enjoy! See you again on the CT.
The Crew that WAS

This WAS a small crew. This WAS a mighty crew! This WAS a flexible crew. This WAS the crew that WAS.

This crew WAS arriving from the north, south, east and west. This crew WAS arriving early, late and the next day. But wait! WAS this the right place? Where WAS the campsite? WAS there anyone with young legs to scope this out? Yes, there WAS! Davin, Matt and Mark with the exuberance of youth went to find the campsite.

Soon a shout rang forth from the ridge. The camp WAS up there! How could this be? The cook tent WAS up there on top but the shower and latrine WAS down here on the road! Ten sites were chosen quickly. It WAS time for our safety talk. Our leader, Glenn, WAS not young but he had a 4WD.

On the fateful first morning excitement filled the air as we waited for our work assignments. WAS this true what we heard? We WAS to build water bars and rolling dips? That WAS it? This crew did not blink an eye or race for the cars to go home. No, this crew WAS to be admired.

All week we WAS marveling at how great and mighty WAS our water bars and rolling dips. We WAS walking up and down the Trail to encourage and say wonderful, positive utterances to our fellow mighty crew members and to cheer them on as they labored under fifty-pound treated logs. What support! What courage!

WAS this crew flexible? Yes, it WAS! As the rains fell we dug trenches to save the cook tent, slid down the slippery ridge and slid up the slippery ridge. We WAS always cheering our water crew as they stumbled up the hill with the water cans. We WAS always encouraging our fellow members. WAS we hauling logs and rocks with smiles on our faces? Yes, we WAS.

When asked what they will remember most about the week, WAS crew members wrote:

“A small group of people can do a lot of work (Matt).” “The brilliance of the columbine and the mountain perfume (Bobbi).” “Bonding with water bars (Charles).” “Seeing a woodpecker and rescuing a bird (Lizzy).” “Rain every day (Mark).” “Awesome people (Steve).” “The people and how they worked so hard to leave a little piece of themselves there on The Colorado Trail (Clare).”

This WAS a crew that stuck it out. This WAS a crew that broke a wet camp with typical Colorado Trail enthusiasm and laughter. WAS this a crew that was happy to get down off that ridge? Yes, we WAS!
This was the ninth year for teens from the Douglas County D. C. Oakes High School to work on The Colorado Trail. When crew members arrived at the campsite on Saturday they had little setup to do because we had left most of the equipment set up from the previous crew the week before. It was a good thing, because it rained most of the day!

Due to the size of the crew, Mae needed a helper with the kitchen duties. So a different teen stayed in camp each day to help.

Because of the lateness of the season, we changed breakfast time from 7:00 a.m. to 7:30 and dinner from 6:00 p.m. to 5:30 so we could operate in daylight. The crew went up the Trail on Sunday for orientation and some actual work. We returned shortly after lunch, and it began raining. Temperatures each day were in the 30’s except for Friday when it was 46 and cloudy. We saw the first yellow on the aspen leaves and watched them turn more and more each day.

The crew worked in a mountain meadow at about 12,000 feet elevation. The tread we worked on had two or three trails side-by-side. We consolidated them into one tread, using the deeper trail as a drain to handle the water runoff. The new tread was made three feet wide, and sloped. We put in two rolling water bars and fixed an intermittent stream crossing. The crew completed 1,581 feet of tread.

While the crew was working on the Trail, one morning someone saw a bear standing on her hind legs checking us out. She then ran across the lower meadow followed by two cubs. Everyone got to see them!

Another crew member saw some wild turkeys and, while driving to and from camp to trailhead, we saw deer, elk, marmots and grouse.

On the last Saturday, it seemed like it took us longer to pack up but I think part of the problem was that we hadn’t set up camp at the beginning of the week and so didn’t know as well how things went into the trailer. A school tradition on the way home on Saturday is a stop in Salida for lunch to which crew members invited the cook and crew leader to join them!

There were 22 on our crew: Ashley Ahiene, Steve Brockmeyer (teacher), Casey Brown, Cody Clawson, Luke Duncan, Chris Eddy, Susie Haugh, John Manning, Doug Martin, Cary Memmen, Dan Miezijeski, Steve Newcomb, Tiffini Payne, Phil Rhees (assistant crew leader), Stephanie Ritmire, W. Kyle Ruie, Eric Schmitt, Lise Vanttilten, Tim Williams, Brian Wood (teacher) plus Phil and Mae Smith.
Friends of the Trail Adopt Five Sections  by Janet Farrar, Adopt-A-Trail Coordinator

Five sections of the Trail found adopters in recent weeks. **John Lipe** adopted the section from Sand Creek to Angel of Shavano Trailhead (Section 14.3). **Signe Wheeler** and the Rancho Del Sueno Horse Group has adopted the Trail from Marshall Pass to Sargents Mesa (Section 16.1). **Sam Davis**, who completed the Trail last summer with his friend **Steve Tick**, is the new adopter of Section 22.1—Spring Creek Pass to Big Buck Creek. The Trail from Big Buck Creek to Wager Gulch (Section 22.2) has been adopted by **Mark and Joellen Fonken**. CTF Board Member and crew leader **Ernie Norris** has adopted the section from Bolam Pass to FS Road 550 (Section 26.1). This means the Trail has been adopted from end to end with only one section still open. The Trail from Sargents Mesa to Lugan Creek Road is still looking for a caring adopter.

The Adopt-A-Trail Committee continues to explore ways to increase communication and participation in the program. **Roger Gomas**, an adopter and member of the Operations Committee, has joined our Committee which we feel will enhance coordination between our two committees. We have a long list of things we’re working on to strengthen the Adopt-A-Trail Program:

1. Finish re-numbering the adopter sections to agree with segments in the guidebook.
2. Work with the Operations Committee on a procedure for adopters to contact their newly created Operations Area Coordinator when they have needs.
3. Create new and easier report forms to reduce paperwork.
4. Work with the Forest Service to ensure it gets adopter information in a timely manner.
5. Request from the Forest Service its rules on signage so we can formulate better signage guidelines.
6. Pursue more interactive possibilities on the website regarding our forms and adopter information.
7. Give adopters the opportunity to provide input for the new Guidebook.
8. Alert adopters to trail crew schedules for the 2005 season. George will notify adopters when trail crews are scheduled to work on their sections of the Trail.
9. Schedule more adopter events with adopter input in planning them.
10. Give adopters big thanks for all their hard work.

We are looking forward to a busy and rewarding season this summer of 2005!

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Did you know? CTF adopters reported 2,298 hours of volunteer maintenance work to keep the Trail in good shape in 2004!
Reflections of a Trail Adopter . . .

by Diane Parker

Because of the AT&T telephone company divestiture in 1983, U S WEST relocated my job to Denver from Cheyenne, Wyoming. Being a lover of the Rockies, I wondered how I was going to get acquainted with them this far south so, at a co-worker’s suggestion, I joined the Colorado Mountain Club.

The summer of 1985 my daughter and I signed up for a weekend of what we thought was group camping at Twin Lakes. What we discovered was our first volunteer effort in helping build a small section of new tread for The Colorado Trail. It was my first try at building a foot bridge which wasn’t replaced until many years later.

In the early years of my growing association with the Trail, I struck up a friendship by phone with Gudy Gaskill. And in 1987, during one of our many phone conversations, Gudy asked me to become an adopter. She didn’t have to ask twice.

I adopted Georgia Pass which at that time was a ten-mile section. I took it mainly because it was close to Denver but far enough away to feel like I was truly out in the mountains. The first time I drove up to the pass and stood looking out over South Park, I thought how fortunate I was to have chosen such a beautiful section. The views are breathtaking! Eventually I hiked to the tops of Mt. Guyot and Whale Mountain, both nearby.

My first supervising role was in 1987 when I arranged a weekend with an Aurora Boy Scout troop of boys around seven or eight years old. This special troop consisted of boys from broken homes. Many of the boys had deadbeat dads so the troop’s three male leaders served as big brothers. Talk about hard workers!

I worked on six of Joe Slack’s weekend construction crews through the 90’s. The first was at Georgia Pass constructing new trail on the mesa at the top of the pass. Joe wanted four volunteers to stay behind and build a couple of cairns. Everyone wanted to build a cairn so Joe settled the argument by telling crew members they had one hour to build them. When you hike across that mesa today you will find five cairns.

From 1985 I’ve had the honor of helping create and build a piece of Colorado history. No one knows the “highs” this took me to emotionally! From Lost Park, Georgia Pass, Gold Hill, Copper Mountain, Chalk Creek Canyon and a week-long crew in Gunnison. It has been a volunteer career I would never have guessed I would have taken.

I thank all the crew leaders, Gudy, Marian, seminar leaders and Forest Service rangers for making my volunteer years with the CTF so exciting and enjoyable. Thanks everyone!
Don’t Get Caught Without a CORSAR Card

Don’t get caught in the mountains without a **Colorado Outdoor Search and Rescue (CORSAR) card**! At $3.00 for a one-year card or $12.00 for a five-year card, they are a bargain when compared to the cost of a needed search and rescue effort. Support Colorado’s Search and Rescue Fund and give yourself some peace of mind. Purchase a CORSAR Card from the CTF office or a local sporting goods or hardware store.

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*(Note: The CTF provides a CORSAR card for each trail crew member in appreciation for your volunteer service in maintaining The Colorado Trail.)*

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**Mark Your Calendars!**

**Why:** The CTF Picnic Reunion

**When:** Saturday, September 17, 2005
4–8 pm

**Where:** Lions Park West in Golden, CO

**Who:** All CTF Friends

**What:** Bring a dish to share and be ready to greet old friends and new!
The Colorado Trail Isn’t Only for Adults!
by Sandi Yukman

“We were about to become more than we were before.” We were this quote as my family and I set out on our trek on The Colorado Trail last summer. I convinced my ten-year-old daughter, Rebecca, and my eleven-year-old son, Patrick, that this would be a great way to spend the summer with mom and dad! An avid outdoorsman, my husband Tom took no convincing at all.

We day hiked the first 55 miles in May and June to develop our “hiking legs” and test our equipment. We began our through-hike on July 1, not really understanding what we were in for. We hiked 11 miles each of the first few days, which I would not recommend. Eleven miles is much easier after your muscles are accustomed to your pack and the Trail.

Interestingly enough, the kids had little trouble hiking any of the Trail. Youth is a wonderful thing! In fact, after the first week when they ran up the hills and waited at the top for us, we began to give them more weight in their packs. Later they carried 35 to 40 percent of their body weight! I whined and complained on the Trail much more than the kids ever did. To them it was the ultimate adventure!

The only things they carried for entertainment were two beanie babies—Speedy the turtle and Ronnie the sailor. They also carried a few small paperback books. With all the rain we ended up spending quite a bit of time in the tent reading. We read the books several times each! Another great part of youth is imagination. The beanie babies took on a life of their own. The kids gave them dance lessons, built them a log cabin and took them kayaking in their camp shoes.

When the weather cooperated the kids found lots to do outside, too. One day we had a bowling alley in a dirt pile. The pins were sticks poked into a mound of dirt and the bowling ball was a nice round rock. We bowled for hours! If you got a strike, Rebecca would give you a foot or back massage that night. They also built a lean-to and wrote messages in the snow fields.

The toughest part was to make sure that the kids weren’t too burdened with chores around camp to have adequate playtime. Most of the playtime came when we got into a town to restock. Friends and family met us along the way, took us into towns for a night or two, and brought us supplies. The kids swam in hotel pools while laundry and repacking was done. After that mom and dad got to enjoy a nice bottle of wine.

Excursions into town happened about once a week. Seven to eight days of food were about all we could carry for our family of four. I highly
recommend the restocking stops. They rejuvenate you and get you ready to tackle more of those high mountain passes. Every time we got into a town and people asked us where we were from and where we were going, they were impressed, especially with the kids. Patrick and Rebecca became instant celebrities when people learned what they had already accomplished or what they were hoping to accomplish.

It was not long until my life long dream to complete The Colorado Trail became the entire family’s dream as well. I could not have pulled my kids off the Trail if I had tried! In fact, on the last day, a gentleman we met on the Trail offered Patrick $20.00 to turn around and walk back to Denver. Do you know, Patrick actually considered the offer? We finished on August 14 and celebrated our wonderful journey with two other hikers who finished that same day.

We all kept journals and wrote in them every day. The kids are having fun going back and reading them now! I think we created two young nature lovers who now know they can do anything they put their minds to. We encourage you to enable your kids to experience The Colorado Trail because they will experience it in their own creative way. They’ll learn so much about wild life as we did encountering elk, deer, moose, beavers, eagles, snakes, Texas horned toads, and marmots.

More importantly, though, they will learn so much about human life. People we met on the Trail were great. Everyone was so friendly, from Ken and Cindy who taught the kids all about edible plants and made them each a hemp necklace with handmade beads, to Jeanne who let us fill our water bottles from their hose and invited us to stay for lunch at Clear Creek Reservoir.

Then there was the camp host at Lakeview Campground at Twin Lakes who gave Tom a cold beer and kids a cold soda. We can’t forget Ann who gave us a ride across the Rio Grande River or Ellen who gave us a room at the Avon Hotel in Silverton before they were ready to open to the public. And we sincerely appreciated the two guys from Arizona who gave us a ride into Durango at the end of the trek and all the folks at Carvers Restaurant in Durango who celebrated our success with us!

This was human nature at its best! Please feel free to contact us if you’d like any other information about our trip at tyukman@earthlink.net.
**Telling About Our Colorado Trail Adventure**

In 2003 **Ruth Ann England** and I—two grandmothers from Cortez, Colorado—through-hiked The Colorado Trail. It was a wonderful experience we were eager to share with friends and family.

A good friend gave us a party when we returned from our long trek which gave us an opportunity to share our pictures and stories. But there is a limit on how often friends and family members are willing to listen to the same stories. So what to do? Ah, put together a slide show called “Colorado Trail Adventure” and present it to anyone and everyone who will listen. Ruth Ann and I will get to reminisce and express our enthusiasm for The Colorado Trail with many folks and perhaps get them enthused as well. Friends gathered once again for a premier viewing of the slide show, to critique and proofread (shoot! where did the “a” in Colorado go?).

Our first public presentation was at the Cortez Cultural Center in October, 2004, that garnered a crowd of about 30 local people and foreign tourists. In January, 2005, our presentation to the Outback Hiking Club in St. George, Utah, also drew a crowd of about 30 folks. At both presentations people took home information about The Colorado Trail Foundation, including trail crew and class schedules.

Our next presentation is scheduled for April 10 in Fayetteville, Arkansas, for the Ozark Highlands Trail Association. In the future, we hope to find more venues closer to home.

The slide show is about 45 minutes long and includes a brief history of The Colorado Trail, planning and logistics for the hike, plus photos from our hike itself. Let us know if you would like us to present “Colorado Trail Adventure” to a group. Just call Suzanne Reed or Marian Phillips in the CTF Office.

**Joyce Stevenson** moved to Cortez from Dallas, Texas, in 1997 after retiring from the defense electronics industry. She and her husband Ken through-hiked the Appalachian Trail in 1995 and currently volunteer for the U.S. Forest Service.

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**Colorado Trail Adventure**

**Ruth Ann England**, who moved to Cortez from St. George, Utah, in 1992, has been an avid hiker for 20 years. In 2003 she retired as a medical transcriptionist at Southwest Memorial Hospital. Ruth Ann recently said, “I’m so glad I hiked The Colorado Trail. I feel 10 years younger.”

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**Be a CTF Recruiter!!**

Like **Joyce Stevenson** in the story on this page, you can use your CTF experiences—as a hiker, trail crew volunteer, outdoor workshop student, trekker—to encourage others to join us in one of our programs this summer. Consider giving a CTF presentation in your community. Libraries, recreation centers, hiking groups, Rotary clubs and outdoor gear stores are usually looking for program ideas. The CTF office has a CD-ROM, produced for us by BOD member and trail crew leader **Ernie Norris** with spectacular photos of hikers, trail crew volunteers and adopters on the CT in the San Juans, as well as the beautiful wildflowers of American Basin. We can send you the CD ROM as well as our “CTF Talking Points” handout and brochures. Call or email the CTF office for more information or with your questions.

**We have found recommendations from CT Friends to be our best recruitment tool. Consider sharing your love of the CT with others.**
A Note from a “Completed” Hiker

As 2004 came to an end, my thoughts lingered back to July and my completing The Colorado Trail. It took this New Yorker seven years to trek this beautiful trail.

My introduction to The Colorado Trail was in 1988 on a trail crew. I worked seven more trail crews before deciding I needed to hike the entire Colorado Trail. Each summer I flew out and went trekking for a week at a time until last July when I completed the final section. It was a goal of mine and at age 60 I met my goal.

This summer I hope to spend two weeks as part of Pete and Lisa Turner’s trek crew.

I thank you for The Colorado Trail and the Foundation. It has enriched my life.

— Roy Kepler
Ft. Montgomery, NY

Are You a Colorado Trail Completer?

The CTF is proud to award everyone who completes The Colorado Trail a complimentary Completion Award Certificate. If you have completed The CT as a hiker, mountain biker, or equestrian and have not yet contacted us, please do so at (303) 384-3729 or ctf@coloradotrail.org. Our Awards Coordinator, Ralph DePentino will prepare and mail you your certificate.
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The Colorado Trail Store, continued

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