Presidents Corner

Don't let the budding of the trees and the tulips popping out of the ground fool you. It may FEEL like spring but the calendar indicate that it is still winter. Button up for the deep snows ahead! If that happens, then the snows will linger longer into the real spring and the adopter maintenance groups will have to wait to do their walk through for clearing winter windfalls and blowdown trees. So be prepared for clambering over trees or lifting your bike over tree trunks and not around them as a new detour soon becomes a permanent route.

Foundation members have been busy doing the unseen logistical work that is always behind the scenes. Merle McDonald has installed a redesigned database on a couple of computers so that we can keep better track of our volunteers and our business correspondence. (no more cards saying you haven't received a newsletter for ages). He's also selected a new accounting program for our temporary bookkeeper. As part of the computer/bookkeeper committee, along with Denise Wright and Ainsie Lee the three have taken a hard look at management of office duties and dispersing some of those to more people. I've reaped the benefits of the reorganization by being able to take time away to visit New Zealand and recently Africa.

The trail crew schedules are out and there is a great variety to choose from. We haven't had that many backpack crews in one summer for a number of years. I would like to encourage fat tire bikers to ride in on the backpack crews and help out for a week. Great food, good companionship and the satisfaction of seeing the CT improved for your enjoyment. We are short on leaders this summer since a number of our regulars are taking the summer off. If you

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Thank You to

Martin Marrieta

for publishing this issue of

Tread Lines

Colorado Trail crossing Mt. Yale saddle in the Collegiate Peaks Wilderness
would like to become a leader and have worked on a trail crew call me and we'll put together a training work week. Next summer you could co-lead and then become a full leader in another year.

Our new book by Jan Robertson describing selected day hikes on the Colorado Trail will be out in late spring, with more than thirty colored photos. For arm chair readers, the Traveler Book will bring the splendor of the CT into your home!

New for this summer will be a line of T-shirts. A schematic map of the CT and the logo will be on the front of every T-shirt. A Colorado Trail Patch will be ready for the summer users to purchase, different from the crew patches and the maintenance patch. Last, but not least, billed hats with a CT patch on the front, will also be available. Board member Bob Boblett will be handling all mail order purchases.

I am pleased with our new board members: Stuart Macdonald, Roy Johnson, Bob Miller, (with a broken ankle from a skiing accident), Sally Hopper and Bob Boblett. Their enthusiasm is inspiring the rest of us to make the concept of the Colorado Trail bigger and better. More educational classes, hikes and seminars on the trail, more social events to encourage users out into the outdoors, a better informative brochure to "tell the tale of the trail", and better communication between the users, volunteers and maintenance groups. The next two years will be exciting! Sam Guyton, just back from a long tour in South America, is invaluable with legal matters, Joan Mason busy with pursuing grants, Lynn Mattingly will be running the two week fully supported CT Trek (an experience if you haven't tried it) and many other projects. Roger Gerards the man in charge of completion awards, Charlie Russells our go-between with various corporations for services, Dick Lamm too busy (but we will catch him in a slack time), Hugo Ferchau has been unable to attend due to illness, but he's in charge on the educational programs. Randy Jacobs is editing a climbing guide for the CMC. He manages to put some time in drawing maps and giving advice, Stuart Macdonals in charge of putting together the new informative brochure. All of us are involved in cutting corners, raising funds to pay for publishing the new book, brochure, office supplies etc. Of course, I sit in the office (spare bedroom) and crack the whip!

We are still searching for a volunteer bookkeeper. Merle has an article elsewhere in this newsletter. Know anyone? Liz Truitt our faithful and overworked volunteer for the past two years, will be sorely missed. A full time job, and grandchildren left precious little spare time. Thanks Liz for giving us those precious hours for two years. We have such a clear, clean wonderful accounting! No words can express our gratitude for a job so well done.

A special thanks goes to John Fielder for giving us a new Kodak Carrousel and to Wendell Phillips, our slide show chairman, for donating a new lens for the carrousel. Such a neaty and lovely gift for our oft used slide shows.

Two new tents will be purchased this winter with gifts from Bob Boblett and IBM. They will be especially designed for the needs of the trail crews.

There's something new on the trail. Did you know that we have a beautiful waterfall on the Eastern slope and the Colorado Trail goes right by it? The name is Cascade Falls and it's on the eastern end of Camp Hale. Early this winter Ernie Werren and Dick Mastelier spent a cold, wet day
with a block and tackle removing the large jammed logs at the base of the waterfall. The Minturn District had earlier built a lovely curved wooden (Japanese type) bridge over Cascade Creek. Now the Cascade falls are a photographers delight. Again thanks to Ernie and Dick for their efforts to improve the trail.

Late last summer I received the "Daily Point of Light" award from the White House. It was a thrill to talk briefly with President Bush and then later to have a short interview with him when he came to Denver. Without all of you, this could not have happened. Thank you for making this honor happen. Rest assured that my feet are on the ground again, and that life continues on its way. It's great of have the rest of the nation recognize that we have something very beautiful and unique in Colorado. People are coming to Colorado in the winter to ski the 10th Mountain Huts and to hike bike or ride the Colorado Trail in the summer. That's gold in them there hills!

HIKING LEADERS NEEDED FOR BREATHTAKING EVENT

August 4th is the day set for the Webb-Waring Lung Institute Colorado Trail Hike. Hiking leaders are needed to lead donors who have "purchased" Segments of the trail.

The donor group will have a spokesman and you, as a leader, are expected to contact the participant and arrange meeting times and car shuttles. Participate in a BBQ afterwards and a slide show reunion evening. This is a great way to show off YOUR Trail and tell others a bit about it. So, SAVE AUG 4TH. Call Gudy (526-0809) or Belinda Wiman at Webb-Waring for sections available (270-7176).

Lunch by CT in the Collegiate Peaks Wildneress, Silver Creek Drainage

Charlie Russell Honored

Colorado Trail Foundation Board member Charlie Russell has received national honors for his work in defeating the environmentally destructive Two Forks Dam proposed for Colorado's South Platte River.

Charlie led the public relations effort to educate people about the problems associated with Two Forks and his work was acknowledged by the Public Relations Society of America with their Silver anvil for public affairs. Earlier, he was similarly honored by Trout Unlimited with their top national Trout Conservation Award.

"Public opinion does count," he said. "Before the EPA issued a veto on this project, President Bush asked what the public sentiment was about the project. Fortunately, we were able to provide him with devastating evidence that public opinion had overwhelmingly turned against the project."

Trail Support Vehicle Replacement

The white pickup truck that was given to the CTF a few years ago by the Telephone Company has been invaluable and served well but age and hard work are taking its toll. At the end of last season the floor board had to be reinforced to insure the drivers feet didn't drag the ground. With over 130,000 miles on the odometer the old inline 6 engine has developed a propensity to consume huge quantities of gasoline and oil. So while it will probably continue to serve us faithfully for another summer we should be keeping an eye out for a replacement. If you know of a company who would like to dispose of their old , but still functional pickup by donating it to a tax exempt foundation, let us know.

The ideal vehicle would be a full size pickup with a long bed, 4wd and a manual transmission. However we would be willing to compromise.
Projects for 1991

As one can see from the summer work crew schedule, listed elsewhere in this issue, we again have a very ambitious plan for this summer. The largest single block of effort, four weeks, will go into what we hope will be the completion of the Swan River Reroute between Georgia Pass and Breckenridge. The current route follows Tiger Road for 9 miles as it follows along the heavily mined Swan River valley. Tiger Road is a heavily used dirt and gravel road with an almost constant cloud of dust hovering over it in the summer, most unpleasant for a hiker. The new route follows along the crest of the ridge in the NE side of the Swan valley (see picture) with excellent views of Breckenridge, Keystone and Lake Dillon. This summer we will bring the route down off of the end of the ridge and into Horseshoe Gulch to rejoin the original trail. Crews 1 & 2 will have a backpack camp on top of the ridge. An old mine road leads to within 1/2 mile of the campsites so the hike in shouldn’t be too bad. Crews 3 & 5 will camp in a saddle about 1000 feet lower that is 4wd accessible.

On the West side of Breckenridge is the Ten Mile Range. The CT crosses over this range between Peaks 4 and 7. This area is steep Tundra with no set tread for a couple of miles, yet it gets quite a bit of traffic. Setting a tread will not only will make hiking and biking quite a bit easier but will concentrate the traffic on a single trail and help preserve the tundra. Crews 7 & 10 will undertake this project. We think this one would be a good place for the Mt bikers to get involved, especially the second week when the distance from the camp to the work area gets longer much time could be saved with bikes. Needless to say this area has spectacular views!

The new Swan River Reroute runs along the timberline in the lower right above. The view is to the NE from just above Georgia Pass.

West of Leadville, inside the Holy Cross Wilderness area near where the CT crosses Porcupine Creek is a bog area that needs redesign and reconstruction. That should be a neat week in a beautiful area.

The Gunnison Loop (or perhaps “spur”) gets Crews 14, 16 & 18 this summer to finish up in the Taylor Park area. In 1982 the north end of this spur should be linked to the main CT.

Moving on south to the Salida area is the Marshall Pass Reroute, one of the few car camps this year. This is the one for those of you who like deluxe camping. Since the road is fairly good to this area the Forest Service warns to not to expect the solitude of the normal CT work Camp. The CT needs a two mile reroute here to avoid a clear cut.

Continuing south to North Pass (No, its not a typo) where CO 114 crosses the Continental Divide is the Lujan Creek area. Two miles north of the pass along the Divide is a set of switchbacks that have deteriorated until they are hazardous. Crew 8 is assigned the task of correcting that.

Three crews have been assigned to the Rolling Mountain project which is in a very remote and beautiful valley about 15 miles WSW of Silverton. The CT has a section here that has a 35 degree grade. This is to be reduced to a much more comfortable 15 degrees by Crews 15, 17 & 19. Animus District is providing the physical camp for us.

As the 75 or so of you who worked in Indian Ridge last year will recall we had a Tiger by the tail. Well with three more weeks hard work this summer we should reduce it to a real pussy cat. We will put the finishing touches on a fine trail up onto the Cape of Good Hope plateau. And who knows, Dick, we might even find time to put a couple of signs up there. We will camp in the same area last year.

With the exception of Beartown all of the weekend crews are drive in
a pond where we were relaxing after descending the Divide. Jenny mare's head is in the foreground and Tom Butterfield's mare, at the edge of the pond, is obviously tired but relaxed.

We went on to Little Molas Lake that afternoon, but this spot and this trail will always last in our memory. It is now my dream to take the trail back from Durango, the good Lord willing. But aging and other compromising circumstances may preclude. In any event, I plan to continue my annual contributions individually and as a member of the trail maintenance crew from above Wellington Lake to near Lost Park. C.G. This segment will undoubtedly require continuing maintenance and improvement—especially of the "bridging" over boggy stretches.

Yours truly,

Clair Gamble

Gen. Del.

Foxton, Co. 80441

P.S. Also enclosed is my check for 1991. Enjoy receiving the newsletters. See you this spring I hope.

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2-2-91

Dear Gudy,

Our group of horsemen and horsewomen completed the last hundred plus miles of the Colorado Trail to Durango from Wager Gulch last August. As you may know, we have been taking similar length portions of this trail over the years and in stints of 10 to 15 days for each leg, enabling us to savor the experience and beauty of the Colorado Trail, plus some side trails—both planned and otherwise by mistake. Of the twelve riders this year, all were thoroughly gratified, and in spots thrilled by the trail, the terrain and all that went with it—weather (late August), flora and fauna. Those of us who have completed the entire trail from Roxborough Park to Junction Creek trailhead concur that this last leg is the most spectacular of all. We still have yet to compose our pictures, but I am enclosing a copy of one my daughter took along Elk Creek, at
El Pueblo Boys Ranch Pictures in to help construct the Colorado Trail

CREWS 16 and 17
Location: Gunnison National Forest, South Matchless Mountain
Leader: Steve Gladbach
Date: August 4 to 18, 1990

Again this summer the boys of "El Pueblo Boys Ranch" in Pueblo volunteered their efforts on the Colorado Trail. Like the summer of 1989, the boys worked on the Gunnison Loop. When completed, this section of trail will branch off the main corridor between Leadville and Buena Vista, cross the Sawatch range in the vicinity of Cottonwood pass, climb the ridge above Taylor reservoir, and head to Gunnison. The boys have spent two summers in rough country completing crucial links of this spur.

The first crew of boys posted the meadow below South Matchless mountain's north face, re-discovered a 50 year old "Wheelbarrow Gulch" trail, and widened and improved the old trail as it contoured to the west face of South Matchless.

The second crew picked up the trail as it disappeared into a high meadow with a 50 degree cross grade. Two days of tough digging crossed the meadow and the rest of the week was spent trying to revive the old trail as it descended into Ute Gulch. That task was completed by the crew that followed.

The weather the first week was pleasant, offering plenty of opportunity for after dinner hikes and campfire chats. However, the second crew was greeted by 4 inches of hail in one hour on Sunday and it never warmed up enough to melt until Friday. Those nights were spent around the shepherd's stove trying to warm up and dry wet clothes. Big Yukin

Working with these boys the last two summers has been an entirely different CT crew experience. These young men come to the trail with backgrounds that no child should have to endure, but for one week they are able to leave that baggage behind; they can just be KIDS. They push and poke, laugh and joke, play tricks and fight. And they love every minute. Remember your first week long camping experience? How you were wet and cold because you didn’t know the tricks to staying comfortable? Well these guys give new meaning to the word neophyte. But every morning they’re back at it, and learning a lot from the experienced adults that came along to help out.

The adults are the best. The key to this project seems to be adults who love to love. The kids love the grumpy 29 year old pilot and the 63 year old grandmother the same. I don’t have the words to elaborate so I’ll just say “Thanks.” I have yet to have and adult tell me they wish they hadn’t come; Most just wish it wouldn’t end and promise to return.

This year’s "Students in training":
Shawn, Scott, Phil, Ryan, Ray, Mike, Tim, Dominic, Perry, Martin, Ron, Matt, Ed, Brian, Josh, Toby, Davin and Chris.

And their "Adults in training" counterparts: Marty, Jim, Nicki, Sue, Mike, Lorie, Pam, Evelyn, Joel, Jeannette, Scott, Rick, Jeff and Steve.

The greatest use of life is to spend it for something that will outlast it.

William James
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THE COLORADO TRAIL MASTER PLAN

The Colorado Trail Foundation is a legal entity that was created for the purpose of constructing and maintaining the Colorado Trail. So what, everyone knows that. OK let me ask a few questions.

Is the Mancos spur (or is that the Mesa Verde extension?) part of the Colorado Trail? Should it be?

Is the Gunnison Loop (or is that Gunnison Spur?) part of the CT?

Is the Jefferson Loop part of the CT? Why?

Suppose Mt Community "X" wants to build a cabin beside the CT. Is that OK? They think there is a big market for snowmobilers to overnight there. It would be great for the tourist business. ORV users could gather there in the summer. Is that OK? Why not, isn't it on public land?

Suppose the CTF wants to build some cabins along the trail. Is that OK?

On what sections of the CTF are motor vehicles permitted? Under what authorization?

Does the Forest Service need to consult with CTF if they are planning a timber sale across the CT? When? Why?

These questions go on and on. The Colorado Trail Master Plan when completed and approved will provide the formal document for addressing questions and providing guidelines for their resolution. It is a document that will provide long term continuity and direction for the Trail. Yet flexible enough to allow change to meet changing conditions.

Alan Kania, a former CTF board member, is in the midst of pulling together the Master Plan for the Foundation. The Gates Corp is assisting with a most generous grant. The Master Plan Committee meets with Alan and the Forest Service monthly to consider the multitude of questions that arise. I was amazed to learn of the tremendous amount of planning for the Colorado Trail that took place as far back as the early 70's. By this time next year a Master Plan should be in place that will guide and protect the CT into the next century.

Dear Colorado Trail Foundation:

For three consecutive years now you have provided me with wonderful and rewarding experiences of trail building. As part of the '87 Mt. Princeton completion crew you introduced me to trail-building techniques, and team comradery, and the pride gained from contributing to such a worthwhile effort. The North Pass crew of '88 showed me the value of compromise and the joy of sharing such an experience with a loved one. The Henson Creek crew last year gave me a chance to see a true leader at work—Gudy, if you are reading this: you are a true inspiration—and taught me how to build a cairn for the ages.

This year I would like to introduce my 10-year-old son to the joys of trail building. I've carefully selected the crew in hopes of making this first experience interesting and rewarding; other vacation plans also limit us to this time period. I know we may be a little tardy in submitting our registration, but I am hoping you will be able to accommodate us. I will have my pickup truck again this year and may be able to help transport some supplies from Lakewood if needed.

Wesley and I are both looking forward to helping you in your commendable efforts.

Sincerely and with thanks,

Glen W. Kepler, Sr.

HIKING COMPANIONS Sought FOR THROUGH HIKE OF THE CT IN 1881

Don Brewington, who has worked on the CT the past couple of summers, would like to through hike the trail this summer. He is interested in joining up with others who might have similar plans. Anyone who has information that might help Don should contact him directly. Ph (713) 326-2585 or 411 Lake Shore Drive, Seabrook, TX 77586.
United States Senate
Washington DC 20510

December 6, 1990

Friends of Colorado Trail
548 Pine Song Trail
Golden, CO 80401

Dear Friends:

Knowing of your interest in the national “Take Pride in America” program, I thought you might be interested in knowing that legislation permanently authorizing the program is now law.

Public Law 101-626, the Take Pride in America Act, instructs the Secretary of the Interior to administer the enormously successful environmental education and volunteer action program. It allows the program to receive tax-exempt gifts, and to register logos, slogans and other promotional devices. It also extends “Federal Volunteer Status” to Take Pride participants for the purpose of liability coverage.

The bill passed Congress by unanimous votes in both the House and the Senate, with over one-third of the Senate signed-on as original cosponsors of the bill. Congress and the President could send no stronger message that “Taking Pride in America” is vital to securing our historic and natural resources for future generations.

With best regards, I am
Yours for a free society
signed
Steve Simms
U S Senator, Idaho

Dear Gudy

I have heard so much about you while I was on the Colorado Trail, it’s almost like I know you.

Thanks for the card acknowledging my contribution.

I would like to know about the awards (by the) Foundation. I left out of Denver for Durango June 26th and arrived in Durango August 18th 1991. Fifty four days on the trail- We rested and fished for 5 days so we were averaging about 10 miles per day.

Met many nice people along the way including Denise Wright and Lynn Mattingly who were so nice to us (by us I am referring to my nephew Jim Summey and myself). Also at a work camp we met Larry Mack, Ed? from Nebraska and Lisa? They were nice to us and allowed us to spend a night in the camp. They were waiting for a new crew to arrive. We just missed Sue Frye and the gang that left out right before we arrived.

We would like to know who is the oldest to complete the Trail without interruption? I’m 69 so I must be at least in the 95th percentile.

It was a fun trip and am looking forward to returning and take in some of the segments that I thought were the most beautiful.

Thanks and perhaps we shall meet some day.

George Summey

Austrian Alp Climb

Aug. 26th to Sept. 9th

Gudy Gaskill is leading a hiking/climbing trip to the Austrian Alps for the Colorado Mountain Club. The hiking trip is limited to 15 participants. Overnight accommodations will be in climbing hotels with hot meals or hotels. Must be above average hiker as some of the trails are steep and the climate can be damp and humid. Beautiful flowers, superb majestic peaks. We will visit ice caves and picturesque mountain villages. Prices are at the basic cost: round trip travel approx. $950 and all land costs $879. Call Gudy at 526-0809 for itinerary. Can extend the stay.

Volunteer Bookkeeper Needed

The Colorado Trail Foundation is in need of a volunteer who lives in the Denver area, with bookkeeping experience and be willing to devote and average of 6 to 10 hours per week (more in the spring, less in the fall) to the financial accounting of the CTF. While the majority of the accounting process is automated there is still the requirement to enter the information into the computer program, make bank deposits, write checks and a multitude of other details on a periodic basis. Accurate and timely financial records are essential to rational management of the Colorado Trail. We need your help. Persons interested on further discussions on this matter should contact Gudy 526-0809 or Denise Wright 973-7461.
Colorado Trail Foundation Board of Directors attending the January 1991 Meeting

Top Row: Bob Moore, Merle McDonald, Roger Gerard, Stuart Mcdonald,

Middle Row: Lynn Mattingly, Roy Johnson, Sam Guyton, Charlie Russell, Gudy Gaskill

Bottom Row: Ainsie Lee, Denise Wright, Bob Boblett, Sally Hopper
New Members Join the Colorado Trail Foundation

Board of Directors

Sally Hopper is a second term state senator for Senate District 13 which includes Summit, Clear Creek, Eagle, Gilpin, Pitkin counties and the mountains of Jefferson and Boulder counties. She was born in Dayton, Kentucky and received a B.A. in Economics from the University of Wyoming in 1956. Her hobbies include skiing, tennis and reading. She currently resides in Golden.

ROY JOHNSON is presently the Western District Manager for Eastern Mountain Sports. His career keeps him close to his first love, the outdoors. A native of the Boston area, Roy began a lifetime of hiking in the white mountains of New Hampshire. On a trip around the world at age 18, he had the opportunity to hike some of the most beautiful areas of Europe, Asia and Australia. Subsequent trips have taken him across the States, to Alaska, South America and the Himalayas. Roy also enjoys rock climbing, skiing and biking. He is a member of the American Alpine Club and the American Youth Hostels. Roy presently lives in Lakewood, Colorado and has one child.

Stuart Macdonald

Stuart is with the Colorado Division of Parks and Outdoor Recreation as the State Trails Coordinator. He has also worked for the Jefferson County Open Space and U.S. Forest Service. He is involved with all varieties of trail activities and works with trail projects throughout the state. Stuart also serves as Secretary of American Trails, and Co-chair of the National Association of State Trail Administrators.

Bob Boblett

retired from the USAF after 26 years as a navigator, bombardier and pilot. Then he worked another 9 years as a Statistical Analyst at Lowery AFB before giving up working for pay. He is a 20 year member of the Colorado Mountain Club and a former member of the Boulder Rescue Group. He did a stint in the Peace Corps and is a Master Gardener. For the past several years he has been working and living on the Colorado Trail. Bob has recently been elected to the Colorado Trail Foundation Board of Directors and also serves as Secretary. He currently resides in Ft. Collins.

H. Robert Moore

State Director

Colorado State Office

Bureau of Land Management

2850 Youngfield Street

Lakewood, co 80215

(303)230-3700 or FTS 554-3700

H. Robert (Bob) Moore became the State Director of BLM in Colorado December 31, 1989. Prior to that he served as Director of the BLM Service Center in Denver.

Bob began his career with BLM in 1955 as a forester in Coos Bay, Oregon. His BLM career was interrupted with a 2-year tour in the Army. He returned to Coos Bay where he worked as a forest engineer before moving to Pineville, Oregon, where he served as Chief, Division of Operations. In 1968 Bob entered the Development Program. Upon completion of the program he remained in Washington where he worked as staff assistant for two Assistant Directors and in the Planning and Environment coordination Division.

In 1972 Bob came to the Colorado State Office as the Chief of Planning and Environmental Coordination, but returned to Washington in 1978 to head up the newly created Office of Assistant to the Director for Coal Management. Bob came back to Colorado in 1981 as Associate State Director.

Bob was born in Trenton, New Jersey, in 1933. He received a B.S. in Forest Engineering from the University of Montana in 1955.

Bob received the department of the Interior's Distinguished Service Award in 1988.

Bob and his wife Cindy live in Morrison. They have two sons, Tom and Tyler.

Bob Miller

(Bio not yet available)
Other Dates for the Calendar-------------------

4/4—Coors Evening Social 7:30 Coors Main Gate, Golden

5/18—Pancake Breakfast: Buffalo Creek Campground 8:00 A.M.

6/15—Trail Crews begin...weekends and weeklong

7/13—7/20 CTF Colorado Trail Trek/ fully supported

7/28—3 day Elk Park supported backpack

8/4—Webb-Waring Breath Taking Event on the Colorado Trail

8/24—Last day of trail crews

9/8—Trail Crew Reunion 6:00 P.M.


9/21—9/22 Copper Mountain overnight hike on CT

9/28—Kenosha Pass picnic and hike.

THESE ARE A PREVIEW! MORE DETAILS IN THE NEXT NEWSLETTER

Kenosha Pass Hike and Picnic  September 29, 1990
Hey! YOU'RE INVITED!

April 4, 7:30 P.M.

Coors in Golden

Once again Coors has invited us to an evening of socializing and partaking of their great beer. We particularly would like to meet more trail maintenance adopters as well as trail crew volunteers and our faithful contributors. This will be our last get together before the summer work begins, so come join all of us for an evening of talk, beer and a late snack table. This is by reservation only so our hosts can prepare for us. Limit is 100 so give Charlotte Briber a call or fill in the application form. This will be your only announcement, so mark it down on the calendar.

( ) I would like to attend the Coors Party on Thursday, April 4.

( ) I would like to attend the Pancake Breakfast at Buffalo Creek Campground on Saturday, May 18th.

Name__________________________

Phone Day_____________________

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Please mail to Charlotte Briber 2831 South York, Denver, CO 80210 or phone 758-0787.

These events are for our CTF contributors and volunteers.

ALL USER PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Buffalo Creek Campground Sat. May 18th

It was a great success last year so we thought that we would offer it again. Irene Cazer is willing to recruit help and buy the bacon, pancakes, cinnamon rolls and muffins. She would love to see each and every one of you there to meet other hikers, bikers and horseback riders. Share experiences, hike part of the trail, meet the people who volunteer so much of their time to build this trail for you. The breakfast line opens at eight, and coffee might be ready before then. Meet the South Platte District Rangers, Foundation members and other users. Invite your friends and neighbors to share in the celebration of SPRING on the Colorado Trail. Donations accepted.

Supporters

We loved hearing from so many CT supporters at Christmas. It’s always interesting to hear your comments on your experiences and helps us confirm where the trouble spots are. This year the cards all seemed to be on the positive side with praises of the trail and allocates to their fellow crew members. Hat’s off to our great leaders for building such a great trail, plus getting the environmental message across in subtle ways.

Trail Crew Coordinator

This years trail crew coordinator will once again be our unsung hero, Al Mauthe (“Gramps” to us all). He has bought himself a super computer to keep track of all the members of the CTF, volunteers and their friends. Between Merle McDonald and “Gramps” they have put in a great many man hours setting the program up and getting it to run smoothly. Believe us, the Colorado Trail program couldn’t function without so many dedicated volunteers.
COLORADO TRAIL FOUNDATION
Sponsored Colorado Trail Trek
July 13 to 27, 1991

Week 1
July 13 to 20
Sat. Jul 13 Meet at Lake Fork
Sun. Jul 14 Lake Fork to Half Moon CG 2050’ 13mi
Mon. Jul 15 Half Moon CG to Lakeview CG 1100’ 7mi
(\[Climb Mt. Elbert 5300’ 12mi\])
Tue. Jul 16 Lakeview CG to Clear Creek Rd 3320’ 16mi
Wed. Jul 17 Clear Creek Res. to N. Cottonwood Creek 4280’ 18mi
Thu. Jul 18 N. Cottonwood Creek to Avalanche Trailhead 2480’ 7mi
(\[Climb Mt. Yale 4780’ 12mi\])
Fri. Jul 19 Avalanche Trailhead to Chalk Creek 1000’ 13mi
Sat. Jul 20 Rest (Climb Mt. Princeton)

Week 2
July 20 to 27
Sat. Jul 20 Meet at Chalk Creek CG
Sun. Jul 21 Chalk Creek to Shavano CG 2720’ 14mi
Mon. Jul 22 Shavano CG to Marshall Pass 3600’ 19mi
Tue. Jul 23 Marshall Pass to Sargents Mesa 2600’ 15mi
Wed. Jul 24 Sargents Mesa to North Pass CG 1200’ 21mi
Thu. Jul 25 Rest Day
Fri. Jul 26 North Pass to Saguache Park Rd 900’ 14mi
Sat. Jul 27 Return to Cars
Cost: $195 per week

Crew: Minimal paid crew of 5
Group size: Limited to 15 each week
Leave your cars at trailhead and be shuttled back to your cars at the end of the week.

There are at least 3 Forest Service campgrounds each week, which means that there will be primitive camps in between. A shower tent and a john tent, a kitchen tent and a community tent (if threatening weather) will be set up every night. Each participant must set up his own tent and pack his own duffle each morning. In the morning, everyone helps with the taking down of the cook tent and the packing of the pickup and van. You must be at least a moderate hiker as some days are quite long and there are no escape routes. You must hike the whole way OR decide that morning before leaving to drive around with the camp crew and hike from the other end. We can lighten your load, but we can’t decrease the elevation gain nor the projected milage. Afternoon refreshments, hearty breakfast and dinners are planned, and the size of your lunch is up to you as you put together your lunch after breakfast.

Lynn Mattingly - Leader:
8621 Left Hand Canyon
Jamestown, CO 80435
303-443-4396
EXTRA! EXTRA!

ORDER THE NEW CT BOOK EARLY

Our new 'Day hikes on The Colorado Trail' by Jan Robertson and published by Renaissance Publishers will be ready from the printers by early May. Order your copy of the new book now and get it hot off the press. Wonderful reading, great gift idea and very informative. It is in the TRAVELER format, can easily be put into your day pack or large pockets of your safari pants. There are 35 beautiful colored pictures plus a centerfold map of the Colorado Trail. A section is included on winter ski touring, safety, history of the CT and much more. We have saved the best 'till last. The price is only $4.95 for each copy. At this price you can afford to order a half dozen. (We will pay for the postage if you order six or more.) This is the best buy that we have seen in a long time in books, and one that EVERYONE will enjoy.

Please send me the Travelers Guide Series Day Hikes on the Colorado Trail by Jan Robertson at $4.95 each plus $1.25 for postage and handling. Colorado residents add 4.6% tax.

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Mount Yale from the Silver Creek Drainage
An old friend of the Colorado Trail, Denis Eszenyi, sent in the following Poem. He worked on the trail for a number of years and is now 85 years of age. He lives in Oregon, chops his own wood every day to keep his cabin warm, and climbs some of the highest mountains in Washington each year. I found the poem very charming.

Gudy

FROM DARK TO LIGHT

It was pitch dark with only
the stars twinkling.
The Moon came up: a big yellow disk
And flooded the land with gold.
Then faded slowly out of the sky
First silvery then hazy white
It Dinned!
The sky got green, yellow, and pink
The Eastern sky a tint of mixture
   The Sun
Abuming-hot globe bloodied the sky
And set the earth on fire
The Breeze
Sneaked in as the Sun arose
and like a cobweb lace, caressed my face
I am Climbing!
I reached the top
My lips on the rock
Just kissed the Fingertips
Of the Great Spirit
   The Creator God!

Dennis Eszenyi
Old Man of the Mountains
December 29, 1990

Colorado Trail on Television

On Saturday, March 30 at 6:30 P.M. and again on April 2nd at 2:00 P.M. Public Television Channel 8 will air on Senior Showcase a program called Six Profiles. One of the profiles will be the Colorado Trail. The film was made at Guller Creek below Searle Pass several years ago. For all newcomers to the trail, this could be an interesting program to watch.

Slide Show Available

We keep mentioning the slide show. Actually there are three different shows to put on. One is a 15 minute 'Week Walk' on the trail with a lot of lovely flower shots (how about showing them to your garden club?). Another is a 20 minute show of actual trail building, camp sites and techniques. The third is a half hour or so and it traces the complete walk from Denver to Durango. We do have volunteers in the Boulder, Ft. Collins, Denver, Colorado Springs and Pueblo areas to give the talks. Call Wendal Phillips: 421-4956.
Colorado Trail Foundation supported American Hiking Society's six day Hike-In Walk

In early October the CTF coordinated a six day hike on the Colorado Trail for 39 members of the AHS. The hikers came from all over the US and brought their own tents and sleeping bags, breakfasts and lunches. The CTF supplied the vehicles, base camp tent, stoves and cooking utensils, camp help and leadership. The group hiked from Kenosha Pass to Leadville and from Leadville went directly to Estes Park for their annual conference. As luck would have it, on October 7th we had an early winter snowstorm so while hiking over the Ten Mile range, Searle Pass and through the Mount Holy Cross Wilderness area we had to walk through deep snow. The AHS members braved the snow, remoteness and cold weather and completed the hike in good spirits. As Chuck Sloan, President of AHS said "This was not just a hike, this was an adventurous experience." Ernie Werren, Anne Marie Sierks and Gudy Gaskill were the CTF support crew. Gudy and Ernie attended the conference in Estes Park where

Ernie Falk contemplates Georgia Pass

SMOKING RESTRICTIONS AT STAPLETON AIRPORT

The smoking restrictions that have been put in place at Stapleton are under vigorous attack by the tobacco lobby. The mayor has asked for citizens assistance in insuring these restrictions remain in force. He suggests three ways you can help:

1. Contact the Denver city council and ask them to resist the tobacco lobby and support his veto.

2. Contact your U.S. Senators and U.S. Representative and ask them to support legislation banning smoking in all airport facilities receiving federal funds.

3. Contact any airports you use and ask them to follow Denver's example.

Gift of Tools to Trail Adopter

John Wehrle, adopter of Maintenance Section 17, along with Boy Scout Troop number 630, have received from TRW Company in Aurora a total of $400 for purchase of trail tools to maintain their 13 mile segment. The monies received will purchase 10 new trail tools, which will facilitate the maintenance and make it an easier chore. Thank you TRW Systems Development Division.

This issue of Tread Lines was edited by Merle McDonald.
So Much to be Done

The Colorado Trail Foundation is a Colorado based 501 (c)(3) nonprofit corporation. "WE MAKE A LIVING BY WHAT WE GET, WE MAKE A LIFE BY WHAT WE GIVE." - Winston Churchill

**yes!** I would like to support the Colorado Trail!

Please accept my annual contribution to the Colorado Trail Foundation as a "Friend of the Colorado Trail"

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Benefits for Friends of the Colorado Trail include:

- Quarterly Newsletter
- Periodic discounts on services
- Discounts on CT Publications
- CT Trek invite
- Information on CT functions, meetings and crews

___ I would like to work on a trail crew, please send me information
___ I would like to "adopt" a section of the trail to maintain

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