

# RISTWATCH

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### Letter from the President

I hope everyone is enjoying summer. A perfect way to do so is to join us for our Mountain Festival to be held on Saturday, September 10<sup>th</sup> across from Fire Station 1. Come have fun with the entire family. Reconnect with neighbors. Dunk a firefighter. Enjoy some free ice cream. Listen to some great music.

Because our fire department is solely funded with donations, the Mountain Festival is vital to keep our responders equipped to perform their life saving mission. We have two special projects that we are very excited about.

One project is to create a Memorial Wall and Debriefing Area at Station 1. Work has begun on this long-overdue project. This area will recognize those who built this great organization and support our current and future responders by providing a comfortable place to destress and debrief from their stressful work. The responders have taken the work of this project on, but

funding is needed. Please support their efforts with your special donations.

The other project is to build and equip a fire station in the Buckhorn area. The Buckhorn area has donated significantly to RCVFD but has been underserved. This new fire station will have three stalls for equipment, plus storage for materials, and will greatly improve response capabilities. While much planning has already happened for Fire Station 4, we need to fund both the building and all of the trucks and equipment it will take to make it complete.

Please help both of those projects become realities with your generous donations. We will have special donation locations for these projects at this year's Mountain Festival.

NOAA now predicts that we will likely experience a rare "Triple Dip La Niña" (only the third time this has happened in over 70 years.) This means that the drought will likely continue for us into late fall. The best

### Letter from the President, cont'd.

thing you can do to help our responders is to mitigate your and your neighbors' houses. Operations is putting together training for fire mitigation that will train both firefighters and residents. Check with your area representative for more details about mitigation training.

Your volunteer firefighters and EMTs perform a difficult mission in their "spare" time. Chief Elsner, his officers and all responders train constantly, again in their "spare" time. Please support them with your donations and thank them in person when you come to the Mountain Festival.

Neil Faber 2022 President, RCVFD

# CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS

**Only 2 months away!** 

**We need volunteers!** Not only do we need help setting-up and tearing down, but also the day of the Festival in the Book Tent, Silent Auction, Plant Tent T-Shirts. Ice Cream and other areas.

In fact, we need help now preparing for the Festival. Join the Book Bees collecting, sorting, and moving books! Help us gather donations for the Silent Auction! Exercise your green thumb raising plants for the Plant Sale! Or put on your chef's hat for the Bake Sale!

This is a great chance to contribute to our community and support our RCVFD!

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## **RCVFD Monthly Meeting Schedule**

Operations —1st Wednesdays (6-7 PM)

Fire Training—2nd Wednesdays (7-9:30 PM)

Board Meeting—3rd Wednesdays (6-8 PM)

Medical Training—4th Wednesdays (6-9:30 PM)

Ops, Fire and Medical Trainings are at Firehouse #1 at 11835 Rist Canyon Road. Board meetings are held at Firehouse #1, or on Zoom if necessary. All Rist Canyon area residents are welcome to attend. Around the first of each month, RCVFD sends out a Community Alert with the deadline to request a copy of the agenda. If you would like to receive the agenda, please email your name, email address and phone number to the RCVFD Board Secretary at <a href="mailto:secretary@rcvfd.org">secretary@rcvfd.org</a>. Please note that the agenda will arrive one



to two days before the scheduled meeting. To sign up for Community Alerts, visit RCVFD.org.

## Chief's Report

We have run 35 calls so far this year, which is about average, and only one multi-day call. At the end of May we had a fire on top of Kings Canyon, which is just south of the northern border between our response area and Poudre Canyon Fire. We worked this fire for two days with Larimer County's initial attack module, and were able to limit the fire, which was caused by lightning, to a half-acre.

Considering how dry we were coming into wildland season this year, we have been very lucky to only have this one fire to deal with so far. Our dedicated volunteer firefighters continue to train and respond to all emergencies in the RCVFD response area, and for that I want to give a heartfelt "Thank You!" The time and energy donated by our officers, firefighters and EMTs for all the work they do and all the love they show this department is really special, and the devotion they show is second-tonone. Not only do our volunteers not get paid, they often take time off from work or family to handle the business of the fire department, reach a level of training we're all proud of and maintain that level.

Speaking of which, congratulations to our latest EMT, Jocelyn Wolf. Jocelyn completed her EMT certification program in May, and is responding from our Whale Rock station. Having Jocelyn in Whale Rock really helps fill out that coverage.

In case you didn't see the Community Alert in mid-June, Larimer County provided sandbags at the Moody Hill turnoff for Buckhorn and Stove Prairie residents to use for erosion mitigation on their properties. Thanks go to our Upper Buckhorn Rep, Erica Michel, for helping coordinate this. If they run out, contact her or me so we can work with the county to refresh the supply. We have also staged an engine up in the Buckhorn again this summer to get a head-start if we have a fire up there.

Sincerely,

Jeff Elsner, Chief
Rist Canyon Volunteer Fire Department
P.O. Box 2, Bellvue, CO 80512

<a href="mailto:chief@revfd.org">chief@revfd.org</a>

## Responder Demonstrations

As you know, every festival we do educational demonstrations for the community to facilitate understanding of what we do as first responders. This year's demonstrations will include wildland gear, structure gear, and medical equipment. We will also have UCHealth lifeline 1 available for viewing, unless they are called away on an emergency. Hope to see you there!

Lt. Juana Jackson RCVFD





Thomas Glen Bender

OCTOBER 5, 1938 - APRIL 12, 2022

SMsgt. Thomas Glen Bender passed on Tuesday, April 12, 2022, at roughly 12:15 p.m. My father was born in Los Angeles, California on October 5, 1938. He and his family moved to Limon, Colorado when he was five years old. It was there that he met the love of his life, Mary Dell Kjosness. My mom and dad were married on November 17, 1957. Dad was accepted to the Air Force Academy, but he decided that he wanted to be married instead of being an officer. They had four children together, Elizabeth and Thomas, born in Arizona, Theresa, in Tennessee, and Katherine, in Virginia. Dad always mentioned that we were a coast to coast family. From the time I can remember, we moved every two to three years. After Katherine was born, we went to Rhein Mein, Germany for three years, Ellsworth A.F.B. for two years, Topeka, Kansas for two weeks, Norton A.F.B. for two years, and Waterloo, lowa for two years.

During our upbringing, Dad spent 23 months in Vietnam, some of that time was spent in Cambodia. Dad retired from the United States Air Force in 1977.

Dad was elected Larimer County Commissioner for District 2 in 2000. Among all of his other accomplishments during his life, his proudest was that he became one of the first American Tree Farmers in Rist Canyon and was part of the Colorado



## **TOM**

Stewardship Program. He served as a founding member and volunteer firefighter for the Rist Canyon Volunteer Fire Department, RCVFD Fire

Chief, served on the Farm Bureau, the American Tree Farmers Bureau (for which he and Mom were the Tree Farmers of the year in1986 and 1996) and the Knights of Columbus. He also served as the RERA Road Manager and the Republican Party representative for Larimer County.

My father would give anybody the shirt off his back; teach you about responsible forestry; and just sit down and talk with you about any issues that might be on your mind.

My father was preceded in death by his parents, William Glen Bender and Alice Sonnenburg Bender; his wife of 53 years, Mary Dell Kjosness Bender; his brother Robert Bender; and his daughter Theresa Lynn Bottger. He is survived by a brother, Donald Bender; his daughters Elizabeth Hale and Katherine Myers; and his son Thomas D. Bender. He has seven grandsons, Casey and

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Thomas D. Bender



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# It's time to mark your calendars for the annual Rist Canyon Volunteer Fire Department Mountain Festival, 10 AM to 4 PM on Saturday, September 10, across from Fire Station No. 1 at 11835 Rist Canyon Road.

All proceeds benefit the volunteer-based, donation-funded Rist Canyon Volunteer Fire Department (RCVFD). Events include a full day's lineup of performers, demonstrations and activities for the entire family. Presented live onstage in partnership with the Bohemian Foundation will be Liz Barnez, Don Diemer, Cowtown, Also Known As and Choice City Trio.

Other festival favorites being featured are a gigantic used book sale (books range in price from 20¢ to \$2; and \$5 coffee table books), silent auction, bake sale, plant sale, fire fighter dunk tank, craft and art vendors, food trucks, educational booths and demonstrations, large covered seating area and the 2022 RCVFD commemorative t-shirt booth. Admission, parking, tractor-pulled hayride shuttle to/from the parking area, live entertainment, large kid's activity area and ice cream all are free of charge.

The RCVFD serves a 110 square mile area that includes Rist Canyon, Stove Prairie and the Buckhorn, as well as providing mutual aid to an additional 50 square miles. The approximately 35 volunteer fire fighters provide emergency response to life and property from fires, natural disasters, medical emergencies, motor vehicle and cyclist accidents and all other rescue situations.

"We are proud to provide such a unique event for the entire family, sharing our beautiful outdoor mountain setting," says RCVFD Chief Jeff Elsner. "We look forward to our entire community



coming together to support and celebrate with us at the 2022 RCVFD Mountain Festival! Your support of our dedicated all-volunteer firefighters in their biggest fund-raiser of the year is sincerely appreciated."

The success of the event is dependent upon the volunteer support of residents before, during and after the event. There is still time to participate as a vendor (profit or non-profit participant); sponsor an activity; or to donate items to the silent auction by contacting the Festival Coordinator, H.J. Siegel at <a href="https://docs.py.ncbe/hJ@computer.org">HJ@computer.org</a>. For more information you also can visit <a href="https://www.festival.RCVFD.org">www.festival.RCVFD.org</a> or follow us on Facebook.com/RCMountainFest.

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#### Letter from the Vice President

Fun fund-raising Festival coming up! The annual Rist Canyon Volunteer Fire Department (RCVFD) Mountain Festival will be on Saturday, September 10, 2022, from 10 am to 4 pm in the field opposite the main fire station (#1) at 11835 Rist Canyon Road.

The Mountain Festival will be packed with fun and entertainment for the whole family, including live music, a used book sale, a silent auction, arts and crafts vendor booths, a bake sale, a plant sale, fire fighter demonstrations, children's games, farm animals, educational booths, food trucks, a medical evacuation helicopter, ice cream and an old-fashioned dunk tank. As always, the admission, parking, music entertainment and ice cream are all free!!!

The Festival is a great community event and a major fundraiser for the RCVFD, which is all volunteer and 100% donation-based. RCVFD provides emergency, medical and fire services to over 110 square miles in and around Rist Canyon. Last year, about 2,000 people attended (based on a count of the number of cars parked). We raised over \$30,000 profit to support RCVFD.



If you have any questions, please contact me.

H. J. Siegel RCVFD Board Vice President, Firefighter, Emergency Medical Responder and Mountain Festival Coordinator 970/416-9062



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#### Mountain Festival News

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- bring to support our RCVFD. <u>PIES</u> are the most popular and best-selling item, and we
- sell it by the slice or whole pie. Cookies, bars,
- brownies, cinnamon rolls and breads are great too. Items that do not require
- refrigeration are best for the sale. Please package items in sellable amounts (e.g., ½
- dozen cookies, 1 dozen cookies). Also list
- high allergen ingredients such as nuts or dairy. We will be at the tent by 7 AM on the
- day of the festival so you can drop off your items anytime that day. We would also
- appreciate a few volunteers to help us staff
- the tent for an hour or two. If you have any questions or would like to volunteer some
- time at the bake sale tent, please feel free to
- contact me anytime.

#### Patti Clutter

- Bake Sale Chair '
- 858/248-6328 (cell)
  - clutterp28@gmail.com \_



# Are You Crafty? Craft and Vendor Booths Available at this year's Mountain Festival!

Calling all artisans, crafters and anyone looking to sell their wares and talents! Come join us at our Rist Canyon Mountain Festival on Saturday, September 10. We have booth space available. For more information, contact Jill Smith at <a href="mailto:jgriffanti1@gmail.com">jgriffanti1@gmail.com</a>, 970/420-4327 or Debbie Benson at <a href="mailto:debandlyle007@gmail.com">debandlyle007@gmail.com</a>.

Thanks!

Jill Smith, Vendor Chair Debbie Benson, Vendor Co-Chair



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#### **Book Tent News**

This year we have received several large donations of books from Elder Paul, Front Range Forum.org, a parishioner at Pleasant Valley Church of Christ and Old Fire House Books.

To donate books, you can place them in one of the book boxes at Station 1, Pleasant Valley Church of Christ, Laporte Pizza or Laporte Hardware.

Spread the word about donating books and help fill those donation boxes! If you have a load of books that you would like to have picked up, please contact us.

If you are looking for a morning of fun, come join the Book Bees. We usually meet at 9:30 on Fridays at Station 1 upstairs, but sometimes need to change the day we meet or add extra days. Please let us know if you would like to join us and we will add you to the e-mail list to get the latest news on when we sort.

We can always use help on Thursday and Friday before the festival (September 8th and 9th) setting up tables, hanging signs and setting up the cashier area at the festival grounds across from Fire Station 1.

The day of the festival, any extra help to cashier, assist customers, hand out shopping bags and move books is always welcome. We like to give people a break during the day and at lunch.

Sunday, after the festival, we move books not sold and appreciate any extra help as we are all tired after working the festival. Many hands make light work for everyone!

Thank you!

Carolyn Stanley (<u>cloud9sewing@gmail.com</u>) 970/221-2020

> Kathy Cox (<u>kathyc228@yahoo.com</u>) 970/472-1972

> > **Book Tent Co-Chairs**



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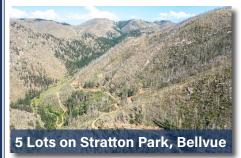
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#### Mountain Festival News, cont'd.

#### Mountain Festival Music

On September 10, the 2022 Mountain Festival stage will feature five bands, including the Liz Barnez band, the Choice City Trio, Cowtown, Also Known As and Don Diemer.

We are very excited to welcome the Liz Barnez band back to our stage. They bring the vibrancy of New Orleans' Bourbon Street with Southern Style guitar playing and songwriting. The Choice City Trio features one of our own Canyon locals, Alan Anderson, who brings riveting vocals along with an acoustic 12-string guitar, electric bass and percussion. Cowtown brings a wealth of musical experience featuring Canyon residents Ron and Julie lynam. Their music brings a blend of bluegrass, country, folk and Cajun swing.

We're pleased to have Also Known As join us once again. They perform an eclectic brand of Americana music they call "City and Western" meant to get you on your feet dancing.

Don Diemer, a previous resident of the Buckhorn Canyon, returns once again to kick off the Festival. Don describes himself as an old-timer playing an eclectic mix of folk, country and rock.

We are tremendously grateful to the Bohemian Foundation, who has given us a Music Grant for the fourth year in a row, which allows us to offer stipends to our performers and helps support our production costs.

Sandy Deraney Reilly Onstage Entertainment Chair

# Chair Festival Sponsorships and Corporate Donations

Sadly, we need a replacement for Taylor Hubbard to chair the Mountain Festival "Sponsorships and Corporate Donations" position because she is moving. Taylor has been doing it very successfully for years and has the system all set up. Taylor will be passing on her notes, lists and templates to her successor, and she will provide whatever guidance is needed. Please let HJ know if you are interested in taking on this position or know someone who may be. HJ can provide you with more information with no obligation!

Thanks.

HJ Siegel, Mountain Festival Coordinator, 970/416-9062, HJ@computer.org



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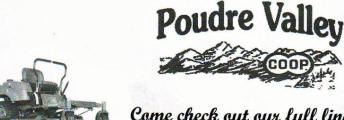
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## Notes from Your Area Representatives

Just had my first bear sighting on June 18. The little cub caused quite a ruckus with the dogs.

I gave a talk at the annual road meeting and would like to mention a few items again. Please sign up for Community Alerts at RCVFD.org. This keeps you informed of fires, lost pets, events in the area and you can also request an alert to be posted. Also, contact <u>Leta911.org</u> and sign up for reverse 911 calls for alerts when you need to evacuate if a fire or flood is near you. The address signs are free now. These sings can help the firefighters and EMTs find our home faster. They are reflective on both sides so they can be seen at night. Since our fire department is donation based, a donation for the signs would still be appreciated. Finally, a ride in the Flight for Life helicopter costs you \$20,000 for each flight. Insurance is available for \$80 to \$100 and covers everyone in the household.

If you have any questions or need information on any of the items above please contact me.

Carolyn Stanley
Davis Ranch Area Rep.
970/221-2024

My name is Dean Yoder. I've volunteered to be the area representative for the lower Buckhorn Canyon. My background has been in construction as an electrician and electrical contractor and being a professional fire fighter for the City of Denver for 25 years. I retired in the spring of 2017 but for family reasons remained in Denver until last summer when we moved to our retirement home near the 20 mile marker in the Buckhorn Canyon.

We have owned the property since 1972 and I built our home in 2005. I have a growing knowledge of the Buckhorn since our purchase of the land where we now live. I've loved the area for its beauty and wildlife and the history that has played out here.

As your new representative I am eager to meet more of you who are my neighbors and invite you to reach out to me with any questions. I want to hear your stories of how you came to our canyon to live. I may not have all your answers but I'm an avid reader and can probably track down emergency related questions you may have.

D A Yoder Lower Buckhorn Area Rep.



We call the group of leaders of the RCVFD Mountain Festival activities the "Friends of the Festival (FotF)." We had a very productive June 2022 FotF gathering. The FotF who attended are: top row: Richard Lund (treasurer, facilities, and mentor), Brett Carr (graphic design), Kimberley Carr (Plant Sale chair), Carolyn Stanley (Book Tent co-chair) Taylor Hubbard (Sponsorships and Corporate Donations chair), Shannon Phelps (T-Shirts chair), Molly McLean (T-

Shirts assistant-chair), Phil Jensen (Wi-Fi chair). Bottom row: Patti Clutter (Bake Sale co-chair), Debbie Faber (Craft Booth co-chair), Janet Siegel (Silent Auction chair), and HJ Siegel (Festival Coordinator). I thank all of them for coming and contributing great ideas. HJ Siegel, Mountain Festival Coordinator. Photograph by Rowan Hubbard.

## Notes from Your Area Representatives, cont'd.

Summer has begun and the weather has been magnificent. We've had some decent rain along the Stove Prairie corridor. Everything is greening up nicely and we are enjoying the beautiful wildflowers. This season has not been a disappointment.

There has been an obvious uptick in traffic, but who can blame anyone for wanting to recreate where we live? The traffic will soon again calm down and the colorful Colorado fall will be a sight to behold I'm sure. Enjoy the days and take it easy!



Tim Stratman Stove Praire Area Rep.

## Non-Profits and Educational Booths for the Mountain Festival

Are you part of a non-profit or educational organization? We would love for your group to join us at the Rist Canyon Mountain Festival on September 10, 2022. Non-profit and educational booths are FREE to 501-C organizations. These booths allow your group to share your information and opportunities with the community.

If you are interested in participating or have any questions, please contact me. We are always looking for new additions to the festival.

Trisha Ann Johnston
Non-profit / Educational Booth Chair
TajohnLMT@gmail.com

Spring came and summer is well on its way to the Buckhorn. Early shoots of columbines and arnica are just coming up as I write this. We have the usual suspects visiting the area with sightings of moose, elk, deer and bear along with a few turkeys. Reminder—there are sandbags for community use at the junction of 44H and Moody Hill.

Erica Michel Upper Buckhorn Area Rep.



Photo courtesy of Erica Michel

# DUNK A FIREFIGHTER at the Festival!

At the RCVFD Mountain Festival on September 10, 2022, we will have an old fashioned dunk tank!

Purchase balls to throw at a target, and if you hit the target a firefighter is dunked into the dunk tank!! Cool them off while raising money for the fire department.

# Thank You, Rist Canyon Volunteer Fire Department!



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### Mountain Festival News, cont'd.

# Plants and Plant Parents Wanted!



We need all kinds of plants, cuttings, seeds, pots and accessories for the plant booth at the RCVFD Festival on September 10. If you'd like to try out your green thumb, we have baby plants ready to foster until the festival. All they need is a sunny window and some pure mountain water.

Please bring your plants to the Plant Booth the morning of the festival. 100% of sales benefit the Rist Canyon Volunteer Fire Department. If you have any questions or would like to foster baby plants, please contact me.

> Kimberley Carr Plant Booth Chair 214/578-4417

Kimberley.Carr@kiewit.com



# SILENT AUCTION at Mountain Festival

What kind of items will you find at our RCVFD Festival Silent Auction?

- > Camping and fishing equipment
- > Irrigation equipment and tools
- > Tickets to movies and museums
- > Buffalo train rides
- Artwork and jewelry
- > Handmade marbles and fun toys!

Last year we sold all of these items and more—over 300 of them! This year we'll have even more great prizes—thanks to the kind, generous and resourceful people who find them!

You can ask your favorite restaurant, store, service provider, brewery, crafter or mad inventor to contribute to the Silent Auction. We will supply you with a letter for donors, a Festival flyer and other information. Just give the letter and flyer to the business owner, who can contact us to donate.

Or, you can donate items as well. Most of our best-selling items have come from your donations, big and small. All donors are advertised on our website and social media, and get the good karma, tax deduction and many thanks from RCVFD.

If you have items for donation, need forms or want to discuss possible donors, PLEASE call or text Janet Siegel at 970/231-7877, or email me at equuphile@qmail.com. THANK YOU!

Janet



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#### Notes from Stove Prairie School — Summer 2022

Dear Neighbors,

Save the date! Our Stove Prairie Elementary Fall Festival is currently scheduled for Saturday, October 1st, 2022 at the Stove Prairie Elementary School!

Last year we changed our annual Winter festival to a Fall festival and it was such a fun and successful day for our students, staff and families.

If you are interested or know anyone who is interested in joining our festival as a vendor this year, please reach out to Lisa Westrope at <a href="liwestrope@psdschools.org">lwestrope@psdschools.org</a>. Since it is summertime and school is not in session, responses will not be immediate, but we will keep track of all communications and will be starting the festival planning process in August.

There were so many amazing vendors at last year's festival and diverse items of interest for everyone who attended. Last year's Fall Festival also included a silent auction, as is one of our festival traditions, but the auction was held online this time and began about a week before the festival was held. This was a great adjustment to our auction as it allowed us to share the items with so many more folks from all over! If you are interested in making a silent auction donation for this year's festival, please email Lisa Westrope at <a href="mailto:lwestrope@psdschools.org">lwestrope@psdschools.org</a>.

We look forward to seeing everyone this Fall at our little school and appreciate the support of this amazing community. Enjoy your Summer and keep a lookout for more information coming soon about our Fall Festival, October 1st, 2022!

Jacki Lawson Stove Prairie Elementary PTO



Kid's Area at the Mountain Festival

Join the fun in the Kid's Area of the Rist Canyon Mountain Festival on Saturday

September 10th, 2022. All activities are FREE and include games, farm animals, bubbles, roping area and more! Meet your local firefighters at the Fire Safety Trailer and join them in a fun learning experience. I look forward to seeing you!

Trisha Ann Johnston Kid's Activity Chair Tajohnmt@gmail.com



2022 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Graduates, Congratulations!

### Three Easy Ways to Help the RCVFD



## Spread the Word!

One of our biggest fundraisers is the King Soopers Rewards Card. If everyone in the Rist Canyon area used this program, it could make a HUGE difference in our fundraising. This generous program gives the RCVFD 5% of all of your purchases at King Soopers. This includes groceries, toiletries, supplies, clothing, gas and even prescriptions.

The process only takes a few minutes. If you don't already have a free King Soopers Rewards Card, request one from your cashier or the service desk. Once that's done, jump on your computer and go to <a href="www.kingsoopers.com/communityrewards">www.kingsoopers.com/communityrewards</a>. Click on the link to enroll. Set up an account, or sign in if you already have one. Then click on Community Rewards from the list on the left. Use the "Find an Organization" box to enter our NPO number, YP687 and click Search. It will verify that you have selected the RCVFD. Click "Enroll" and you're done!

Always scan your Rewards Card when shopping. As a Rewards member, you'll save money and earn points towards gas discounts; and the RCVFD will receive 5% of your purchases. If you have any questions about the King Soopers Rewards Program, contact them at 800/576-4377. And thank you for telling your neighbors to sign up, too!

You can donate through Colorado Gives any time of the year! Please Spread the WORD to family and friends!



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# Thanks to everyone! Your support is especially important during this trying time. THANK YOU!!

If we missed you, please call 970/419-0397.



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#### T-Shirts

We are happy to announce that the wonderful Mountain Festival T-Shirts, featuring a new design by Taylor Hubbard, have been ordered! Shirts come in three styles including classic, fitted and tank top. You will look fantastic in leafy green. Vintage shirts and hats from past festivals will also be for sale. Thanks!

Shannon and Molly T-Shint Chains





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