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## President's Column

By Larry Sanford



A new year has started and we are just finishing up with the 2013 big game season hunts. All of our mobility-impaired member hunters should be sending in their hunt requests for the 2014 big game seasons. Now is the time to let us know if you want to go on an Outdoor Buddies sponsored big game hunt in 2014!

Please remember that there are a few requirements that must be met to qualify for Outdoor Buddies sponsored big game hunts.

### REQUIREMENTS/CONDITIONS

1. Participants in Outdoor Buddies sponsored big game hunts must be registered members of Outdoor Buddies. Registration must have been completed prior to being considered for a big game hunt.
2. All Colorado hunters must possess a "WILDLIFE RECREATION ACCOMMODATION PERMIT", issued by Colorado Parks and Wildlife (CPW), authorizing the hunter to shoot from a vehicle. It is also suggested that hunters be enrolled in CPW's Mobility-Impaired Big Game Program; for questions and application form contact CPW at (303) 291-7380.
3. Participants are expected to provide their own transportation to/from and during the hunt, unless other arrangements are made in advance, and pay personal expenses including required licenses. Outdoor Buddies will provide a location to hunt and an able-bodied helper/guide.
4. Hunt requests can be submitted online via the Outdoor Buddies' website at [www.outdoorbuddies.org](http://www.outdoorbuddies.org) or complete a 2014 Big Game Hunt Request form and mail to the address shown on the form.

I would like to invite you all to come to our fundraiser banquet this year to celebrate thirty years of service in performing our mission of getting people who have been deprived of outdoor experiences back into the outdoors.

The annual banquet provides much needed funds to buy adaptive equipment as well as helping to finance Outdoor Buddies' programs throughout the year.

Now is the time to purchase your tickets from our website.

I hope to see you there on April 5<sup>th</sup>.

## Executive Director's Comments

By Dwaine Robey



Now that 2014 is here, it's time to make plans to attend the annual Outdoor Buddies Banquet.

This year's banquet is special in that it celebrates thirty years of community service by Outdoor Buddies.

The 2014 banquet will be held at The Wildlife Experience on Saturday, April 5<sup>th</sup>.

Banquet tickets are now on sale and can be purchased using the form included in this newsletter or from the Outdoor Buddies website at [www.outdoorbuddies.org](http://www.outdoorbuddies.org).

The annual banquet is perhaps the most important event of the year for Outdoor Buddies. This annual fundraiser event provides a large portion of the funds needed to support Outdoor Buddies programs throughout the year.

Attendance and participation in fundraising activities at the banquet is a great way to show your support of our organization. So, please make plans to attend the banquet and invite all your family and friends to come also.

Please visit our website and purchase your banquet tickets while you are there! Help us make this the best ever Outdoor Buddies Banquet!

Feel free to contact me if you have ideas about improvements to your organization or if you are willing to serve on one of our committees or as an officer or Board member.

You can contact me at (719) 783-9044 or [drobey@centurytel.net](mailto:drobey@centurytel.net).



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Outdoor Buddies' Mission:  
**"Provide opportunities through a volunteer organization, for those who have been deprived of enjoying outdoor experiences."** These opportunities are available to all, with no cost, other than personal expenses, and no discrimination due to race, color, creed, religion, sex, or family status.

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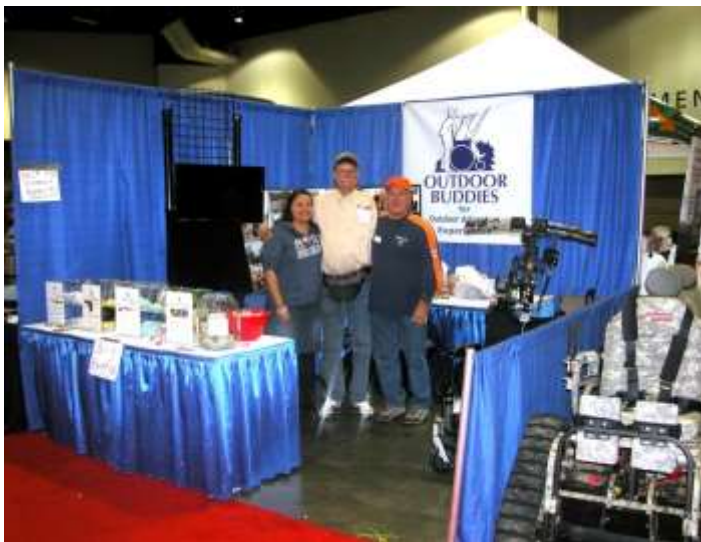
All Outdoor Buddies members are encouraged to submit input for the newsletter.

Newsletter input should be submitted by the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month to be included in that month's newsletter.

Please send newsletter input via Email to:  
[executivedirector@outdoorbuddies.org](mailto:executivedirector@outdoorbuddies.org).

## International Sportsmen's Exposition

Outdoor Buddies staffed a booth again this year at the annual International Sportsmen's Exposition at the Colorado Convention Center in Denver. We would like to thank Colorado Parks and Wildlife (CPW) for providing the space for our booth. CPW allows Outdoor Buddies to share space in their Youth Fair area where there are booths that provide education for young and old to learn more about Colorado and its wildlife.



**Penny and Larry Sanford and Dwaine Robey at the Outdoor Buddies booth.**

Thanks to all the volunteer members of Outdoor Buddies who help to make this event a great time to share information about our mission!

At the Expo, we sold raffle tickets for raffle prizes with the prize winners to be drawn at our annual fundraiser banquet. We still have raffle tickets available for these prizes including a Colt AR15 rifle, a SCCY 8 mm. pistol, a Beretta 12 gauge semi-automatic shotgun, and a four-person Lake of the Woods Fishing Charter. If you want to help Outdoor Buddies out then buy a chance to win one of these raffle prizes.

## YES, YOU CAN HELP By Kathy Shears, Banquet Committee

As a member of Outdoor Buddies, I am sure that you have asked yourself if there is anything that you can do to help. As you are probably aware; our annual banquet is our major fundraising event every year and, as usual we are in need of donations of new items for our auctions and raffles.

In a recent discussion about our need for donations, one of our members said that she would appreciate some suggestions on how to approach people for donations. If you take an outdoor buddies brochure with you, introduce yourself as a member, give a brief explanation of our purpose and explain that all donations are tax deductible; I think you will find that most business owners are very receptive. It is also important to stress the fact that we are a completely volunteer organization and that every penny that we raise goes to support our mission. You might also mention that our banquet is on April 5<sup>th</sup> at The Wildlife Experience and if they would like to attend they can go to our website at [www.outdoorbuddies.org](http://www.outdoorbuddies.org) for more information and to purchase tickets.

Please let me know if you receive any donations so that we can catalogue and list all items and place them in the proper area. You can reach me via Email at [shearsks@hotmail.com](mailto:shearsks@hotmail.com)

## Ice Fishing at Tarryall Reservoir By Dylan Harrell

I'll be honest; I'm not one for very cold weather. You'd think that if I didn't want to get cold, I wouldn't go ice fishing. Well, we got lucky and that's what made the Outdoor Buddies ice fishing day at Tarryall on January 25<sup>th</sup> so great.

To start things off, this trip was made possible because of Terry Nelson, Kathy Shears and Wally Hunt. They set things up and had all the makings of a great event. One thing in particular was the permission they were granted for us to be able to use a UTV on the ice. In addition to that, everything was set up from shelter to bait to lunch! On top of the wonderful planning, we were rewarded with 20 inches of ice and weather in the mid 40's!

The day started off early with my buddy, Aaron, meeting at my house. He brought his 9 year old, Cooper. I also brought my 4 year old, Avery. We hit the road and showed up at the bunk house just as Terry and Kathy were getting the wood stove going to heat things up. I'd never been in the bunk house before. What a great building we have access to up at Tarryall!

Shortly after Kathy prepared some hot chocolate and coffee, we hit the ice.

After drilling a handful of holes to drop the lines, we were off to the races. My buddy Aaron had brought a six man hut that I ended up needing early on to keep myself and the two kids comfortable. With the work Aaron put in setting us up, he kept warm without it. An hour or so later, with the sun shining down, it was warm enough to take the hut down.

Throughout the day, we had some pretty good action. Eight fish were caught in total, despite a few getting away. Cooper did a great job fishing while Avery had fun using the scooper to fill the holes back up with ice and snow. A golden eagle had decided to perch on the rock above us and watch a while.



**Cooper, Terry, Dylan and Avery show off their catch!**

When the fishing slowed, we packed up and headed back to the bunk house for some great chili, prepared by Kathy. Wally had arrived sometime during our fishing expedition and had also help setup for lunch. About 1:30 PM or so, we got back to the bunk house and enjoyed our chili.

Great company and stories to tell led to a memorable day for all parties involved. I can't wait for my next outing with these great people.

### **My Late Season Pronghorn Hunt With Outdoor Buddies By Gerry Robinson**

I awoke at 4 AM the day of the hunt, whipped up some coffee, anxiously dressed and gathered up my gear in order to pick up Terry Nelson at 5 o'clock.

This all started a while back when I was eating at a local restaurant. I was sitting next to some gentlemen who were talking about hunting and one of them had on an Outdoor Buddies sweatshirt. I had signed up with the organization shortly after my accident in 2010 but had not really pursued what it was all about.

It turns out that Terry Nelson was the wearer of the sweatshirt and the bearer of vast knowledge of Outdoor Buddies.

Terry contacted Larry Sanford and told him that I hadn't been out on a hunt and that same day Larry called me to set up a hunt.

We were to meet Larry and another Handi Buddy at Walmart in Fort Collins to take care of the licensing before heading out to Meadow Springs Ranch for our hunt.

We followed Larry to an area along the railroad tracks. Larry had a plan laid out to get us situated in the vehicles where we could easily be ready to shoot when an animal was spotted. We practiced at 100 yards and then at 150 yards.

This session not only built the shooters confidence but also built teamwork with the drivers on how to aim the trucks just right so we would be on the animal in the shortest possible time.

I was so impressed with how passionate Larry was to make sure we were comfortable with the whole process. It also calmed my nerves as it had been quite some time since I had been able to get out hunting.

As the sun rose we made our way onto the ranch and holy moly there were animals everywhere!! I volunteered myself to wait for the second opportunity so Larry could direct the other hunter to a good spot.

As they drove off I spotted a buck and two does off to the left. The path they were taking would carry them across the road about 150 yards in front of us. One doe was trailing behind the other two and I knew she was the one I wanted.

I readied my rifle and began following her in my scope. I was well prepared and surprisingly calm. I took a breath, finalized my aim and gently pulled the trigger.

Animal down!

We all cheered and watched her for a bit but she was done. At that moment was when I felt that rush that I hadn't been able to experience for a long time. Larry and Terry made me feel like the most important person on this earth by jumping in there shooting a bunch of pictures of me and the doe with my rifle, changing to different hats just like I had won the big prize.

They dressed out the doe and we headed for home.



**Terry, Larry, and Gerry with Gerry's pronghorn.**

A million thanks to the guys and to Outdoor Buddies for all they do to make outdoor adventures possible for Handi Buddies who would otherwise not have the opportunity to get out hunting, fishing, and enjoying the outdoors.

**Third Day's a Charm!**  
By Dylan Harrell

I should have guessed that starting my elk hunt on Friday the 13<sup>th</sup> might not be conducive to success, but we went anyway. A day in the field always beats a day at work, especially when it comes to your first ever elk hunt.

The plan was for me to meet with Steve Nichols and Martie Brocko in the Estes Park Police Station parking lot. I made it just before 7 AM and we loaded up to head out.

First thing that day, we found a herd that was near our property, but they weren't moving in the right direction. We also saw some nice bulls on our property, but all we could do was watch them spar since I only had a cow tag. After a few more laps around the town, it was time for breakfast. With full bellies and weary eyes, we headed back to the field for a little shut eye. A short nap later, it was time to continue our patrol.

Not long after, some elk moved into position for us. Steve drove around and got me setup. Moments earlier, we had noticed a truck parked across the road with no owner in sight. Just as the elk were crossing the fence into our field, I began to put the rifle out the window. Out of nowhere...a person! Remember that truck from across the road? Turns out the guy had parked so that he could get a picture of these elk. Completely oblivious to the fact that we were there, this man scaled the barbed wire fence and trespassed into the field. With two hands in the air, clutching his phone for a photo, he chased the elk away. I honestly don't think he ever saw us. I'm sure if I had fired a shot, he would have needed to go home and change his pants. Out of respect, and in respect of safety, we watched helplessly as the elk scattered. Shortly thereafter we called it a day.

The next morning, I met Steve at the police station and we headed out to pick up Jayne Zmijewski for round two.

Immediately, we found some elk just about to cross onto a piece of property we had access to. A truck pulled up to check out the herd, causing them to change direction and head back away from our field. At this point, what can a person do but laugh? After breakfast and a little more hunting, we called it a weekend and decided to try again after Christmas.

On January 10<sup>th</sup>, we continued our hunt. This time, I brought my 4 year old along for his first big game experience. Maybe it was the New Year or maybe he's good luck, but shortly after 7 AM we found a decent sized herd moving into position. This was in the same location as our photographer incident a month prior, but with cold temps and gusty wind, there were no sightseers around.

Steve parked and the herd moved into range. After picking out which one we wanted, I stuck the Scout Rifle out the window.



**Dylan and Avery with Dylan's cow.**

Bam! One shot, one kill. As quickly as the day had started, the hunt was over. Steve and Martie field dressed the cow and then we spent one more breakfast together.

I can't thank them enough for their help. One of the best parts of Outdoor Buddies is getting to meet new people. This hunt was no exception. Not only was I able to be successful on my first elk hunt, but my son also got his first taste of what elk hunting can be like. It was a great experience for all involved.

**Too Short ... Too Sweet!**  
By Randy Fagley

I arrived at Meadow Springs Ranch on October 5<sup>th</sup> for the pronghorn hunt. Once again, Rob Adams was my guide. I got registered and noticed my number on my vehicle identification tag was #2. Number 2 happens to be my "lucky" number.

We waited until day break and headed out. It was right at sunrise, and you could feel the dew in the air and see your breath. It was only zero degrees out with the wind chill factor... perfect hunting weather.

Only fifteen minutes later and my buck was on the ground! It was a quick hunt. We took the buck back to the check station and to the skinners. The volunteer helpers were there to assist, and I can't thank them



**Randy with his pronghorn buck.**

enough for their assistance. Less than 30 minutes later my pronghorn was in the cooler.



**Dave Thums helped several hunters by skinning their animals.**

Rob and I had the pleasure to take a young man named Aiden and his father, Scott out for Aiden's hunt. This was Aiden's first pronghorn hunt and it was such a great experience. I will never forget how it felt to be there, brought back memories of hunting with my son on his first hunt.

January 13, 2014.

It was a New Year and time for a new hunt! It was my cow elk hunt at Westcliffe, Colorado and Rob Adams was my guide again. Another hunting group met up at Rob's home.

Daryl Ericsson, Dan Warner (able helpers), and Bill Baker were also there. We took 2

vehicles and drove to a ranch north of Westcliffe. I was excited to revisit the ranch since I had hunted there once before two years ago. Once again, it was sunrise and cold and crisp... but that is a hunter's morning. You can smell the air and feel the moisture. Hunter's live for mornings like this.

The other vehicle had seen a herd of bulls, but we missed them. We went in for breakfast and to decide our next strategy. We decided to go to a large ranch south of town and met the owner. We expressed our appreciation to be able to hunt on their ranch and the headed back to the ranch north of town for the evening.

We watched five bucks and two does feed until about 20 minutes before quitting time. Rob told the other vehicle we were heading out slowly and watch on the way out for opportunities. Rob told me to watch in the shrub patches too; you just never know! Elk stand in them and wait until dark. I told Rob I was looking and saw the shrubs with legs moving...

"Elk!"

Rob shoved me out of the truck and told me to shoot at the last cow in the herd.

I took aim and squeezed the trigger. She was hit



**Randy with his nice cow elk.**

hard. She did a circle and went down. All the guys where high fiving me!

"Great Shot" they all said.

Thanks guys for all the help and for being a part of the day. It has been one of the best and most fun hunts thus far.

Thank you to Rob and Lee Ann, I can't say thank you enough to both of you for your generous hospitality and inviting me into your home

Thank you also to the ranchers and their families and to outdoor buddies and all involved who make these hunts possible.

I salute you.

Too short, too sweet... but really good to eat. ☺

## **Outdoor Buddies Site-Ins at Green Mill Sportsman's Club for 2014**

**By Rich Cori**

Green Mill Sportsman's Club has invited us again to have site-ins at their facility. They really enjoy doing this with Outdoor Buddies.

So with this invitation we are returning to Green Mill Sportsmen's Club for site-ins scheduled for Saturday April 26<sup>th</sup>, 2014 at 9:00 AM and again on Saturday August 2<sup>nd</sup> 2014,



We will shoot; rain or shine, as the shooting house is enclosed. They have reserved the big bore and pistol ranges for us on both days.

Please contact Rich Cori to sign up at [r.cori@outdoorbuddies.org](mailto:r.cori@outdoorbuddies.org) or call 303-604 9227.

The range will be opened at 8:30 AM., the gate will be open and you can proceed directly to the range for sign in.

The range is located 3 miles west of I25; Exit 232, west to Bonanza (WCR3), turn left, then take first left at Green Mill Road then south for 3/4 mile.



Attached is a link to a map on their web page

<http://www.greenmillsportsman.org/gm/?q=sightin>

## **Get on the Fishing Email List!!**

**By Joe Arcese**

Sometimes we have fishing opportunities that come up at the last minute, and there is not time to put the date in the Newsletter

Please send me your email address if you would like to be notified about future fishing dates, and I will let you know whenever we have one.

This includes both Handi-Buddies and Able-Buddies who are interested in participating in fishing events.

Also, please contact me if you have a good fishing spot and maybe we can set up a fishing date there.

Please contact me via Email at [jfarcese@yahoo.com](mailto:jfarcese@yahoo.com).

## Ice Fishing Opportunities

By Terry Nelson

We are planning to do some ice fishing at Tarryall Reservoir in January through March.

We will use the Outdoor Buddies bunkhouse at Tarryall as the base camp for these outings and have an ATV available for towing people and supplies out on the frozen reservoir.

We have had good success with ice fishing outings at Tarryall in previous years, so if you are interested please contact me for more information and join us for some ice fishing.

303-884-3266

[terrencet275@hotmail.com](mailto:terrencet275@hotmail.com)

## Outdoor Buddies Elk Hunt

By Bill Baker

'Twas my first Outdoor Buddies hunt ever! What a tremendous thrill! Dwaine Robey, Rob Adams, Dan Warner, Darrell Erickson, and Randy Fagley made this trip a once-in-a-lifetime thrilling event for me.

We hunted hard and long to find our prey. Saw lots of elk and other wildlife; some bull sparing, for unknown reasons; a cow in estrus in January? The same seven mule deer two days in a row at the same place; one lone, probably three-point, bull; a cow and calf; and some more than two miles away with absolutely no way to get anywhere near them.

Brunch at the bowling alley was great – a small respite on our long journey for the ever-elusive wapiti.

Made some great new friends, cemented current friendships, and saw more of the great state of Colorado I so love. I saw Randy Fagley take a nice cow with his 300 Winchester magnum, at what was later measured to be about 205 yards. Yeah, hooray for Randy – way to go, Bro!

I learned that I am more disabled than I care to think of myself as, so I push on as all of us must, making necessary adjustments as I go.

Rob Adams in our group came up with an idea for input from *all* members on a "Hunting Hints Corner" for the monthly newsletter. Sounds like a great idea to me!

We also talked about just who it might be in our organization who was once a military shooting instructor. Hoping perhaps that person would be willing to help youth and other members enhance their shooting skills.

Special thanks to all the landowners and the Outdoor Buddies organization as a whole, for without them and all the opportunities they offer us, none of this would have been possible or exist for any of us to enjoy.

Sincerely,  
Wild Crazy Bill  
Gunsmith, Firearms Advisor

## My Elk Hunting Story

By Josh Lyon

Eight years ago I started hunting whitetail deer. Struggling with addiction it quickly became my new interest. I absolutely fell in love with the beauty of the woods and became an avid hunter. Being able to hunt an animal that I was able to bring home for dinner felt so good. I finally learned what it felt like to be a real man.

At 28 I was injured and no longer able to hunt on my own. I'm now 31 and have had to take on the role of Mr. Mom as my Wife Hannah had to go back to work. So as I struggle to hang on to my manhood I was very blessed to find Outdoor Buddies.

Enough about me, let's talk hunting.

I started out my trip of a lifetime with a bad furnace motor in my pickup camper. I woke up to a very cold camper. I was thankful Dwaine Robey had coffee ready. Dwaine and I met up with Rob Adams in town for a helping hand.

It was finally time to go hunting and I was so fired up. We headed out to a ranch north of town. We got to the ranch and stopped at the gate and sure enough Rob spots a herd of elk about 1.5 miles away at the tree line.

"No way this is crazy" I'm thinking as I try to contain myself. That was the longest 1 mile ride I've ever been on. We drive up to where the herd was and no more elk. They had disappeared. So we hung out in the heated hunting stand AKA "DWAINE'S TRUCK".

We glassed for about 20 minutes or so. The elk had moved, but we finally spotted them again.

We got out of the truck just at the right time. Rob and I worked our way around a big hill to keep the elk from seeing us on foot. As we got closer they moved again. Thankfully there were some trees between us so we stalked for a while and got close enough to take a shot.

I was having a hard time breathing at 8,500 feet while on adrenaline. I put my scope on the herd and was overwhelmed, with thoughts going through my head, which one do I take?

As a deer hunter I've never had to deal with any of these things like "Is there another elk behind the one I have picked out to take".

So needless to say I was a wreck. I couldn't hold steady to aim 375 yards. I took a moment to get my breathing under control. I told Rob I was ready he told me to take the shot.

I missed!

Hoping I would get another chance I moved into better position as the elk were about 275 yards away. I was again overwhelmed when I drew my rifle. It took a second to find one I felt I could safely take. As the seconds slipped by the herd turned away. Now Rob and I are looking at a herd of elk butts. I told Rob I didn't feel good about shooting it in the butt. As we watched they trotted into the woods. They were gone for now.

Off to breakfast. We were hungry and Dwaine insisted on going to the restaurant at Cliff Lanes. Good call on Dwaine's part. It was sure enjoyable getting to know my

new friends. Breakfast was great! Thanks to Rob for picking up the tab!

Now back to hunting. We went back to Dwaine's house to get a real gun as my pee shooter wasn't enough for taking such long shots. Then we stopped by the shooting range so that I could take a few shots with Dwaine's gun. It was right on!

We proceeded on to a ranch south of town where we could hunt and found a safe spot to glass from and enjoyed each other's company. The night fell on us as we waited and watched.

I was happy with such an exciting morning hunt I was ready for bed. After all I was looking forward to the new challenges of sleeping without a heater.

When I woke up the next morning it was -2 degrees in the camper. Once again Dwaine had coffee ready. We were off the same ranch we were at the morning before.

Dwaine dropped Rob and me off to hike in to a very good spot in my opinion. Rob and I were on an adventure. We found a tree and sat down and watched. I was having fun now.

As we sat there we played with a cow call; that's crazy fun. We were getting cold rapidly as it started snowing. Rob took me on a little scouting venture teaching me how elk behave and what they like. As it grew into late morning we went back to the truck. At this point we couldn't see because of the blizzard. We sat in the truck and got warm.

Then Rob pulls out some hot breakfast burritos. That hit the spot. Then back to the restaurant at the bowling alley for some coffee and sharing some relaxing time together.

Rob and I took it from here. We headed off to another ranch. We had fun like we were the only ones out. Riding dirt roads after it snowed was lots of fun. We stopped on a bluff for about an hour glassing for elk and listening to the radio. We didn't see anything so we went back to the ranch where we had been that morning.

We sat up on a big hill overlooking a wide area. As we sat there a herd of elk came running out of the tree line 15 yards from where we had sat that morning.

I jumped up and told Rob I think that's elk. I could hardly see that far with my naked eyes and no binoculars as we were about a mile or so away from the elk. Rob glassed them and said its about 34 head of elk.

The hunt was on AGAIN!

Rob quickly closed the gap with the truck and stopped so I could get out. I was pumped! I was trying to hurry with a rifle in one hand and a cane in the other. I set out for my first cow elk stalk. Thank goodness I had lots of cover from hills and bushes. As I got closer I realized this is it, I'm in action on the hunt of a lifetime.

I closed in on them as quietly as I could. I could see the herd in my scope once again. I was too far; my range finder showed that the herd was at 485 yards away. I needed to get closer so I slowly stalked in closer. Now I was at 365 yards. I thought to myself I'm in range but I don't like how far it is. So I used a tree for cover and moved closer to 285 yards. I tried to slow my breathing and use my range finder but I could not hold it still.

So I drew Dwaine's rifle. I had all the time in the world to slow down and pick my cow and firmly pull the trigger. It was at that point I felt like a man again for the first time in three years.

I squeezed the trigger. I heard the bullet hit, whap, and she dropped.

Thank you, Jesus! We didn't have to track it. Now we needed to get moving as darkness was closing in on us. Rob didn't waste any time field dressing my elk. We couldn't get her out without help so we had to leave her overnight and get her out in the morning.



**Josh and Rob with Josh's cow elk.**

Dwaine arranged for help by a man with a snow machine. As we entered the ranch the next morning we jumped another herd. Elk were everywhere.

The snow machine had no problem dragging my elk to the truck. Watching that was fun by itself.



**This is the easy way to get an elk to the truck!**

After loading the elk it was time for breakfast. Back to the bowling alley. Man they have good food.

These guys are what they say in the South "JAM UP". Thank you very much for helping me fill my freezer for the first time in three years.

Thanks OUTDOOR BUDDIES for helping me feel like a man again.



# ANNOUNCING OUTDOOR BUDDIES FUNDRAISER BANQUET FOR 2014



Outdoor Buddies, Inc. is proud to invite you, your family, and friends to our annual banquet. This year's banquet celebrates **thirty years of community service** by Outdoor Buddies.

The banquet will be held at **The Wildlife Experience** on **Saturday, April 5, 2014**. The Wildlife Experience is located approximately 10 miles from downtown Denver at the intersection of Lincoln Avenue and South Peoria Street.

Your ticket to this event includes admission to the Museum and Galleries at The Wildlife Experience starting at 3:00 PM. There will be a social period beginning at 4:00 PM with dinner being served at approximately 6:00 PM.

Business casual attire is suggested. We are asking for a payment of \$40.00 per person for the banquet dinner and the evening's program. Children, age sixteen and under, will be admitted for \$20.00.

The dinner menu includes your choice of Baseball Cut Sirloin, Grilled Salmon, or Chicken Florentine. The dinner will also include Classic Caesar Salad with assorted Freshly Baked Rolls, Freshly Brewed Coffee or Tea, Seasonal Vegetables, and Dessert. A cash bar will be available. The children's ticket includes a Kid's Meal of Chicken Tenders, Macaroni & Cheese, and French Fries

## With Fox 31 Denver's Dan Daru as Master of Ceremonies



Dan is a weekday morning reporter on Fox 31's *Good Day Colorado*.

This is Dan's third year as Outdoor Buddies Banquet MC. His keen sense of humor and spontaneous antics are sure to keep you

entertained throughout the evening.



Dan Daru

The program will include current information about Outdoor Buddies programs and a few "surprise" agenda items.

There will be raffles, a silent auction, and a live auction so come prepared to do a little shopping.

If you cannot attend the banquet, perhaps you will want to consider purchasing a ticket or two for a handi-buddy. If so, please let us know and your donated ticket(s) will be put to good use.

**You may purchase tickets for this great Outdoor Buddies event via the Internet at [www.outdoorbuddies.org](http://www.outdoorbuddies.org) or simply fill out and return the form below to: Outdoor Buddies, Wally Hunt, Treasurer, 2141 South Yarrow Street, Lakewood, CO 80227.**

To order by phone call **(303) 985-2293**.

To: **Outdoor Buddies**  
**Wally Hunt, Treasurer**  
**2141 South Yarrow Street**  
**Lakewood, CO 80227**

I would like to request \_\_\_\_\_ Adult tickets for the Outdoor Buddies Annual Banquet.  
Menu choice(s): Baseball Cut Sirloin \_\_\_\_, Grilled Salmon \_\_\_\_, Chicken Florentine \_\_\_\_.  
Please accept my payment of \$40.00 for each ticket.  
I would also like to request \_\_\_\_ Children's ticket(s) at \$20.00 per ticket.  
Please find enclosed my check, payable to Outdoor Buddies, in the amount of \_\_\_\_\_.

From: \_\_\_\_\_  
NAME TELEPHONE NUMBER  
STREET ADDRESS CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE





**OUTDOOR BUDDIES  
MOBILITY-DISABLED HUNTING PROGRAM  
2014 BIG GAME HUNT REQUEST**

**REQUIREMENTS/CONDITIONS**

1. Participants in Outdoor Buddies sponsored big game hunts must be registered members of Outdoor Buddies. Registration must have been completed prior to being considered for a big game hunt.
2. All Colorado hunters must possess a "WILDLIFE RECREATION ACCOMMODATION PERMIT", issued by Colorado Parks and Wildlife (CPW), authorizing the hunter to shoot from a vehicle. It is also suggested that hunters be enrolled in CPW's Mobility-Impaired Big Game Program; for questions and application form contact CPW at (303) 291-7380.
3. Participants are expected to provide **their own transportation to/from and during the hunt**, unless other arrangements are made in advance, and pay personal expenses including required licenses. Outdoor Buddies will provide a location to hunt and an able-bodied helper/guide.
4. To request a hunt complete the lower portion of this form and mail to **Outdoor Buddies, 555 Highlands Road, Westcliffe, CO 81252**.  
Hunt requests may also be submitted online via Outdoor Buddies' website at [www.outdoorbuddies.org](http://www.outdoorbuddies.org).

**SELECTION PROCESS**

The Outdoor Buddies Big Game Hunt Committee will review all requests received and work with hunt applicants determine eligibility, plan, and schedule the hunts. Please inform Larry Sanford at (970) 663-7852 if you have not been contacted by the Committee within thirty days after you have submitted a Big Game Hunt Request.

**HUNT LOCATIONS**

Applicants may designate an area where he/she would prefer to hunt, however it may not be possible to schedule that location due to the limited number of opportunities at each hunt location. Shown below is a list of some of the locations where Outdoor Buddies will sponsor big game hunts in the upcoming seasons.

**Locations**

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| Cortez Area (mule deer)                    | Southeast Wyoming Area (antelope)        |
| Craig Area (elk – mule deer - antelope)    | South Park Area (elk – mule deer)        |
| Estes Park/Loveland Area (elk) – mule deer | South Platte River Area (whitetail deer) |
| Kremmling Area (cow elk)                   | Steamboat Springs Area (elk – mule deer) |
| Meadow Springs Ranch (antelope)            | Westcliffe Area (elk – mule deer)        |

Hunt requests received by February 28th will have priority over those received after that date.

***Note: Please do not apply for a license for requested hunt until your hunt is confirmed.***



**OUTDOOR BUDDIES 2014 BIG GAME HUNT REQUEST**

***PLEASE SUBMIT A SEPARATE FORM FOR EACH SPECIES.***

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NUMBER(S) \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

STREET ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY, STATE, ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

	<b>PLEASE CHECK APPROPRIATE BOXES BELOW</b>		
	ANTELOPE	DEER	ELK
SPECIES PREFERENCE	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
GENDER PREFERENCE	FEMALE <input type="checkbox"/>	MALE <input type="checkbox"/>	EITHER <input type="checkbox"/>
LOCATION PREFERENCE			NO PREFERENCE <input type="checkbox"/>
DO YOU HAVE A PERMIT TO SHOOT FROM VEHICLE?	YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	

# Outdoor Buddies Upcoming Events Calendar

(Note: Shown below are currently scheduled events. Other activities will be scheduled as appropriate.)

<i>Date</i>	<i>Event/Location</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Contacts</i>
November 1 thru February 10	Waterfowl hunts in various northern Colorado locations.	Waterfowl hunts will be scheduled based on requests received from mobility disabled members.	Larry Sanford (970) 663-7852 <a href="mailto:lpbusy@comcast.net">lpbusy@comcast.net</a>
January 1 thru March 15	Ice fishing in various Colorado locations.	Ice fishing events will be scheduled based on requests received from mobility disabled members.	Joe Arcese <a href="mailto:jfarcese@yahoo.com">jfarcese@yahoo.com</a> or Terry Nelson (303) 884-3266 <a href="mailto:terrencet_8@hotmail.com">terrencet_8@hotmail.com</a>
February 13	Outdoor Buddies Banquet Committee Meeting at Craig Hospital.	Banquet planning meeting starting at 6:30 PM. Volunteers are welcome.	Dwayne Robey (719) 783-9044 <a href="mailto:drobey@centurytel.net">drobey@centurytel.net</a>
March 6	Outdoor Buddies Board of Directors Meeting at Craig Hospital.	Bi-monthly Board Meeting starting at 6:30 PM. Visitors are welcome.	Dwayne Robey (719) 783-9044 <a href="mailto:drobey@centurytel.net">drobey@centurytel.net</a>
March 15	Outdoor Buddies pheasant hunt near Penrose, Colorado.	All day event starting at 9:00 AM. Lunch will be served. Shooting is reserved for disabled members, except for "back-up" shooters. A very limited number of shooters can be accommodated.	Dwayne Robey (719) 783-9044 <a href="mailto:drobey@centurytel.net">drobey@centurytel.net</a> or Larry Sanford (970) 663-7852 <a href="mailto:lpbusy@comcast.net">lpbusy@comcast.net</a>
April 5	Outdoor Buddies 2014 Banquet at The Wildlife Experience in south Denver.	<b>Mark your calendar.</b> Annual banquet at The Wildlife Experience. Tickets will go on sale in January.	Dwayne Robey (719) 783-9044 <a href="mailto:drobey@centurytel.net">drobey@centurytel.net</a>
April 26	Outdoor Buddies site-in at Green Mill Sportsman's Club.	Big bore and pistol ranges are reserved.	Rich Cori (303) 604-9227 <a href="mailto:r_j_cori@msn.com">r_j_cori@msn.com</a>
May 17	Armed Forces Day Outdoor Buddies Community Appreciation Day at Westcliffe.	Family day honoring wounded warriors and all military service members and veterans. There will be free admittance, free food, and lots of games and demonstrations. Everyone is welcome!	Dwayne Robey (719) 783-9044 <a href="mailto:drobey@centurytel.net">drobey@centurytel.net</a>
August 2	Outdoor Buddies site-in at Green Mill Sportsman's Club.	Big bore and pistol ranges are reserved.	Rich Cori (303) 604-9227 <a href="mailto:r_j_cori@msn.com">r_j_cori@msn.com</a>