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Volunteer Corner

By Dan Brown, Volunteer Committee

Persons interested in volunteering for any of the upcoming Outdoor Buddies events please contact Dan Brown at 843-816-0901 or fk15pts@yahoo.com.

We Made It Work – Elk Hunt 2017

By Neal Meier

When a friend tells you that there’s a great hunting opportunity and that he doesn’t have all the details figured out, the natural response is to agree and hope for the best. As an injury-prone person with a history of travel-related issues, I wasn’t exactly certain that everything would come together. However, Nick Filler is a friend that over the last two decades has not let me down so when he said, “We’ll make it work,” I had to give him the benefit of the doubt. My first Outdoor Buddies hunting trip took more than the usual amount of good fortune and I’m so grateful that it all came together.

In mid-February, I had a conversation with Nick and he hinted that he might have a hunting opportunity on the immediate horizon. We were talking about his recent pronghorn trip and I made the assumption that this potential trip involved hunting antelope. He said he would get me some details and to keep a weekend free in late February. I wasn’t aware of any active seasons around that time, but I went with it. We had two weeks to get all the paperwork in order and it was going to be a close call, so I focused on getting my “shoot from a vehicle” permit which involved getting a doctor’s note which is always more work than you’d expect. The folks at the Colorado Parks and Wildlife were going to do their best to get everything processed in time for the hunt, but it was going to be cutting it close. I turned in my paperwork after a few days of chasing down nurses and doctors which gave us about a week and a half. Once again, Nick assured me, “We’ll make it work.”

Three days to go, I called the Colorado Parks and Wildlife office to check on everything. The phone line was busy, which isn’t exactly something you expect from a modern phone system. Turns out, the entire CPW office had a system-wide phone and IT crash. It wasn’t until Thursday afternoon when the system was back online that the paperwork was ready. We still needed to use the voucher we had and purchase a hunting license before driving out on Friday, so Nick offered to pick it up since his commute takes him by the CPW office.

During our chat, I asked how much a pronghorn tag costs. His reply, “You know we are hunting elk, right?” I admitted, “I do now!” He laughed and explained that this tag is available due to the high number of elk tearing up ranches near Trinidad and that I should be ready to see a ton of animals. He also said he would grab the tag and paperwork on the way south to meet me and drive down to Trinidad on Friday. My three year-old daughter was having dental surgery at 6:30 am that Friday at Children’s Hospital, so he was really going above and beyond.

On that Friday afternoon at 4:15 pm, Nick called and said there was an issue. The signature for the voucher had to be in-person in ink, so I had less than an hour to drive from my house near the Tech Center to the CPW office at 6060 Broadway in Denver rush-hour traffic. “We’ll make it work” I suggested and I threw my stuff in the van and headed out. I arrived ten minutes after the building was closed, but the CPW staff graciously waited and processed my hunting license and somehow everything had come together and we were on our way hunting.

We arrived at the ranch outside Trinidad after almost four hours of driving through two separate, but equally nasty snow storms and we were beat.



This is a scenic view on the east side of the ranch.

Larry Sanford and Dan Brown had arrived earlier in the day and had a fantastic fire built. I had met Larry at the banquet the year prior and I briefly met Dan at an ice fishing trip in early February, but this was the first time getting to spend any time with the two of them. They were both familiar with the property and had spotted a herd of elk nearby that afternoon. I was excited, but exhausted so I headed for bed, ready to get up early and hunt.

Saturday morning we woke up early, had some coffee and headed out into the dark to figure out how to get me in the truck. Fortunately, I use a power wheelchair that has a seat elevator and between Nick, Larry, and Dan, we transferred me into the driver-side rear of the truck with ease.

I grew up shooting small game like pheasant, dove, and duck, so I'm not a stranger to guns, but I have lost a lot of strength over the years due to a neuromuscular condition called Limb Girdle Muscular Dystrophy, so positioning and gun placement are challenges for me.

Fortunately, this group was absolutely prepared to handle my challenges. The three guides each had great experience working with a variety of disabilities and by mid-morning, we had put the crosshairs on several elk. The ranch that we hunted was sprawling and there were two or three sizable herds within a mile or two from our bunkhouse. I didn't fire a shot the first day, but we came close at least five times and I became more and more comfortable getting into position and sighting the gun. I was amazed at the various animal populations we passed as well. There were hundreds of wild turkey, antelope, and deer out among the elk. There were several coyotes as well.

We took a break for lunch and then headed back out after a rest.

We had an exciting first day and I was particularly impressed with the spotting skills from all three guides.

On Sunday morning, we started out even earlier, getting out to our target area well before first light. We spotted a large herd moving back toward our bunkhouse and decided we would work our way back along the river to see if we could cut them off.

As we made our way, Larry spotted a cow elk down near the river bank hiding in the tall willows and brush. As we stopped the vehicle, all three guides realized that a smaller herd of nearly twenty elk were hiding along with her about two hundred yards away from our vehicle, perfectly in line for me to get a shot.

The time had come and I was not nearly as prepared as I thought. The truck was parked with a slight tilt to the right, so when I went to sit up and get my eyes in the scope, I realized I was too far down in the seat and the gun was aimed over the heads of the herd by about 20 feet. Nick was seated to my right and I whispered, "I need to get up higher." This is about as vague an instruction as I've ever given and Nick whispered back, "Higher? What do you mean?"

He was appropriately confused, but he was a good sport and we adjusted and readjusted for what had to be nearly five minutes. Luck was on our side and as the elk appeared in the scope, I announced that the safety was off and wasted no more time firing. The explosion of Nick's custom-made 7mm in the cab of that pickup was stunning.

The gun kicked less than my old twenty-gauge single shot and I raised my head to watch my elk look up and start to run downstream with the now moving herd. I lost her as she disappeared into the deeper brush



I was dazed, but I was hopeful that I had done the job. The group cheered and asked how I felt about the shot. I wasn't entirely sure, but I said I had her steady in the crosshairs. Nick volunteered to go find out if we were going to need his services to track and dispatch and as we waited, I ran the whole thing over in my head again and again. A few minutes later, Nick gave a huge yell and we all sighed in relief. She was in terrain that was really only reachable on foot, so we skipped the photo op, but we did not skip the celebration.

I was thrilled and also really amazed how everything came together. We talked about the luck, the timing, and even talked about how to improve for next time, especially the all-important art of communication and how it is related to getting into position.



Larry likes to drive a ranch tractor to move our elk!

I had spent the last 48 hours hunting with these guys and in that short amount of time, I learned so much about them and about myself. I came away from the weekend with a freezer full of elk meat and an even more impressive set of lessons and stories.



Dan, Neal, and Nick pose for a photo!

I am still smiling as I write this story.

We really did make it work!

Hunting Opportunities at the Air Force Academy



Since the mid-1980's, the Air Force Academy has used hunting to manage the base's deer and elk population to protect habitat, promote animal health, and reduce vehicle-wildlife accidents or other human conflicts.

Presently there are herds of approximately 200 deer and 40 elk residing on the base. A limited turkey hunting opportunity is also offered through Colorado Parks and Wildlife Rookie Sportsman program. Annual population and harvest objectives for the Academy (Game Management Unit 512) are closely coordinated with Colorado Parks and Wildlife biologists.

There is no small game, waterfowl, prairie dog, furbearer, black bear, or mountain lion hunting.

For more information about the program please visit:

<https://usafa.isportsman.net/>

General Guidelines and Procedures

Hunting is open to the general public; there is no license preference given to active duty military, veterans, youth, or disabled hunters.

In addition to a State game license, a base hunting access permit (\$25 elk, \$15 deer, and \$10 turkey) is required and must be purchased by going to:

<https://usafa.isportsman.net/login.aspx#Register>

Outdoor Buddies Big Game Hunting Programs General Operating Guidelines

Since 1984, Outdoor Buddies has been working to provide big game hunting opportunities for mobility disabled hunters. This includes many disabled military veterans. In recent years, we have also been working to find big game hunting opportunities for disadvantaged youth as well as youth in general. Our youth program strives to educate participants and promote hunting as a family recreational endeavor.

At this time, Outdoor Buddies volunteers are working on big game hunting plans for upcoming hunting seasons. Planning and coordinating big game hunts is a year around activity, however we work to develop plans as much as possible prior to April 1st each year so that approved hunters can apply for the appropriate hunting licenses via the license drawing which has an early April deadline each year.

Here is how our process works:

- Starting January 1st Outdoor Buddies receives big game hunt requests from disabled persons requesting antelope, deer, and elk hunts. Hunt requests are received throughout the year; however priority is given to hunt requests received by March 1st.
- Beginning on March 1st Outdoor Buddies volunteers begin to match hunt requests to the available hunting opportunities provided through agreements with landowners, land managers, outfitters, etc.
- Prior to the April deadline for submission of applications for hunting licenses via the drawing Outdoor Buddies volunteers notify persons who submitted a hunt request whether or not Outdoor Buddies was successful in placing them for a hunt. If successful, the hunter is advised as to the Hunt Code that should be used in his/her application for a hunting license via the drawing.

After the deadline for application for hunting licenses through the drawing Outdoor Buddies volunteers continue working to match hunt requests to available hunting opportunities. Typically, there are many more hunt requests than available hunting opportunities which results in a waiting list of hunters who Outdoor Buddies could not accommodate with a hunt.

Throughout the year Outdoor Buddies volunteers continue working to find hunting opportunities for persons who have submitted a big game hunt request. Additional hunting opportunities often arise during the year from new agreements from landowners/land managers, donated landowner vouchers, Colorado Parks and Wildlife depredation hunts, crop damage dispersal hunts, etc.

In general, Outdoor Buddies coordinated hunts are scheduled for three days. This may vary for several reasons including the participant's degree of disability, travel and lodging considerations, weather conditions, etc.

For the past few years, Outdoor Buddies has successfully coordinated approximately 150 big game hunts per year for antelope, deer, and elk using this process in cooperation with landowners/land manager in several locations in Colorado.

The most critical element in the Outdoor Buddies hunting programs is the availability of properties on which Outdoor Buddies disabled and youth hunters can gain access for hunting.

Please let us know if you are aware of properties where Outdoor Buddies may be able to get permission for members to hunt. Please contact Dwaine Robey at 303.877.8584 or Larry Sanford at 970.218.5356 with contact information about possible hunting properties.

Coyote Hunting Opportunities

By Al Montoya

Al Montoya has scheduled a coyote hunt for March 18th at a ranch near Watkins, Colorado. Al schedules hunts on an as needed basis. If you would like to do a coyote hunt give Al a call.

Helpers are needed to assist disabled hunters. Please contact Al if you would like to help with a coyote hunt.

Also, please contact Al if you know of property owners who will allow Outdoor Buddies access to their property for coyote hunts. You can contact Al at 303.296.4610 or via Email at agmontoya@q.com.

Group Camping Reservations at Tarryall

by Jim Piper

Outdoor Buddies has exclusive access to a secluded campsite near Tarryall Reservoir, in South Park. Group camping at this scenic campsite is available by reservation June 1st through August 31st.

Youth groups, boy scouts, girl scouts, and church groups are invited to use this 40 acre campsite. Camping facilities available at the site include 4 picnic tables, 2 metal ringed fire pits, and a pit toilet.



Hiking trails found nearby in the Lost Creek Wilderness area are easily accessible from the Tarryall camp. ATV roads close to the camp are found along Forest Service Road 143 (Derbyshire gulch).

Tarryall Reservoir, close to the campground, has a reputation for great trout fishing, and Tarryall Creek offers easy access along stretches controlled by the Colorado Parks & Wildlife (CPW).



There is a great view from the campground.



Groups who are interested in fishing activities at Tarryall should contact Outdoor Buddies to schedule an event. To reserve the campsite please contact: Jim Piper, 303-514-8944, email: geopros@clanmurray.org

And the fishing is usually pretty good!

Buy Your Tickets Now for the Outdoor Buddies Banquet

Please make plans to attend the 2017 Outdoor Buddies banquet. This year's event celebrates **thirty-three years of community service** by Outdoor Buddies.

The funds raised at the annual banquet are critical to the success in meeting our mission to provide outdoor adventure experiences for disabled persons and youth. With your help, this year's banquet will provide necessary funds for Outdoor Buddies to continue; improve, and expand its programs.

The 2017 banquet will be held at the Hyatt Regency Aurora Denver Conference Center in Aurora on Saturday, April 22nd. Banquet tickets can be purchased using the forms included in this newsletter or from the Outdoor Buddies website at: www.outdoorbuddies.org.

Why wait; make your reservation now!

Consider reserving a table for ten (10) at the banquet. That way you and your friends will be assured that you can share a table at the banquet. Don't forget to invite all your friends and family to come too!

Great Auction Items, Games, and Raffles at the Outdoor Buddies Banquet!

Please come to the banquet prepared to play a few games and raffles and bid on a fantastic variety of unique and attractive items.

One of the most unique live auction items at the banquet is a custom designed quilt made especially for the Outdoor Buddies banquet by Michele Hoffman of Westcliffe.

Michele Hoffman's Quilts of Honor was founded in 2008 to provide custom quilts to the children of our Fallen Heroes at no cost to the families.

This 86X96, 100% cotton, queen-sized quilt includes all of the animals that Outdoor Buddies hunts or fishes for including deer, elk, sheep, bear, turkey, quail, pheasant, ducks and fish. A picture of the quilt is shown on page 7 of this newsletter.

Some of the other game and raffle prizes and auction items available at the banquet include:

- African Plains Game Hunts
- African Photo Safaris
- Kimber .45 ACP Pro Crimson Carry Pistol
- Yeti Cooler with Whiskey & Beer
- Vortex Binoculars
- Vortex Rifle Scope
- Framed Wildlife Art
- \$1,000.00 Cabela's Gift Card
- Cataract Canyon Raft Trips with Wounded Warriors
- Garmin GPS with Maps
- Gun Safe With 5 Guns
- Custom Made Four Gun Iron Gun Rack
- Outfitters Camp Stove
- And much, much more!

We are still getting additional items that will be made available at the banquet.

Please contact Dwaine Robey if you would like to donate items for the banquet. We really appreciate your support!

Outdoor Buddies is managed by its Board of Directors.

Board Members are shown below:

Dwaine Robey
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Larry Sanford
President
970-218-5356

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Director-Warriors on
Cataract
303-818-7600

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Outdoor Buddies Mission:

Improve the quality of life by providing opportunities, through a volunteer organization, for those who have been deprived of enjoying outdoor experiences. These opportunities are available to all with no additional costs (other than personal expenses) and no discrimination due to race, color, creed, religion, sex, or family status.

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

Submit newsletter input by the 15th of each month to be included in that month's newsletter.

**Please send newsletter input via E-mail to:
dwaine.robey@outdoorbuddies.org**

Executive Director's Comments

By Dwaine Robey



The April 4th deadline to apply for a big-game license is fast approaching. If you're planning on hunting big game in Colorado this fall, you need to submit your application prior to the deadline.

Are you are disabled and have submitted an Outdoor Buddies big game hunt request?

If so, an Outdoor Buddies representative should contact you soon to notify you whether or not we were able to place you for your requested hunt.

If we were able to place you for a hunt, the representative will notify you of the Hunt Code that you should use when applying for your hunting license.

The Outdoor Buddies big game hunting committee continues to work throughout the year making plans and schedules for hunts for disabled members. The number of disabled persons requesting big game hunts each year always exceeds the number of available hunting slots. We are continually seeking access to additional hunting properties. Please contact me if you can help in this area.

Another primary focus this time of year is on preparations for the annual fundraiser banquet. The funds raised at the annual banquet are critical to the success in meeting our mission to provide outdoor adventure experiences for disabled persons and youth.

With your help, this year's banquet will provide necessary funds for Outdoor Buddies to continue; improve, and expand its programs.

Please make plans to attend the banquet on April 22nd! I look forward to seeing you there.

From the President

By Larry Sanford



March has come in like a lion this year here in Northern Colorado!

Our big game hunt committee is busy now processing hunt requests received from disabled members of Outdoor Buddies. We will accommodate as many disabled hunts as possible!

We would like all of you to help us out by coming to our fundraiser banquet on April 22! Please invite your friends and family as well.

Also, please plan to come to our Sporting Clays Benefit Event at Colorado Clays Shooting Park on August 5th and the Golf Benefit for those of you that enjoy golfing!

Our volunteers are working very hard to make this year's banquet a fun filled evening! Remember, for those of you who are unable to make it to the banquet you can still help out by buying raffle tickets or have someone bid for you on auction items!

Hunt committee report: We are busy putting hunters requests together with Outdoor Buddies hunt slots! We expect to be completed soon and all who sent in a request will be notified whether you were placed in a hunt or not.

This process is very time consuming to go over each of the 100 plus request for elk, deer and antelope. We try to place everyone, but with the limited donated hunting properties throughout the state it is very hard to do so.

Remember if you know of any landowners that might be willing to donate hunting time on their property please contact us as soon as you are able.

God bless each one of you and I hope to see you at the next Outdoor Buddies event



Pheasant Hunt at Drake Land Farms

Outdoor Buddies has scheduled a pheasant hunt for Saturday, March 25, 2017 to be held at Drake Land Farms near Goodrich, Colorado from 9:00am to 3:00pm.

Drake Land Farms is a hunting club started in 1980. The property includes 867 acres with 1.5 miles of the South Platte River. It is ideal habitat for the event we are planning.

Outdoor Buddies is coordinating this event with Chris Nowak who is a member of the Drake Land Farms hunting club.

This event promises to provide a lot of shooting because we are planning to plant one hundred pheasants.

Shooting is reserved for disabled members and youth hunters, except for “back-up” shooters.

Outdoor Buddies will provide some adaptive equipment for disabled hunters who may need a little help getting around for their hunt. We will have our “Go-Getter” ATV device as well as three Action Track chairs.

This will be an all-day event starting at 9:00am. Lunch will be served.

At the end of the hunt harvested birds will be cleaned and divided with participants who want them.

Participants need to register in advance.

Directions to Drake Land Farms

Take Interstate 76 toward Wiggins

Take Exit 66A onto CO Hwy 39 going north

Go approximately 6 miles (If you cross the South Platte River you have gone too far.)

Watch for Outdoor Buddies sign

Exit to the West into Drake Land Farms

TO REGISTER: Please call or text Larry Sanford at 970.218.5356.



A picture taken at last year's pheasant hunt at Drake Land Farms.



Do You Want to Help at the Outdoor Buddies Banquet?

The annual Outdoor Buddies Fundraiser Banquet is probably the most important event of the year for Outdoor Buddies. The funds raised at the annual banquet make it possible for the organization to offer its programs free of charge throughout the year.

As you probably know, Outdoor Buddies is an “all-volunteer” nonprofit organization and has no paid staff at all. The officers and Board members of Outdoor Buddies are all unpaid volunteers.

Board members work very hard each year to make the annual banquet a success. We can use your help!

There is a wide variety of tasks that must be done to make the banquet a success. Some of the major tasks include:

- Acquiring items that can be used as auction items or raffle and game prizes.
- Selling dinner tickets prior to the banquet.
- Selling sponsor tables prior to the banquet.
- Selling raffle tickets prior to the banquet.
- Selling raffle tickets at the banquet.
- Managing games at the banquet.

If you are interested in helping out please contact Dwaine Robey at 303.877.8584 or Christal Bardfield at 719.580.6366 for more information.

Outdoor Buddies on the Radio



Outdoor Buddies has entered into a seven month marketing agreement with Sportsman of Colorado Radio Show.

Scott Whatley founded Sportsman of Colorado Radio Show in 2012 to combine his passion for hunting and the outdoors with his expertise in broadcast media

Sportsman of Colorado airs live Saturday 1-2pm and is re-aired Sundays from 9am-10pm.

Outdoor Buddies will receive 30 second ads on each show for 30 weeks on KLZ 560, 1220AM, 95.3FM AND 100.7FM, 5 Fifteen minute interviews during 2017 and additional promos for events.

All ads and interviews will be heard on all stations.

Handcrafted Quilt Specially Designed for Outdoor Buddies

Designed and Sewn by Michele Hoffman



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This is a "one of a kind" quilt specially designed and made for Outdoor Buddies.

Save the date – 2017 Outdoor Buddies Banquet



ANNOUNCING **OUTDOOR BUDDIES FUNDRAISER BANQUET FOR 2017**

Outdoor Buddies, Inc. is proud to invite you, your family, and friends to our annual banquet. The 2017 banquet celebrates **thirty-three years of community service** by Outdoor Buddies.

The banquet will be held at the **Hyatt Regency Conference Center** on **Saturday, April 22nd, 2017**. The Conference Center is located at 13200 East 14th Place in Aurora, Colorado.

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 \$50.00 per person for the banquet dinner and the evening's program. Children, age sixteen and under, will be admitted for \$15.00.

The dinner includes your choice of a three-course meal of Chicken, Beef, Salmon, or Vegetarian. Drawing from the fresh, bountiful Colorado harvests, the Executive Chef and his culinary team select the region's best organic and authentic ingredients to feature on its award-winning menus.

The children's ticket includes a Kid's Meal of Chicken Tenders, Tater Tots, Macaroni and Cheese, and Fruit.

Cash bars will be available.

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

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

If you cannot attend the banquet, perhaps you 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 or simply fill out and return the form below to: Outdoor Buddies, 555 Highlands Road, Westcliffe, CO 81252.

To order by phone call **(303) 877-8584**.



**Hyatt Regency
Conference Center**

To: **Outdoor Buddies
555 Highlands Road
Westcliffe, 81252**

I would like to request _____ Adult tickets for the Outdoor Buddies Banquet.

Menu choice(s): Chicken ____, Beef ____, Salmon ____, Vegetarian ____.

Please accept my payment of \$50.00 for each ticket.

I would also like to request ____ Children's ticket(s) at \$15 per ticket.

Enclosed is my check, payable to Outdoor Buddies, in the amount of _____.

From: _____
NAME

TELEPHONE NUMBER

STREET ADDRESS

CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE



SPONSOR FORM
Outdoor Buddies Banquet
 at
Hyatt Regency Aurora-Denver
Conference Center



**SHOWCASE YOUR COMPANY
 BY SPONSORING OUR BANQUET**

BANQUET SPONSORSHIP

This is a great opportunity to show your support of Outdoor Buddies. A limited number of Sponsorships are available for the annual fundraiser banquet on **Saturday, April 22, 2017**.

Sponsorship Levels (Please check the box of your choice.)

- Platinum Sponsorship** **\$1,500.00**
 Admission for ten and a reserved table for ten at the banquet
 Acknowledgement on the Outdoor Buddies website, Facebook and Twitter and a link to your business for six months
 Acknowledgement and your company logo in the Outdoor Buddies newsletter for six editions
 100 bucket raffle tickets for your attendees
 Your Company logo on the sponsor poster at the banquet
 Announcements at the banquet

- Gold Sponsorship** **\$1,000.00**
 Admission for ten and a reserved table for ten at the banquet
 Acknowledgement on the Outdoor Buddies website, Facebook and Twitter with a link to your business for three months
 Acknowledgement and your company logo in the Outdoor Buddies newsletter for three editions
 Your Company logo on the sponsor poster at the banquet and on the table tent
 50 bucket raffle tickets for your attendees
 Announcements at the banquet

- Corporate Sponsorship** **\$750.00**
 Admission for ten and a reserved table for ten at the banquet
 Acknowledgement and your company logo on the Outdoor Buddies Website, Facebook and Twitter pages for one month
 Acknowledgement and your company logo in the Outdoor Buddies newsletter for two editions
 Your Company logo on the sponsor poster at the banquet and logo on table tent
 Announcements at the banquet

Please complete the Sponsorship Order Form below and submit it to the address shown on the form or return to any Outdoor Buddies Board member for processing.

SPONSORSHIP ORDER FORM

To: **Outdoor Buddies**
555 Highlands Road
Westcliffe, CO 81252

I would like to be a sponsor of the 2017 Outdoor Buddies Fundraiser Banquet.

From: _____
NAME TELEPHONE NUMBER

STREET ADDRESS CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE

Name to be displayed on promotional material and at banquet: _____
CORPORATE NAME

Message (Optional): _____
YOUR MESSAGE

Please accept my payment of \$ _____.

Please check one of the following boxes:

- Please find enclosed my check, payable to Outdoor Buddies, in the amount of _____.
- Please bill me at the address above, I will send a check later.
- Please charge to my credit card account. Outdoor Buddies will follow up to assure privacy and protection of your information.

Signature _____

Date: _____

GUNS AND SAFE RAFFLE



One Winner Takes All

(Need not be present to win)

Winner drawn on April 22, 2017

At

Outdoor Buddies Banquet

Hyatt Regency Conference Center

13200 East 14th Place

Aurora, CO



Ridgeline Gun Safe
Holds up to 26 Guns



Browning 12 gauge Citori Shotgun



Browning X-Bolt 30.06 Rifle



Weatherby .308 Win Rifle



Kimber Micro 9 mm Pistol



Kimber Stainless .45 ACP Pistol

For tickets contact:
Terry Gleason
303-868-2579
terryjgleason@gmail.com

*\$100 per ticket
limited to
200 tickets*

Must pass a background check and pay for the background check.

Please contact Terry Gleason to purchase your raffle tickets
303-868-2579 or terryjgleason@gmail.com

Upcoming Events Calendar

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>
March 13	Outdoor Buddies Board of Directors meeting at the Lone Tree Cabela's store.	Board meeting starting at 6:00 PM. Non-board members are welcome; please RSVP in advance.	Dwaine Robey (303) 877-8584 dwaine.robey@outdoorbuddies.org
March 18	Outdoor Buddies coyote hunt near Watkins.	A coyote hunt is scheduled for March 18 th . More hunts may be scheduled on an "as requested" basis. Interested persons should contact Al Montoya to discuss dates for hunts.	Al Montoya (303) 296-4610 agmontoya@q.com
March 25	Outdoor Buddies Pheasant Hunt at Drake Land Farms near Goodrich, Colorado.	All day event starting at 9:00 AM. Lunch will be served. Shooting is reserved for disabled members, except for "back-up" shooters	Larry Sanford (970) 218-5356 popslarrys@gmail.com
April 22	Outdoor Buddies 2017 Banquet at the Hyatt Regency Conference Center located at 13200 East 14 th Place in Aurora, Colorado.	<u>Mark your calendar.</u> Annual fundraiser banquet at the Hyatt Regency Aurora-Denver Conference Center. Tickets will go on sale in January.	Dwaine Robey (303) 877-8584 dwaine.robey@outdoorbuddies.org
April 29	Rich Cori Memorial sight-in at Green Mill Sportsman's Club 2490 County Rd 3, Erie.	Big bore and pistol ranges are reserved starting at 8:00 AM.	Wally Hunt (303) 985-2293 wdhunt1716@outlook.com
May 13	Outdoor Buddies Family Day at A Painted View Ranch in Westcliffe.	There will be free admittance, free food, and lots of games and demonstrations. Everyone is welcome!	Dwaine Robey (303) 877-8584 dwaine.robey@outdoorbuddies.org
June – September	Outdoor Buddies fishing outings at Tarryall State Wildlife Area.	Outdoor Buddies volunteers will coordinate fishing activities at Tarryall using leased properties and Tarryall Reservoir.	Jim Piper (303) 514-8944 geopros@q.com
June 10	Outdoor Buddies Family Day at Swift Ponds. Everyone is welcome!	There will be free admittance, free food, and lots of fishing, shooting, games and demonstrations.	Larry Sanford (970) 218-5356 popslarrys@gmail.com
July 14	2017 Outdoor Buddies Golf Tournament at Green Valley Ranch Golf Course.	The format for the tournament is a scramble with a shotgun start. Entry fee includes cart, range balls, silent auction, prizes, buffet lunch, contests, and fun.	Dustin Robey (303) 515-9777 dustindrobey@gmail.com
August 5	Rich Cori Memorial sight-in at Green Mill Sportsman's Club 2490 County Rd 3, Erie.	Big bore and pistol ranges are reserved starting at 8:00 AM.	Wally Hunt (303) 985-2293 wdhunt1716@outlook.com
August 5	Outdoor Buddies Sporting Clays Event at Colorado Clays Shooting Park near Brighton, Colorado.	All day fundraiser event at Colorado Clays LLC 13600 Lanewood Street Brighton, Colorado.	Larry Sanford (970) 218-5356 popslarrys@gmail.com or Dwaine Robey (303) 877-8584 dwaine.robey@outdoorbuddies.org
September 16	Outdoor Buddies Fishing Outing on the Cache la Poudre River west of Fort Collins. Directions will be provided to those who register with Larry Sanford.	Everyone is welcome. Outdoor Buddies will provide lunch, soft drinks, and fishing assistance for those who want it. There will be two Actiontrack wheelchairs available if needed.	Larry Sanford (970) 218-5356 popslarrys@gmail.com