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## Executive Director's Comments

by Dwaine Robey



**Have you purchased your banquet tickets yet?** If not, please do so soon.

This year's banquet will be held at The Wildlife Experience on Saturday, April 13<sup>th</sup>.

As you probably know, our annual banquet is our primary fundraising event each year. The proceeds from the banquet help to offset expenses incurred in providing our programs throughout the year

Banquet guests can arrange for overnight lodging at the Hilton Garden Inn-Denver South/Meridian at a very reasonable rate of \$69.00 per room. Room reservations need to be made by March 30<sup>th</sup>. To make a room reservation online go to:

<http://hiltongardeninn.hilton.com/en/gi/groups/personalized/D/DENSGI-OUT-20130413/index.jhtml>

or by telephone at:

(303) 824-1550 (Ask for Outdoor Buddies Room Block.)

With this great hotel deal, you may want to consider staying over after the banquet and sleep late the next morning. After all, you deserve a break!

To purchase tickets for the banquet, please use the banquet invitation contained in this newsletter, or visit the Outdoor Buddies website at:

[www.outdoorbuddies.org](http://www.outdoorbuddies.org)

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 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 Outdoor Buddies or if you are willing to serve on one or more 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).

## President's Column

by Larry Sanford



Its Outdoor Buddies banquet time. Be there or be square! I am really looking forward to this year's premier Outdoor Buddies event.

Don't miss out on your chance to win one (or more) of the great raffle prizes or auction items at the banquet. It's also your opportunity to show your support of Outdoor Buddies.

Please come join us!

It has been a long and tough big game hunting season. Tough, but fun filled!

We have had lots of great big game hunts, making life-long memories for many of our handi-buddy hunters and volunteer guides. Hey, let's do it all over again next fall!

**Reminder** - This is a reminder to all of the Handi-Buddies (mobility impaired) hunters who want to go on an Outdoor Buddies big game hunt during the 2013 seasons; you need to submit your Outdoor Buddies Big Game Hunt Request ASAP! You can print the 2013 Big Game Hunt Request from the Outdoor Buddies website at [www.outdoorbuddies.org](http://www.outdoorbuddies.org) or use the one included in this newsletter, fill it out and send it in the mail to the address provided on the form.

For those of you who are new to Outdoor Buddies, we have a system to place hunters who request big game hunts with Outdoor Buddies.

The system starts with you submitting a hunt request, after Outdoor Buddies receives your request we will categorize you either a

1. Have not previously gone on a hunt.
2. Went on a hunt the previous year, but didn't have a chance to fill license.
3. Hunted previous year and filled license.

This gives our Big Game Hunt Committee a way to start placing everyone in a fair system. The hunt requests are all separated by species; Antelope, Deer, and Elk.

We place all of the number ones in the hunt slots we have available and so on till we either run out of hunt slots or hunt requests. We try to get everyone on at least one Big Game hunt!

As a reminder to all of the Outdoor Buddies hunters from last year; if you have not already done so, please submit your story whether you harvested an animal or not, along with pictures if possible.

See you at the banquet on April 13<sup>th</sup>; at Outdoor Buddies Family Days this summer and in the field next fall!

## Levi's Elk Hunt

by Levi Trujillo

It all started when I was 10 years old and got my blaze orange hunter safety card. No one in my family ever hunted until I introduced them to my passion and now, at 23 years old, I have been hunting for 13 years. Each of the last 7 years I have pulled an elk tag, but was not successful until this year. With the help of Outdoor Buddies, Dwaine Robey and Dan Hunsaker, I harvested my first elk in 2013.

The beginning of my adventure started when Dwaine called me to let me know I had a chance to hunt at Mountain Meadows Ranch in the Wet Mountains near Westcliffe for a late season hunt. I was thrilled!

I was up early on January 26<sup>th</sup> to face a rainy day but with a lot of hope. Late in the afternoon, Dan spotted, with his optics, about 6 elk near an aspen grove. We began to stalk the elk to close the distance on them by walking through black timber as quietly as we could. I was walking behind Dan and being very careful not to step on branches. Dan instructed me to crawl on my belly. We were on our bellies for about 100 yards out of the timber. At that point, I sat up and positioned myself to take a shot on one of the females. I missed!

The elk were startled, but did not know where the shot came from and they ran a little closer then stopped. My next shot was through a scope that had a foggy lens.

Remarkably, I made the perfect shot and double lunged it through the shoulder even though it was 300 yards away. The elk went down in her tracks.

Dan congratulated me and I asked him "Was this a dream?" He said "No, it really happened!" I gave him a famous "Levi hug".

The elk was very large and it took four men to get her in the back of the truck. Having Dan and Dwaine as well as my Dad at the hunt made it so special and so exciting. It was truly a dream hunt.



**Levi Trujillo and his first elk**

The help that Outdoor Buddies gave me made it possible to have a successful hunt. Thanks to Dwaine and Dan for making it memorable. This goes to show that if you really want something bad enough and you are

willing to keep trying – you can do it – even with disabilities.



**Levi Trujillo and Dan Hunsaker**

### Editor's comments:

At first glance, the preceding article (Levi's Elk Hunt), may not seem very unusual. However, the circumstances leading up to Levi's hunt were certainly "out of the ordinary" as hunting stories go.

The circumstances leading up to this hunt, are a vivid example of the widespread support that Outdoor Buddies members enjoy from residents in and around the Wet Mountain Valley.

Now, for the rest of the story – The story began early in 2012 when the owners of Bear Basin Ranch, Gary and Amy Ziegler, donated a cow elk hunt to Outdoor Buddies. The donated hunt was to be used as an auction item at the Outdoor Buddies annual fundraiser banquet held in the Denver area last March. The idea was to sell the hunt to the highest bidder, with the stipulation that the hunt must be used by a disabled person.

While at the banquet, a group of attendees from Westcliffe, headed by Marci Gregg, decided to bid on the hunt. The group's intention was to purchase the elk hunt, and then give it to Donna and Ralph Hood as an anniversary gift. It would be up to Donna and Ralph to determine who the disabled hunter would be who actually participated in the hunt.

The Westcliffe group made the winning bid for the hunt and eventually awarded it as a gift to Donna and Ralph.

So far so good; now it was time to make some decisions and do some planning for the hunt.

The voucher donated by Gary and Amy Ziegler authorized the bearer to purchase a license to hunt a cow elk anywhere in Game Management Units 69 and 84. Bear Basin Ranch would be one of the targeted hunting locations, but in order to increase the chances for harvesting an animal, it was decided to try to find additional locations for the hunt.

Thanks again to the outstanding community support provided to Outdoor Buddies, Dwaine Robey was granted permission, by Terry Everhart, for the disabled hunter to have access to Mountain Meadow Ranch, owned by the Everhart family. In addition, permission was granted by

Don Kelly, Wolf Springs Ranch Manager, for the hunter to have access to the portion of Wolf Springs Ranch located in Game Management Unit 84.

Wow, things were really shaping up for a good hunt, with access to three great hunting ranches.

Now it was time to make the hardest decision; selecting the disabled hunter. Donna asked Dwaine to provide some candidates and help her with the selection. Outdoor Buddies has many disabled members who are very deserving of hunting opportunities, so this was a very difficult job.

After careful deliberation, Levi Trujillo, who lives in Colorado Springs, was selected. Why Levi - First, it is a pleasure to spend time with Levi. He is developmentally disabled, but that does not dampen his love for the outdoors. As Levi says "I was born to hunt!" His enthusiasm and genuine love for hunting and fishing are gratifying to those of us who volunteer with Outdoor Buddies. It is people like Levi who make it all worthwhile; his attitude is contagious and uplifting. Levi's guide, Dan Hunsaker, said that he enjoyed Levi's hunt as much, if not more, than Levi did.

Thank you, Levi!

And, thank you to Levi's parents, Michael and Sandra, for sharing Levi with Outdoor Buddies.

## **Coyote Hunting Opportunities**

*by Al Montoya*

Al Montoya is coordinating a limited number of coyote hunts near Watkins, Colorado. Handi-buddies who are interested in participating in these hunts should contact Al for details. You can contact him at: (303) 296-4610 or [agmontoya@g.com](mailto:agmontoya@g.com)

## **BIG GAME HUNTING APPLICATIONS DUE TUESDAY, APRIL 2**

DENVER - Colorado Parks and Wildlife 2013 big-game brochures are now available and limited license applications are being accepted for this fall's big-game hunts. License applications for deer, elk, pronghorn, moose, sheep, goat and bear are due Tuesday, April 2.

Colorado Parks and Wildlife is again encouraging all hunters to apply for licenses online. In 2012, more than 474,000 applications were received, and more than 80 percent of those were filled out using the easy online system.

"Applying online means almost no chance for entering an invalid hunt code or making some other simple application errors," explained Devon Adams, Limited License Draw Coordinator for Colorado Parks and Wildlife. "There were 22,000 applications last year that came in with errors - less than 100 of them were online applications."

The biggest change that hunters should be aware of this year is a modification to the youth late season elk hunting program. Originally developed to help address overpopulations of elk on agricultural, private lands in western Colorado, the youth late season elk hunting program is transitioning while still offering hunting opportunity at a time when elk populations are nearing

desired long-term levels. In 2013, youth with an unfilled limited cow or either-sex elk license will be able to hunt late seasons in the general area of their original license, but in smaller areas than previously allowed.

"Allowing youth to hunt late seasons has been very popular because the late seasons typically overlap the holiday breaks from school and that makes participation easier," said Rick Cables, Director of Colorado Parks and Wildlife. "Given the changes this year to the program, we'll be looking for other ways to provide additional youth opportunity."

Youth big-game hunters interested in 2013 opportunities should closely examine the *2013 Colorado Big Game* brochure that is now available at license agents and Parks and Wildlife offices. The brochure provides a map showing the changes as well as links for online information that will explain the youth late elk hunts in detail.

Colorado Parks and Wildlife hunt planners are available again this year to help hunters who have application questions or are looking for areas to hunt. Hunt planners can be reached from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. mountain time Monday through Friday at 303-291-7526 (303-291-PLAN).

By state law, hunters ages 18 to 64 must have a current 2013 Habitat Stamp or a lifetime Habitat Stamp prior to applying for or purchasing a hunting or fishing license in Colorado. The online system assures that applicants have a Habitat Stamp in advance of application. Only one \$10 stamp is required per hunter per year. A lifetime Habitat Stamp is available for \$300.

Hunters born on or after Jan. 1, 1949, are also reminded that they must complete an approved state or provincial hunter education course prior to applying for a hunting license in Colorado. Since the hunter education law was imposed in 1970, hunting accidents have significantly declined in the state.

The interactive version of the brochure can be accessed at [www.bit.ly/coloradobiggame](http://www.bit.ly/coloradobiggame).

A complete list of upcoming hunter education classes can be found at: <http://wildlife.state.co.us/Hunting/HunterEducation/CourseCalendar/>

## **Outdoor Buddies Sight-in at Green Mill Sportsman's Club**

*by Rich Cori*

Green Mill Sportsman's Club has invited us to have another sight-in at their wonderful facility. They seem to really enjoy doing this for Outdoor Buddies. It is a great opportunity for us and is always a fun time!

So with this invitation we are returning to Green Mill Sportsman's Club for a sight-in scheduled for Saturday April 27<sup>th</sup> starting at 9:00 AM.

We will shoot, rain or shine, because the enclosed shooting house will keep us dry. They have reserved the big bore and pistol ranges for us.

Please contact Wally Hunt to sign up at [wdhunt2141@hotmail.com](mailto:wdhunt2141@hotmail.com) or call 303-985-2293.

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, and then take first left at Green Mill Road, then south for 3/4 mile.

For a map to Green Mill go to their web page <http://www.greenmillsportsman.org/gmsc/node/6>

## Outdoor Buddies Community Appreciation Day Honoring Wounded Warriors and other Military Veterans

*by Dwaine Robey*

On **Armed Forces Day**, May 18<sup>th</sup>, Outdoor Buddies will hold the second annual Community Appreciation Day Honoring Wounded Warriors and Other Military Veterans in Westcliffe from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm.

The event will be held at A Painted View Ranch located three miles west of town.

Everyone is invited! There will be games, demonstrations, free food, and much more.

Last year's event was a huge success, so we are expecting a large turnout.

So far, the activities planned include participation by Wounded Warriors from the Warrior Transition Unit at Fort Carson, two army Humvees and 4 - 8 soldiers in combat dress, flag ceremonies by the local American Legion Post, the Blooming Bush Women (music and Samurai Sword Dance), pack mule demonstration with mules (by local US Forest Service), archery trailer (by local Colorado Parks & Wildlife), laser shot video game trailer (by local Colorado Parks & Wildlife), Paca Peace alpaca educational program with 2 alpacas, Mission Wolf's 30 minute educational program with wolves, and more.

Special attractions for kids (and older folks who are not too "chicken") include a Bounce House (16' long x 15' wide x 16' high), ducky race (using irrigation canal that runs through the ranch), stick horse barrel racing, face painting, and animal balloons.

Free meals including; pig roast, hot dogs, sloppy Joes, iced tea, lemonade, and water. (Alcoholic beverages are prohibited.)

So please plan to be in Westcliffe on Saturday, May 18<sup>th</sup>.

For more details, please contact Dwaine Robey at (719) 783-9044 or [drobey@centurytel.net](mailto:drobey@centurytel.net).

## Outdoor Buddies Family Day at Swift Ponds

*by Larry Sanford*

Mark your calendars! The Outdoor Buddies Family Day for 2013 will be held at Swift Ponds on Saturday, June 15<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 AM. until 4:00 PM. Swift Ponds are located north of Loveland, off of the Winsor exit from I-25.

Plan to have a great time because there will be plenty of good food, and exciting events.

Several activities are being planned for your enjoyment, and we would like to hear any suggestions that any of you might have to add to the activities. Among the usual activities catch and release fishing (no license necessary) is one of the most popular.

There is no charge for this day-long event and all Outdoor Buddies members and their family and friends are welcome, so please plan to attend. We encourage your participation!

Send your activity suggestions to Larry and Penny Sanford 970-663-7852, or 970-218-5356, or Email: [lpbusy@comcast.net](mailto:lpbusy@comcast.net).



## Can You Help Acquire Items for the Banquet?

As you are aware by now, the Outdoor Buddies annual banquet is coming up on April 13<sup>th</sup>. This is our major fund raising event and we depend on it for monies needed to purchase much needed equipment, office supplies, and any other expenses incurred in keeping Outdoor Buddies up and running. As members of Outdoor Buddies, we have all benefited in some way and with your help, will continue to do so.

Everyone seems to have a good time with the auctions, whether it be the live, silent, or bucket raffles. In order for the auctions to be successful and bring in as much money as possible, we need donations. We need new hunting, fishing, and outdoor equipment. Also, new toys, jewelry, gift certificates.....in short, any new items that can be auctioned at the banquet.

If you will notify Kathy Shears by phone or email with any donations, we will be able to categorize items and therefore maximize the amount that we make at the auctions. Also, we are asking that you notify Kathy by April 1<sup>st</sup> with any donations so that we have a proper inventory and can organize everything before the banquet.

Your help is appreciated very much!

You can contact Kathy at (303) 431-1275 or [shearsks@hotmail.com](mailto:shearsks@hotmail.com).





**OUTDOOR BUDDIES  
MOBILITY-DISABLED HUNTING PROGRAM  
2013 BIG GAME HUNT REQUEST**

**REQUIREMENTS/CONDITIONS**

1. Participants in Outdoor Buddies sponsored big game hunts must be registered members of Outdoor Buddies. A signed registration form must have been submitted prior to requesting 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 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, PO 27095, Denver, CO 80227.**  
Or, scan the completed form and email to [huntcommittee@outdoorbuddies.org](mailto:huntcommittee@outdoorbuddies.org)

**SELECTION PROCESS**

The Outdoor Buddies Big Game Hunt Committee will review all requests received and work with the applicants to 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 Form.

**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)                    |
| Estes Park Area (cow elk)               | South Platte River Area (whitetail deer) |
| Kremmling Area (cow elk)                | Steamboat Springs Area (elk – mule deer) |
| Meadow Springs Ranch (antelope)         | Westcliffe Area (cow 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 2013 BIG GAME HUNT REQUEST**

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

NAME \_\_\_\_\_  
 PHONE NUMBER(S) \_\_\_\_\_  
 EMAIL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
 STREET ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
 CITY, STATE, ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE CHECK APPROPRIATE BOXES BELOW**

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





**ANNOUNCING  
OUTDOOR BUDDIES  
FUNDRAISER BANQUET FOR 2013**



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

The banquet will be held at **The Wildlife Experience** on **Saturday, April 13, 2013**. 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 \$35.00 per person for the banquet and the evening's program. Children, age fifteen and under, will be admitted for \$20.00.

The dinner menu includes your choice of Grilled Flat Iron Steak, 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*.

Dan hasn't always had those movie star good looks; he was born with a slight blemish. Dan's parents were horrified to find their son had an extra pair of lips on his left cheek.

The doctors worked their magic, and after two short operations, they moved the lips to a place more needed. Dan's parents spoke another language that they never taught him, making communication difficult.



**Dan Daru**

The program will include current information about Outdoor Buddies programs and plans and updates from a representative of Colorado Parks and Wildlife 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): Grilled Flat Iron Steak \_\_\_\_, Grilled Salmon \_\_\_\_, Chicken Florentine \_\_\_\_.  
Please accept my payment of \$35.00 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 Raffles

**Raffle tickets cost \$5 each or 5 tickets for \$20 for all 3 raffles.**

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### **A-Bolt 30-06 Composite Stalker**

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### **Stoeger Condor Over & Under Field Gun 12-gauge with 28" ventilated rib barrel**

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### **CPX-1 TWO-TONE 9mm**



**Dimensions/Weight**  
Barrel Length: 3.1"  
Height: 4"  
Length: 5.7"  
Width: 1"  
Weight: 15oz

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**To purchase raffle ticket, please contact:**

Todd Bacon      303-955-6363      [toddbacon@live.com](mailto:toddbacon@live.com)

or

Dwaine Robey      719-783-9044      [drobey@centurytel.net](mailto:drobey@centurytel.net)

# 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>
Feb 15 thru Apr 15	Coyote hunts near Watkins, Colorado.	Coyote hunts will be scheduled based on requests from handi- buddies.	Al Montoya (303) 296-4610 <a href="mailto:agmontoya@q.com">agmontoya@q.com</a>
March 13	Outdoor Buddies Board of Directors Meeting at Craig Hospital.	Bi-monthly Board Meeting starting at 6:30 PM. Visitors are welcome.	Dwaine Robey (719) 783-9044 <a href="mailto:drobey@centurytel.net">drobey@centurytel.net</a>
April 13	Outdoor Buddies annual fundraiser banquet at The Wildlife Experience in south Denver.	Outdoor Buddies Annual banquet at The Wildlife Experience. Buy your ticket online at: <a href="http://www.outdoorbuddies.org">www.outdoorbuddies.org</a>	Todd Bacon (303) 955-6363 <a href="mailto:toddbacon@live.com">toddbacon@live.com</a> Wally Hunt (303) 985-2293 <a href="mailto:wdhunt2141@hotmail.com">wdhunt2141@hotmail.com</a>
April 27	Spring shoot at Green Mill Sportsman's Club.	Big bore and pistol ranges are reserved.	Wally Hunt (303) 985-2293 <a href="mailto:wdhunt2141@hotmail.com">wdhunt2141@hotmail.com</a>
May 18 <b>Armed Forces Day</b>	Community Appreciation Day Honoring Wounded Warriors and other Military Veterans at Westcliffe.	Everyone is invited to attend. Free barbecue, games, and more.	Dwaine Robey (719) 783-9044 <a href="mailto:drobey@centurytel.net">drobey@centurytel.net</a>
June, July, and August	Group camping – private campground at Tarryall State Wildlife Area.	Reserve 40 acre campground for church group, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Kid's Club, or other group	Jim Piper (303) 932-1209 <a href="mailto:geopros@clanmurray.org">geopros@clanmurray.org</a> Dwaine Robey (719) 783-9044 <a href="mailto:drobey@centurytel.net">drobey@centurytel.net</a>
June 7 - 9	Focus on Forever (FOF) Conference at YMCA of the Rockies – Estes Park	The FOF Conference is a "train the trainer" conference, designed for conservation volunteers and agency staff who are passionate about sharing outdoor traditions with youth and their families.	For more information and registration visit the Pheasants Forever website at: <a href="http://www.pheasantsforever.org/page/1/Focus-on-Forever-Conference.jsp">http://www.pheasantsforever.org/page/1/Focus-on-Forever-Conference.jsp</a>  Dwaine Robey (719) 783-9044 <a href="mailto:drobey@centurytel.net">drobey@centurytel.net</a>
June 15	Outdoor Buddies Family Day at Swift Ponds.	All are welcome to attend our annual Family Day at Swift Ponds. Free fishing, barbecue and more.	Larry Sanford (970) 663-7852 <a href="mailto:lpbusy@comcast.net">lpbusy@comcast.net</a>
June 22	Mountain Man Rendezvous demonstrations at Tarryall State Park.	Demonstrations of shooting of muzzle- loaded guns, the throwing of knives and tomahawks, etc.	Larry Sanford (970) 663-7852 <a href="mailto:lpbusy@comcast.net">lpbusy@comcast.net</a>
August 17	Fall shoot at Green Mill Sportsman's Club.	Big bore and pistol ranges are reserved.	Wally Hunt (303) 985-2293 <a href="mailto:wdhunt2141@hotmail.com">wdhunt2141@hotmail.com</a>