



POUDRE TRAILS

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ROCK FOR WILDERNESS

— Ray Sons

After the Fire, a musical aggregation that finds its muse in public service, will light a new fire under our fund-raising efforts with benefit concerts May 9 and 10.

The musica will be rock and rhythm and blues from the 60's and 70's, played by an 18-member band of musicians who played professionally as their main occupation earlier in their lives. Some toured with major bands, others were recording artists, all have moved on to other professions but still have the itch to make music. They scratch that itch four times a year with benefit concerts for causes they deem worthy. Poudre Wilderness Volunteers is their worthy cause of this spring.

This rousing entertainment will be held at the Mulberry Inn at the southeast corner of I-25 and Mulberry (Colo 14) at the eastern edge of Fort Collins.

This is our major fund-raising effort before we hit the trails in June. All PWV members received concert tickets (priced at \$6 each). We hope that in your enthusiasm to sell them to your friends that you remember to keep a couple for yourself!

Dick Kyle of *After the Fire* recommends your early arrival at the Mulberry Inn, because warm-

After The Fire

Sizzlin' Hot Rhythm & Rock

A Benefit for Poudre Wilderness Volunteers

Friday, May 9th - FM Opening Show

Saturday, May 10th - Just For Kicks Opening show

8:00 pm to 12:30 pm

Admission \$6.00

Classic Catering at Mulberry Inn

up bands will get the fun started both nights at 8 o'clock. The combo called *FM* will do that service Friday night with *Just For Kicks* offering big-band jazz on Saturday. *After the Fire* performs from 9:30 to 12:30 both nights. Since liquor will be served at the concert venue, Mulberry Inn management requests we limit attendance to those 21 and over.

After the Fire formed in the early 70's. Kyle, who runs the Mariposa on Spring Creek Bed and Breakfast in Fort Collins, was instrumental in the founding along with Ed Gavaldon, a Fort Collins lawyer. The band's name was suggested by Bob St. John, a musician whose Pressworks Printing prints this newsletter. It was a fitting name since fires had destroyed nightclubs (and much of the musical equipment) where St. John and Kyle had appeared.

SYMBIOS LOGIC AND EMS JOIN LIST OF PWV SUPPORTERS

— Frank Lilley, fund-raising chair, 472-1450

Eastern Mountain Sports, the outdoor equipment dealer in the Foothills Fashion Mall, and Symbios Logic, a Fort Collins computer technology company, have shown themselves to be true friends of Poudre Wilderness Volunteers, donating \$1,000 each to our cause.

Sarah Marcikonis, manager of EMS, says she is "impressed" with PWV's efforts to pick up the slack left by Forest Service cutbacks, our on-trail education and our interactions with hikers, backpackers and horse packers.

In return for the EMS gift, we have agreed to participate in an EMS sponsored service project



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FROM THE CHAIR

Chuck Bell

*Guest Columnist Art Bunn, PWV
Co-chair*

It was with great surprise and thanks that I accepted a most generous "challenge" gift of \$250 from **George Brooks**, a '97 Poudre Wilderness Volunteer.

George's hope (indeed, his expectation) is that some among us will match his "challenge" to help provide raingear for our members. Who will it be? More later!

Thanks to all our Poudre Wilderness Volunteers, we ARE changing the way we live in our wilderness areas. The positive results of our efforts in '96 far exceeded our most optimistic expectations.

We have just completed the interview process for new volunteers, and I am happy to report that we have met our goal of 150 volunteers for '97. The majority of the new volunteers were recruited through the good words of last year's members. Many thanks to all of you who shared your contagious enthusiasm! Interestingly enough, six new members found us while surfing the internet and happened upon our Home Page.

With a seasoned cadre of returning volunteers and an expanded group of new members, we can "hike with a purpose" even more effectively in '97.

Volunteers **Jack and Robyn Potter, Shane Brown and Tony Parent** are building a computerized data base to provide more effective scheduling to meet your trail and date preferences in '97. Be on the lookout for your invitation to this year's training (see Glenn French's article) and opportunity to select your dates and trails.



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on Grey Rock Trail on National Trails Day, Saturday, June 7. This will be followed by a fun picnic. We need a big turnout of members so please consider participating.

We thank **Dave Musil**, a Symbios Logic employee who is one of our members, for his efforts in obtaining the \$1,000 donation from Symbios Logic. Katie Zwetzig, site manager for the Fort Collins facility, say "Symbios Logic feels the Poudre Wilderness Volunteers is a very worthwhile cause. We're happy to be involved in preserving our wilderness areas."

PWV members who bank with Norlarco Credit Union should be sure to read the next credit union newsletter. Ray Swanson, Norlarco president, will do an article on our organization which will go out to some 28,000 credit union members in the Fort Collins and Estes Park area.

The support of local business is greatly appreciated. Also, a big THANKS for all personal donations from PWV members and non-volunteers. The fund-raising committee will meet April 8 at 7pm in the Forest Service Visitor Center, College and Pitkin, Fort Collins. We welcome any fund-raising suggestions from our members!

"The world we live in can change only if we change the way we live in the world."

James Grady, White Flame

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TOBEY JOINS BOARD

Wayne Tobey, one of our most active members, has agreed to join our board of directors. Wayne is a retired air traffic controller who lives in Loveland. He is an avid golfer and long distance cyclist. His love of golf will be put to good use in planning, with Frank Lilley, a PWV benefit golf tournament in September. Welcome a board Wayne!

BOY SCOUTS NEED HELP

The Poudre Wilderness Volunteers have been asked to instruct about 350 Boy Scouts in orienteering and low-impact camping as part of the Thompson-Poudre District Spring Camp-O-Ree at Ben Delatour Scout Ranch in Red Feather Lakes May 16-18. Classes will be held at three remote campsites on the scout ranch, according to Greg Kurt of Fort Collins, who is involved in organizing the event. Interested PWV members are asked to contact Martha Moran at 498-2719.

STORMY MOUNTAIN TRIP

Colorado Youth Naturally, a program that provides outdoor experiences to local middle school aged students, will be doing an overnight backpack trip to Stormy Mountain (Zimmerman Lake) on August 14 & 15. For many of the students, this will be their first experience backpacking. Any PWV members wishing to share their passion, knowledge and the trail with these students are encouraged to call Tim Wakefield at 491-7393.

Todd's Training Notes

— Stacey Yerian

Map and Compass Class

Our two-part class on Map and Compass runs Thursday evening, April 10 from 7 - 9pm and Sunday, April 13, from 8am - 4pm (or until we finish).

The Thursday class will meet in Cafe Room "F" on the lower level of Poudre Valley Hospital (the same room of our very successful first-aid class). We'll acquaint everyone with the subject matter on Thursday, and give directions to Sunday's class, where we'll put our new learning to use at Lory State Park. We will also introduce GPS systems for those who are interested.

The Map and Compass class, like other programs in this well-attended series, is limited to 50 persons and open to the general public. To sign-up, contact Dave Hake at 970-593-0030 or e-mail 75020.2221@CompuServe.Com

Upcoming Events

Camping and Hiking Equipment Swap - either April 26 or May 2, location to be announced. This all day event will be open to the public.

Whirling, Wasting, Weeds and Wildfire — June 18, 8am - noon, location to be announced. Learn the latest on some of Colorado's hottest issues.

COMMUNITY AWARENESS DAY at ADVANCED ENERGY

The Poudre Wilderness Volunteers have an opportunity to spread the PWV story as part of a Community Awareness Day at Advanced Energy Industries. The event will be held April 15 from 7am to 4pm at their Sharp Point Building, 1600 Prospect Park. More than 30 organizations will be represented.

If you are available to participate for all, or part of the day, please contact Alan Van Arsdale at 493-8949 or Art Bunn at 229-9119.

Wilderness Trivia

by Glenn French

1. If you are hiking and come across "road apples" on the trail what do you do with them?
2. Out of all the areas partolled by the PWVs, which is the largest in total area?
A) Comanche Peak, B) Rawah
C) Neota D) Cache La Poudre

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TRAINING AT JACK'S GULCH

— Glenn French

Here's your opportunity to check out your gear and get ready for the summer hiking season. The mandatory training weekend for both returning and new volunteers will be Friday evening, May 30 through mid day Sunday June 1, 1997. Training will be at Jack's Gulch up the Pingree Park Road. PWV has reserved the entire campground.

Based on feedback, survey results and requests for more knowledge in specific areas, the training is being structured to meet your needs and that of

the organization. Smaller groups and more interaction are some of the changes. Role playing with experienced forests service personnel and volunteers will again be part of the training to allow everyone to practice for situations that we may encounter. The training committee is designing training around eight separate tracks:

Map & Compass	First Aid / CPR
U.S. Forest Service	Leave no Trace
Hazard Awareness	Role Playing
Check-in & Check-out process	

The PWV and the Forest Service is looking forward to this training where we can renew acquaintances, welcome new members, share experiences and gain needed knowledge as we enter the 1997 season.

We NEED a completed '97 application from every PWV, new and returning. If you have not yet returned your completed '97 application, please do so at once.

Thank You!



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Wilderness Trivia Answers: 1. "Road Apples" are horse droppings, kick them off the trail 2. Rawah, 74,000 acres