

MINUTES
PWV BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
February 17, 2011

The meeting began at 6:35 p.m.

ATTENDANCE

Board Members present: Scott Ackerman, Kathy Burgess, Jerry Hanley, Bob Hansen, Meg Parmer, Karl Ritters, Jim Shaklee (*Chair*), Margaret Shaklee, Laura Van Arsdale and Kevin Cannon (USFS Liaison)

Board Members absent: Don Creager, Jan Creager, Amanda Henderson, Kathy Michaels, Mike Shaddy, and Kay Valerio

Advisory Board members present: Dave Cantrell, Bob Manuel, Betsy Mosehauer, Mike Mosehauer, Jacques Rieux, and Wayne Tobey

PWV Members present: Kathy Wester

The revised **AGENDA** was presented, and no change was suggested.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS BOARD MEETING. *A motion to approve Minutes made, seconded, and approved by unanimous vote.*

TREASURER'S REPORT. Margaret Shaklee presented the Treasurer's Report for January, and there was little discussion. Combined accounts totaled \$36,783.47. *A motion to approve the Treasurer's Report was made, seconded, and approved by unanimous vote.*

FOREST SERVICE REPORT. Kevin Cannon had a short report which had been previously sent to the members. Kevin also asked Board and Advisory Board members to update information regarding their driving time to attend Board meetings.

RECENT ANNOUNCEMENTS and INFORMATION SHARING:

NWSA CONFERENCE AND PWV PARTICIPATION. Dave Cantrell, Kevin Cannon, and possibly Fred Allen will attend the conference. Dave reported briefly about the conference topics and encouraged interested PWVs to attend.

IPWA AND PWV INFORMATION SHARING MEETING. Jim Shaklee gave an overview of this planned information sharing meeting between representative of PWV and Indian Peaks Wilderness Alliance to be held on March 5 in Fort Collins. Among other things, this group is interested in learning about PWV's relationship with the Forest Service and PWVs experiences and perspectives regarding several other issues IPWA is facing. Mark Snyder, Jim Shaklee and Dave Cantrell are planning to attend. Is anyone else interested?

CSUnity VOLUNTEERING EVENT. April 16 is CSU's annual student volunteering day. Jim Shaklee asked if anyone could think of a suitable PWV project that would benefit from participation by 5 – 20 student volunteers, but received no response.

EARTH DAY – PWV DISPLAY. This event is held at Civic Center Park (in Ft. Collins), on April 23, and the associated cost is \$50 for a non-profit booth display. Jim Shaklee invited a response from the attendees as to whether PWV should be represented this year. Given our current financial constraints and the timing of this event in relation to PWV's recruiting process, we decided not to pursue this opportunity this year but may do so in future years.

TRAIL PATROL TASKS AND IMPORTANCE. Jim Shakee stated this information will be included in the Field Guide, and discussed with Animal Group Leaders and Mentors so that they will reinforce the message to new recruits at Spring Training and during Mentor patrols.

PROPOSED UPDATES TO PWV TRI-FOLD BROCHURE. Karl Ritters noted that the updates and changes Jim Shaklee has proposed were good. Jim indicated that he would ask Scott Ackerman to implement the proposed revisions.

MEMBER AT LARGE. No report at this time.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

STATUS OF *AD HOC* COMMITTEES – Members and Leaders. Jim Shaklee reported there are 4 or 5 major initiatives that need volunteers (e.g., developing written goals and objectives for PWV; developing a PWV plan for the future, creating a PWV Annual Report to the USFS, completing the Organization Handbook, Procedures, and Policies document, and participating in the comprehensive Supplemental Training initiative). Let him know if you or anyone you know might be interested in participating in any of the *ad hoc* workgroups.

NEW BUSINESS:

SUPPLEMENTAL TRAINING SPENDING REQUEST. Because of an excellent response by members wanting First Aid and CPR training, Karl Ritters has arranged for training by certified instructors; and requested \$600 to defray some of the costs imposed on members taking the class. The cost for each participant is \$35, and PWV would subsidize \$15 for each member up to a total of \$600. Jerry Hanley questioned if any PWVs planning to take the class need the subsidy. Karl responded that this question had not been asked but that the Committee wanted to use the proposed subsidy to encourage members to participate. Karl also stated that PWV planned to give an REI First Aid kit (from PWV's current supply) to any class graduate needing one. If not enough members actually commit to the training, we will be able to cancel the event with no cost to PWV. *A motion to commit the \$600 expenditure was made, seconded, and approved by unanimous vote.*

REMOVAL OF NON-PARTICIPATING BOARD MEMBER. Jim Shaklee informed the Board that one member has only attended 2 of the last 13 Board meetings. Although Jim recently left a phone message and sent this person a detailed email asking if she planned to be an active Board member, he has received no response. Jim recommended that the Board vote to remove this person from the Board. However, because this step requires a vote of 2/3rds of all Board members and only 9 of the 15 voting Board members were in attendance, this topic was tabled and will be reconsidered at the March Board meeting.

PROPOSED REQUIREMENTS AND EXPECTATIONS FOR STOCK PATROL MEMBERS

AND MENTORS. The Executive Committee reviewed drafts of these two documents at its February meeting, made a few suggestions for minor changes (which were implemented) and recommended that the Board approve them. There was some discussion about the unresolved issue of PWV's patrolling alone (whether or not they are on mounted patrols) but there was no consensus and Jim Shaklee reminded the Board that this issue has already been identified as a matter for the *ad hoc* committee working to develop a PWV Plan for the Future. Kathy Burgess, Stock Patrol Committee member, emphasized that the committee's goals and evaluation process for new recruits are geared toward identifying and promoting good horsemanship and safe practices and they should identify individuals who are not qualified to become members of the PWV Horse Patrol. After more discussion, Scott Ackerman suggested that the Board refer the identification of requirements and expectations for new and existing Stock Patrol members to the Stock Patrol Committee, which is more qualified to know their needs and regulate itself. A suggestion was made that the Committee

should consider adding a statement that: “Horse patrollers should ride no further then they are prepared and able to walk out, should that be necessary.”

DEMONSTRATION OF FORUMS ON PWV WEBSITE (members-only section). Scott Ackerman reported on the new, members-only section of the website. He emphasized that the PWV website allows members to deal with forgotten Usernames and Passwords themselves. Once logged in, users can update or revise their User Profile and can control what details others will see. Furthermore, he has established three forums on this website 1) PWV BOD, 2) Committee forum, and 3) a “sandbox” for exploration and testing by members unfamiliar with on-line forums. He emphasized that it is *essential* to stay on one topic in any given “post” or “reply” so when you need to go back to look up that topic, it is all connected. For topics outside the purview of the Board or a particular committee, new forums can be created. If you check “subscribe”, you will get an email notification of postings to the topic or entire forum you have subscribed to. Scott will be composing a list of frequently asked questions (FAQs) to help new users navigate the process and he will create and distribute a webcast walking people through the various steps. He will be sending an email to all Board and Advisory Board members and to committee chairs with more specific information regarding the use of the members-only section of the website.

MEMBER ACKNOWLEDGMENT. Jim Shaklee reported that Christina Andre, a long-time member of PWV (14 yrs) will be moving to the Grand Junction area soon, and he asked approval to acknowledge her contributions at next month’s Board meeting. All attending supported this idea.

TEST OF PATROL SCHEDULING QUESTIONNAIRE BY BOARD. Bob Hanson asked that Board and Advisory Board members help test the newly revised questionnaire so that it can be finalized. He will send out an email with more details and a link to the questionnaire soon.

URGENT ANNOUNCEMENTS:

COLORADO FRONT RANGE WILDERNESS STEWARDSHIP ORGANIZATIONS. Jim Shaklee reported that four Front Range Wilderness stewardship organizations (PWV, Indian Peaks Wilderness Alliance, Friends of Mt. Evans and Lost Creek Wilderness, and the Colorado Mountain Club) together with the National Wilderness Stewardship Alliance would like to meet informally to share information, discuss common interests and challenges, and explore opportunities for assisting one another. After some discussion, a recommendation that one or more PWV representatives participate in an initial meeting **was moved, seconded and approved by a majority vote.**

POSSIBLE 2011 REI GRANT. Jim Shaklee reported that PWV is likely to be nominated for grant support by the local Fort Collins Store because of our volunteer environmental stewardships efforts. If nominated, a grant proposal must be submitted to REI corporate headquarters for review and approval. Grants can cover one or more items, and may request cash or merchandise sold by REI. In general grant award amounts are in the \$5,000 range. Jim asked all Board and Advisory Board members to submit ideas to any member of the Executive Committee in the next 10 days so that they can prepare a plan for responding should this opportunity present itself.

PETER ODENBACH’S RESIGNATION FROM PWV AND FUNDRAISING CHAIR. Jim Shaklee reported that Peter has recently resigned. PWV will need to continue to explore a broadened fundraising effort and to seek to identify members willing to lead or participate in this effort.

GRANT FOR STOCK PACKING EQUIPMENT & SUPPLIES. Kathy Burgess reported that the Stock Patrol Committee received a grant of \$1,465.34 from the Larimer County Open Lands grant program, to be used to acquire horse packing supplies and equipment so that interested

members of the PWV Stock Patrol can assist the Trail Crew (and Weed Crew) by transporting supplies, tools, and bagged weeds. Kathy informed the Board that she has also arranged for a packing clinic for interested PWVs led by Chuck Peterson (at no cost to PWV) and Tony Schock.

VOLUNTEER EVENTS LISTING IN *THE COLORADOAN*. Karl Ritters reported that PWV was listed in the Volunteer Opportunities section of the February 13th issue of the newspaper and brought a copy of the listing. One person who had seen the ad called Jim Shaklee and expressed an interest in joining PWV. Jim explained that this listing got posted through United Way's efforts to identify, consolidate, and promote volunteering opportunities within the local community.

COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS FROM THE FLOOR.

FEEDBACK ON MEETINGS. Jerry Hanley appreciates how the meetings are run.

EVENTS NEEDING VOLUNTEERS. Kathy Burgess said she and Gabriel Moritz have been contacted by Larimer County Natural Resources regarding its desire to develop a Horse Patrol program in Open Lands areas. Gabriel and Kathy will be involved with this effort, as experienced horsewomen (not as representatives of PWV).

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm.

Meg K. Parmer, Secretary

Next Board Meeting: **March 17, 2011**

Forest Service Report, Announcements, & Information Sharing – Feb. 2011

Forest Service Report 2011-02 – Kevin Cannon

1. One of the main concerns is still what will happen to federal budgets once Congress passes the budget bill. Much speculation, no answers.
2. Currently it looks like the Canyon Lakes Ranger District will have 3 trail people to work in conjunction with volunteers and other trail crews. Bark beetle mitigation is the top priority.
3. 105 PWV's have sent in their Volunteer Agreements so far.

NWSA Conference (Las Vegas, March 10-12) & PWV Participation 2011-02 – Jim Shaklee

Thursday, March 10

6:00 – 10:00 PM Intermountain Wilderness Ranger Film and Fine Arts Festival

Friday, March 11

8:00 AM opening and welcome *Bringing Us Together*

8:30 AM *Viva Las Vegas Wilderness* – Lori Headricks (Southern Nevada Agency Partnership)

9:00 AM *Welcome to Wilderness* – Doug Scott (Campaign for America's Wilderness)

10:00 AM break

10:30 AM *The Role of NWSA* – NWSA Board Members

11:00 AM Building a strong NWSA-1 – NWSA Board Members

11:45 AM Small Group Brainstorming & lunch *Putting our Collective Vision to Work* – NWSA Board

1:30 PM Building a Strong NWSA-2 – Small Group Report outs & NWSA Board comments)

2:30 PM panel discussion *Working with Government Agencies* – USFS, NPS, BLM, FWS representatives

3:30 PM break

3:45 PM Networking & Poster Session - Getting to Know You (three 30-min breakout sessions: *Grill a Grizzled Veteran, Energize a Newbie, Share Favorite Moments*)

5:30 – 9:00 PM Happy Hour, Banquet, Dinner Speaker – John Muir

Saturday, March 12

8:00 AM *Bringing it Back Together* (recap of day 1)

8:15 AM panel discussion *The Future of Wilderness* (climate change, recreational impacts, next generation of supporters) – incl.: Paul Spittler, Wilderness Society; Joel Holtrop, USFS; Kristi Davis, California Wilderness Coalition)

10:00 AM break

10:30 AM panel discussion *Keys to Success: Best Practices and Strategies for Wilderness Stewardship Groups* – Todd Vogel, Friends of the Inyo; Adam Andis, Sitka Conservation Society; Hawk Matheny, Appalachian Trail Conservancy; Paul McFarland, Friends of the Ventana; Heather Day, University of Montana

12:00 noon lunch and small group discussions of Best Practices & Strategies

1:30 Concurrent Sessions

Making the Ask – Bill Hodge

The Role of Citizen Stewards in Wilderness Stewardship – Bob Hazelton

How to Engage Youth in Wilderness Stewardship – Don Hunger

3:00 break

3:30 PM Concurrent Workshop Sessions

Building Sustainable Funding Flows – Bill Hodge, moderator

Wilderness Character Monitoring – Linda Merigliano, moderator

Getting Involved with NWSA – Dave Cantrell, moderator

4:45 PM end workshops

5:30 – 9:00 PM Evening Social

Sunday, March 13

8:00 AM – 5:00 PM Field Trip/Service Project

Conference venue: Red Rock Casino Resort Spa, 11011 W. Charleston, Las Vegas, NV 89135

Phone Reservations: 1-866-767-7773

Book Online: <http://www.redrocklasvegas.com/>

Group Code: National Wilderness Stewardship Alliance or NWSA

Room Rates: single occupancy = \$90/night ; double occupancy = \$55ea/night

Deadline for room reservations: February 18th

Limited scholarships available

For more information: www.wildernessalliance.org

Stock Patrol Proposals 2011-02 – Kathy Michaels & Kathy Wester

Requirements for New PWV Stock Patrol Members

1. Attend the Spring Workshop and Evaluation Day.
2. Successfully pass the Evaluation at the Spring Workshop, demonstrating safe and competent horsemanship skills riding his/her horse.
3. Complete the PWV Spring Training weekend.
4. Satisfactorily complete a minimum of two mentor rides by June 30 of the year he/she joins PWV.

NOTE: All final decisions are up to the discretion of the co-chairs and mentor coordinator.

Expectations:

Mounted stock patrol members are expected to safely meet and greet various situations while on the trails. The following "obstacles" are part of the Evaluation at the Workshop/Evaluation day.

1. Able to mount and dismount without assistance.
2. Safely pass tent with flapping items and people emerging from tent
3. Cross a "bridge"
4. Safely pass bicyclist(s) on trail
5. Meet a backpacker
6. Pass a barking dog on/off leash
7. Back horse for short distance
8. Safely pass llama(s) on the trail
9. Tie horse to safe object and horse will stand quietly (little or no ground pawing) for a period of time
10. Able to control horse/stock under normal and emergency conditions

Mentoring in the Stock Patrol

Requirements of PWV Stock Mentors:

1. Be a member of PWV Stock Patrol for a minimum of 2 consecutive years.
2. Attend PWV mentor training session at least once before mentoring.
3. Model correct behavior on a trail: etiquette, communicate with public about National Forest and Wilderness regulations and Leave No Trace Principles and Practices.
4. Demonstrate safe and effective horsemanship skills at all times. Observe personal safety measures as well as promoting safety in all public interactions.

Expectations of mentors:

1. Attend spring Workshop/Evaluation day and assist with applicants.
2. Contact, schedule, facilitate, and successfully complete a mentor patrol with new applicant (s) after the Spring Training and before the end of June.
3. Observe and rate (grade) applicant in the following areas during the mentor ride:
 - a. Mounting and dismounting
 - b. Management of own stock on trail and around obstacles (logs, fences, gates, dogs, other stock, hikers, backpackers, mountain bikers)
 - c. Attitude and demeanor toward people and animals encountered on trail
 - d. Understanding of National Forest and Wilderness regulations
 - e. Ability to tie stock and leave stock for a period of time
 - f. Physical condition for riding and for hiking (should it be necessary to walk back to the trail head)
 - g. General riding ability and safe horsemanship.
5. Contact mentor coordinator after a mentor patrol to discuss and inform the coordinator of the applicant's performance.

PWV Website Committee objectives 2011-02 – Scott Ackerman

The website committee with guidance and discussion from the Executive Committee has several objectives for the PWV website in the 2011 year. The most significant objective will be to handle all username and password management at the PWV website. In discussion, it was agreed upon by the Executive Committee and approved by Kevin Cannon (representative of the CLRD) that because of the limitations of the current CLRD website and the impending development of a website to replace the current Trail Patrol and Scheduling website, that the PWV website was much better suited to handle the management of member information for the immediate future. The website committee will explore the possibility of modifying the existing code at the CLRD website for the purpose of authenticating users and passwords against the PWV Website. The anticipated funds required for this have already been requested and approved for the 2011 year within the current PWV budget. The current anticipated completion date for accomplishing this will be May 1st in order to accommodate new members that will be attending Spring Training as well as prepare for the 2011 patrol season. It is also anticipated that when the impending CLRD website becomes live that this method of managing usernames and passwords might be revisited.

One of the many benefits will be to allow PWV members to login to the PWV website to gain access to additional information and features. This will also insure that a member will be able to login to both the CLRD and the PWV website with the same username and password. If PWV members should forget their passwords, they will be able to reset them at the PWV website themselves as opposed to the current method of contacting Kevin Cannon and/or Bob Hansen to reset passwords. This will also enable PWV members to manage all of their relevant contact information and pictures at the PWV website.

The website committee is also going to make member discussion forums available to the PWV BOD and Advisory Board immediately, for the express purpose of facilitating ongoing communications. It is anticipated that these forums will be made available to all members by May 1st when the issue of synchronizing usernames and passwords between the CLRD and PWV website have been resolved.

The Website Committee will also make available individual PDF files for each trail patrol description from the PWV Field Guide available in their respective trail descriptions at the PWV website for PWV members only, for download and printing. It is anticipated that these PDF files will incorporate all changes that will be made in the 2011 PWV Field Guide. The Committee also plans on making a submission form available for PWV members for the purpose of submitting photos to be used on the PWV website and in various PWV publications.

One of the important issues facing the Website Committee is the enlisting of other volunteers to aid in the effort of maintaining and managing information on the website as well as developing a group of dedicated individuals that are committed to using the PWV website as a better tool for communications to the PWV membership. To this end it is the goal of the committee to add two (2) additional volunteers to serve on the Committee by year's end. The committee would seek the Board's help and guidance in enlisting these volunteers. The primary purpose of these additional volunteers would be not only in managing information at the website but to also train other Board members and committee chairs to create and edit website information necessary for their duties and functions.

It is the goal of the website committee to make 2011 a year for much needed PWV website improvements in order to facilitate communications to the membership at large. We would greatly appreciate any help and feedback given in aid to this effort.

CSUnity Volunteering Event 2011-02 – Jim Shaklee

Email from Kayla Jensen, CSU student and employee of the Student Leadership, Involvement and Community Engagement (SLiCE) office on campus:

I am writing to you today to begin to round up projects for CSU's premier volunteer event CSUnity, which will be held Saturday April 16, 2011. If you have not participated before, CSUnity is tradition at the university during which thousands of students engage in a day of service to all kinds of businesses, government and community agencies. Students have accomplished projects ranging from neighborhood cleanup and long put off fixer-upper jobs at non-profits, to assisting the National Forest Service with brush removal; all the way to spending the day with disabled children doing activities. The possibilities for projects are endless, and the project itself is really up to the agency at which the students volunteer.

We would like you to start thinking about a student appropriate project that could be accomplished for CSUnity this year. These projects should be tasks that can be accomplished during the April 16th date or tasks that are a small part of a larger project which can be achieved in a day (such as a mailing for a fundraiser). It is further recommended, if you so choose, to try to make the project educational and informative about your agency's business and mission so that CSU and the Larimer County community can continue to be resources for each other.

Please consider taking this opportunity! For more information and to register a project please visit our website at <http://www.slice.colostate.edu/csunity.aspx>. Registration ends March 18th. Feel free to call or email with any questions. Thanks for your time and I look forward to hearing from you.

[Kayla Jensen; Volunteer Coordinator; Colorado State University; kjensen27@hotmail.com; (720) 312-9654]

Should PWV participate?

Earth Day – PWV participation 2011-02 – Jim Shaklee

Saturday, April 23rd from 11:00am - 5:00 pm; Civic Center Park, 201 LaPorte Ave.

Non-Profit Booth - \$50 (10 ft x 10 ft space provided & Business listed on website) - exhibitors will need to provide their own table and chairs. This event is held outdoors and we strongly recommend that you bring a tent.

Should PWV participate?

Trail patrol tasks and their relative importance 2011-02 – Jim Shaklee

The following information was recently developed by the Executive Committee (incl. Kevin) for the purpose of better communicating USFS' needs and PWV's expectations to members via the Field Guide, Spring Training/Animal Groups, mentor patrols, etc.

Task	Relative Importance
Contact and assist trail users	HIGH
Keep accurate records (e.g., the numbers of people and stock seen vs. the numbers of people actually contacted; by user type)	HIGH
Report sign and other trail safety-related issues	HIGH
Look for and deal with illegal and improper campsites (check all designated campsites in travel zones)	HIGH
Look for and remove illegal and improper fire rings and disguise the site(s)	HIGH
Carry out and dispose of trash	HIGH
Report downed trees that need to be cleared when you cannot/do not clear them yourself	Medium
Report new infestations of noxious weeds	Medium
Remove small trees from across the trail (when it is safe and you have the skills, proper tools, and protective clothing)	Medium
Report trail tread and other maintenance needs when you cannot/do not address them yourself	Medium
Perform minor trail tread maintenance tasks (e.g., clear/repair water bars and grade dips; block off switchback shortcuts and other walk-around paths; perform brushing or limbing to keep the trail clear)	Medium
Clean-out/down-size (rehabilitate) legal fire rings when appropriate	Medium
Pull (and carry out) noxious weeds that can be successfully controlled by this treatment; provided ID is certain	low
Look for and document violations [know when a behavior or practice is actually a violation]	low
Report the location and depth of snow on the trail	low
Report trailhead, parking lot, and toilet use and conditions	low
Report prevailing weather conditions during the patrol	low

Proposed updates to PWV tri-fold brochure 2011-02 – Jim Shaklee

PWV's tri-fold recruiting and fundraising brochure has not been updated since its creation in 2004. I propose the changes highlighted in **YELLOW** below:

Over 250 strong, Poudre Wilderness Volunteers "hike and ride with a purpose." We are trained by wilderness professionals from within our own ranks, the **U.S.** Forest Service and other organizations. **Since our founding in 1996, PWV has contributed over 131,000 volunteer hours (worth nearly \$2.5 million) protecting the northern Colorado backcountry and has received local, regional, and national recognition for its service.**

If you would like to volunteer or learn more about the Poudre Wilderness Volunteers, **please visit our website at: www.poudrewildernessvolunteers.org or complete and return the attached form.**

The Wilderness needs your support.

Together...
Preserving Our Wilderness

Poudre Wilderness Volunteers **is a** non-profit corporation. Contributions are tax-deductible.

Poudre Wilderness Volunteers
PO Box 271921
Fort Collins, CO 80527

Check us out on the web at: www.poudrewildernessvolunteers.org

POUDRE WILDERNESS VOLUNTEERS

Hike or Ride with a Purpose

The Challenge...

Our mountains, forests, and streams are in danger of being loved to death. Colorado's population **growth** and an upsurge in **outdoor recreation** across the nation **have** sent unprecedented numbers of hikers, campers and horse **riders** into the high country. This comes at a time when the U.S. Forest Service is able to field only a handful of employees to care for the magnificent wilderness **and backcountry areas** north and west of Fort Collins and Loveland. Poudre Wilderness Volunteers are filling this gap.

We "hike and ride with a purpose," **patrolling some 250 miles of trails throughout the Canyon Lakes Ranger District and on the Pawnee National Grassland.** We share tips and information with fellow trail users on how to leave no trace of human presence in these pristine areas **and respect the Authority of the Resource (Nature's needs).** On foot and horseback, we serve as the eyes and ears of the Forest Service; assisting trail users, collecting data, **helping** with emergencies, and reporting any problems we encounter. **We also have several specialized programs such as: Trail Crew, Weed Crew, a Kids in Nature program, an Adopt-a-Highway activity, and we also patrol several trails in winter.**

PWV is...

PWV members range from 18 to 80 and cover a broad spectrum of **professions, knowledge,** and skills. What we have in common is our love for the wilderness and a commitment to learning and teaching **Leave-No-Trace** principles. We make a commitment to "hike or ride with a purpose" at least six days during the summer months. **We wear a uniform shirt and name badge and serve by assisting and educating.** We cover our own travel costs and supply our own equipment and horses. **We do **not** have any law enforcement responsibility, carry firearms, or patrol with pets.** Some of us only go out for a day at a time **while others make** extended backpacking, horse packing **or llama** packing **patrols** in the high country.

We need your help...

If you already hike or ride the trails and want to do so with an added purpose, **contact us on the web or complete and mail the attached form to learn more about becoming a Poudre Wilderness Volunteer. PWV recruits potential**

members throughout the year, closes its application process and conducts interviews in March, and has its annual, mandatory field training for new members in May. While most of our members actively patrol trails, we can always use volunteers who share our values but serve in other ways (e.g., website development and support, fundraising, office support, committee work).

If you can't volunteer, we could use your financial support with a tax-deductible donation. We have a variety of needs to complete our patrols safely and knowledgeably: Volunteer training, emergency two-way radios, Spot satellite communicators, and supplies and equipment such as first aid kits, topographic maps, tools, etc. Please help us preserve our wilderness areas.

I am interested in becoming a volunteer.
Please send me more information...

Name
Company
Address
City/State/Zip
Phone
E-mail

Return form to:
Poudre Wilderness Volunteers
PO Box 271921
Fort Collins, CO 80527

I want to help with a donation...
Enclosed is my tax-deductible contribution of:
\$10 \$25 \$50 Other \$
Make check payable to
Poudre Wilderness Volunteers

Thank You!

Status of Applications 2011-02 – Jim Shaklee

To date, we have received 55 applications for 2011. The primary sources of contacts for new applicants have been: New West Fest (N = 19), PWV members (N = 13), newspaper (N = 5); Sustainable Living Fair (N = 4), and.... Others.

SPOT satellite communication units 2011-02 – Jim Shaklee

PWV negotiated a 7% discount with REI for the purchase of 11 units at a total cost to PWV of \$1,533.95 (\$33.95 over the budget allotment of \$1,500). These units have been received and will be activated and ready for member use soon.

Note added 16 Feb 2011:

Because this was an unauthorized purchase of non-essential items by JBS, the SPOT units were returned for refund on 16 Feb, 2011.

Reservations at the Drake Center for 2011 PWV Annual Meeting and Year-End Event 2011-02 – Jim Shaklee

Reservations for Sunday, October 23rd (2:00 – 7:00 PM) and a \$250 deposit have been made. This deposit is refundable up to 6 months prior to the event (until April 23rd).

Indian Peaks Wilderness Alliance – PWV initial meeting 2001-02 – Jim Shaklee

An initial information-sharing meeting between IPWA and PWV representatives has been scheduled for Saturday, March 5th (specific time and location in Fort Collins to be determined). Matt Peck (Chairman of the IPWA Board of Directors), Bette Erickson (Vice-Chair), Stuart Dodd (Secretary), and Robin Lowry will attend from IPWA. I and two or three PWV's will attend from PWV. The primary goals of this meeting are to share information and to identify and discuss issues and needs in common to the two organizations.

Note added 16 Feb 2011:

Possible information sharing/coordination meeting involving: PWV, FOMELC, IPWA, CMC, & NWSA