

# friendship force



### **January - 2019**



### **Upcoming Events**

Sat.urday, January 5, 2019 9:00AM —Breakfast & Conversation at Village Inn on Horizon.

Thursday, January 17th 6:15 PM —General Meeting at the First Baptist Church on the corner of 7th & Grand Ave.

#### See exchange opportunities on Page 3.



#### The Council Leader's Message Before Christmas – December 2018

Tis the week before Christmas, when all through the Club Not a member is stirring, not even Shirley Schultz.

The Journeys were planned and ticketed with care, In hopes that ation time soon would be here.

The members were nestled all snug in their beds, While hopes of "on time" flights danced in their heads.

Barb in her PJs, and I in my totes Had just settled down to review our Friendship Force notes

When out on the lawn there arose such a clatter, I sprang from my chair to see what was the matter.

Away to the window I flew like a flash, Tore open the curtains and threw up in the trash.

The sun on the Mesa with its new fallen snow Gave hope for a ski day to this object below.

When what to my wondering eyes should appear, But a miniature sleigh and eight tiny reindeer,

With a little old driver, so lively and quick, I knew in a moment it must be St. Nick.

He began to call our members by name, Now Sue, now Jacque, now Dan and DJ On Bradleys, on Bunns, on Mobleys, and Smiths

To the airport! To the front of the TSA line! Now dash away, dash away all.

Then suddenly my alarm clock rang, And out of bed I quickly sprang

To see that this all just a dream, Or perhaps just a elaborate scheme

To make sure our members don't fear Missing out on the fun in the new year.

Your Leader's Council is planning big for the new year. Bring your friends and family to the "Breakfast & Conversation" meeting on Saturday, January 5<sup>th</sup> at 9am at the Village Inn on Horizon and the General Members meeting on Thursday, January 17<sup>th</sup> at the 1sr Baptist Church at the corner of 7<sup>th</sup> Ave and Grand Ave.at 6:15pm so you are not caught sleeping or out in the cold.

Have a great holiday season and I hope to see you all in 2019 for an exciting new year!

Until then, safe travels! Jim Gardner

#### Western Colorado—Chapter's Leadership Council

Council Coordinator	Jim Gardner	778-6191	See Membership Booklet
Secretary/Historian	Barb Gardner	778-6150	See Membership Booklet
Treasurer	Cindy Beckage	778-2052	See Membership Booklet
Events Coordinators	Kathy Nielsen	260-8548	See Membership Booklet
Membership	Barbara Sundermier Claudia Kellar	256-0093 201-8822	See Membership Booklet See Membership Booklet
Publicity	Jim Witt	209-9241	See Membership Booklet
Newsletter	Verna Bunn	260-4787	See Membership Booklet
Journey Coordinator	Sue Moyer	242-5999	See Membership Booklet
At-Large	Dan Clancy	404-414-0642	See Membership Booklet

#### **Event Calendar 2019**

**This Month**Saturday, 1st - Breakfast & Conversation, 9:30 a.m. Village Inn on Horizon Drive.<br/>Thursday, 17th @ 1st Baptist Church 6:15 pm - Club Meeting, 7th & Grand

<u>Council meets</u> the first Tuesday of every month, Chevrolet Car Dealership on North Ave, 9:00 am.

All events are open to friends and family, see you there.



## **Journey and Conference News**

#### Western Colorado FFI Journeys

**Brisbane Australia, Incoming,** 1 - 8, June 2019 (HJC) Dan Clancy They will arrive on June 1 by train from Denver and leave on the 8th on the train for Salt Lake city. Currently have 8 interested, will be recruiting more. Still need HJC.

**New Zealand, Napier and Southland Outgoing,** November 2019 (HJC) Sue M The maximum is 14 ambassadors. Only 2 spots left. Cost estimate at approx. \$800 plus airfare. (\$2,000?). If interested, please email Sue Moyer an application. The journey number is #15265. (suemoyer51@gmail.com). Deposit will be collected later this year.

**Pre-World Conference, Boulder, CO** July 19-23, 2019 (JC) Sue M Pre-hosting 3-4 days of home hosting prior to World Conference in Boulder. This is just prior to the World Conference in Boulder. We are home hosting and then driving the ambassadors to Boulder the morning of the 23rd. Still need a few hosts and drivers to Boulder (members who are attending the world conference). We can have a few all club activities while they are here along with home hosts joining up for other activities. Will need day hosts for Shirley's guests. We have heard from the Adelaide, AU club that they have 4 interested in coming here.

#### **Other Region's Outgoing Journeys**

**2019 World Conference, Boulder, CO** July 23-27, 2019 (JC) Sue Moyer Stayed tuned for more on the 2019 World Conference. Register early if you want to stay in the dorms. We are driving over on July 23rd with the ambassadors who came here for pre-hosting. Conferences starts officially the morning of the 24th. Registration should start in October.



#### Field Rep Article for Newsletters or Websites Greetings

### **Rocky Mountain Regional**

2019 WORLD CONFERENCE IN BOULDER, COLORADO

The World Conference will be held July 23 through 27, 2019 on the CU campus.

You might ask "Why CU in Boulder for the 2019 conference?

Jeremi's message: Using an academic backdrop for the venue will communicate our "Mission" and experience a new direction for the 2019 World Conference and future World Conferences. The goal is to train members and leaders and have a general feeling to inspire and excite attendees toward our mission. The conference agenda will include 2 days of education/sharing, general business; and 2 days of activities, socializing events.

At a President's meeting in April we discussed the details of the conference. Ideas and activities were suggested. Presidents will ask for volunteers from each club to serve on the planning committee. Coordinating pre and post conference homestays in the region was also discussed.

Stayed tuned for more on the 2019 World Conference.

In Friendship, Sue Palmer, Rocky Mountain Regional Field Rep



#### Friendship Force of Western Colorado Summary of Council Minutes December 4, 2018

Thirteen of fifteen Council Members present (quorum is four).

The November 18, 2018 General Business Minutes were approved.

Will Pierce gave a presentation on websites, social networks, WordPress, domains and much more. Costs were also estimated. His help to get us into the social media arena and possibly get us more noticed will be discussed at the Board Meeting on Tuesday, 1/8/19. All are welcome to attend.

Treasurer's Report: Club Funds and Exchange Funds were reviewed & approved.

What to do with extra funds (greater than \$100) from an incoming journey was discussed and will be resolved at the 1/8/19 Board Meeting. Starting in 2020, FFI is raising from \$15 to \$20 the membership to the home office. FFWC will discuss our local dues at the 1/8/19 Board Meeting.

Spending was discussed and as there is no budget for FFWC, all leaders are asked to come to the 1/8/19 Board meeting with numbers for your area.

Exchange Update: Incoming: Brisbane Australia will be here June 1-8, 2019. Dan C is the Host Coordinator. We are expecting 8-10 ambassadors. Sign up sheets will be available at the 1/17/19 General Meeting.

FFI World Conference will be held at CU-Boulder July 24 - 27, 2019. July 24 & 25 - meetings. July 26 & 27 - "FUN" activities. Our club will help during that time. Our club will be hosting pre-conference home stays (only 3-5 days). World Conference will never be closer or more affordable. We are encouraging our club members to participate in all the events. Registration is now open.

Outgoing: Sue M, Journey Coordinator for our trip to New Zealand, November 1-8 (Napier, North Island) and 11/8-15 (South Island 2019 has no cost info yet. Private, personal extra days are possible.

Outgoing: 2020 will include a mystery trip - parameters were discussed at the September Business meeting. All info will be forwarded to Atlanta.

Journey Coordinator training will take place after the first of the year.

Banners with the FFWC logo are available for purchase for \$10. T-shirts are also available for \$25.

Publicity: Due to our goals to increase our membership, Jim G requested that Jim W. develop a committee of three or four interested members to help him work on all the ideas that have been presented lately. Please contact Jim W.

Election for Council Leaders was November 15, 2018 at the General Business Meeting. By acclimation the ballot was unanimously elected. All present Council Leaders have been asked to create a notebook with all the pertinent info about your position: contacts at CMU, media outlets. useful websites, etc.to pass onto incoming Council Leaders to aid in a smooth transition.

Newsletter: please have articles to Verna by the 27th (or earlier) so the Newsletter can be out by the first of every month. Inclusions can include: members' photos, most memorable journey, travel tips/tricks.

The calendar will be finalized at the 1/8/19 Board Meeting.

Our first event for 2019 is Saturday, 1/5/19 at 9:30 a.m. for Breakfast and Conversation at the Village Inn on Horizon. Tuesday, 1/8/19, 9 a.m. Leaders' Council at Bozarth Chevrolet Thursday, 1/17/19, 6:15 p.m., General Meeting, 1st Baptist, 7th & Grand

Please Review 2019 Activity Calendar (in the Newsletter) for time changes and locations for all events.

## We need all club members to participate in one form or another to make all our events and journeys a success.



#### Minutes of FFI Western Colorado Monthly Meeting October 18, 2018



The Christmas Potluck was a great success with about 35 attending. The food was great and thanks to everyone that brought a dish. We listened to great music and even could sign along if desired.

### FFWC is AWESOME!

The donations on the Christmas Money Tree for the 4 foster children through

Project 1:27 came to

# \$402.

Thank you so much!

**Friendship Force Pledge** 

As a member of the Friendship Force I recognize that I can make a Difference.

I recognize that I have a mission; that mission is to be a friend to the people of the world. As I embark upon this adventure, I know that others will be watching me.

I know that through my example to my own fellow citizens and the people of other nations, the cause of friendship, love, and peace will be furthered. I can make a difference.



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