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October 2021

Upcoming Events:

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WESTERN COLORADO

- Monthly Board Meeting: Tuesday, October 5, 2021 9:00am, Spoons
- CHILI COOK-OFF Sat, Oct .16th
 12 Noon. New Covenant Baptist Church
 \$5 per person
 - Day Trip Thursday Oct 28th

Montrose: Museum of the Mountain West & Black Canyon of Gunnison. Lunch at Rita Silva's

- Info on November Voting
- Christmas Party Reveal
- Barnes & Noble fundraiser Dec 19th Sign up sheet at Chili Cookoff



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Grand Junction in the

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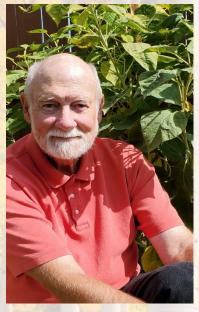


Council Leader's Message

Hello Western Colorado members,

Thanks to the members who helped with the Mesa Road cleanup on September 13th. We enjoyed lunch at the Wagon Wheel restaurant afterward. You'll see a picture of the crew later in this newsletter.

Say "Hello!" to two new members who joined our club last month at the General Meeting: Karen Taylor and Don Matheson. They are planning to attend the Chili Cookoff dinner, so you can meet and welcome them there. You will learn more about them in the Membership article.



There is a scheduled day trip on Thursday, October 28. We are going to

Montrose, to the Museum of the Mountain West, a staged frontier town where we will have a guided tour of the 25 historical buildings and what it was like to live in Western Colorado over a century ago. Rita Silva will host us at her home in Cimarron, CO for lunch. After lunch we head to the Black Canyon of the Gunnison National Park. Contact either Rebekah or Dan when you decide to join the group. If you want to be a driver, let them know.

But wait, there's more. Join us at the Chili Cookoff Saturday, October 16 at 12 noon. The men make the chili; you vote on the winner. Our club will not be participating at the Culture Fest this year. Officials have decided to have decided to limit displays to countries. Hopefully next year we will have a table to promote the club. Thanks to those who have volunteered for the Barnes & Noble Book Fair on December 19. Coming soon is information on how you can help by making your Barnes & Noble Christmas purchases on that day. We will again be selling Cheesecake Factory Cheesecakes as a fundraiser, and we are able to gift wrap after all.

Watch for details on the club's Christmas Party, December 4. I'm told by the Events Committee that it promises to be wacky and wonderful, including giving a donation to a local charity.

Lastly, 2022 nominations for officers should be in your hands. I sent the forms to every member by email. You will see the form included in this newsletter, too. Think about listing yourself on the form in some council position. I would love to have you on the council helping to shape our club in 2022. The election will be held in November.

We have a lot going on this fall in Friendship Force of Western Colorado. And the events committee is busy planning more events for 2022. Plan to join us at all our events!

Stay safe,

Highlights from our 1st face-to-face monthly meeting at our new location, New Covenant Baptist Church on Saturday, 9/18/2021. It was like a reunion.



• This table held the sign-up sheets for the fun activities the club has for the remainder of the year....



Before "class" began everyone took a quiz answering questions about each other. Later, there was a "test" about what we learned.

Be sure to read ALL of this newsletter so you can be up to date on every event.

- Choosing a charity for our Christmas money donations
- Nominating new Board Members in October and voting in November
- October 28th
- The next monthly meeting in November where we will do some business while having lots of fun
- The chili-cookoff Oct 16th. \$5 per person. Be sure to sign up for the side you want to bring. The men are cooking the chili and there is a time to vote for the favorite.
- Christmas Party Sat. Dec 4th at 12 noon. Simply pay \$7 in advance per person, come and be served your lunch, and find out which charity is chosen.
 More details about the Christmas Party in this newsletter. NOTE: Must pay by Nov 20th

Our teacher was happy to share all the news about upcoming events as well as club business.





The class was attentive and the teacher was pleased.

We all waited for "Recess & Snack Time".

By the way, do you notice 2 new faces in the class? Karen Taylor and Don Matheson just joined the club. WELCOME.

To complement our "School Days" theme, the snacks were random samplings of what children ate after school during the 40's, 50's and 60's. What you don't see is also the beverage table with Kool Aid from the 50's and soda's from the 60's.





And it wouldn't be school or snack time without enjoying lots of good conversations.. Verna, one of the original members and Mary, one of our newest members are having a good

Friendship Force of Western Colorado

Nomination of Officers Form

Put into nomination a name for each Leadership Council position by writing the name on the lines provided. A brief description of each position is included for your convenience. A full description of each position is given in the club bylaws.

Council Leader The principal point of local contact and is responsible for Friendship Force International and FFWC communications, presides at all meetings of the Leadership Council and Member meetings.

Secretary/Historian Records the minutes of each meeting of FFWC and the Leadership Council and sends a copy of the minutes to all members of the Leadership Council within a week after each such meeting.

Treasurer Collect monies due FFWC, deposits FFWC funds in the bank approved by the Leadership Council, makes a monthly Treasurer's report, reimburses expenses, maintains membership dues paid record, receives and verifies an end of journey financial summary, orders name badges for new members, holds P.O. Box keys and check for mail regularly and sends membership dues payment to FFI annually.

Membership Coordinator(s) Prepare/coordinate/publish a "New Member Orientation" booklet, takes pictures of new members, collects new members' dues and publishes annual member directory.

Events Coordinator

Responsible for planning social events, develop committee to help with social events by providing refreshments and planning programs for meetings as needed.

Publicity Coordinator

Responsible for issuing news releases and special notices to the media and interested parties, provides media with the information for the monthly meeting and special events.

Newsletter Editor(s) Responsible for editing and publishing the monthly newsletter, Emails the newsletter to membership list and others directed by Leadership Council, and informs membership of all scheduled events.

Webmaster Updates and maintain the FFWC web site and FFWC social media pages with assistance from the Publicity Coordinator as needed, inputs newsletter in a timely manner, and inputs meeting information.

Journey Coordinator Recruit Ambassador Coordinators for outgoing journeys and Host Coordinators for incoming journeys, coordinate our journey request process with FFI including availability for incoming journeys and FFWC request for outgoing journeys.

At-Large Council Member (Training/Succession position)

Provides support to both the Leadership Council and the FFWC, assists in planning and arranging speakers for the general membership meetings and coordinates the FFWC's Service Projects. Helps other council members as needed.

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Co-Chairs: Rebekah McDermott &

Claudia Kellar

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS: Karen Taylor and Don Matheson

It is with great pleasure we introduce two new members.

Karen Taylor moved to Grand Junction from Vista, CA a couple of years ago and is delighted with the friendship activities of our club. Karen is another recruit of Shirley Schultz. They met volunteering at Heirlooms. Karens desires to get involved in playing games—she especially enjoys Mexican Train—doing small gatherings for lunch or dinner, going on the day trips and in general meeting lots of new people. PS: Ask her about her chocolate shop in her earlier life.

Info: Karen Taylor

2927 Iron Peak Ave Grand Junction, CO 81503 760 889-0503 kta4707970@att.net Birthday 9/14



At the September 18th meeting, Karen brought along her friend, Don Matheson. He joined that day. He and Karen were friends long before either moved here to Grand Junction. Don looks forward to being a driver on our events. He and Karen enjoy playing Mexican Train and are looking to find others to form a group to play regularly. Don has a keen sense of humor, and as a retired naval officer also has lots of stories to share.

Info: Donald C. (Don) Matheson

2906 River Bend Lane Grand Junction, CO 81503 760 936-5330 wb6yylAaol.com Birthday 10/31



Who can you share the enjoyment of Friendship Force of Western Colorado with? Having those weird conversations with your friend and thinking. "If anyone heard us right now we'd be put into a mental hospital"

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Chili Cook-Off

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2021 12:00PM – 3:00PM New Covenant Baptist Church 3196 F Rd (@ 32 Rd) Men will provide the chili (you can ask your significant other to help)

Ladies bring sides, desserts and drinks

Sample each pot of chili ------ Vote for your favorite. The chilis will be named; the preparers will not Ballots provided as you enter.

Contact Rebekah, Dan or Kathy with questions.

\$5.00 per person for dinner Winner - gets \$25.00 Balance goes into the FFWC Fund

Bring A Friend

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FRIENDSHIP FORCE OF WESTERN COLORADO DAY TRIP: Black Canyon



ACTIVITY: Driving Tour: Museum of the Mountain West in Montrose, Morrow Point Dam, Lunch at Rita's house, Black Canyon of the Gunnison. Leave 8:30am - Return 6:00pm

DATE: Thursday, October 28, 2021

TIMES: DESTINATION / ACTIVITY:

8:30am Meet at the <u>City Market parking</u> lot in Grand Junction 2770 US-50 (near fairgrounds) Park near the Wells Fargo ATM

8:30am–9:45am	Drive to the Museum in Montrose.		(1.5 HRS)
10:00a-12:00p	Guided Tour	(Sr Fee is \$12.50)	(2 HRS)
12:00p – 12:30p	Drive to Morrow Point Dam		(30 Min)
12:30p – 2:00pm	Drive to Rita's House and Picnic Lunch		(1.5 HRS)
2:00pm – 2:30p	Drive to Black Canyon Visitor Center (No Fee w/Nat'l Park Pass)(30 MIN)		
2:30p – 4:30pm	Black Canyon Visitor Overlook and Park stops ((2 HRS)
4:30p – 6:00pm	Drive back to Grand Junction		(1.5 HRS)
6:00pm	Arrive at the City Market parking lot in GJ, 2	770 US-50.	

CONTACT:	For more information or to sign up for this Day Trip, please contact:	
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- COVID-19 allowances: > Participants must be fully vaccinated.
 - > Bring your mask.
 - > Masks optional inside car and may be required at some stops along the way.
- Cars will hold maximum of 4 people. Driver and passengers will split equally all park entrance fees, tolls, parking charges.
- Driver will collect \$10 per person for transportation costs.

Grand Mesa Road Clean-up

Our club's 2-mile stretch of highway on the Grand Mesa is once again clean. The Friendship Force of Western Colorado crew was in action on Monday, September 13, bagging trash and leaving a pile of bags for the DOT to pick up. It was a beautiful, crisp, sunny, 55-degree day. Thanks to our volunteers Kathy Nielsen, Ron and Ellen Bradley, Dan Clancy, and new FFWC member Nancy Wood.



Thank you Dan for taking the pictures and writing this article. We always enjoy seeing our club in action. And you had a grand crew. I understand lunch at the "Wagon Wheel" was also enjoyable..

Laughter is Good Medicine!

Think of a number between 0 and 10. Add 32 to it. Multiply the sum by 2, and then subtract 1. Now close your eyes. It's dark, isn't it?

Everyday Covid Check: At 5PM open a bottle of wine, smell it, then pour it in a glass. If you can smell it and taste iT, you are good. Celebrate by finishing the bottle. You are welcome!

SO, THE CIA CAN HACK INTO MY TV AND LISTEN TO EVERY WORD I SAY, BUT MCDONALD'S CAN'T HEAR ME SAY "NO PICKLES" THRU THEIR DRIVE-THRU SPEAKER ?

IT'S A SHAME NOTHING IS BUILT IN THE USA ANY MORE. | JUST BOUGHT A TV & IT SAID "BUILT IN ANTENNA".

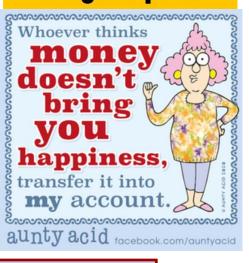
DON'T EVEN KNOW WHERE THAT IS.

Laughter:

I WONDER WHY WE ARE SO SO OBSESSED WITH TRYING TO FIND INTELLIGENT LIFE ON OTHER PLANETS, WHEN WE CAN'T EVEN FIND INTELLIGENT LIFE HERE?

> Two blondes walk into a tanning salon. The receptionist asks, "Are you two sisters?" They chuckle and reply, " No, we aren't even Catholic."

I really think it's time to take the warning labels off of everything and let stupidity work itself out of the gene pool.



To these athletes thinking we are listening to them- if I wanted advice from someone who chases a ball, I'd ask my dog.

Same goes with celebrities!!!



This is how we figured where our friends were

What do we learn from cows, buffalos and elephants??

It's impossible to reduce weight by eating green grass and salads and walking.

ENJOY and Share

UPCOMING EVENTS

Chili Cook-Off

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2021 12:00PM – 3:00PM New Covenant Baptist Church 3196 F Rd (@ 32 Rd)

Day Trip

Thursday, Oct 28th to Montrose and Black Canyon

Enjoy a special lunch of Navajo Tacos prepared by our own Rita Silva, served in her home.

NOVEMBER CLUB MEETING Sat, Nov 20th 12n

Vote for new Officers Final sign up for Christmas Party Hear about events for 2022 Select Charity to donate Light snack provided

HAVE YOU HEARD?

Christmas Party

Sat. - Dec 4th.

Something about a wacky Santa Meal?????

\$7.00 per person Paid in Advance for your meal

More info at the Chili Supper & the November newsletter.

You DON'T WANT TO MISS IT ——

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BARNES & NOBLE FUND RAISER

Sunday Dec 19th. 10am-7pm We will sell Cheesecake Factory cheesecakes prior to this day.

Was just told we could also gift wrap.

More details at the Chili Cookoff



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Have a friend who likes to travel?		
Share with them the FFI website		
riendshipforce.org and let them see eat places to visit		
invite them to our activities so they		
we do and decide if it is for them.		

Check it out. www:thefriendshipforce.org



WANTED: Stories of your trips (with pictures is great), local travels, trips with your family, places of interest for us to see, quips & jokes, etc.

Send to rebekahmcdermott@gmail.com.

Deadline for your submissions is the 25th of each month. The Newsletter is sent to you via email the 1st of the month.



YOUR IDEAS!!!!! We are open to ideas for project s in which our members to participate. Please let Dan know

your thoughts.



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.

	ABOUT THE CLUB	
Friendship Force International	Friendship Force Western Colorado, located in Grand Junction, CO., was formed in 1982.	
Western Colorado Chapter P.O. Box 3665	General meetings are now face to face. See news- letter or monthly email for location.	
Grand Junction, CO 81502 www.ffwcolo.com	Membership is open to all who are interested in the goals and purposes of the Friendship Force program.	
	Check our website or the newsletter for updates. www.ffwcolo.com	