

friendship force



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November, 2021

Upcoming Events:

- Monthly Board Meeting: Nov
 2, 2021 9:00am *Spoons*
- Monthly Meeting: light snacks
 Sat., Nov 20th 12 noon (New Covenant Baptist Church) Jim & Barb Gardner present
 "Reykjavik to Rome During COVID 2021"
- Wacky Christmas Meal, our annual Christmas Party, Sat, Dec 4th \$7 person
 Pay in advance— Due by Nov 20th
- Barnes & Noble Book Fair & Gift Wrap Fund Raiser Sun., Dec 19th 10am-7pm



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Council Leader's Message

Hello Western Colorado members,

Suddenly (it seems!), November is upon us. In October the Chili Cook-off and Day Trip to Montrose were both lots of fun. My thanks to Rebekah and her crew for a well-planned, delicious, and very fun Chili dinner. I want to also thank Rita Silva for inviting the day-trippers to her home for lunch. Those of you who could not attend really missed a great day.



Mark your calendars for Saturday, November 20. It's our next General Meeting at noon at the New Covenant Baptist Church. Jim and Barb Gardner have agreed to come and tell us about their recent cruise from Iceland to Rome. There will be "seasonal" refreshments.

The election of 2022 Council officers happens this month. For your convenience, there is a ballot included in this newsletter. You will also have an opportunity to cast your vote at the next general meeting on November 20. The 2022 council members will be announced in the December newsletter and introduced at the Christmas Party.

Thanks to those of you who have volunteered for the Barnes and Noble Book Fair fundraiser on December 19. Watch for information upcoming on how you can help by making your Barnes and Noble Christmas purchases on that day. The sale of Cheesecake Factory cheesecakes will again be included in the fundraiser. There will be cheesecake order forms available at the November 20 general meeting. The order form and your payment must be turned in to Barnes and Noble by Monday, December 13.

Be sure to plan to attend the Christmas party on Saturday, December 4 at 12:00pm at the New Covenant Baptist Church. The cover charge is \$7, and all the food and drinks will be provided. Please reserve your seat with your \$7 payment by November 20. The club donation to a local charity, which will be chosen by the Leadership Council from the suggestions that many of you have made, will be announced at the event.

Lastly, membership dues are being increased \$5 by Friendship Force International as stated in the email message you all should have received from Jeremi Snook. Our Western Colorado club will likely increase our dues to \$45, after the Leadership Council discusses the matter at our next meeting on November 2. I'll notify all members of our decision by email in the next few weeks.

I'm looking forward to seeing all of you at our upcoming events!

Stay safe,

Friendship Force of Western Colorado Ballot Form

Please indicate your choice by writing or typing X next to the nominee for each office. There is a blank for each office in case you wish to write in another name. Wherever you see two names with a slash in between, it means two people are being nominated to be co-coordinators of that position.

Please return your ballots to Ellen Bradley, 619 Shadowbrook Drive, GJ 81504 or by email (<u>meb712002@yahoo.com</u>). You will also have an opportunity to vote in person at our next General Meeting on November 20, 2021.

Council Leader	Webmaster			
Dan Clancy	DJ Clancy			
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Ellen Bradley				
Treasurer Jeff Parker	Events Coordinators Dan Clancy/Rebekah McDermott			
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	At-Large Council Member			
Newsletter Editor	Nancy Wood			
Rebekah McDermott				



MEMBERSHIP NEWS

As we are approaching the end of the year here is a recap of membership happenings.

- * At each event we had visitors, and many became members.
- During 2021, so far, we are enjoying getting acquainted with 5 new members. Each one was invited by another member to "check us out".
- The new members are participating in all events and have also volunteered to help next year.
- * The new members love, love the activities and especially the day trips.
- All new members have been given their orientation manuals and received their name badges

A great tool for introducing new people to FFWC is to send them a copy of the newsletter. You might also wear your name badge or your tee shirt to events—this always prompts questions of interest.

Invite someone to our "Santa's Wacky Meal" Christmas Party. Everyone loves food and fun and this party supplies both in abundance.

FRIENDS ARE THE PEOPLE WHO MAKE YOU SMILE BRIGHTER, LAUGH LOUDER AND LIVE BETTER. So be a friend and bring a friend and we can all enjoy meeting a new friend.



THANK YOU again to the set-up crew, gentlemen who made the chilis, and to each one who brought a side, your contribution rounded out the delightful meal. a Huge Thank You.



Bob Zaha, one of the men who provided chili.



Dan explains the sign up sheets on the back table



Mary McDonald was helping "bus" the table while enjoying conversations.



Laughter is Good Medicine!

Anyone who had their face cleaned by grandma's spit on a napkin is safe from Covid-19.



To those who are complaining about the quarantine period and curfews, just remember that your grandparents were called to war; you are being called to sit on the couch and watch Netflix. You can do this.

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SURE! T'M INTERESTED IN BEING

YOUR NEW STUNT DOUBLE! WHAT



I used to wonder what it'd be like to read other people's minds. Then I got a Facebook account, and now I'm over it.

sun-gazing.com

So I was at Walmart earlier. A lady was looking at frozen turkeys, but she couldn't find one big enough. She asked the stock boy, "Do these turkeys get any bigger?" He replied with a straight face, "No ma'am, they're dead." Made my week. I'm giving up drinking till Christmas. Sorry bad punctuation. I'm giving up. Drinking till Christmas

This is why the Govt wont tell us if Alien's and UFO's are real... You all would panic & buy up all the foil.

Laughter: ENJOY and Share

Museum of the Mountain West–Montrose, CO. Day Trip Oct. 28, 2021

Eleven members enjoyed learning about the Old West while being guided through 25 historical buildings featuring more than 500,00 artifacts displayed in authentic settings.



Richard E. Fike, the collector, founder and builder of this museum, gives us a quick overview of his love of western history.





We took time to pose outside the

General Store.

PS: Herman Murray, (t-r) guest of Jan Reece, was a delightful addition to our group.

Morrow Point Dam—Rita Silva's for Lunch— Black Canyon of the Gunnison, Day Trip October 28, 2021



At Morrow Point Dam we enjoyed the majestic wall of mountains while seeing this train—a real point of his-







Rita Silva served us home made Navajo Tacos on home made fry bread.

Yum! yum!

Our final stop of the day was Black Canyon of the Gunnison.

Under separate email you can enjoy this trip in more detail with lots more pictures. Be sure to read it when it comes out.





NOVEMBER:

• Board Meeting Tues., Nov 2nd, 9am inside Spoons



VETERANS DAY Nov 11, 2021 Remember our Veterans

- Sat., Nov 20th, 12:00 noon Monthly Meeting
 - \Rightarrow Election of 2022 Board Members
 - ⇒ Barnes & Noble Book Fair update
 - \Rightarrow Continue collecting for December Charity Giving
 - ⇒ Final time to pay to attend Wacky Christmas Meal, \$7 per person. No payment accepted at the door.
 - ⇒ Jim & Barb Gardner present

"Reykjavik to Rome During COVID 2021"



• HAPPY THANKSGIVING Thursday, Nov 25th



DECEMBER:

- Sat. Dec 4th, Wacky Christmas Meal 12:00 noon at regular location
 - \Rightarrow Announce new Board Announce selected Charity and amount donated
 - \Rightarrow Sat. Dec 4th Grand Junction 5pm—7:30pm "Parade of Christmas Lights"
- Tues., Dec 7th, Board Meeting 9am
- Sun. Dec 19th, Barnes & Noble Book Fair and Gift Wrap Fund Raiser



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Sue Palmer 970 260-4653	ffwcregionalrep@gmail.com		Share with them the FFI website and let them see all the great places they can go.			
FFI website has all the member information.	Be sure to invite them to our activities so they can see what we do and decide if it is for them.					

Check it out. www:thefriendshipforce.org



Pull out those pictures from your past Christmases and send, along with a quick note, for the December newsletter.

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!!!!! Wanted: New community service projects. This could be a project a couple of times a year, and could even be indoors. Please let Dan know of 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.

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www.ffwcolo.comFriendship Force Western Colorado, located in
Grand Junction, CO., was formed in 1982.
General meetings are now face to face. Our meet-
ing location is New Covenant Baptist Church, 3196 F
Rd, Grand Junction, CO 81504 . 12 noon, 3rd Satur-
day of the month.
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.