



Newsletter February 2018

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Winter/Spring/Summer Happenings

[March 1, 2018 \(Thursday\)](#) - Peak Bagging in the Colorado Rockies: A Journey of Transformation, Jane Koerner, Alma Town Hall, 6 p.m.

[March 10, 2018](#) - Poker Glide

[March 12, 2018](#) - MRHI Board Meeting, 6:30 - 8:00P.M.

[April 15, 2018](#) - Photo Submissions Due for 2019 Calendar

[April 27, 2018 \(Friday\)](#) - US Antarctic Program, Mark Farmer, Alma Town Hall, 6 p.m.

[May/June Season Kick-Off](#) - TBD

[July 21 & 22, 2018](#) - Festival in the Clouds

[July 28 & 29th, 2018](#) - Burro Days

JoAnn Duffy Memorial Scholarship 2018 -Applications Now Open

Details below or visit our website for more information.

MRHI's 2018 Board of Directors & Officers - Election Results:

President: Jan McCabe – re-elected
Vice President: Dean Butler
Treasurer: Jara Johnson – re-elected
Secretary: Ginni Greer – re-elected
Current and New Board Members:
Julie Danielson
Kat Herrera
Roz Aceto

Leah Lentz
Kate Levin – Newly elected board member
Kathryn Goettelman – Newly elected board member

Other – not board members:
Kathy Butler – Membership

We wish to thank Jennie Gannon for all her time, volunteering and help on the board for the last few years. Thank you Jennie!!!!

MRHI Programs/Events for the 2018 Season: If you would like to volunteer and/or participate in with any of the listed activities please contact Julie Danielson at jrdanielsen@yahoo.com and let her know how you would like to help. These events are successful because of our volunteers. Thank you!!!

2018 Adventure Series Begins

March 1, 2018 - Peak Bagging in the Colorado Rockies: A Journey of Transformation, Jane Koerner, Alma Town Hall, 6 P.M.

Fairplay resident Jane Koerner, first woman to climb the 100 highest peaks of Colorado, will talk about her memoir, *Off Trail: Finding My Way Home in the Colorado Rockies*, recently published by University of Oklahoma Press. The book recounts her mountaineering adventures and how they helped her heal from trauma.

Jane's articles and essays have appeared in High Country News and Mountain Gazette, among other publications. Her book introduces her new pen name, Jane Parnell.

April 27, 2018 – U.S. Antarctic Program, Mark Farmer, Alma Town Hall, 6 P.M.

Hear a personal perspective regarding US scientific research in Antarctica from Mark Farmer who recently returned from the region.

11th Annual Poker Glide - March 10, 2018

Date: Saturday, March 10, 2018

Place: The actual trail is still being determined based on snow conditions; will put out in an email as soon as determined.

Time: 10:00 A.M. - 2:00P.M.

Lunch: Lunch will be served at the Fairbarn in Fairplay. Lunch to be provided by Jeff & Stephanie Kuenn.

Cost: FREE

Please continue to check the website for more info. We will send out another email regarding more detailed information.

Join us for a family ski and snowshoe. Pick a card at each stop to build your hand. Prizes awarded for best and worst hand. Location to be announced when we find the absolute best snow conditions we can locate. Skiers, volunteers and sponsors welcome!.

Photo Submissions for the 2019 MRHI Calendar

The Mosquito Range Heritage Initiative is seeking photographs taken in the Mosquito Range (extending from Hoosier Pass to Weston Pass and from Highways 9 and 285 to the ridgeline of the



peaks). Thirteen great photos will be chosen to create our 2019 fundraiser calendar. A photographer whose photo is chosen will receive a MRHI membership and a free calendar (they make great gifts too!).

Preference will be given to photos that promote our mission of working to conserve unique natural areas, historic and cultural sites, and to promote diverse recreation and community business opportunities within the Mosquito Range.

GUIDELINES

Photographers are asked to submit their entries as digital files. All digital files must be 10 MB or

smaller, and must be in JPEG or JPG format. Photos should be high resolution of at least 300 DPI with dimensions of 8x11 inches landscape/horizontal. Typically this requires an 8 megapixel or better camera. Please don't downsize files any more than necessary to meet the 10 MB file size. Be aware that some email programs will downsize images automatically. If you think you have a great photo that is less than 300 DPI, we can attempt to interpolate and increase the resolution. This may or may not produce a useable image so do not rely on this method.

With your photo submission please include the title and location of the photo, your name, address, and phone number.

Photo submissions may be emailed to calendar@mrhi.org or a CD may be mailed to: MRHI, PO Box 375, Alma CO 80420.

Please submit your photos by April 15, 2018.

Cost of submission is \$5/photo, \$10/3 photos or \$25/10 photos. Please make checks payable to "MRHI" with a notation that it is a calendar photo submission.

RULES

No photos will be considered outside our study area of the Mosquito Range.

The photos need to be in landscape mode or horizontal mode (NO SQUARES).

If a check is received for photos outside the study area, the money will NOT be returned but instead be considered a donation.

If we do not receive the check by May 10, 2018, submitted photos will not be considered.

LICENSE

By submitting a photo, all entrants grant an irrevocable, perpetual, nonexclusive license to MRHI, to reproduce, distribute, display, and create derivative works of the entries (along with a name credit) in connection with the photo submission and promotion of the photo submission, in any media now or hereafter known.

Thank you in advance for making this fundraiser a success and helping to provide a very picturesque calendar for the Mosquito Range Area.

JoAnn Dufty Memorial Scholarship 2018 -Applications Now Open

MRHI is pleased to offer a one-time \$1000 scholarship to a 2018 graduating senior from South Park High School in Fairplay, Colorado. The scholarship is given in honor of Mrs. Dufty who was an artist, a community activist and an explorer. These are qualities MRHI hopes an applicant either currently embodies or plans to develop as they continue their education beyond high school.

Applicants must attend South Park High School and be pursuing a post high school education in a 2- or 4-year college or university. The recipient must use the scholarship within one year from the date awarded or it must be forfeited. Applications are available in the high school office. Questions can be directed to Cara Doyle at info@mrhi.org or 719-839-0351.

Upcoming 2018 Events (SAVE THE DATES)

Season Kick-Off

We're planning a "Season Kick-Off Event late this spring. for MRHI enthusiasts to gather. Watch for details on

Summer Programs/Volunteer Opportunities

Caretaking Precious Resources:

Rare Plants, Trails and Habitat Restoration

Help monitor rare alpine plants, assist with a trail building project or help restore fragile alpine habitat damaged by illegal recreation. We're planning three HUGE trail projects- dates coming soon!

Creating Conservation Wonder in a New Generation:

Children's Environmental Education

Share your love of the outdoors while inspiring kids to make a difference. Help with publicity, logistics, safety and group programs.

NEW! Making a Difference Through Citizen Science:

Become more engaged in making meaningful scientific change! Watch for hands-on workshops and volunteer opportunities to help monitor rare plants, rivers, pikas and more! We need you.

Encouraging Native Habitat:

To encourage the growth of our beautiful native flowers and grasses, we must stop the growth of noxious weeds. Watch for community weed pulls and take the initiative to pull weeds on your own property. We're planning summer education and consulting as well as some exciting incentives!

Watch for more opportunities to be announced soon!

Family Fun & Fundraising



Poker Ride - September 16th, 2018

The 2018 Poker Ride is slated for September 16. Open to all abilities, this is a great family-friendly outdoor event to celebrate fall and the gorgeous mountain foliage. The area for the ride TBD closer to time.



Moonwalk - October 6th, 2018

The Buckskin Cemetery Moonwalk is tentatively scheduled for October 6, 2018 to explore area history and make the past come alive. Actors/actresses, history enthusiasts, cookie bakers and other great volunteers welcome. More information to follow closer to event time!!

MRHI Summer Outreach Events

Festival in the Clouds - July 21 & 22, 2018
Burro Days - July 28 & 29, 2018
Railroad Days - August 18, 2018 (to be confirmed)

Do you shop online? You can help MRHI - no cost to you! Here's how:

Amazon Smile:

If you do a lot of shopping through Amazon, consider switching to Amazon Smile; Amazon Smile is a new part of amazon.com that donates 0.5% of purchases to the nonprofit of your choice (hopefully it's us!). Amazon Smile has the same merchandise as amazon.com and it's completely free to sign up - start shopping at smile.amazon.com or learn more at <http://smile.amazon.com/about>.

iGive:

When you shop online at over 1,500 stores, a percentage of your purchase can be donated to MRHI by clicking on the iGive Button. You don't pay more, but still raise money for your cause. You can sign up for free at <http://www.iGive.com/MosquitoRangeHeritageInitiative>.

Goodshop & Goodsearch:

Goodsearch: Search the Internet with the patent-protected, Yahoo!-powered search engine (just like you'd search on any other search engine), and Goodsearch will donate about a penny for nearly all searches to your selected cause.

Goodshop: Shop at one of more than 2,800 participating stores (from Amazon to Zazzle) and a percentage of what you spend will be donated to your cause at no cost to you. Oh, and by the way, there's a big added bonus here too. Goodshop lists more than 100,000 coupons and deals so you could save money while doing good! Visit: <http://www.goodsearch.com> to get started.

Support MRHI, become a Member!

To become a MRHI member, you can either visit our website at www.mrhi.org or request a membership slip and mail it back to us at PO BOX 375, Alma, CO 80420. *Thank you for your support!*

Membership levels: Basic - \$25; Family - \$60; Youth - \$10; Business - \$100; Corporate - \$250.

or make a donation by clicking below

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