



Newsletter July 2017

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Summer Happenings

July 15 & 16 - Alma Festival in the Clouds

July 16 - Community Hike

July 18 - Environmental Education

July 21, 22, 23 - WRV Restoration Project

July 24 - MRHI Board Meeting

July 25 - Environmental Education

July 29 & 30 - Burro Days

July 30 - Community Hike

August 1 - Environmental Education

August 4 & 12 - Community Hike

September 11 - MRHI Board Meeting

September 16 - Poker Ride

October 7 - Moon Walk

Details below or visit our website for more information.

MRHI teams With Area Partners to Expand Summer Youth Education

MRHI has teamed up with Boys & Girls Club of the High Rockies and Beaver Pond Environmental Education Center to unify and expand opportunities for children this summer.

Dozens of area children romped, hiked and explored the forest and mountain stream during Nature Science Camp the last week of June. Children were divided by age, with younger children exploring nature based on the award-winning Growing Up WILD curriculum, and older children investigating the environment through hands-on STEM-based activities.

Free programs for children ages 3-12 continue every Tuesday morning through August 1st. Special thanks for generous support by the Anschutz Family Foundation, Wells Fargo, South Park National Heritage Area and The Summit Foundation.

Trail Maintenance on the Tie Hack Trail

MRHI has been working with the Forest Service on doing trail maintenance on the Tie Hack Trail. On June 25, we did general trail maintenance on 1/2 of the trail. The winter trail head on CR 18 has had a total makeover. The Forest Service has had new road base laid down, a buck and rail fence has been installed and a new trail is being built that will take you to the Tie Hack loop.

MRHI gratefully acknowledges Patagonia, South Park National Heritage Area (SPNHA), USFS Resource Advisory Committee (RAC)- Secure Rural Schools, and The Summit Foundation for project support.



Community Hikes



Photo By: Callie Edwards

MRHI is sponsoring a series of community hikes this summer. Join us for our remaining hikes:

Sunday, July 16 – Beaver Creek Trail Easy hike, approximately 1.5 to 2 miles round trip, meet at the Forest Service office on Hwy 285 at 9:00am. Plan on a 3 – 3.5 hour day. Bring your lunch/snacks, water, sunscreen, and extra layers of clothing. Questions? Contact Callie at 719-839-0683 or orskiria42@yahoo.com

Sunday, July 30 – Mount Sherman Hike a 14er with MRHI! Moderate to difficult hike, approximately 5.25 miles round trip, meet at the Forest Service office on Hwy 285 at 7:00am. Plan on a 7-8 hour day. Bring your lunch/snacks, water, sunscreen, and extra layers of clothing. Questions? Contact Callie at 719-839-0683 or orskiria42@yahoo.com

Friday, August 4 – Sacramento Gulch Moderate hike, approximately 4 miles round trip, meet at the Forest Service office on Hwy 285 at 9:00am. Plan on a 4 hour day. Bring your lunch/snacks, water, sunscreen, and extra layers of clothing. Questions? Contact Ginni at 719-836-3324 or greerginni@yahoo.com

Saturday, August 12 – Tie Hack Trail Easy to moderate hike, approximately 5 miles round trip, meet at the Forest Service office on Hwy 285 at 9:00am. Plan on a 3 – 3.5 hour day. Bring your lunch/snacks, water, sunscreen, and extra layers of clothing. Questions? Contact Callie at 719-839-0683 or orskiria42@yahoo.com

MRHI 2018 Calendar Available Now!



For just \$10, you, too, can have one of MRHI's 2018 calendars. This one-of-a-kind calendar is a collection of photos taken by locals and compiled into a calendar by MRHI.

The calendar is available now at Al-Mart, High Alpine Sports, and the Forest Service office on Rte 285. It will also be available at the MRHI booth during Alma Festival in the Clouds and Burro Days and on the Merchandise Page of the MRHI website.

Get it now, while supplies last!

MRHI's Rare Alpine Plant Project

MRHI's Rare Alpine Plant Project is now in full swing! This summer we are monitoring known areas of *Eutrema penlandii*, a rare alpine mustard plant that is on the Federal Threatened and Endangered list. The plant project is in its seventh year.

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and mail it back to us at PO BOX 375, Alma, CO80420. *Thank you for your support!*
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