



The Little Brayer

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October 2009

Monthly membership meetings are held on the 1st Tuesday of each month at Country Buffet 751 N. Academy Blvd. Citadel Crossing Mall. Colorado Springs,, Co / Dinner starts at 6:00 P.M. Meeting starts at 7:00 P.M...



Dome Rock Happened!!!! What a great time everyone had. The weather was beautiful and what a view.

Our Meeting on October 6th, was called to order @7:00 PM by our President Paul Phermenton..

Guests: Mary Lewis's month Ann, Thanks for joining us.

Next Meeting – November 3rd

Secretaries Report: No corrections to the September 2009 Minutes. Remember the Website will post the minutes and all corrections to minutes need to be submitted at the next meeting.

Treasurers Report:

Lucy Martin, Treasurer, reported that as of October 6th, 2009 there is a balance of \$14.58 in the checking and \$3,204.74 in the savings account. Dividends were earned in the amount of .92. Tonight we collected \$59.00 in drawing.. Expenses submitted were Jackie Lane \$12.78 for postage and printing of newsletters that were mailed. These expenses were approved and paid.

New Business: *In the future there will be a listing of all members in the club that have hold harmless signed forms. It will be placed in the First Aid Kit and taken along on all the events*

and trail rides. It has the Emergency contact names etc for each member listed. Jackie will bring the list to the next meeting.

We need to track down our scrap book and also think about new ways to publish our photos and also have pictures available for our members. If anyone knows where the scrap books are can you please bring them to the next meeting.

Jackie Lane is doing the Wounded Warrior event this month on October 10th. She is very proud to announce that so many people have donated drawing gifts to raffle for money for the PPTRC and they have raised approximately \$2000.00 in donations. This fun day shouldn't be considered a major competition race even though it's points etc, but a learning and getting your animal experience in different fun things to learn.

Our President would like to see us do at least one of these each year and it will also be great to get our club out in the horse world combination to let them know mules can do it too.>>> Each time we can pick another program to donate to and just be a part of this community.

Our President would like everyone to bring all of there parade blankets, scarves, scarf ties, and serapes to the next meeting so we can take an inventory and get them all to either Linda Giest or Jackie Lane. Most clubs charge a fee to take the parade gear out until they return them, and we don't want to start doing that. So please bring your gear in so when a parade is happening and we know who is attending we know what to take to the event. After the event it should be returned immediately to either Jackie or Linda.

There is a new store that has opened up call Western Work- Greg Solberg Owner. 935 N. Academy Blvd. Colorado Springs, Co 80909 719-571-9884 www.4BAR.net for shopping.

Sheri Thompson bought one of the Grand Canyon Mules and she said he is gentle, nothing at all wrong with him and very broke. She said he will be great in parades. I'm not sure if there are anymore mules but you can contact Cindy Brown if you are still interest. 303-688-6185 or cindynbrown@questoffice.net

*We wanted to get a heads up for next years **2010** Christmas Party. So Mark your calendar December 5th, 2010 Shrine Mule Barn @ 11:00 AM.*

Old Business:

Jeff and Donna Blake have been appointed to be the nominations committee for our new officers for year 2010. Jeff will be calling all the members for there input and suggestions. Jackie Lane is interested in the Treasurer duties, instead of the Secretary. We need to let someone else have the newsletter experience. Paul Phernmenton can not continue to be the president because of his obligations to the Al Kaly Mule Shrine.

Our club received a letter from the City of Lakewood Police Department thanking us for the donation of \$50.00. Mary Lawrence matched the \$50.00 and so our club was thanked for the \$100.00. This donation was for the sex crimes investigation work and we were glad we could donate for this cause.

Mary, we see that the mule life (your fun) and your work are so different. We are glad that you are out there helping the people who have suffered from these crimes.

Gus and Terri Daniels found us shirts and hats \$21.00 (different colors) shirts, and \$8.00 for the hats. If anyone wants to order them please email them @ gus.daniel@hp.com or phone them 719-495-3992. All orders get 10% back to club.

Happened Rides & Events::

September 5th – Mule Train Fish Fry-Mary Lawrence and Jackie Lane were the only PPLEA members that attended. We enjoyed the meal again and it was for a great cause. We really need to support the Mule Shrine, they are our family. Hope to see more of you on the next one.

September 7th - Fountain Parade - Jeff & Donna Blake, Paul and Christy Phermenton, Jackie Lane, Mary Lawrence, Carol Coakley, 7 riders and everyone loved us as usual. It was a really nice day and we all looked great.

September 13th – Breakfast at Al Kaly Shrine Barn. Fred Russell presented our donation to the Shrine. The donation is for the TRANSPORTATION Fund, it will be used exclusively for the transport of patients and their families to and from treatment centers. (See attachment of the plaque awarded to our club for our donations from the Air force Academy ride.

September 27th – Dome Rock Color Ride- Trail Boss Jeff and Donna Blake- 11 Riders (See picture above) Awesome ride T-Shirt weather, 1 ponied horse, nice lunch, and great pictures were taken and shown at tonight's meeting.

October 3rd - Apple Days Parade-Penrose Colorado –Oh my...we went through a big crowd of booth vendors and tons of people weaving in and out on the street. (Kitten made a complete stop, until Christy Phermenton came to the rescue) What am I supposed to do with all of these people trying to get close to me and all of these little kiddies running around Kitten said?

However, when we got to the judges tent they cheered us on like no-one has ever done. Ladies and Gentlemen here are the PIKES PEAK LONG EARS. And all of the people from the street just roared. We were the last ones in the parade, and we did show a presence and we just plain think we are going to do it again next It was a beautiful day and we did enjoy it. It was just a little different that the normal parade setting. Julie Lanckiet offered bring her mule next year to do crowd control by weaving back and forth keeping the people in line. !!!!

Trail Rides & Events Scheduled:

October

October 10th - Colorado Cowboy Challenge (See above information for registration)

Our secretary, Jackie Lane is sponsoring an event Saturday, October 10th, 2010.

Horse/Mule Riders Colorado Cowboy Challenge

Chaparral Horse Park is honored to host this benefit for the **PIKES PEAK THERAPEUTIC RIDING CENTER – WOUNDED WARRIORS** program.

This event is a competition to ride an obstacle course designed to show off your horse or mule and to promote horsemanship skills. Water obstacles, rope curtain, drag a log, 90 degree backing etc. This will be a timed and judged event.

Please see the following websites for information on this program.

http://www.pptrc.org/Programs/wounded_warriors.htm

<http://www.projecthealinghorse.com>

All volunteers and participants will receive a T-Shirt, a chance to win some cash, praise and a lot of gratitude for supporting the men and women who have fought so valiantly for our country. Please come out and support this great cause. \$50.00 entry fee + \$15.00 Grounds fee. 50% of the entry proceeds will be paid out 1st through 5th place. Remaining 50% will be donated to PPTRC – Wounded Warriors.

Contact jacalynlane@aol.com for information on how to pre-register and to received registration form and directions to the location.

*20370 Drennan Road
Colorado Springs, Co 80928*

Breakfast and Lunch is available \$5.00 and \$6.00.

Mounted Sheriff will be performing and also we've invited some patients (wounded warriors) to the event so they can be a part of this.

October 18 – Red Rocks Trail Ride -Trail Boss, Carolyn Herndon, and Jacalyn Lane 635-9027 or 683-8313. We are going to meet at Carolyn's to start riding at 10:00 AM.

***November** – Garden of the Gods Ride – To be announced at the next meeting on November 3rd.*

December:

December 13th Xmas Party at the Mule Barn 12:00 noon.

***Door Prize Drawing:** Anne Urban won the first draw, and gave it up because she always wins, and so Jackie Lane finally won something this year. It was a great gift certificate for Pikes Peak Animal Supply \$25.00. Thanks Julie Lanckriet..*

Services:

Richard Emond is look for handy man work please give him a call @ 719-269-3685

Heather Davis our Web Site Designer has a business: Hay hauling available (large or small bales) we can also bring a tractor to unload to unload large bales if necessary. We also haul equipment, Reliable, reasonable rates. Call Tom. 303-646-7570.

Next months members who volunteered door prize items:

November 2009 Paul Phermetton

For Sale:

Electric Portable grazer kit (Call Bill Lavoie @ 719-495-3087

Maggie & James Dunlap have hay for sale. They just baled 1000 acres. Hay Creek Ranch \$5.75 a bale. (Must pick up in the field).

Call 719-749-8248 Lake George, Tarryall area. Or email haycreekranch@aol.com.

Laugh of the day:



Zack and his mule were walking down the road when one of Zack's friends drove up and offered him a ride to town. Zack got into the truck while his mule ran along behind. The mule was right in back of them as they reached 55, and stayed with them as they sped up to 70.

I'm worried about your mule, "said the drive. "his tongue's hanging out."

"Which way?" asked Zack

"Left, "his friend said.

"Well, stay in this lane – he's about to pass."