



The Little Brayer

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September 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...



We are having fun now!!!!

Our Meeting on September 1st, was called to order @7:00 PM by our Vice President Bill Lavoie.

***Members we missed seeing:** It was nice to see you Russ and Stacy Reavis.*

***Next Meeting** – October 6th*

***Secretaries Report:** No corrections to the August 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 September 1st, 2009 there is a balance of \$275.36 in the checking and \$3,203.82 in the savings account. Dividends were earned in the amount of .97. Tonight we collected \$33.00 in drawing, and 20.00 in Dues. Expenses submitted were Jackie Lane \$12.78 for postage and printing of newsletters that were mailed. These expenses were approved and paid.

New Business:

Jeff and Donna Blake have been appointed to be the nominations committee for our new officers for year 2010.

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

Other information regarding this event:

*Burt Reissig, our past PPLEA president had a stroke and uses this Riding Clinic for his therapy. It is very good therapy for spinal injuries and head traumas. Riding the horse and the movement helps the muscles in the spine remember what it forgot before the injury. Not only does it help the body, but the horses have some kind of magical healing energy. I think its just plain **LOVE***

Another Mule lover friend, Gene Schilling passed away a few weeks ago and the club would also like to honor him in the event.

In honor of these people it was approved to donate \$100.00 to PPTRC.

It was also approved by the members to donate \$100.00 to the event to help cover cost of expenses for the event. .

It was also approved by the PPLEA to use the PPLEA checking account to keep track of the event funds, and distribution of proceeds to the PPTRC and expenses and awards.

Come on mule friends; let's just have a fun day!!!!!! We miss doing those!!!!

Mary Lawrence requested we do our annual donation to the Colorado Sex Crimes Investigation. It was approved that we donate \$50.00.

Old Business:

First Aid Kit is ready but Paul still needs saddle bags from Randy Gibbs. Kit is for both animal and humans. (If you need to use anything from the kit then we ask that you replace whatever it is you use.)

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:

August 9th – Leadville Burro Race – Boom Days

Our Richard Emond finished the race in 6 hours 54 minutes. (22 miles) Way to go Richard.

August 15th, 16th - Leveta Ride and Camp Out Spring Creek- Trail Boss Paul and Christy They had 4 riders and the scenery was excellent.

Trail Rides Scheduled:

September-October

September 5th – Mule Train Fish Fry \$10.00 Adults, \$5.00 for Children Serving @ 5:00 PM and Live music @ 6:30 PM. All funds raised are for barn operating expenses. Call Paul Phermenton @369-8040 or Ray @ 660-1478.

September 7th - Fountain Parade - Entry as been sent – We are #27 in the line up – Line up starts @ 9:00 Jackie will take all of the blankets, scarves serapes, etc. So if you decide to show up it will be there for you. Members who have signed up, Jeff and Donna Blake, Christy and Paul Phermetton, Ken and Karen Corey, Mary Lawrence and Jackie Lane. Call Paul or Christy @ 369-8040 for directions.

September 12th – Poker Ride – Sponsored by Rocky Mountain Back Country Horsemen. Ride and BBQ (includes 1 poker hand) – Ride and BBQ – Adults \$25.00 under 12 \$15.00. BBQ only Adults \$15.00 under 12 \$10.00, Additional poker hand \$10.00. Ride opens @ 9:00 AM. Location: The Banks 12 miles north of Canon City near Red Canyon Park. From Hwy 50 turn north at Reynolds road (Burger King) turn left on frontage road to Field Ave. North past Red Canyon Park just past the rock climbing area. Watch for signs. Questions Contact Loretta: 719-372-6387.

September 13th – Breakfast at Al Kaly Shrine Barn. Fred Russell will present out 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. If people wish to attend this function they need to contact Paul or Ray Clark. 369-8040, 660-1478. Breakfast is at 9:30 social hour 8:30.

September 27th – Dome Rock Color Ride- Trail Boss Jeff and Donna Blake- This is a magnificent ride and the colors will be great to see. It's pretty cool to see a string of mule headed up the mountain. Ready to ride @ 10:00 AM.

(From Jeff) Directions: Highway 24 West from Colorado Springs to the town of Divide. Turn left (south) towards Cripple Creek and go approximately 5.3 miles and there will be a fork in the road. Main road is to the left and the fork to take goes right. That road is partially paved and part dirt. Follow it for Approximately 1.9 miles. You will have just crossed an old style small cement bridge and there will be a turn off to the right. I think that there is still a wildlife sign that says Dome Rock State Wildlife area. All size trailers can make this but swing wide with the larger trailers. Have your truck in low gear and proceed down the short hill and park in the left hand lot, space permitting. It will hold about 15 trailers. Bring a lunch, drinks and snacks and camera. We can ride for 3-5 hours depending what people want. Not a technical or hazardous ride at all. Lots of beautiful views. Ready to ride at 10:00 a.m.. There is lots of drinking water for the animals in the parking lot and on the trail. Please call Jeff at home 719-748-2207 and let him know that you are planning on coming so he knows who to expect and could call you if there is a weather cancellation.

October 3rd - Apple Days Parade-Penrose Colorado –Club approved our entry and it looks like we have at least 8 members who would like to participate. (Jackie will email everyone with a meeting place so we can get there at approximately the same time)

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

November – Garden of the Gods?

December:

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

Door Prize Drawing: Ed Martin won the prize tonight. Bute paste donated by Karen Corey.

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:

October 2009 – Julie Lanckriet

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 driver. "his tongue's hanging out."

"Which way?" asked Zack

"Left," his friend said.

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