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NEWSLETTER

Colorado Search and Rescue Board

PMB 424, 7645 North Union Blvd., Colorado Springs, CO 80920

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The next CSRB meeting is May 9th at Camp George West in Golden

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SAR Loses Two Great Assets

Rick Fosdick

Rick Fosdick of the Douglas County Search and Rescue Team died March 26 in Castle Rock. He was 28. Rick was a founding member of DCSAR and its first and only field director. In honor of Rick, the team retired the radio number 701, which designates the field director, and his regular radio call sign. He was also a coordinator and board member for the Colorado Search and Rescue Board and a member of Arapahoe Rescue Patrol from 1989 to 1998.

Rick was a graduate of Douglas County High

School in Castle Rock and received his bachelor's degree from Colorado State University. He was a lead software engineer for Lockheed Martin.

Rick is survived by his fiancée Meredith and her 3 year old son Justin, his parents Bruce and Cheryl, his sister Melissa and her husband Jeff, paternal grandparents and aunts, uncles and cousins.

Memorial contributions can be made to the Richard Fosdick Memorial Fund, c/o Castle Rock Bank, 501 Wilcox St., Castle Rock, CO 80104.

Wendell Tingley

El Paso County Search and Rescue bid a sorrowful farewell to Wendell Tingley on Thursday, April 25, 2002. Wendell passed away on Sunday, April 21, at the age of 83 from long-term lung ailments.

Wendell joined EPCSAR in April, 1988 at the age of 69 after retiring from Pikes Peak Community College. During his fourteen years of service with EPCSAR, Wendell served as chairman of our vehicle and building committees. It was an unusual visit to Rescue Base if he was not present, maintaining or repairing something.

Wendell put everything he had into search and rescue. During the blizzard of 1997, at the age of 79, Wendell was out in the middle of the night climbing through waist-high snowdrifts to get to people stranded in cars. When we had all-night missions, he was doing whatever he could do to help. Our old snowcats were notoriously unreliable, and he spent many, many early-morning hours repairing them so they could go right back out on a mission. He personally did much of our vehicle maintenance and repair, and also took care of getting our vehicles in for service and driving for us during missions to free

up people who were more "field-capable". Our building is in the best shape ever, largely due to his work. Despite his age, he made enormous contributions to our team. While these contributions were frequently behind the scenes and in many ways less visible, they were no less important.

Wendell had a brother in hospice in Illinois suffering from asbestosis. Sadly, Wendell and his brother both passed away on the same day. Wendell is survived by two brothers and a sister, a daughter and stepson, three granddaughters, a grandson, and a great-granddaughter.

We were fortunate that the MRA Honor Guard was able to attend and participate in Wendell's funeral. It was a very fitting tribute to a man who served the search and rescue community so faithfully for so many years. Many joked that Wendell would have thought that too much fuss was made over him. Wendell, you deserve it.

Search and rescue gave Wendell a sense of purpose in his later years by making a real, significant contribution to saving the lives of others. We are honored that Wendell chose to spend the last of his 83 years with us. We have lost a dear friend and loyal teammate; he will be sorely missed.


News, Notes, and Stuff...

<p>The International Technical Rescue Symposium here again in 2002!!</p>	<p>EARLY - EARLY BIRD DISCOUNT \$150 AAC, MRA, NASAR, NCRC (NSS) SPRAT Members (All Types)</p>	<p>(NSS) SPRAT Members (All Types) \$220 Non-Member</p>
<p>November 1 - 3, 2002 Denver Marriott West Golden, Colorado</p>	<p>\$185 Non-Member</p>	<p>Go to http://www.mra.org/itrs2002.html for details</p>
<p>Fees:- Before April 1, 2002</p>	<p>Fees:- After April 1, 2002 \$ 185 AAC, MRA, NASAR, NCRC</p>	

Idaho considers passing legislation to allow charging for Search and Rescue

The state of Idaho currently has legislation in the Senate Committee after passing the House. The legislation allows charging people over the age of 18 up to \$4000 if they disobey closed road signs and it then results in a search and rescue effort. The newspaper articles goes on to give the viewpoint of one local sheriff.

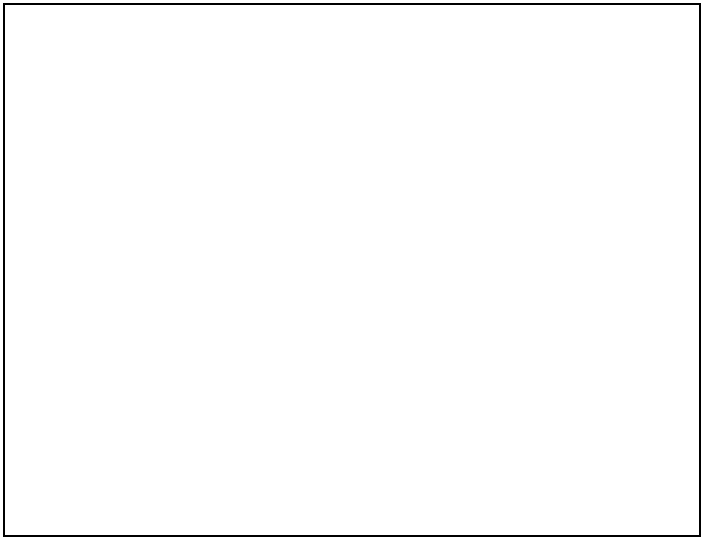
Unfortunately, due to a revamp of the Website given, the article is no longer available. (ed)



To those interested in CSRB hat pins:

There are only a few (yuk, yuk) of the CSRB hat pins, which are available from CSRB (\$5 each) - the bag is currently in the custody of the CSRB President - Bruce Fosdick. It is easiest to let Bruce know to bring them to a meeting because it probably costs more to ship them than the pin is worth.

Bruce Fosdick



If you ever need to find your way to the regular bi-monthly meetings of the Colo. SAR Board, there is a map on the OEM website. Go to: <http://www.dola.state.co.us/oem/images/cartoem.gif>



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The Salvation Army is making some changes and clarification regarding our support to various parts of the state.

If food support (Canteen) is needed for SAR, Wildland Fire, Terrorist Event, etc., it will be handled by the Denver Metro Unit, under the

Supervision of Michael Gelski

The Denver Metro Zone of coverage now includes:

- Adams
- Arapahoe
- Boulder
- Clear Creek
- Denver
- Douglas
- Elbert
- Gilpin
- Grand (eastern side primarily Granby or Grand Lake)
- Jefferson
- Park
- Routt (Denver or Grand Junction)
- Summit

If the search is going to go into a second day, The Salvation Army will assist. If the situation is unusual, such as a commercial air disaster or fire we ask to be contacted immediately.

Please be specific with your requests. (Hot Breakfast, Sack Lunch, Hot Dinner)
Give location where The Salvation Army is to setup, person of contact, closest telephone, is electrical service or potable water available.

The Salvation Army will support disaster exercises or training event, with real food, not "simulated food." Adequate advance notification is required because the training dates are limited and subject to first come first serve basis.

Grand Junction, Fort Collins, and Colorado Springs will handle their respective areas. If for some reason they cannot be reached contact the 24 Hour Number in Denver and we'll make every effort to make something happen.

Other areas of Colorado can make a request through the Denver number and we will make every effort to provide the needed services. (303) 296-2456
Michael Gelski (303) 947-5266 mobile phone, (303) 461-4051 pager, (720) 535-6068 home, (303) 296-2456 Office

Please encourage the dissemination of this information.



The picture is the two year old kitchen trailer. This is our vehicle of choice for the mountains because we can tow it there quicker than we can drive with the catering truck.

We still have the "Code 3 Roach Coach" which serves



snacks and beverages only and the catering truck.

Michael Gelski

SAR 2002 - Update

March 27, 2002 - 08:40 EST
Dr. Kevin Fitzgerald, from Animal Planet's "Emergency Vets" is confirmed for SAR 2002! Don't miss Kevin's hilarious comedy standup rou-

tine, and well as two bonus sessions he will present in the SAR Dog track. SAR 2002 is shaping up to be our biggest and best conference ever. **As of March 26th, the Exhibition Hall is SOLD OUT. The early registration**

rate has been extended to April 4th. If you haven't already registered, do so today! Don't miss this awesome 30th Anniversary Extravaganza!

FEMA Region VIII Sponsors Grant Writing Workshop

Need help writing fundable grant applications? An upcoming training course offers that needed assistance. The Federal Emergency Management Agency Region VIII is sponsoring "Grantmanship," May 6-10, 2002, at the Federal Center in Denver, Colorado. The Grantsmanship Center (TGCI) will present the course.

During the week-long session, participants will learn how to research grants and prepare grant-supporting documentation. For more information about TCGI, the course materials, and registration, see <http://www.tgci.com/>. For questions, contact:

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Larimer County Search and Rescue is hosting the MRA Spring Conference 2002.

Search and Rescue Personnel,

Visit the MRA Spring Conference 2002 web site at www.fortnet.org/lcsar and click the link "MRA Conference 2002".

The conference Agenda has been updated.

We can now accept credit cards for payment of registration and lodging fees.

A pre-conference event will be held on Thursday evening from 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM.

On the Roof of the World: Gasherbrum II, Himalaya-Karakorum

Randy Coffman
SAR and EMS Program Manager
National Park Service

In 1994 Randy Coffman was the summit team leader for the American-Norwegian International Expedition to Gasherbrum II (26,360'). This exciting slide presentation gives an insight into a successful, large scale climbing expedition in northern Pakistan. Randy has been with the National Park Service for 29 years, and is currently the National Park Service SAR and EMS

Program Manager. As a ranger and paramedic, he instructed EMS and SAR programs at the National Park Training Center in Grand Canyon. He has worked in the SAR function at Grand Canyon, Joshua Tree, Glen Canyon, Sequoia, Kings Canyon, and Glacier National Parks. In addition to his climbing experience in the Himalaya, Randy has led various climbing and skiing expeditions in New Zealand, the Swiss & French Alps, East Africa, the Andes, and Alaska.



REGISTER NOW! The registration fee goes up May 6, 2002. Time is running out. REGISTER NOW!

Spread the word to your fellow team members and any other parties that may be interested in attending the conference. Forward this e-mail on. Thanks.

For conference registration and information contact:

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Look for the complete schedule of events at: www.nasar.org.

Flight for Life upgrades "Lifeguard One" to high altitude B3 model

Three months ahead of schedule, St. Anthony's Hospital has replaced their Denver-based "Lifeguard One" helicopter with the more powerful model that has been the hallmark of Summit County's "Lifeguard Two."

Now, the two Flight for Life (FFL) helicopters have virtually the same capabilities at altitude - and the same external markings. Rocky Mountain Helicopters, the contractor that provides St. Anthony's with its helicopters, has assured that rescuers can identify the power of the two models of FFL helicopters by their external paint alone.

For the past few years, the Denver and Frisco helicopters have had different capabilities. The American Eurocopter A-Star 350 "B2" model based at St. Anthony's North in Denver (call sign "Lifeguard One") had less power at altitude than its big brother, the more powerful "B3" model in Frisco (call sign "Lifeguard Two").

As a result, mountain rescue Incident Commanders were required to be constantly aware of which helicopter was re-

sponding to missions at altitude. Now, St. Anthony's operates a B3 model out of St. A's North. The only complication for Incident Commanders is if one of the two B3 model helicopters is out of service or under scheduled maintenance (common with rotary-wing aircraft).



In that case, the replacement helicopter will still have the same call sign, but it will be one of the Flight for Life B2 models. (It is important to note that the term "Lifeguard



One" does not describe a specific helicopter, but is a call sign used by whatever helicopter is operating

out of St. A's North. Similarly "Lifeguard Two" defines the helicopter operating out of the Frisco base of operations.) If only one of the two B3's is out of service, St. A's will put the B3 model in Frisco, and the replacement B2 in Denver.

Thankfully, it is easy for rescue mountaineers to recognize the difference between FFL's B3 models and their B2's. The first photo is a photo of the Frisco "B3" model taken during a recent Alpine Rescue Team mission. Note that the B3's have TWO yellow stripes and the big red FFL heart on the side.

The B2 model (depicted in the second photo) has only one stripe and no heart.

For those that are very left-brained, the N-number on the ships is another way to identify them. The N-Number is the large identifying number on top of any helicopter between the turbine intake and tail pipe. The lesser powered FFL B2 models have N-Numbers of "N92LG" and "N96LG." The B3 models have N-Numbers of "N392LG" and N396LG (Note the "3" that follows the "N" - indicating a B3 model).

If that is confusing, just notice the difference in yellow stripes. TWO YELLOW STRIPES CAN FLY HIGHER THAN ONE!

Any questions, comments, or concerns, please let me know. Charley Shimanski Alpine Rescue Team



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The most important item to always bring along on a mission: Common Sense. It is common sense that teaches limits and the value of training. All the gear is worthless without common sense. Which is priceless.

Remember to send newsletter articles to: “remsburg@bigfoot.com”. Mail to: Dan Remsburg 1913 County Road 782, Woodland Park, CO 80863. Do you have a great SAR photo? Any photos submitted can be scanned and returned.