



# The View from the Peak

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## Next Membership Meeting

### Save the DATE/TIME

**Tuesday, August 15th**  
**At 5:00**  
**General Membership Meeting**

**LOCATION:**

**The Woodmoor Barn**  
**1691 Woodmoor Dr.**  
**Monument, CO 80132**

**Questions? Call Joanie Huggins**  
**Phone: 630-1955**

**See page 2 for details**

## Message from Dan Hannaway, Leadership Council Coordinator



*Dear Friends of the Force,*

Since you received the last newsletter, the São Paulo FF club departed with broad smiles in early June. We are hoping for an invitation from the São Paulo club to visit Brazil sometime in 2019. In late June, our club members returned from their journey to the Southern Oregon FF club, also with broad smiles. Those smiles were all that was needed to prove the success of both visits. Currently, we are finalizing our upcoming journey to Montreal in September.

Speaking of journeys (I find it difficult not to say “exchanges”) we are seeking volunteers to be journey coordinators for the outbound journeys to Tamworth and Bundaberg, Australia in August 2018, and the inbound visit of the Hsinchu, Taiwan club in October 2018. Although it may seem too far away for planning purposes, believe me, it is not. Those wishing to assume the role of journey coordinator must have journey coordinator training. They can participate in the new online training webinars for Journey Coordinators offered by FFI. Of course, those of us who have already served as journey coordinators are willing to advise and share our experiences.

There have been some logistic changes for FFI headquarters in Atlanta. FFI has a new mailing address: Friendship Force International, 400 West Peachtree Street NW, Suite #4 – 980, Atlanta, GA 30308. This address is the new mailing address only, not the physical address. I don’t have any further details on that. I can only share this quote: “Atlanta-area staff has shifted work environments to one of the many dynamic co-working spaces in the city”.

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### *Message from Dan (cont.)*

As I mentioned in the June newsletter, the Colorado Senior Center will no longer host evening groups and clubs as in the past. Now, groups interested in meeting at the Senior Center must do so under a rental agreement. The pricing is \$175 per hour, with a 2-hour minimum rental time. If you know of suitable venues for our general membership meetings (held every other month) that provide space for free or charge reasonable fees, please contact any council member with the information.

Spread the word. We're growing. We now have 65 members and welcome new additions. We have found that the best advertising is done using "word of mouth". There simply is no better substitute for attracting new members than personal contact.

Finally, don't forget to respond to the Evite to our membership meeting on August 15<sup>th</sup> at the Woodmoor Barn.

See you there!

*Dan*

### *Next General Membership Meeting*

Our August FFPPR General Membership meeting will be held in the Monument area at the Woodmoor Barn Community Center on Tuesday, August 15<sup>th</sup> at 5:00. The Woodmoor Barn is located at 1691 Woodmoor Dr. on the East side of I-25, exit 161. The club will provide the entrée and ice, but bring your own drinks (soft drinks, beer, wine, etc.) and either a salad, side, or dessert. And, please do NOT bring any serving utensils. We have plenty.

"A" through "G"                      -- Salads

"H" though "S"                      -- Sides

"T" through "Z"                      -- Desserts

There is a \$5 per person charge to cover expenses, which will be collected at the door. A slide show featuring a trip across Bosnia-Herzegovina will be presented.

Questions? Please call Joanie Huggins at 630-1955

*"Exposure implies vision. Isn't that the point of travel? To stumble, drop one's white cane in a blizzard and learn to see." -- Gretel Ehrlich*

## *Southern Oregon (Or-EEEE-Gun) Journey*

*By Joanne Karlson*

June 21 through June 28 was a full week of adventures, sights and experiences, new friends and lifestyles, restaurants and recreation and one day at 103° F. Twelve FFPPR members share these highlights of our journey.

**\*Travel and Welcome Dinner:**      Wednesday, June 21

What a way to begin a trip! The group of 8 had a delayed Denver flight and missed connections. They finally arrived in Medford, OR about 8:20 p.m. thus missing the dinner. Meanwhile, the Karlsons, Mort and Dianne who had traveled separately by cars did their best to represent our club and Colorado Springs. Our potluck dinner hosts included a couple the Karlsons had met in May in Reno at a Coast Guard reunion. Our host homes were spread from Ashland to Rogue River along I-5, but transportation was well planned throughout the week. Some hosts were teachers, others were a police detective/rancher, nurse with a Ph.D., transplants from England, Canada and Germany, a home builder, chiropractor, doctor/missionary, etc.

**\*Crater Lake National Park Trip:**      Thursday, June 22



This was a beautiful day! Blue skies and the deep blue water of the lake. Snowbanks being cleared for trails. A rustic lodge building. A FFSSO member led the tour to various viewpoints and had a great gift of gab about history and the crater formations. We really enjoyed him...an experienced teacher and former NP ranger. The evening was spent in Jacksonville at the Daisy Creek Vineyard where we had a relaxing dinner outside under umbrellas. A portable pizza oven business made pizzas to your order. The founder of the vineyard told us of his transitions from peach orchardist to a grape grower. We enjoyed tasting some of his wines. A lot of fresh air this day!

**\*Day in Ashland:**      Friday, June 23

During a backstage tour of the Oregon Shakespeare Festival buildings, we learned the early history of this annual festival now running from February through October, how actors make those fast costume changes, and the changing of sets. It is the largest rotating regional theater in the U.S. with 90 to 100 actors, 600 employees and 800 volunteers. Up to 11 plays (some not written by Shakespeare) are in rehearsals with 9 plays currently in performance in one of their three buildings. The rest of the day was free to explore Ashland's interesting downtown shops, walk through nearby Lithia Park or later that day, catch the outdoor "Oregon Green Show" featuring energetic drumming artists. Many ambassadors treated their home hosts for dinner.



\***Jacksonville Day:** Saturday, June 24

The first place to learn about this 1800s gold-mining town was our tour of the old cemetery. The guide and docents shared stories about some of the people and how the cemetery was divided into sections for various cultures and religions as well as a paupers' area. It represented the hard life of the times. Most of us rode the trolley around the town and saw many historical Victorian buildings, bars and B&Bs. There was a variety of good restaurants for lunch. The temperature reached 103° F. this day. The rest of the afternoon was free time. Some went on a jet boat trip on the Rogue River in Grants Pass.

\***Overnight Trip to the Redwood Forests and Ocean at Crescent City:** June 25, 26

Walking through the majestic trees and thick foliage gave us some good exercise! Visitor's Centers, talks by rangers, and gawking at the size of trees helped us learn the difference between a redwood tree and a sequoia tree, e.g. one grows along coast vs. other inland. During a walk on the beach the next morning, we found an unusual number of sand dollars and we collected some. The overnight hotel stay was comfortable and we enjoyed some local seafood. We got acquainted with other FFSO drivers as we carpoled and sometimes at stopping points, we traded into another vehicle. Returning "home", some of us stopped at the funky Burl Gallery in Kerby OR.



\***Free Day and Farewell Dinner:** Tuesday, June 27



We divided up and went in different directions...touring downtown Medford, lake fishing in a rented boat, a play performance. Six attended Shakespeare's play, "Julius Caesar". The staging was simple and contemporary, the acting was powerful and we had good seating. After their great battle ending the play, we went to a local brewpub to relax! We learned that Marilyn had caught the first fish! The farewell dinner was at a family restaurant in the nearby town of Talent. With 40 of us in the room, it was noisy with a lot of visiting. The food was excellent. The members of FFSO know where to take us to eat! Werner and Mort gave a short presentation using our banner to tell about the Pikes Peak area.

Shirley led us in singing "America, the Beautiful" and Judie invited their club to visit us in Colorado Springs.

\***Departure and Saying "Good Bye":** Wednesday, June 28

Most ambassadors flew home to Colorado Springs. The McClanahans stopped over in Seattle to visit Glen Driscoll, former FFPPR member. Dianne's plans to visit family in northern California were changed, but she made it back to Colorado! Mort drove on into Washington, Montana, and Yellowstone. The Karlsons extended their trip several weeks visiting much of family in Oregon and 4<sup>th</sup> of July at the beach. Several members said that they had crossed off several places on their bucket lists....Crater Lake, the redwoods, a beach on the Pacific Ocean. A good time was had by all.

Joanne Karlson, Journey Coordinator  
Photos courtesy of Marilyn Werschky and Shirley Miekka

## *2017 Journeys*

The last week of May was a blast for the many FFPPR members who participated in hosting Sao Paulo, Brazil. Below is a summary of the week's activities. If you aren't listed here, you missed out on lots of fun. A comment we heard many times was that our club members really seemed to enjoy each other. Proof of that is that three participants are now FFPPR members (Ines Blackburn, Phyllis and Ray Sperber). To share in the camaraderie, just volunteer to help with the in-bound journeys in the summer and fall of 2018.

Judie Werschky, Journey Coordinator

### **TEAM FFPPR**

**HOME HOSTS:** Barb and Dick Battersby, Kaye and Mike Brabec, Jeanne and Brian Marsh, Shirley Miekka, Jeannette and Jerry Sabolik, Dorothy and Terry Schultz, Phyllis and Ray Sperber (NM), Susan and Steve Tindell, Judie and Bob Werschky

**DINNER HOSTS:** Bruni Berkowitz, Ines and Alex Blackman, Dan Hannaway, Joanie Huggins, Joanne and Werner Karlson, Hilda Paglow, non-member Kathy Paglow, Irmgard and Paul von der Gathen

**COORDINATION OF DINNER HOSTS:** Irmgard von der Gathen

**TREASURER:** Larry McClanahan

**WELCOME BOOKLETS:** Dan Hannaway, Etta McClanahan

**PHOTOGRAPHY:** Brian Marsh and Dan Hannaway

**DENVER MEET AND GREET:** Susan and Steve Tindell

**WELCOME PARTY:** Jeanne and Brian Marsh, Ronnie Blum, Dan Hannaway, Etta McClanahan, Debbie Caldwell, Mort Munroe, Joanne and Werner Karlson, Bob Werschky

**TERRITORY DAYS:** Joanne and Werner Karlson

**UTE PRAYER TREES WALK:** non-members Darlene Aspedon, Shirley Semonchik

**USAFA LUNCH:** Susan and Steve Tindell, Bob Werschky

**HuHot DINNER:** Susan and Steve Tindell

**CITIZENS' SERVICE CENTER LUNCH:** Margaret Baptist

**TACO BAR DINNER:** Etta and (non-member) Charlotte McClanahan, Eunice Ciaccio, Debbie Caldwell, Bob Werschky

**LINE DANCING:** Jeanne and Brian Marsh, non-member June Cornish

**MOUNTAIN DAY LUNCHEs:** Marilyn and Jerry Werschky, Bob Werschky

**PIKES PEAK COG TRAIN:** Susan and Steve Tindell, Dick Battersby

**FAREWELL PARTY:** Elaine and Jack Brush, Kaye and Mike Brabec, Dan Hannaway, Jerry Sabolik, Marilyn and Jerry Werschky, Debbie and Tim Caldwell, Bob Werschky

**DAY HOSTS:** Marge Zimmerman, Debbie Caldwell, Annabel Widney, Marilyn and Jerry Werschky

**HAMS:** (help and moral support): Etta McClanahan, Marilyn and Jerry Werschky, Susan and Steve Tindell, Bob Werschky

*Journeys continued, next page*

**2017 Out-bound international journey:**

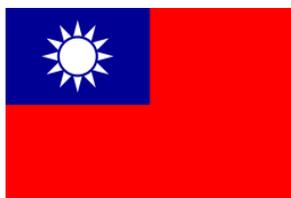
**Montreal, Quebec** All available ambassador slots for this journey are filled. Participants are looking forward to help our northern neighbors celebrate Canada's 150<sup>th</sup> birthday.

September 14 - 20

Journey Coordinators: Jeanne and Brian Marsh (590-7237)

## 2018 Journey Preview

Shown below is a preview of our 2018 journeys. Both of these international journeys have been approved. Specific dates and additional details will be published as they become available. The time frames are shown as an aid for planning purposes. As these dates approach, we will be looking for Journey Coordinators, Home, Dinner, and Day hosts. Maybe it's a bit early, but give 2018 a thought.

**2018 In-bound international journey:**

Hsinchu, Taiwan

October, 2018

Details TBA

**2018 Out-bound international journey:**

Tamworth & Bundaberg, Australia with possible 3<sup>rd</sup> week in Australia or New Zealand

August, 2018

Details TBA

*"The people are immensely likable— cheerful, extrovert, quick-witted, and unfailingly obliging. Their cities are safe and clean and nearly always built on water. They have a society that is prosperous, well ordered, and instinctively egalitarian. The food is excellent. The beer is cold. The sun nearly always shines. There is coffee on every corner. Life doesn't get much better than this."* — Bill Bryson, [In a Sunburned Country](#)

## *Help Wanted – Webmaster*

Yes, we are still looking for a webmaster to assume the duties of Nora Durham or at least serve as a backup. Nora has personal commitments that may see her out of town periodically. She has re-created our website with a fresher, more updated, look and feel. The webmaster role does not require detailed technical expertise. The hardware and software is FFPPR owned, so there is nothing to buy, and you do not have to use your own computer.

As Nora has stated, “Since 99% of the info on our web site is static, there is not much to update. I have created links to areas of the web that provide updated info to those sites so we are good to go there. As a temporary recommendation, if our members can be updated as to upcoming travel events through the Newsletter then the website does not have to be changed at all. I have plans to redo the page to access the Newsletter archive, but that is, in my opinion, non-critical. The only info that is not static is the page addressing the Council members. Since there have been some changes already, I'll update that info. In the future, however, it would be great to have a backup person that also has a knowledge of Web Easy.”

So, here is your chance to get a bit of web hosting knowledge the easy way. If interested, please contact Dan Hannaway at 596-7633 or any member of the Leadership Council (see page 15).

## *FFPPR Welcomes New Members*

FFPPR has three new members since the publication of our last newsletter. Please welcome Inés Blackburn and Phyllis and Ray Sperber. Inés, Phyllis and Ray have already been very active in the club having participated in our recent inbound Brazilian journey. Here is some biographical info on our new members:

**Inés Blackburn** -- I am an educator originally from Chile. The focus of my several decades of teaching and learning in this country has been to promote the humanities and the understanding of different cultures and ways of being. My husband is from North Carolina, an author, a painter and also a long-time educator. We both are still now deeply committed to teaching and learning. Then we do not claim that we are retired. We have three children.

**Phyllis & Ray Sperber** -- Phyllis Sperber, a Colorado native has lived in Colorado Springs for the past 6 years with her husband Ray. She and Ray have three children and six grandchildren which precipitated the move to the Springs. Phyllis was raised in northeastern Colorado in the small town of Wray. She began her career teaching English and gradually moved to the world of real estate and then to the insurance business. Phyllis enjoys working with people and currently works as a life coach and a busy volunteer in the community. Phyllis is thrilled to be involved with FFI and looks forward to more exciting adventures.



## Mayor's Reception to Honor International Students

FFPPR members have been invited to a reception to honor international students on October 28<sup>th</sup>. See below for details.



*The City of Colorado Springs & The Trustees of El Pomar Foundation*

Cordially invite you to  
**The Mayor's Reception to Honor International Students**

Mayor John Suthers, along with members of the community, will be present to welcome first-year university and graduate students to Colorado Springs

Penrose House, 1661 Mesa Avenue, Colorado Springs, Colorado  
Saturday, October 28, 2017 3:00 PM – 5:00 PM

PLEASE ARRIVE BY 3:00 PM, as the program will start promptly at 3:00

**REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED**

Dress: Traditional/National dress encouraged or business casual attire

RSVP to [franpilch@gmail.com](mailto:franpilch@gmail.com) cc'd to [joslyn56@yahoo.com](mailto:joslyn56@yahoo.com)  
by October 20 (or earlier if possible) with name, university, & country of origin so we may recognize you during the reception. Staff members are WELCOME to participate!

*Come and meet fellow international students from around the world and learn about the Colorado Springs community!*

### Penrose House Directions

From I-25, take Exit 138 "Circle Drive" Stay on Lake Avenue until you reach The BROADMOOR Hotel (approximately 3.3 miles). Proceed WEST towards mountains (street will now be called Lake Avenue). At roundabout in front of The BROADMOOR Hotel, make RIGHT on Lake Circle (mileage from BROADMOOR Hotel to Penrose House is approximately 0.5 mile). At next roundabout, take the second RIGHT . Proceed approximately 50 yards and take the next RIGHT onto Mesa Avenue. Continue approximately 0.25 of a mile, following the white concrete wall. Make LEFT onto the grounds of Penrose House at 1661 Mesa Avenue, speed limit 5mph. Guest parking lots are on the RIGHT

## Travel Tips

*Editor's note: "Travel Tips" is intended to allow FFPPR members to share travel knowledge. It is not meant as an endorsement of any particular company or product. Anyone else have some good tips? Let me know.*

*This month's Travel Tips article is from Allianz, submitted by Marge Zimmerman*

Thieves are smart. They target travelers because travelers have money. But you can outsmart a thief — all you have to do is make it tough for them to take your stuff.

One good rule of thumb is to act like a squirrel: Hide your money and travel documents in several different places, not all in one stash. Many travelers recommend bringing a dummy wallet when you travel, which is an old wallet filled with expired or fake credit cards and some small bills. Here are a few more clever hiding places for valuables while traveling.

### How to Hide Money on Your Body

Money belts and neck wallets — those flat, cloth pouches that fit under your clothes — are the traditional ways to carry money safely while you're traveling. They're meant to escape the notice of pickpockets and muggers, and the newer ones even have RFID blocking to keep your credit card and passport information safe. The problem with wearing one is that you end up fishing in your pants or under your shirt for cash, which may attract a thief's attention.

There are many other discreet and clever hiding places for valuables and cash in your clothing and on your body.

These include:

- **Money belts that look like real belts.** These belts have zippered pockets for cash (although nothing larger).

*Editor's note: I use a "money belt" that has an adjustable elastic band and fits comfortably under my shirt. It has two zippered pockets, one of which has two sections and can hold my passport. There is plenty of room for folding money as well. I also wear travel slacks that have a concealed zippered pocket at calf level just big enough to hold a wallet. js*

- **Money socks.** The [Zip It Pocket Sock](#) has a zippered compartment large enough for a passport and cash. While socks may sound like awkward places to hide valuables, the Zip It sock is designed for comfort, with fast-drying fabric and a nylon zipper.
- **Pocket underwear.** Companies like Smuggling Duds and Stashitware make underwear for men and women that includes a surprisingly large pocket for hiding valuables. While we don't recommend reaching into your underwear for cash while traveling, this solution is pretty much pickpocket-proof.
- **Money bra.** The [Bra Stash personal security wallet](#) attaches to bra straps with snap closures. Reviewers say a bra wallet is comfortable to wear but can be easily visible under tight shirts.
- **A hair roller.** [Travel blogger Monica Wong](#) suggests wearing a single hair roller while traveling "to get rid of that dull, flat airplane hair." And guess what? Inside that roller, you can hide a few large bills, secured with a bobby pin.

## *Travel Tips (cont.)*

### **How to Protect Valuables in Your Luggage**

We can't say it enough: Never, ever put valuable items or cash in your checked luggage. One government report found that more than 380 Transportation Security Administration officers were fired for theft between 2003 and 2012, [travel expert Peter Greenberg reports](#). The thefts included iPads, cash, computers, and cameras. Former TSA agent Pythias Brown, who was convicted of stealing valuables worth more than \$800,000, told ABC News it was easy to steal from luggage, even bags with TSA-approved locks.<sup>1</sup>

For your carry-on or personal luggage, you may want to invest in a bag with built-in safeguards to hide and protect your valuables. The [Ultimatesafe travel backpack](#) from Pacsafe promises to be virtually theft-proof. Its straps incorporate steel wire to deter bag slashers. Its zipper pulls attach to security hooks to thwart pickpockets. And turn-and-lock security hooks allow you to attach your bag to immovable objects. There's even a zippered pocket in the waistbelt.

If you're looking for a smaller theft-detering purse, Travelon makes a [cross-body bag](#) with a locking main compartment, cut-proof shoulder strap, rear zip pocket and extra-strong Velcro closures.

### **How to Hide Valuables at the Beach**

This is a classic traveler's conundrum. You want to bring your camera, phone, and cash to the beach. But how can you enjoy yourself in the water if you're worried about someone grabbing your stuff? You may be tempted to ask a stranger to watch your things, but that friendly-seeming local may take the opportunity to steal your valuables.

To discourage thieves, tie your bag to your beach chair so it's not easy to grab.<sup>2</sup> You can even purchase a locking travel bag, like the [KYSS Bag](#), which includes a retractable security chain.

Inventors have come up with some clever hiding places for valuables at the beach, such as the [TanSafe](#). It looks like an ordinary SPF-25 sunblock bottle, but it's a watertight container that can hold your phone (smaller models), credit cards, keys, and cash. Similar products perfectly mimic soda bottles and water bottles.

If a thief lifts your entire beach bag, however, that sunblock safe won't do you any good. One of the oddest — but still effective — hiding places for valuables is a disposable diaper. Take your phone, cash, and keys and roll them up inside a diaper, then fasten the adhesive tabs. Voila: a hiding place no thief will touch. You can leave it on your beach towel, so if your bag is stolen your valuables will remain safe. There are a few caveats, however: This works best for travelers with kids, obviously, and there's always the chance someone will toss the diaper by mistake.

If you just need to hide your cash and room key, consider [SlotFlop Sandals](#). These are unremarkable-looking flip-flops for men and women that have a hidden compartment big enough to store six credit cards. Or keep your valuables close while you swim with a waterproof case that hangs around your neck or attaches to your swimsuit. [Good Housekeeping reviews several waterproof travel cases here](#).

Sometimes, your stuff gets stolen despite your best efforts. That's why travel insurance from Allianz Global Assistance includes reimbursement if your luggage is lost or stolen while traveling. Keep in mind, too, that your homeowner's or renter's insurance may include coverage for your possessions while you're traveling. And if you're the victim of theft, the travel experts on Allianz's 24-hour hotline can help you report the crime, get money in an emergency and replace vital travel documents.

**Friendship Force of the Pikes Peak Region  
Leadership Council Meeting  
Minutes for Tuesday, May 2, 2017  
1:00 p.m. at East Library, Room F1**

**Attendees:** Dan Hannaway, Mike Brabec, Dick Battersby, Judie Werschky, Kaye Brabec, Dorothy Schultz, Jerry Sabolik

Past President/Current JDs/Guests: None

**Introductory Remarks (Dan Hannaway)**

- Status of FF name tags. Dick Battersby displayed the choices and indicated the selection of the majority of the members responding. Tags will be ordered and available in 2 weeks.
- FFPPR details on FFI website updated. Still some discrepancies are present, the major one being membership numbers are not current. FFI says “work in progress.”
- Communication with FFI regarding a possible 3<sup>rd</sup> week Down Under in 2018 still in limbo.
- Addition of Hsinchu, Taiwan Inbound in Sept/Oct 2018. Still in limbo, but we responded favorably to acting as hosts.
- Our by-laws now require up-dating to reflect the recent changes in terminology. Dan will email copies of the by-laws to all council members for their review. Other items may also require adjustment. (N.B. The change of Exchange to Journey results in some awkward phrasing and to some extent obscures the purpose of FFI in the humble opinion of this correspondent.)
- Jerry Sabolik is updating the pictures of his recent adventures in Europe on a link attached to the Newsletter.

**Minutes of Previous Meeting (Mike Brabec).** Moved and seconded to accept as read. Passed.

**Treasurer’s Report (Dick Battersby).** Dick distributed copies of the corrected and updated report. Noted that the Blackburns have not yet joined or paid dues. Sixty-one current members.

**Journeys. (Judie Werschky):**

International Journeys:

May 27-June 3, 2017 Inbound from Sao Paulo, Brazil. Brazil  
JC Committee of Margaret Baptist, Annabel Widney, Kaye Brabec, Shirley Miekka, Judie Werschky, Hannah Hunter and Ronnie Blum. Treasurer for this journey is Larry McClanahan.

August 8-15, 2017	Inbound from Xalapa, Mexico	Cancelled by Xalapa
Sept 14-20, 2017	Outbound to Montreal, Canada	JCs Jeanne and Brian Marsh.

August 2018	Outbound to Tamworth and Bundaberg, Australia
Sept/Oct 2018	Hsinchu, Taiwan

Domestic Journeys:

June 21-28, 2017	Outbound to South Oregon — Joanne and Werner Karlson JCs
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Since we now have a vacancy in August with the cancellation of the Xalapa club, Judie contacted 8 US clubs for interest in journeying to Colorado Springs. San Antonio expressed interest. Tucson club was very interested. Albuquerque possibly. Wichita possibly. Salt Lake City very interested.

### **Meeting and Event Plans (Joanie Huggins):**

Council members were pleased with venue of Rancho Alegre our April meeting. Food was good and semi-private room for program. Kudos to Dick Battersby for interesting program on their trip. Attentive staff.

October, December Membership Meetings will be held at the Senior Center. Dan confirmed reservations.

June meeting will be the farewell dinner for the Sao Paulo club at the Brushes' on Friday, June 2, at 5pm. Judie and Bob will deliver drinks, paper goods, ice in the morning while the ambassadors are on Pikes Peak. A \$6 per member charge will be collected. Jerry will send out the Evite to members with a RSVP deadline by Memorial Day, May 29. Dick and Larry will secure (\$) change.

August meeting may be August 21 at the Woodmoor Barn. Dan will contact Susan Tindell if they would be willing to handle the arrangement. If we don't have the Barn for that meeting, Senior Center large room or the room with adjacent patio may be arranged. Jerry will provide the program (or John Stansfield). Kaye and Dorothy will be greeters.

December program at the Senior Center. Suggestions of Abe Minzer, Marge Zimmerman's son (guitarist) belongs to a group, someone may be appropriate. Laurie Gabriel, a cellist/singer entertained at our December, 2014 Christmas party and was well received. I could not locate any further contact information on her however.

### **Membership, Recruitment, Publicity, Fund Raising (Kaye Brabec and Dorothy Schultz):**

Resignation of Dianne Wood from this position was noted. Resignation note of Dianne Wood is attached in the Archives. Election of Kaye Brabec and Dorothy Schultz was welcomed.

- KRDO interviews. Judith McKay (AAUW member) hosts My Colorado interviews.
- Publicity. Kaye will contact editor(s) of Cheyenne and Woodman Editions of Gazette.
- Home visits.
- Dick will order FFPPR business cards, with our insignia and website included, to be attached to brochures and available for handout.

**Newsletter (Jerry Sabolik):** Jerry will shortly be deploying his Beg-a-gram email for material.

**For the Good of the Order:** The next meeting will be May 2 at East Library, 5550 N. Union, Room F1 at 1 PM.

**Adjourn-4:11 pm.** Respectfully submitted: Mike Brabec, Recording Secretary and Historian

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**FFPPR Treasurer's Report  
July 11, 2017**

<b>Checking Balance 4/06/2017</b>			\$4,185.58
Expenses:			
05/13/2017	CK 1918	Creative Awards (63 FFPPR Name Badges)	\$579.41
06/14/2017	CK 1919	Nora Durham (Reimb Trix Graphics Invoice 18181)	-\$60.00
Income:			
06/06/2017		Add'l Brabec Name Badge	\$8.50
		Sperber Membership Dues	\$70.00
		FFPPR Dinner Receipts	\$79.00
07/11/2017		Ines Blackburn Membership Dues	\$35.00
<b>Checking Balance 07/11/2017</b>			<u>\$3,738.67</u> =====
<b>Other ENT Credit Union Accounts:</b>			
05/31/2017	Savings		\$1,912.77
05/31/2017	Exch Ck	Deposit \$2250 from Sao Paolo	\$2,250.00
	Ck 5168	Unkown Reimb for farewell exp	-\$178.62
<b>Total All Accounts</b>			<u>\$8,077.20</u> =====

*Summertime  
And the livin' is easy  
Fish are jumpin'  
And the cotton is high*



## *Aileen Maley and Wes Dieter*

FFPPR has lost two old friends in Aileen Maley and Wes Dieter. Both Aileen and Wes along with his wife, Barbara Dieter, were very active in the early years of FFPPR.

**Mae Aileen Maley** - Aileen was an active founding member of FFPPR, having served as a past president in the 1980s. She and her husband, John, truly enjoyed travel and meeting others. As an FFPPR alumna and honorary member, she had attended a number of our events in recent years. Aileen had many interests – book club in AAUW, Gateway Presbyterian Church, many years with a local home economics group, and most of all, her family. She was a former teacher in the Fountain-Fort Carson school district. Aileen and John had a summer home in the Colorado mountains. She never lost her Southern accent while talking! A memorial service will be held at 11:00 A.M. on August 12<sup>th</sup> with reception to follow at Gateway Presbyterian Church, 731 Castle Road. Private inurnment, Shrine of Remembrance Mausoleum, Veterans Honor Court.

### **Wesley Harlow Dieter**



Wesley Harlow Dieter born 12-13-1922, died 6-2-2017. Married Barbara Dorothy Williams Dieter 5-29-1948. Wes is survived by his wife Barbara and 3 children, David (Debra) Dieter, Charles (Cathy) Dieter, and Dana (Sam) Ortiz, 4 grandchildren and 4 great grandchildren.

From the age of 12 Wes worked in the family business, The Dieter Bookbinding Company of Denver. He served in the Army Air Corps during WWII. After graduating from the University of Colorado, Boulder in 1948 he continued to work for the bindery until going to work for Thompson Pipe and Steel of Denver, retiring after 30 years.

He was one of the co-founders of a community outreach program at UCCS (University of Colorado, Colorado Springs) called, Curiosity Unlimited. For several years he was active in the Alumni Program of the Boulder campus and, in fact, served on its Board of Directors. He was an avid CU football fan for 77 years.

His family came first for him and he never failed to revel in his extended family of grandchildren and great grandchildren. At a future date, there will be a private family memorial service.

The FFPPR Newsletter is published and distributed on a bi-monthly schedule and usually will correspond to our general membership meeting months. As your newsletter editor, I welcome any suggestions, criticisms, and, of course, your articles. An updated FFPPR 2017 Calendar of Events appears at the end of this newsletter. It may be updated throughout the year if event dates should change. And don't forget to check out our updated FFPPR website where you can view past issues of our newsletter and much more. A special thanks to those who submitted articles or photos for this issue. It makes my job a bit easier. Thank you all for your support, and please send your comments and articles to me at [j2sabolik@comcast.net](mailto:j2sabolik@comcast.net).

*Jerry*

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# 2017 FFPPR CALENDAR

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N
1	2017	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	2017
2	Sat				1			1 Canada Day						
3	Sun	1 New Year's			2			2			1			Sun
4	Mon	2			3	1		3			2			Mon
5	Tue	3			4 Lead Council	2 Lead Council		4 Independence Da	1		3 Lead Council	1		Tue
6	Wed	4	1	1	5	3		5	2		4	1		Wed
7	Thu	5	2	2	6	4	1 São Paulo	6 Lead Council	3	1	5	2		Thu
8	Fri	6	3	3	7	5 Cinco de Mayo	2 São Paulo FW	7	4	1	6	3	1	Fri
9	Sat	7	4	4	8	6	3 São Paulo	8	5	2	7	4	2	Sat
10	Sun	8	5	5	9	7	4	9	6	3	8	5 End Daylight Svn	3	Sun
11	Mon	9	6	6	10	8	5	10	7 Lead Council	4 Labor Day	9	6	4	Mon
12	Tue	10	7 Lead Council	7 Lead Council	11 Passover	9	6 Lead Council	11	8	5 Lead Council	10	7 Lead Council	5 Lead Council	Tue
13	Wed	11	8	8	12	10	7	12	9	6	11	8	6	Wed
14	Thu	12	9	9	13	11	8	13	10	7	12	9	7	Thu
15	Fri	13	10	10	14	12	9	14	11	8	13	10	8	Fri
16	Sat	14	11	11	15	13	10	15	12	9	14	11	9	Sat
17	Sun	15 MLK B'day	12 Lincoln's BD	12 Daylight Savin	16 Easter	14 Mother's Day	11 King Kamehar	16 Easter	13	10 Pre Quebec	15	12	10	Sun
18	Mon	16 MLK Day	13	13	17	15	12	17	14	10 Pre Quebec	16	13	11	Mon
19	Tue	17	14 Valentine's	14	18 FF Meeting	16	13	18	15 FF Meeting	10 Pre Quebec	17 FFMeeting	14	12 FF Meeting	Tue
20	Wed	18	15	15	19	17	14	19	16	10 Pre Quebec	18	15	13 Hanukkah	Wed
21	Thu	19	16	16	20	18	15	20	17	14 Pre Quebec	19	16	14	Thu
22	Fri	20	17	17 St. Paddy's Da	21	19	16	21	18	15 Montreal	20	17	15	Fri
23	Sat	21	18	18	22	20	17	22	19	16 Montreal	21	18	16	Sat
24	Sun	22	19	19	23	21	18	23	20	17 Montreal	22	19	17	Sun
25	Mon	23	20 President's D	20	24	22	19	24	21	18 Montreal	23	20	18	Mon
26	Tue	24	21 FF Meeting	21	25	23	20	25	22	19 Montreal	24	21	19	Tue
27	Wed	25	22 Washington's	22	26	24	21 Outbound	26	23	20 Montreal	25	22	20	Wed
28	Thu	26	23	23	27	25	22 S. Oregon	27	24 World Conf	21	26	23 Thanksgiving	21	Thu
29	Fri	27	24	24	28	26	23 S. Oregon	28	25 World Conf	22	27	24	22	Fri
30	Sat	28	25	25	29	27 Inbound	24 S. Oregon	29	26 World Conf	23	28	25	23	Sat
31	Sun	29	26	26 Prince Kuhio	30	28 São Paulo	25 S. Oregon	30	27 World Conf	24	29	26	24	Sun
32	Mon	30	27	27		29 São Paulo	26 S. Oregon	31	28 World Conf	25	30	27	25 Christmas	Mon
33	Tue	31	28	28		30 São Paulo	27 S. Oregon		29	26	31 Halloween	28	26	Tue
34	Wed			29		31 São Paulo	28 S. Oregon		30 Yom Kippur	27		29	27	Wed
35	Thu			30			29		31	28		30	28	Thu
36	Fri			31			30			29			29	Fri
37	Sat									30			30	Sat
38	Sun												31 New Year's E	Sun