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SERVING BOULDER COUNTY

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IN BOULDER COUNTY.



COMMUNITY FOUNDATION SERVING BOULDER COUNTY:

Promoting philanthropy and creating opportunities to improve the quality of life in Boulder County for now and forever.

COMMUNITY STARS

Who were this year's shining stars?

Brilliance and innovation. Those are the qualities The Community Foundation seeks to recognize and honor with its NOVA Awards.

Here are the 2002 winners:

ARTS

Many Mountains Moving

This literary and arts organization has created a way for local writers to address two common problems: isolation and lack of exposure. The group has provided a venue for local writers to share their works and also publishes a literary journal, which has led to national exposure for local writers.

CIVIC

Center for People with Disabilities/ Adaptive Garden

In a collaborative effort

, CPWD has built a 3/4-acre garden in its backyard that is accessible to its disabled clients. To produce this garden, the CPWD pulled together almost \$100,000 in donated goods and services and 1,300 volunteer hours. The garden features raised beds, container gardens, a gazebo, a water feature, and a "drive-thru" shed.

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EDUCATION

Project YES

Project YES (Youth Envisioning Social Change) helps young people develop their skills in leadership, critical thinking, conflict resolution, communication and problem solving, using art as a medium.

ENVIRONMENT

Indian Peaks Wilderness Alliance/Backcountry Volunteer Program

As the Forest Service cuts back on backcountry personnel, the Indian Peaks Wilderness Alliance is working to

train volunteers for service on backcountry trails. The volunteers assist the Forest Service with answering questions, reminding visitors about fire bans and dog leash rules, and reporting back to the Forest Service on trail and campsite conditions, water quality sampling and invasive weeds.

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

People's Clinic/ Prescription Drug Program

In offering sliding-scale fee health care to uninsured Boulder individuals and families, the People's Clinic became aware that many patients are unable to afford the prescription medications that are an essential part of their care.

So the People's Clinic created its Prescription Drug Program to be a liaison between patients and the major drug companies, and to facilitate the ongoing supply of important medications for its patients.

These awards were given out at the foundation's annual Community Stars luncheon, held on Sept. 5. Two individuals were also honored at that event:

PAT ON THE BACK AWARD

John Goodenbour Recipient

The Pat on the Back Award is named to honor Pat Shoemaker, who volunteered at Boulder Community Hospital for 28 years, and to recognize other individuals who have given extraordinary—but often uncelebrated—volunteer time in caring for the community.

Terry Benjamin, executive director of EFAA, estimates that the 2002 award recipient, **John Goodenbour**, has saved the agency over \$120,000 in his tenure as "Computer Guru" for the group. John was

looking for a way to get involved in the community after his retirement. "It started as just a good project," said John, of EFAA's original request to network their computers. "They come up with new problems and I come up with answers."

EFAA, or Emergency Family Assistance Association, is a safety net for families facing homelessness and other poverty-related crises. Now John is on call for computer troubles at EFAA, which can be frequent for a staff Terry describes as "computer challenged."

John wants it to be known: he is not a hero in his mind. "I'm just one of the volunteers," he said.



John Goodenbour

STAN BLACK AWARD

Bev Sears Recipient

Named for one of The Community Foundation's founders, this award is for an individual who has contributed outstanding "time, treasure and talent" to our community.

Bev Sears, the 2002 award recipient, moved to Boulder in 1961 and started her community work almost immediately, volunteering at her sons' elementary school. Her next step was to get involved in government, first with the Colorado Second Congressional District Democratic Committee, and then with former Rep. Tim Wirth. Soon she herself was drawn into civic life, winning a seat on the Boulder City Council in 1979 —a pivotal time in the growth and development of this area.

Her nonprofit resume is distinguished, with service on the boards of People's Clinic, the Colorado Music Festival, the Boulder Chamber of Commerce, and the Boulder Soviet Sister City Project. Her current activities include Zonta



International Club.

She also serves on the University of Colorado President's Business and Community Council, is involved in the Fortnightly Club, raises money for the Audubon Society and serves on the board of Special Transit.

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SAVE THE DATE

Monsoon 2002: November 15

Monsoon 2002, the dinner and auction fundraising event for the foundation's Open Door Fund, which serves the county's GLBT community, is scheduled for November 15. Please call the foundation for more information.

WELCOME TO TWO NEW FOUNDATION STAFF MEMBERS

The Community Foundation is pleased to announce the new additions to our staff:

If you call the foundation offices, you will likely be greeted by the voice of **Michael Tonnesen**, our new receptionist and building manager. Michael, having worked construction on the Spruce Street Mansion, was a natural fit to help manage the building.

Morgan Rogers is the foundation's new program's assistant. She will be helping us coordinate our many programs and events, including the Millennium Trust.

We are confident the new staff will bring ideas and energy to our fantastic group.

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CULTURE OF GIVING

Yes, Little Yellow Balls Again

Our Culture of Giving movement is picking up speed again this year. We will be mounting a fall media campaign to increase awareness about volunteering and giving in Boulder County.

Please visit our web site to find out more about this initiative a www.cultureofgiving.org. Help us cultivate a Culture of Giving in Boulder County!

FINALLY – A COMMUNITY EVENTS CALENDAR

We are excited to announce a new addition to our www.cultureofgiving.org website: a non-profit event-scheduling calendar. This project was designed at the request of local groups trying to avoid conflicts as they schedule their major events. It is currently to the public, but may only be updated by nonprofit groups registered on the Culture of Giving site.

Check it out: www.cultureofgiving.org/calendar

LEAVE A LEGACY

How Do I Leave A Gift in My Will To Help The Community Foundation?

Leaving a gift to charity is a decision that is entirely yours to make. Many individuals set aside a certain dollar amount through their will; others leave a percentage of their estate or any assets left over after their family has been provided for.

To be certain that the charitable group of your choice receives the gift, you need to state your intention in your will. Here is a sample of bequest language:

I give, devise and bequeath to THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION SERVING BOULDER COUNTY, a non-profit corporation, _____ (description of property) for general purposes or for the specific purpose of _____ (designate purpose).



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