## **SENIOR** RESOURCE **SERVICES**

# Senior Scroll



Helping Hands for Seniors

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#### Phone: 970-352-9348

#### Office Hours: Monday-Friday 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

#### **Holiday Closures**

Thursday, Nov. 26 Friday, Nov. 27 Thursday, Dec. 24 Friday, Dec. 25

Client services will be provided on Friday, Nov. 27 and Thursday, Dec. 24.

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## I'M BACK! From the Desk of DeeAnn Groves

The individual that was chosen to replace me decided "it was not a fit". Therefore, with the support of Senior Resource Services Board of Directors, we will hire an individual that will have the position "Executive Director Assistant." I will share with her the history, structure and future of Senior Resource Services.

Our Volunteer Driving Program is increasing its numbers of requests daily; therefore, the recruitment of volunteers in all of Weld County is always never ending. If you know of any volunteer or yourself, please call the office at 970-352-9348. As our present volunteers can tell you, the rewards of providing transportation for a senior is beyond describing. "Try it you might like it."

The OARS program training went very well, and we now have 10 individuals available to sit with your loved one for a couple of hours a month at no charge. Of course, there is paperwork to be done before, so call the office and schedule an appointment.

We are presently building a larger Board of Directors for SRS. If you are interested and have the time and desire, please call me and we will discuss it.

Whether an asset or a detriment, I will be around and active with SRS for quite some time. Drop by the office for a visit!

DeeAnn Groves, MA Gerontologist Executive Director

#### Meet Our Senior Resource Services Board of Directors

## Front row, left to right:

Lisa Magnum-Secretary Pat Alnutt-Chair DeeAnn Groves-**Executive Director** Liz Sage Gretchen Truesdell

#### Back row, left to right:

Will Iones-Treasurer Eric Walker Paul Rainbolt

#### Not shown:

Marilyn DiMartino







## **Cycle for Seniors 2015**

On a perfect Colorado day, Senior Resource Services hosted their annual "Cycle for Seniors" event, Saturday, July 18, 2015. Seniors, children, family, friends and SRS volunteers gathered at the **Poudre Learning Center** to bike-walk-run-stroll the trails. This was the fourth annual "*Intergenerational Joy Ride*" along the Poudre River trails and all enjoyed a day filled with food, T-shirts, drawings for prizes

(including an adult three-wheel bicycle), tickets to local museums and gift cards from businesses. Refreshments included Eileen's Colossal Cookies and a lunch provided by Chick-Fil-A. As a special addition this year, the Northern Colorado Classic Cruisers "cruised" to the event displaying their restored and beautiful classic cars! Senior Resource Services would like to thank all the volunteers and businesses who participated in this event.

Alzheimer's Association
Breeze Thru Car Wash
Chick-Fil-A
Colorado Model Railroad Museum
Community Foundation Serving
Greeley & Weld County

**Currier Inn** 

Eldergarden Adult Day Care

Family FunPlex

**FMS Bank** 

Garden Square at Westlake

George's Bike Shop

**Grace Pointe** 

Guardian Angels, Catholic Church

Hi-Tech Auto Body inc.

**Homes for Heroes** 

Ice Haus

Iconic Wingman

Mead Area Community Foundation

Northern Colorado Classic Cruisers

Real Living, CO Properties

Union Colony Exchange Club of Greeley, CO



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## Volunteer Notes...From the desk of Teresa Schunter

Teresa Schunter is the volunteer coordinator for SRS. She knows volunteers are the lifeblood of SRS. She also realizes that without our incredibly selfless volunteers, our seniors could not have such quality lives.

#### **VOLUNTEERS:**

- 1. PLEASE CALL SENIORS AT LEAST 24 HOURS BEFORE YOUR SCHEDULED PICK UP. Confirm time date and destination. We have been experiencing some unfortunate events with seniors arriving late to appointments, or more troubling, seniors arriving to a doctor's appointment that doesn't exist or has been rescheduled.
- 2. You are not asked to take the senior any place but the original request. If you have time and wish to, you may add on destinations. From my direction, if this is inconvenient for you, please tell the senior they will need to call the office and schedule. Kindly say, "That won't work for me today. Check with the office."
- 3. Go to the house at the scheduled time even if you have not been able to reach the senior before the appointment. Call the office if there is no answer (970-352-9348) Perhaps the phone is down or they have rescheduled and the office is unaware. It may be, unfortunately, a health emergency. In that case, we will immediately call the emergency contact number from our office.
- 4. If you need to reach me (970-396-7971) and cannot wait until my next office hour occurs, PLEASE CALL THE MAIN OFFICE at 970-352-9348.
- 5. Please encourage your able friends to become a volunteer. If you recruit one person who takes one ride, I will arrange a gift card for you. I really need drivers, especially in the Johnstown, Platteville and Windsor areas.

AGAIN, THANK YOU VOLUNTEERS. YOU MAKE MANY HEARTS SING!

## Van Voice

Our van goes to banks, hair, nails, grocery shopping, and to other non-medical needs.

#### **Drivers are:**

Wednesdays—Ken Thursdays—Fred Fridays—Donna Substitute Driver—John

#### Teresa's Office Hours:

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 Noon Friday 12:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Phone: 970-396-7971

THE SPECIAL VAN WILL RUN ON THESE TUESDAYS. THIS IS FOR PEOPLE WHO NEED AN EXTRA VAN AT THE BEGINNING OF THE MONTH.

SEPT. 8 OCT. 6

NOV. 10

DEC. 8

How we keep this great service operating!

Donations, fundraisers, and grants.

Any
donation of
\$1.00 or
more is
gratefully
accepted
and you will
have assisted
a senior to
remain
independent.

Thank you, DeeAnn



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#### Helping Hands for Seniors—-VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT

If you are a volunteer and you mail, hand deliver or complete your volunteer activity log on line at <a href="www.seniorresourceservices.info">www.seniorresourceservices.info</a> under the volunteer tab by the 7<sup>th</sup> of each month, then we enter your name into a drawing. The monthly winners are listed below:



**MICHELLE WEEKS** won the May drawing for submitting her hours for April. Michelle received a King Soopers gift card. Michelle has been a volunteer for SRS since last November and assisted transporting seniors on a monthly basis until summer. We hope to hear from Michelle this fall that she is ready to volunteer again.

**LAURA MCCABE** joined SRS as a volunteer in November of 2014. Laura is an amazing volunteer and takes a senior client every week to physical therapy. Plus, she has provided other rides for seniors throughout the months she has been with us. Laura, we would not be able to help our seniors without you! Laura received a SRS polo shirt for submitting her May hours.

**CHRISTINA GERINGER** has been a long-term volunteer. She joined SRS in June of 2008. For submitting her June hours, Christina won a King Sooper's gift card. Christina has always participated at our events, and this year she attended the Colorado Rockies game with SRS. We can always depend on Christina to transport our seniors.

**THOMAS WOODRUFF** became a volunteer for SRS in March of 2015. Tom is transporting our seniors to appointments in Greeley and Evans. For submitting his July hours, Tom received a King Sooper's gift card.

Reminder: If you refer a friend to SRS to become a volunteer, you will receive a gift card for your efforts. As the number of clients continues to increase, we need additional volunteers.

As always, Senior Resource Services thanks all of our volunteers who assist the elderly. We also want to thank the many generous businesses in the community who have donated these gift cards to recognize these compassionate volunteers. With your help Senior Resource Services is now serving 680 seniors.