



**THE  
MOUNTAINEERS**  
Newsletter

# March Trip Report

We had eighteen guest and member vehicles when we left the Albertsons parking lot in Fort Collins. Our trip planners led us north to the Red Feather turnoff at Livermore. As we gained altitude, we could see the remnants of the previous night's snow. At Red Feathers we turned onto the Prairie Divide Road and continued until we found a wide spot in the road to stop to air down and lock in. The sun was shining brightly when we got to the end of county maintenance and where the snow plow had stopped.



We were into untouched new snow with several large drifts. We had to stop several times when somebody would get sucked into the giggly weeds and had to either

be winched or snatched straight again. It took quite awhile for the group to gather together again when we hit the Cherokee Park Road. The group headed on up the road with a short stop at a convenient potty box. At about lunch time we arrived at our lunch



spot which was the Trail-head to road 314 in upper Cherokee Park. Several took a whack at the drifts at the beginning of the trail. When those Drifts were broken open,

we broke into 2 groups with Coyote John leading those on road 314. Don M took the second group up to Road 315 (Sand Creek) and with any luck at all, the two trains would meet in the middle, well at least that was the plan. Don's group had to go through an active timber sale area but at least the road was plowed in this area. When



we got to the end of the timber sale, we found the trail blocked by some felled trees and Don had to winch his way over them and lop a few tree tops off.

Both groups were in the deep snow now and winches and snatching straps were the order of the day for some. We made slow progress and finally each group was able to talk to each other on the CB. After a while, we could hear each group's engines rapping up to make another try at a drift. The Wiley Coyotes' bunch suffered a setback when guest Emerson broke a front axle on his Rubicon and had to be strapped through several places. What a cluster of vehicles when we all met each other but it was great that the plan worked. Some were trying to turn around while others were trying to get far enough off the trail to let a few go by them. Once we got everyone headed the way they wanted to go, it didn't take to long to get everybody back to their respective trail-heads.

The only problem we had the rest of the way home was that it got warm enough to melt the snow on the county road and turn it into a muddy mess. I'm sure that the car washes in town liked all the quarters we spent cleaning our rigs but probably didn't appreciate the mud we left behind. All in all, it was a challenging day for most but still a fun day for the Mountaineer family.

El Guapo





# April Trip

This months trip will be to Road 182C (see if you can find it on the map) hint it is in the Cherokee Park area. We will still leave from the north Albertsons on College & Willox at 9:00am Sunday April 25th.



## Guests at Last Meeting

John Wasson      Scott Riley  
Bob Opdyke      Bob Gordon

## Jeep for Sale

97 YJ JEEP WRANGLER V6, 100,000 MILES  
RAG TOP, 35" TIRES, 3" LIFT  
NEEDS TRANSFER CASE MODEL 253  
NEEDS REAR DRIVE SHAFT  
**CONTACT BYRON TAYLOR 310-6410**



Got Marshmallows?



## Tow Hook Party

The Mountaineers will gather on April 24th for a tow hook party at Coyote Cruisers to do any minor welding or installation of tow hooks on your vehicle. More  
5 About this at the membership meeting.



## **Mountaineers in Moab week.**

The date has been set for our week in Moab. The first trip will leave from the Moab City Market at 9:00 am on June 5th, 2010. We will have an organized trip every day through Friday, June 11th. More about this at the meeting. Be sure to put in for your vacation time at work for this fun time in Moab.

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## **Poudre Canyon Cleanup Saturday, April 17th**

We will do our first adopt-a-highway cleanup of 2010 this coming Saturday, April 17. Our area of cleanup is between mile marker 117 and 119, which is just a mile or so up the canyon from Ted's place. Please meet at mile marker 119 (picnic rock parking area) at about 8:45 so we can start promptly at 9:00am. Bags and safety vests are provided so all you should have to bring is gloves and a hearty appetite. No, you won't have to eat the road kill; afterwards we will head down to the Braskich Plantation where Mike and Bianca will be cooking up a blueberry pancake and bacon breakfast for us. You can eat out on the wooden deck by the pond and listen to the 20 foot high waterfall or go out to the hut and bowl a line or two on his regulation size (complete with automatic pin setter) bowling alley. If pinball or ping-pong trips your trigger, they have that too. Hope to see you there! Guests are welcome. Any questions, call Craig at 221-5524.



# Members Rides

**Member Name** – Darwin & Colleen Stengaard

**Member Number** – 30

**Ride Make & Model** – 1982 Toyota Landcruiser

**Engine** – Stock Inline 6

**Transmission** – Stock 4 Speed

**Transfer Case** – Stock

**Front End** – Stock Toyota 4:56 gears

**Rear End** – Stock Toyota 4:56 gears and Detroit

**Wheels & Tires** -Converted to 11X33” on 16” rims

**Springs & Shocks** – Add a Leaf apprx 3” lift and Rancho 5000

**Miscellaneous** – Custom Built Bumpers/Rock Guards, Warn Winch, CB, GM Power Conversion, Cargo Rack, Interior Tool Boxes, Tow Hooks

**Current & Future Projects** – Sell It, Runs Great 190,000 miles



**Dan and Chris took 2nd place in  
the W.E. Rock competition in  
Oroville CA**







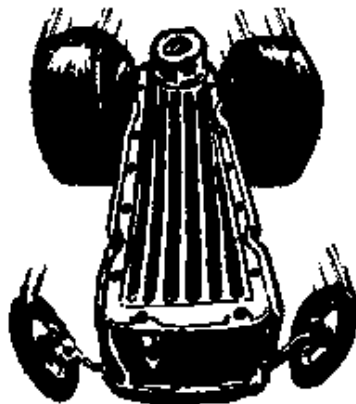
## 5th Annual Valve Cover Races

During the May meeting we will be holding our great valve cover race. Now is the time to start building your valve cover for this years race. A trophy will be given for the 1st place valve cover & the best looking (or creative ) valve cover.

The basic rules are as follows:

- 15” maximum width - 30” maximum length - 10” maximum height - 10 lb. maximum weight
- Weight will be by official scales only
- No engines - No propulsion of any kind
- One valve cover per chassis - No switching chassis or cover
- Automotive valve covers only with stock gasket surface
- Nothing can be mounted in front of either the valve cover or chassis
- No moving or movable weight

The race will be for distance, exactly as in past years. Good luck!!!



| April 2010                            |   |                     |                        |                            |        |                       |
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| SUNDAY                                | MONDAY                                      | TUESDAY             | WEDNESDAY              | THURSDAY                   | FRIDAY | SATURDAY              |
|                                       |   |                     |                        | 1<br>Bev Scheid            | 2      | 3<br>Sharon Kapperman |
| 4<br>Dan Oster<br>Valorie Miller      | 5<br>Christina Eddy                         | 6                   | 7                      | 8<br>Aure Marvin           | 9      | 10                    |
| 11                                    | 12 <b>BOARD MEETING</b><br><i>Dave Oden</i> | 13<br>Bob Schleppey | 14                     | 15<br>Cassandra<br>McCurry | 16     | 17                    |
| 18                                    | 19  | 20                  | 21 <b>CLUB MEETING</b> | 22                         | 23     | 24                    |
| 25 <b>CLUP TRIP</b><br>Rich Stengaard | 26  | 27<br>Dave Oden     | 28                     | 29                         | 30     |                       |

| May 2010                                |  |                  |                        |                                     |                                    |                              |
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|   |  |                  |                        |                                     |                                    | 1                            |
| 2<br>Karlen Mueller                     | 3  | 4                | 5                      | 6<br>Jeff Mueller<br>Ehanna Boening | 7<br>M&L Golly                     | 8<br>Bill Marquardt          |
| 9                                       | 10 <b>BOARD MEETING</b><br><i>Lori Golly</i> | 11               | 12                     | 13                                  | 14                                 | 15                           |
| 16                                      | 17   | 18<br>Tim Sigley | 19 <b>CLUB MEETING</b> | 20                                  | 21<br>Corinne Surface              | 22<br>B&H Crue<br>C&A DeWitt |
| 23 <b>CLUP TRIP/ 30</b><br>Heidi Cramer | 24/31<br>Jesse Keller                        | 25<br>L&S Vlcek  | 26<br>Shane Payton     | 27                                  | 28<br>Tonya Mercer<br>G&A Kinnison | 29<br>Ben Crue               |

Board Meeting: May 10 7:30pm Lori Golly  
 June 7 7:30pm Dan Venrick  
 Membership Meeting: Apr. 21 7:30pm Knights of Columbus, 121 N. Meldrum, Ft. Collins  
 May 23 7:30pm Knights of Columbus, 121 N. Meldrum, Ft. Collins  
 Club Trip: Apr. 25 **9:00am** **Albertson's Parking Lot N. College & Willox**



**Larimer County 4WD Club, Inc.**  
**The Mountaineers**  
**PO Box 1225**  
**Fort Collins, CO 80522-1225**

## *April Newsletter*

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The following businesses give Mountaineer Members special discounts on parts or specific services. In other words, they save us money... and we are grateful.

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| <p><b>Ft. Collins 4X4 Center</b><br/>           1101 North College<br/>           Ft. Collins, Colorado 970-482-5500</p>  | <p><b>NAPA Auto Parts Ft. Collins</b><br/>           316 S. Link Ln.<br/>           Ft. Collins, Colorado</p>  | <p><b>CarQuest Auto Parts</b><br/>           2716 South College Avenue<br/>           Ft. Collins, Colorado 970-226-5050</p> |
| <p><b>Bullhide Liner 4X4 &amp; Auto Accessories</b><br/>           5817 South College Ave.<br/>           Ft. Collins, Colorado 970-224-2288</p>  | <p><b>Coyote Cruisers &amp; OffRoad</b><br/>           417 North Hwy 287<br/>           Ft. Collins, Colorado 970-221-1833<br/> <a href="http://www.coyotecruisers.com">www.coyotecruisers.com</a></p>                         | <p><b>Moab 4x4 Outpost</b><br/>           1831 S Hwy 191<br/>           Moab, Utah 435-259-0911</p>                          |
| <p><b>Front Range Off-Road Fabrication</b><br/>           24192 W. County Rd. 74E<br/>           Red Feather Lakes, CO 970-881-2418<br/> <a href="http://www.frontrangeoffroadfab.com">www.frontrangeoffroadfab.com</a></p> | <p><b>4X4 Used Parts / 4X4 Off Road</b><br/>           938 West Willox Lane, Ft. Collins<br/>           970-224-1133 <a href="http://www.4x4usedparts.com">www.4x4usedparts.com</a></p>  | <p><b>RockStomper</b><br/>           P.O. Box 724<br/>           Firestone, Colorado 303-833-1431</p>                        |
| <p><b>Aunt T's Pet Motel</b><br/>           3200 E. Mulberry Ft. Collins<br/>           970-484-5776 <a href="http://www.fcvet.com">www.fcvet.com</a></p>   | <p><b>Horsepower Auto Brokers</b><br/>           1409 E. Olive Ct. Unit E, Ft. Collins<br/>           970-482-2579 <a href="http://www.horsepowerauto.com">www.horsepowerauto.com</a></p>                                      | <p><b>Vanworks</b><br/>           900 East Lincoln Avenue<br/>           Ft. Collins, Colorado 970-484-5344</p>              |
| <p><b>Wellington Toy Storage</b><br/>           4000 Washington Ave. Wellington,<br/>           Colorado 970-498-2111<br/> <a href="http://www.wellingtontoystorage.com">www.wellingtontoystorage.com</a></p>               | <p><b>CDR Communications, LLC</b><br/> <b>Cabling Done Right</b><br/>           Call Don Maresh @ 970-556-7276<br/>           don-cdr@live.com<br/> <a href="http://www.cablingdoneright.com">www.cablingdoneright.com</a></p> |  |