

Youth, Parents, & Mentors—Come Join Us . . .

FYI BBQ POTLUCK & BASEBALL GAME

Monday, August 18th

5:30pm—8:00pm

**BV River Park Pavilion
& Baseball Fields**

Come meet Heather and say hi to Laurie!

Salida Bus: 5:00pm
Presbyterian Church
Return by 8:30pm

WHAT TO BRING:

- ~Dish to share
- ~Baseball glove (if you have one)
- ~Sunscreen, Sunglasses, Visor/Hat/Cap
- ~Sneakers
- ~Warm layer: Sweatshirt, hoodie, etc.



Caleb C & Tyler L at last year's baseball game

New Program Coordinator



I'm pleased to introduce **Heather Barron** as our new program coordinator! Heather has over 15 years of experience in youth & adult development and program administration and is excited to return home to Chaffee County after traveling the last 4 years. Her background includes leading youth and training staff at

Adventure Unlimited Ranches; developing a community center in Truckee, CA; leading community building workshops throughout the country; starting her own business as an Integral Life Coach; and serving in numerous volunteer positions with diverse youth of all ages. Last winter she enjoyed a short stint in Salida working at the Boys & Girls Club and The Crest Academy. Currently, Heather is a seasonal scholarship advisor for Outward Bound, and she and I have been collaborating to support three CCM youth attending OB this summer. Heather starts with us full-time on August 11th—join me in welcoming her!

 *Eleanor*

Mentors, we have new coupons — call us for details!



Intern Deb Papp, Youth Jackie Y, & Volunteer Rick Papp enjoy a tube ride at Waterworld

THANK YOU to all our Waterworld volunteers
AND

CONGRATULATIONS to these students
(who weren't in last month's newsletter) for improving in school: **Briana C, Kirsten H, Tyler L, Emily L, Katie P, AJ R, Ashley R, Zach T**

Come Volunteer!

Saturday, August 9th

*Sign up with your match
for a 1-hour shift between 9AM-3PM*

**Help at our AID STATION to
support bicyclists riding 100 miles!**

***Meet at the Denny Creek Trailhead—
12 Miles west of the stoplight in BV***

Great Volunteer Opportunity for Matches!

Contact Us:

Eleanor Fahrney, CCM Manager
719-539-2630 (Salida) / 719-395-7006 (Buena Vista) / 719-221-2074 (Cell)

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Youth In Action News

Youth in Action

TEEN READERS FOR KIDS

Empowering young teens as literacy mentors for pre-school students

AUGUST CALENDAR

FRIDAY, AUGUST 8TH

Summer Fun!

Hike to Agnes Vaille Falls

MEET AT: 10:30am at the BV Library

PICK UP: 3:00pm at the BV Library

MONDAY, AUG 18TH

FYI BBQ Potluck & Baseball

Bring the whole family and a dish to share!

MEET AT: 5:30pm at the BV River Park Pavilion



THURSDAY, AUG 21ST

Middle School Starts In BV & Salida

MONDAY, AUG 25TH

Salida Head Start Pre-Day

Eleanor will be there to meet parents and sign up pre-schoolers for YIA

CALL 530-5360 FOR MORE INFO

TUESDAY, AUG 26TH &

WEDNESDAY, AUG 27TH

BV Pre-School Pre-Day

Eleanor will be there to meet parents and sign up pre-schoolers for YIA

CALL 395-7029 FOR MORE INFO



Remember . . .

Remember our hike to the river in April? Come join us Friday, Aug 8th for another water hike—see details below. That will be our final summer reunion activity just for YIA kids — Families are invited to the FYI BBQ and Baseball Game on Monday, Aug 18th.

This photo reminds me of all the great memories made in YIA last year. With school starting, new YIA matches will be created. But the matches of '07-'08 will always be special. Remember to say hi to each other when you see your friend in the grocery store or library. Ask them about their summer vacation . . . Keep the connection going.

As we go into a new school year, some middle schoolers will be mentors again, some will not. I hope ALL of you middle schoolers remember what leaders you are. The commitment, confidence, and caring you demonstrated last year are a part of you. Show everyone what a leader you are by making good choices and being kind at school, home, work, and with friends.

For middle schoolers & their pre-school buddies . . .

Summer Reunion Activity—FRIDAY, AUGUST 8TH

READING & HIKE TO AGNES VAILLE FALLS

This is a beautiful 1-mile hike near Nathrop

Meet: 10:30am at BV library

Pick up: 3:00pm at library

Space is Limited!

You must call Eleanor to sign up: 221-2074

BRING A BACKPACK WITH:

- ~Lunch & water bottle
- ~Sunglasses
- ~Visor/Hat/Cap
- ~Sneakers or Hiking Boots
- ~Thick socks (that cover your ankles)
- ~Warm layer: Fleece or hoodie
- ~Rain jacket / Pancho



Middle Schoolers . . .

Want to do YIA again?

Pick up the '08-'09 application from your school counselor (Yes, you have to reapply)

Help us recruit boys!

Call Eleanor with any questions:
719-395-7006 / 719-221-2074 (cell)