

Chaffee County Mentors News

Providing youth guidance, support, & friendship through positive mentoring relationships

CONGRATULATIONS

to these students for improving a grade from 3rd to 4th quarter or maintaining A's & B's!

Melody B	Tyler L	Nish
Cheyenne J	CJ M	Eric P
Josh L	Destiny M	Jason P
Sierra L	Thomas M	Piper P
Shantel L	Sarah M	Brianna R
Andrew L	Christina N	Whitney T
		Jackie Y

These students have earned a trip to . . .



**Saturday,
July 12th**

Salida Bus: 7:00am
Back of Middle School
Return by 9:30pm

BV Bus: 7:45am
Avery-Parsons Elementary
Return by 8:45pm

WHAT TO BRING:

- ~Lunch & water bottle
- ~Bathing suit / tee shirt & quick dry shorts
- ~Sunscreen, Sunglasses, Visor/Hat/Cap
- ~Sandals/Flip-flops
- ~Warm layer: Sweatshirt, hoodie, etc.
- ~Towel & Full change of clothes

*Call us by
July 8th
to sign up
with your
mentor or
parent!*

As many of you know, Laurie has resigned from her position as program coordinator. Her attention to detail and genuine care for all around her has been a huge asset to our program. We're excited that she'll be staying involved as a volunteer. We hope to have a new coordinator in place by the end of July.



Note from Laurie:

Dear Mentors, Youth and Families,

It has been both a pleasure and a privilege working with all of you this past year and a half. You have each touched my life in a unique way, and I thank you for allowing me to get to know you. The Chaffee County Mentors Program will continue working to build positive mentoring

relationships between youth and adults. I am truly grateful that I had a part in that work. I am looking forward to seeing all of you at the Back to School BBQ, Potluck and Baseball Game on August 18th at 5:30 pm. Feel free to keep in touch via e-mail: laurie@chaffee.net or phone: 239-0842. I would love to hear from you.

Sincerely, *Laurie Coggins*

Mark Your Calendars!

Sat, 8/9—Aid Station for SCR's Going Green 100 Mile Bike Ride. Volunteers are needed to help run the aid station at Denny Creek Trailhead near BV. Call to sign up for a 1-hour shift from 9am—2pm.

Mon, 8/18—FYI Potluck BBQ and Baseball Game. At the BV River Park Pavilion from 5:30pm—8pm. Salida bus will pick up at Salida Presbyterian Church at 5pm. Bus returns to Salida at 8:30pm.



SOUTH CENTRAL RACING
Generational Bike Relay

Sunday, July 27th—11:45AM

**Need a bike?
Want to sign up?
Call us!**

**This event is for EVERYONE
whether you have a mentor or not!**



BV PICK-UP:
10:45am at Avery-Parsons
Back by 2:15pm
~Pack a Lunch~

SALIDA STUDENTS:
11:45am at Alpine Park
Parents pick up at 1:15pm

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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

SUMMER CALENDAR

EACH FRIDAY, JUNE & JULY

(except July 4th)

"Catch the Reading Bug!"

At the BV Library

Reading, Fun Crafts, & a Great Opportunity for Matches to Reconnect!

For mentees, middle school mentors, and all kids Kg-6th

MEET AT: 10:30am at the BV Library

PICK UP: 11:30am at the BV Library

Eleanor will be there each Friday!

FRIDAY, AUGUST 8TH

Summer Fun!

Activity TBA

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

GREAT NEWS!

Youth In Action will be held weekly in both Buena Vista and Salida in the 2008-2009 school year! Middle schoolers will get to mentor pre-schoolers through fun literacy activities every Monday in Buena Vista and every Wednesday in Salida, starting at the end of September.

SUMMER REUNIONS AT THE LIBRARY

We've been having fun learning about bugs through reading and crafts at the Buena Vista Library, Fridays from 10:30-11:30am.

Come Join Us!



Above: Holly helps Keegan (l) and Terry (r) design their own bugs

Right: Rob Readmond, Family to Family Mentoring Manager (see page 6), shows off his kids & their bugs



Right: Dominic, with mentor Cody, displays his special bug

Congratulations to all our Pre-schoolers! You get to start Kindergarten in August!

Parents, here are some ideas to help the transition to kindergarten happen more smoothly:

- Attend the library's reading program every Friday through July (except July 4th) at 10:30am
- Set time every day to read to your child at home
- Take your family on "field trips" - go for a walk in the park, visit the Heritage Museum, swim in the pool (call us for discounts or ideas)
- Visit the elementary school with your child and let him/her play on the playground
- Always speak positively about school when the conversation comes up
- Come to YIA August activities—see calendar!



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