

Colorado National Monument - Joan Anzelmo



In May 2007, Joan began her service here in the Grand Valley as Superintendent for Colorado National Monument. She has been actively engaged with the community and a strong advocate to her agency for long needed improvements to the Monument's infrastructure and increased coverage by park staff in the areas of law enforcement, emergency services, interpretation, visitor services, natural and cultural resource protection and enhanced maintenance operations. Most recently Joan established the first ever National Park Service seasonal trail crew through funding received by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act. It also expanded curriculum based environmental education and junior ranger programs reach more than 7000 District 51 students based out of the Monument.

Currently Joan and her staff are beginning preparations to celebrate the Monument's Centennial in 2011.

While You Dozed

(Astute Observations from last week's meeting)

By Cub Reporter Reed Mitchell

The Amazing Bell Caper –Chapter 2: President Joe Cool continues to be distressed about the loss of the Rotary Bell stolen several weeks ago. This horrific offense was just today compounded by the theft of his Coolness' Gavel. Oh the humanity!! We suspect one of the sticky fingered PP's of the offense but in the interest of our personnel longevity as a Club Member we're not naming names. Joe hopes he'll still have his piano player next week. The plot thickens

President Joe, it's definitely time to call up the FBI and locate your missing treasures and persecute the culprits. I mean just how much thievery can one guy tolerate? Joe also lamented his alleged friends "screwing him" and there were several responses from the audience none of which are even fit for our gentle reader's ears and eyes.

Then to a resounding round of applause, our stout-hearted new president took the bull by the horns and ousted King David from the stage for dallying with his song conducting. There were murmurs of "at last" throughout the room. David apparently forgot to load his pants with a CD we noticed.

President Joe is also looking for Club artifacts for the Sept. 16th. meeting celebrating the Club's 90th Birthday. See Claudia Crowell if you have old Club stuff or for more details.

On the Beat: This reporter, while covering the Chamber after-hours Tuesday evening, spotted seasoned Rotarian Jack Connelly aka: "Smooth Walker" sporting his wife's red purse. Jack looked very comfortable with it and it even matched his outfit to a tee. Hmmm

New Members: Jane Krose of Doubletree Hotel fame sponsored by Jan Pomrenke who leaked info on Jane's illegal bird racing habit. Luckily for Ms. Krose agent Quimby wasn't in attendance. Joan Joseph of KKCO 11 News also joined our ranks" The one to watch". Sponsor Glen Mills whispered.

Happy Bucks:

- **Gay Hetland** meekly offered \$100 happy bucks as penance for not attending regularly. Kinda spendy to skip a few meetings, aye Gay?
- **John Howe** also offered \$20 happies for being back, talk to Gay next time John \$\$\$.
- **Steve Gunderson** made an offering for surviving a 14 day motorcycle trip to the Canadian Rockies. Steve got back into the country without a glitch. Just dumb luck!
- **Kirk Rider** put up \$5.00 as a reminder that Joe owes the PPs a dinner. They're always hungry.
- **Nancy Hill** had 5 happies to celebrate Tyler Ryel's newfound feminine side and Kathy's waiting for her Granddaughter to get tired of her Bump and Jump so she'll come for a visit. Diverse happiness.
- **Chris Unfug paid David Durham's** \$5.00 fine and was also thankful the bear he saw last week headed the other way. Chris must have offered the bear a King n Trio CD.
- **Jane Foster's** \$2.00 happy she got a big contract to connect Doc's and Hospital's together -- you go girl! And her company is actually hiring. What's it pay Jane? I could be available for a price.

Warner's Corner



As the cover of *The Spokesman* reminds us on a weekly basis, the Rotary Club of Grand Junction celebrates 90 years of service to humanity in 2009. Planning is well underway for our September 16 meeting, the date we'll formally mark the occasion.

Members of the program planning committee are: Herb Bacon, Barbara Bowman, Claudia Crowell, Gwen DeCino, Kevin McChesney and Barbara Smith. The next meeting of this group will be at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, August 12.

Committee members say they'd welcome input and/or assistance from anyone interested in helping out. Also, there're on the lookout for memorabilia, artifacts - and stories - to share with the club at large. It looks like things are taking shape for an exciting celebration!

** *Here are two entries from our club's history book: June 12, 1919: "Informal meeting was held in an office in the 500 block of Main Street. Organizing committee included Walter Walker, Sterling Lacy, Fred Coe, J.H. Rankin, J.W. Swire, Scott Heckman, R.E. Tope and Ollie Bannister." September 11, 1919: "Charter Night Dinner was held at the YMCA. District Governor Roger Motten presented the Charter. Dr. Duniway, president of Colorado College, gave the address."*

There were no gifts for our President today but Joe didn't lose his cool. Hey guys, Joe needs some new hats and stuff so let's get traveling. But remember Joe's gifts gotta be really cool.

Mike Moran (a Kawanian) gave us a rundown on the MBA program at Mesa State College. It's a great program for us older types. Aside from belonging to the wrong club Mike's talk was not entirely a snoozer, eh Mr. Bacon? Only one night a week for six years get's ya an MBA. Once a week sounds good to me.

Meeting of the Grand Junction Rotary Foundation

A special meeting for members of the Grand Junction Rotary Club Foundation will be held during our regular meeting on August 12, 2009. All members of the Club are members of the Foundation. The purpose of the meeting will be to elect, for a 3-year term, two (2) members to the Foundation Board of Directors. One of the members to be elected must be a Paul Harris fellow.

The next Masquerade meeting will be held August 5th at 11:30 AM, before our regular Rotary meeting at Two Rivers.

Warning to John Duffy—Get the printing done right this time or bring on the Jim Beam.

Fun Facts

By Jan Pomrenke

Last week I sat down and commiserated on what to write that was fun for you today and alas ... nothing came to my almost blonde brain until my dear friend, **Carolyn Mavrakis** invited me to lunch and we had the best chat. Hence, my story. Thank you Carolyn.

Almost all of us have had the privilege of knowing the wonderful, kind, and brilliant attorney **Keith Mumby**. I thought he might even have been a past president of Grand Junction Rotary but he wasn't. I don't even know if he was ever a member. Anyway, here's the story. In the next week or so he and his wife will be motoring to Keith's 60th class reunion in Nebraska or somewhere like that. Ten years ago when he attended his 50th reunion his high school girlfriend returned to him his high school class ring. Well, ten years later Keith found her ring that she gave him and at this reunion he will return her ring to her. Isn't that sweet? I love the story. So Herschiel Hayden, if you are anywhere out there and hear this, please return my gold cross with the diamond that my Uncle Albert brought me from Japan while in the Navy during the Korean war. It would mean a lot. Thank you. And for the rest of you keepers, go the mile and return those other special pieces and make someone's day. It is always a sweet blessing when that happens.

Upcoming Dates

Meeting Programs
Claudia Crowell
Program Committee Chairperson

August 12 **Bacon to Borneo**
Herb Bacon

August 19 **Grand Junction Imagination
Library**

Upcoming Meetings

August 7 **Past President's Meeting**
Noon, Bookcliff Country Club

August 12 **Rotary Exchange Committee**
11:15 a.m., Two Rivers Conv. Ctr

August 19 **Rotary Board Meeting**
5:00 p.m., Rm. 101, Hospice Care
Ctr. Ctr, 3090 B N. 12th Street

August 5, 2009