

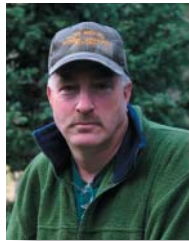


THE CHRISTIAN Outdoor Fellowship of America

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Greetings Friends

Elkcamp in the City



By: Michael Brooks

Greetings friends! This year's Elkcamp in the City was a great success. We had 52 people attend and lots of learning going on. The purpose of Elkcamp in the City is to reach out to all elk hunters in a learning setting. How do we do this? By offering classes that they can use in the field. We had GPS navigation—this is a great class if you traverse the side of a mountain. The wilderness survival and medicine series of classes were a big hit. Many walked away with new respect for the outdoors and their safety. One of my favorite classes to watch was the camp cook share his tips and secrets about cooking elk on the BBQ. Many sat around the grill and listened and enjoyed new techniques on camp cooking.

As I sat and listened in on several classes, the excitement was very evident in each class with the questions asked by those in attendance. Anytime you can talk hunting of any kind, you will get all kinds of ideas and opinions on hunting, whether it's around a campfire or in a classroom setting. This will get men and women to share great hunting stories. I can recall my dad talking about duck hunting in the great state of Minnesota, or reading about my grandfather's exploits of getting a goose and deer for Thanksgiving dinner in November 1904, when he was twelve years old living in central



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Wisconsin. If you could look back in time, what would our forefathers think about all these new gizmo's (GPS, bullets, scopes, pop up blinds, gas BBQ grills, scents wafers, and good Lord.....stuffing an elk head). Yes, times have changed—these new gizmos make hunting so much safer and better. The individuals who led seminars at this year's Elkcamp taught me several things. By listening to their hearts and ideas, we need to stay the course, keep reaching out to the





outdoor community using our passion of the great outdoors to share the love of the Lord with a lost and broken world. Many hunters have no answers to their problems. They don't know where to turn, and they suffer in silence. We are to be that light to a lost and dying world. Are you this light? Do you see the hunter as a man or woman in hunters orange, or someone to share the hope and Good News with? That is a question we need to ask ourselves.

In early 2006, we will be striking out in a new direction which God is leading us. We will be hosting Fishcamp in the City. This camp will reach out to all fishermen/women who have a passion for fishing. There will be seminars taught by professional fly-fishing guide, Greg Channing, and a host of other experts. This camp will be right on the water where you can get first-hand experience from several seminar speakers that will share their personal tips that will help you to become a better angler. If you're in the Denver/metro area and have a passion for fishing, this will be the place to be. Watch future monthly newsletters for details on Fishcamp in the City as we continue plans for this event.

If you feel that sharing the Gospel in the outdoors is a great idea and something that you want to help with, then I would encourage you to prayerfully consider supporting COFA on a monthly basis. Each dollar that you contribute will go directly to promoting the Gospel in the great outdoors through hunting, fishing, hiking, backpacking, and other events that COFA sponsors. So many are afraid to share their faith with family and friends, that it really scares them. The staff at COFA is trained to share their faith with the people we come in contact with at COFA events—that's where your dollars help. COFA sponsors several events and when the people come, we hear some amazing testimonies on how lives have been changed around a campfire, or sitting in a seminar. If you want to be a part of seeing outdoors men and women come to know the Lord, contact Mike Brooks if you are interested in being a COFA sponsor at mbrooks33@aol.com.





Pastor's Corner: Sometimes You Win— Sometimes You Lose



By: *Tim Riter*

The Bait

Some locals claim the upper Sacramento River, right under the I-5 bridge in Dunsmuir, may yield the best trout fishing in California. I can't judge that, but it is a gorgeous stream. Pines come right down to the water's edge, yet leave enough space to cast and still not get hung up too often.

Wild blackberries give ample reason to study the river, and large boulders in the 20-yard width provide holes for the trout. The rumble of nearby freight trains adds a sense of timelessness.

I'm still not sure about the quality of fishing, but I did come to doubt the fisherman's rationale, "The worst day fishing beats the best day working."

I'd caught one and lost another when I spotted a sure hole for a hungry trout. "Hope springs eternal in the fisherman's breast." Carefully working my way twenty feet down a steep slope, a section of dirt broke loose. I lost my balance and took a fall. Hard. Not the slow motion kind, nor the type you just pop up from, but a "happens at the speed of light, see stars, lose your orientation, hurt yourself good" one.

After checking to see that my antique wicker creel was okay, I realized I'd done it this time. My left arm just hung there, motionless. Somehow, the motionlessness concerned me more than the significant pain in my shoulder. I cautiously clambered back up the slope, holding my split bamboo fly rod and creel in my one usable arm. I didn't dare abandon these valued companions. I walked the one-quarter mile to where Sheila, my patient wife, waited reading in the car.

I thought I'd broken my arm, but Dr. Saunders at the ER said the shoulder was dislocated, along with two breaks in the socket. Not only was the day of fishing on "the greatest stream in California" ruined, but the injury cut short a 10-day vacation

with Sheila after our first full day at Mt. Shasta. With that, I realized I found the hook.

Setting the Hook: be thankful for life's difficulties.

Reeling It In

Lying on the examining table in the ER with pain throbbing from my shoulder and arm, a phrase from 1 Thessalonians 5:18 flashed through my pain-numbered mind, "Give thanks in all circumstances." "Father, no. You don't really mean that!"

He was silent, but the phrase repeated itself in my mind. When I realized He meant what He said, I yielded a grudging, "Well, Father, I do thank you for this. I don't have a clue why this happened. I don't particularly like this pain, nor ending the trip. But You told me to do this, and I am. But if You want to bring a miraculous healing, that's okay."

He didn't. But I did gain some peace. I let go of the long awaited trip to see my ministry mentor, a great friend, and the gorgeous redwoods on the north coast of California. I was okay with it, and expected little else. But to be honest, I still see no benefit from the accident.

I didn't make an unplanned stop in a gas station on the way back and buy a winning lottery ticket. Nothing great and unexpected occurred that wouldn't have if we'd continued the trip. I experienced pain, and Sheila and I experienced friction over it. To this day, over a year later, I'm not aware of any special blessing we received.

So why be thankful for all things? I may not have gained anything, but I did lose something: bitterness, the sense of loss. So, I guess I did gain a better spirit about the event.

How about you? Can you identify any recent experiences that still have you hacked off? Do they still gnaw at your mind, and poison a relationship? Try thanking God for them. You may reel in an unexpected catch of serenity.





COFA in the Ohio Hills



By: Wilbur (Grizz) McCormick
COFA is alive and well in the beautiful hills of southern Ohio. The first meeting was held in September of 2004 around a campfire in timber country where the monster Whitetail bucks reside. The original six men

were all avid hunters, fishermen and campers and have jointly spent thousands of hours in God's great outdoors. Since then the group has grown to a solid core of sixteen, representing Jackson and Athens Counties.

Having heard of COFA and its annual Elkcamp in Colorado, the group sent a scout to the 2004 camp to see if these folks were for real. The report was an enthusiastic affirmative. "Grizzly" not only found a group of men dedicated to fair chase elk hunting, but a group of men dedicated to the spreading of the Gospel of Jesus Christ and have found that there is no better place to start than in the beautiful mountains of Colorado.

Fifteen men from southern Ohio plan to attend an elk camp in Colorado this fall. Some will hunt with bow and some to follow the trail with rifles. Several have commented that a week in the mountains with Christian men will be worth the trip. An elk in the freezer would just make the trip all the sweeter.

Southern Ohio is known for the harvesting of monster whitetail deer. Taking the pattern from the men in the west, the Ohio COFA men are planning a hunt for whitetails during the fall gun season. Please consider this an invitation to all you folks in Colorado and around all the US to come to southern Ohio and let us show you a little different hunt, but one that holds all the same excitement as elk camp. We plan to limit this year's hunt to eight guests. We want everyone to have a good chance to take home at least one deer. (Three may be taken in our part of Ohio.) The hunt will be from November 28th to December 1st on privately-owned land known for its high deer population. For more information, contact Wilbur (Grizz) McCormick at leejoy@adelphia.net or by phone at 740-286-5522.

Leaf Peeping in Colorado



By: Cathy Channing—portions reprinted with express permission from Photo Traveler

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Fall in the Rockies—could there be anything better? When the temperatures start to dip and become crisp and cool, that is

my favorite time of year. You can smell fall in the air as you don your favorite downy sweater, grab a camera and picnic lunch and hit the trails in Colorado to enjoy the gift God gives us here in the Rockies with golden aspens against a backdrop of Colorado Blue Spruce and abundant thickets of pine each autumn. Fall is a wonderful time to view wildlife in preparation for the coming winter months also. Listed below are two of my favorite jaunts for enjoying the fall color here in Colorado with all the other leaf peepers.

Georgetown and Guanella Pass

Georgetown is west of Denver on Interstate 70. A trip here is worth it for the possibility of seeing bighorn sheep, taking a ride on a vintage train through the colorful Colorado scenery, and for driving one of the finest fall color routes in the state—the Guanella Pass Road.

Right off the Interstate near Georgetown is a bighorn sheep viewing area. Although autumn isn't the best time to see the bighorn sheep (they congregate here in larger numbers from November to January), it might be worth a quick stop if you are in the area early or late in the day. Take Exit 228 to the viewing area.

Just a few minutes from Georgetown you can ride an old train through some spectacular scenery. The train travels over the ninety-five-foot high Devil's Gate curved trestle and winds through the mountains, making sharp curves, and then finally doubles back on itself around the Georgetown Loop—great opportunities to shoot the train and the scenery together. The ride takes about an hour. The train trips are available only on weekends during September.





Guanella Pass Road to Grant is just south of Georgetown. The best time to find fall color here is the end of September and the beginning of October. Since this is a very popular fall color destination you might plan to take this route mid-week when there are fewer leaf peepers on the road. Most of the road is gravel but is suitable for all types of vehicles. It is 11 miles to the summit and the full trip to Grant is 25 miles.

Just after the start of the Guanella Pass Road, about a mile south, is an overlook that provides a nice view looking back to Georgetown. Three miles later there is another good view looking back to Georgetown. The road follows a creek where the beautiful yellow leaves of the aspen and the rusts and golds of the willows contrast beautifully with the greens of the pine and spruce forests. The road climbs to the 11,669-foot summit that is well above the treeline with some excellent views to the west. At the summit is an outstanding view of Mt. Bierstadt to the east. Guanella Pass is another area where you might find bighorn sheep, though usually only during the winter. The road then drops down and, in about two miles, you come to Duck Lake that makes a good photo subject. The Geneva Park area (Forest Road 119) might be a good place to find deer and elk early and late in the day. The road ends at Grant and the intersection of Route 285.

Peak-to-Peak Highway

The Peak-to-Peak Highway is another outstanding fall color drive. Since the high mountains are to the west, this route is best traveled in the morning. This scenic route includes Routes 119, 72 and 7 running north from Interstate 70 (starting at Black Hawk) to Estes Park. An alternate route is to begin your trip in Boulder and take Route 119 to Nederland. If you are interested in photographing historic buildings, you would want to spend some time in the Black Hawk and Central City area. However, the best scenery is north of Nederland. This route is lined with aspens and evergreens, providing some great contrasting fall color.

Starting at Nederland heading north on Route 72 takes you past some outstanding mountain scenery along the 14-mile stretch to Ward. A short trip to Ward is worth it for this photogenic semi-

ghost town. Just north of Ward is the turnoff to Brainard Lake to the west. This 5-mile detour takes you to an excellent view of the Indian Peaks from the lake. After the junction with Route 7 you will encounter many groves of aspens and willows highlighting the greens of the pine forests. About three miles after the junction with Route 72 a scenic overlook provides good views north to Mount Meeker and west to Rocky Mountain National Park. About a mile farther you enter Allenspark. North from Allenspark the road follows the eastern boundary of Rocky Mountain National Park, past Mt. Meeker with great views of Longs Peak to the west. About 7 miles north of Allenspark is the Enos Mills Homestead to the east of the road and 1.5 miles beyond that you will pass Lilly Lake to the west. Just beyond the lake is a stunning grove of aspen to the east and a view north to Estes Park. In another 1.5 miles there is a good view looking down to Estes Park.





The Confrontation



By: Michael Brooks

Several years ago in south-central Wisconsin on a cool, crisp, foggy afternoon in late October, I stood my ground with my unexpected intruder. Eye to eye, we stared at each other checking each other out. My opponent—skilled in outdoor survival and very ready for a fight—a fight that I wanted no part of, and I was praying that it would never happen.

My story begins on a Friday afternoon as I slowly walked through the fog between the soybean field and the hardwoods. I noticed the brilliant fall colors that were being illuminated through the fog above me—the oranges, yellows, and reds were incredible. The smells of fall are in the leaves of the red and white oaks, and maple leaves. As they drop, they have a sweet smell. This is the best time of year for me, as I love hunting in Wisconsin, especially deer hunting.

As I was backing out into a soybean field from the hard woods, I was looking at an old oak tree that might be a good place to put my tree stand. That's when I noticed the dog barking off in the distance, uncontrollable barking. I wondered what was going on, but never gave it a second thought. I finally decided where to put my tree stand. As I turned towards my Jeep to retrieve my bow and climbed the tree stand, that's when I heard the crashing through the standing soybeans behind me. I turned and looked to see what was causing all the noise. That's when I confronted the largest buck I have ever seen on the hoof alive! We squared off at 10 yards in the open soybean field. This monster 12-point buck with broad shoulders and no neck started pawing the ground with his front right hoof. I stared in disbelief as steam started blowing from his nostrils in the cold fog, as he glared at me and was ready for a fight. I prayed and asked the Lord for help. I felt the Holy Spirit leading me to gently speak to the monster buck. As I spoke quietly we looked at each other for several minutes, then in triumph the buck raised his head and off he ran into the fog in the standing corn field 50 yards away. I stood there in total silence and in my mind

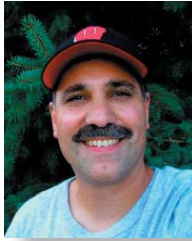
praised God that I was not going to be on the front page of the local newspaper the following day.

I wondered after this event, how are we to handle confrontation today? Do we square off, ready for battle? Do we use harsh words to defeat our foe? In Proverbs 3:3, the Bible states, "It is to a man's honor to avoid strife, but every fool is quick to quarrel." Are you quick to argue? Another verse that I am reminded of is "A soft answer turns away wrath." It's hard to keep quiet during a heated exchange of words, but to keep your war of words from escalating, stop and think about the words that you will be eventually asking forgiveness for! My question to you is, is it worth it? Just ask the





As it Should Be



By: Dr. Bruce Bencrushutto DC

It was a gray, misty day in mid June, many, many years ago, a time when racial bigotry was prevalent. A man named Santo decided to take his 8 year old son fishing. Being aware of an 8 year old's restlessness, he chose not to travel too far. They'd go to the Fox River in Burlington, a mere half hour to the west. And so they went.

Upon arrival, the boy watched as his dad eased the 12-foot aluminum boat off the top of the car and carried it to the river's edge, placing it into the river at the pier. Next came the motor and gas tank, fishing poles, tackle box, seat cushions, life jackets, oars, anchor, and finally, a large gray lunch bucket filled with homemade sandwiches, mom's cookies, some fruit, and a thermos of water. The boy looked at the lunch bucket, his mind racing ahead to lunch break on the river. That was a time the boy really looked forward to, for he worked up a huge appetite on these fishing trips. It was during lunch break that the questions came, at first slowly, tentatively, then rapidly, one after the other. His dad would patiently answer the questions as best he could, and the boy would think to himself, "My dad knows everything!"

After hours of fishing the river—with the father often interrupted to untangle the boy's line or release snags—it was time to go home. There were two dozen fish in the basket and the boy was fascinated by the various sizes, shapes, and colors of the fish. He knew his dad would clean them when they got home and soon his mom would cook a fish fry with rice patties, one of the boy's favorite meals.

When they returned to the launch, the wind had developed a sharp bite to it, the light mist giving way to a steady rain. There were a few other fishermen at the launch. A couple of rugged white men wearing rain gear, each with steel blue eyes and a few days growth of beard, were leaning against their car and sipping coffee. A gray haired black man was attempting to lift his boat onto the car top carrier. He was struggling, and ended up

dropping the boat to the ground. He was wincing and holding his right shoulder in considerable pain. The boy watched as the two rugged white men nudged each other and snickered. He turned to see his dad walking toward the older black man. "Need some help?", he asked. The man replied, "Yeah! I hurt my shoulder last week; I can't do a darn thing with it!" The boy's dad proceeded to lift the man's boat on top of the car for him. The boy looked at the other two men. They weren't snickering anymore, just staring at his dad and the black man, who were now shaking hands. "Thanks a lot, I appreciate it," said the man. "Anytime," said the boy's dad. The boy gazed at his dad and noticed a well-known, distinctive feature of his father... a splendid, big, wide smile—a smile of love and understanding—the best smile in the world!

The man with the big wide smile ordered his son into the car to get him out of the rain. He mounted their boat on the car's roof and packed all the gear. Then he got into the car and headed for home. The boy quickly fell asleep to the rhythmic pitter-patter of the rainfall. Nothing more was said, but the boy had learned a lesson he would never forget.

I'm now close to the age dad was back then, and no, I have not forgotten. I have a son of my own, and he knows the lesson that began on a gray, misty day, many, many years ago...





Tips for Our Readers

Fly-Fishing Spots for Persons With Disabilities

All too often we forget that many people who experience a disability also love to fly-fish. They may not, however, have the same capability to stand on the bank or wade that others do. Or, their casting ability may be limited. Regardless of these limitations, more opportunities to fly-fish are available than many realize. Here's some suggestions on how to locate spots where people who experience a disability can fly-fish.

First and foremost, governmental agencies now make a significant effort to develop locations where fly-fishing for people with disabilities is possible.

With that in mind contact:

Your state's 1) fish and game; 2) natural resources; or 3) parks and recreation department. They may have listings of parks, lakes, or campgrounds with accessible docks, trails, or wheelchair parks. Visit their offices or contact them via the internet and be sure to ask about any special permits for people with disabilities;

The National Park Service headquarters in your area. They have information about parks with accessible fishing spots. Visit their offices or contact them on line at <http://www.nps.gov>. From there you can inquire about your state's offerings.

The Forest Service cabin reservation system. Visit <http://www.reserveusa.com> for information about cabins all over the United States that are handicap accessible.

Also contact:

Your local non-profit organizations that provide support and services to people who experience a disability. They often provide recreation programs. If they don't include fishing, see if you can help them get something started.

Local fishing or fly-fishing clubs or local chapters of Trout Unlimited or The Federation of Fly Fishers. TU and FFF can both be contacted online to find chapters in your area.

Camping with Pets

Many campgrounds across the country allow pets, and they do so because they realize pets are a "part" of many camping families. Unfortunately many pet owners abuse the privilege of having their pets with them. What does the camping industry consider abuses?

- Allowing pets to roam freely around the campground.
- Allowing pets to go out early in the a.m. to do their duty on your neighbor's site or worse yet on their equipment.
- Leaving pets unattended on your site, which causes them to bark and whine disturbing fellow campers.
- Not picking up after your pet.
- Bringing pets to beach/pool areas.

We sincerely want everyone to enjoy their camping experience, pet owners and non-pet owners alike. Your cooperation will help. We know pets enjoy camping too!

Hiking and Backpacking Tips

You don't have to be a wilderness survival expert to go off tramping in the woods, but a person needs to have a sound grounding in the basics of the outdoors. It's the hiker's or backpacker's responsibility to obtain the necessary knowledge, preparation and equipment to ensure a safe hike. Joining a group or club can be a great way to get some of the knowledge and training.

Packing Your Backpack. There's no one right answer to this question: The answer depends on what kind of pack you have and where you're going to hike. General principle: lighter-weight items go at the bottom; heavier items at the top and close to your body. However, if you are going to be scrambling or hiking off-trail on rough terrain or snow, you might want to pack some of the heavier items a little lower to bring down your center of gravity. Here are some of the basics:

Sleeping bag: Most packs are designed with a compartment at the bottom for your sleeping bag. If your pack has dividers that separate the sleeping bag from the rest of your gear, use them: It'll take





some of the weight off your sleeping bag. (Overly compressing a down sleeping bag can make it lose its loft because it damages the down.)

Clothes go in next. But it's a good idea to stash a few of your warm clothes—hat, gloves, and an insulating layer—and your rain gear in an outside pocket where you can easily get them.

Tents and tarps. There are a couple of choices for your tent or tarp. Most packs have a separate compartment (where the sleeping bags go) that is accessible via a zipper: If your pack has such a compartment, see if you can stuff the tent under your sleeping bag. That way, you don't have to unpack everything to get your tent out if it's raining when you want to make camp. This placement also works for packing a wet tent because it won't drip over everything (Be sure, however, that the tent and sleeping pack are in waterproof stuffsacks). Tent poles go strapped to the outside: Tie them on tight!

Food, fuel, and cooking utensils. Try to store the fuel upright and away from your food, in case of an accidental spill. Many hikers put their bottles in an outside compartment. These items can have hard edges: Be sure they're not poking at your pack.

Personal items. Squeeze these in wherever they fit.

Outside compartments. Use these for items you'll need during the day: Rain gear, a few warm clothes, pack-cover, water filter, water, lunch, snacks, TP, sunscreen, mosquito goop, and your camera.

Mattresses. Most hikers roll up their sleeping pads and strap them to the outside of the packs. Some smaller mattresses fit inside a backpack, where they are better protected from accidental encounters with cactus needles and barbed wire fences.

Canoeing Tips

1. Be a competent swimmer with the ability to handle yourself underwater and in moving water.
2. Dress for the water temperature and be prepared to get wet. Wear layers of clothing which can be added or taken off during the day. Cold weather and/or cold water can result in hypothermia. Bring additional dry clothes to change into if paddling during cooler weather. Clothes should be packed in a waterproof container or a double trashbag.
3. Use an eyeglass strap for your eyeglasses or sunglasses.
4. Wear shoes! Old gym shoes or shoes with tops and sides offer the most protection. Avoid sandals.
5. Bring drinking water in non-breakable containers. Alcohol should not be taken on the canoe trip.
6. Use a sun hat on bright warm days. Wearing a wool stocking hat helps slow heat loss from your body on cool, wet days. Take along a windbreaker or rain gear.
7. Take necessary allergy or other medications with you on the river. In case of mishap, it could be several hours before help arrives in inaccessible locations.
8. Paddling is a physical exercise. Consult your physician prior to undertaking any program of physical exercise.
9. Get plenty of rest prior to your outing. Wear comfortable clothing that will keep you warm if you get wet. Eat a good meal before leaving on your trip. Drink plenty of fresh water while on the river to prevent dehydration.
10. Take food and snacks along in a waterproof container which can be fastened to the boat. Remember, all items not fastened in the boat are at risk of getting lost and/or wet. No styrofoam coolers or glass containers please.
11. Use sun screen even on cloudy days.
12. Wear only waterproof watches.
13. Optional items to bring include: fishing gear, a bailer or sponge to remove excess water from the boat, insect repellent, knee pads (for kneeling in boat), first aid kit, whistle or other signaling device for use in emergencies.





Cooking Classics

Elk Roast

Submitted by: Mike Graves—Gander Mountain

- 1 Elk Roast
- 1 Cup Mozzarella Cheese
- 1 Bell Pepper, green or red, chopped
- 1 Purple Onion, chopped
- 1 Jalapeno Pepper, chopped
- 1 tsp. Garlic Powder
- 1/2 tsp. Salt
- 1/2 tsp. Pepper

Mix cheese, bell pepper, onion and jalapeno together. Season elk roast with garlic powder, salt and pepper. Make a 3-inch slit into the roast. Stuff with the cheese mixture. Place in a 350 deg. oven and cook for one hour or until desired doneness.

Grilled Doves

Submitted by: Cathy Channing

- 12 Dove Breasts
- 6 Slices of Bacon
- 1 Red Delicious Apple, cored & cut into 12 slices

Marinade:

- 1/2 Cup Soy Sauce
- 1/2 tsp. Celery Seed
- 1/4 Cup Olive Oil
- 2 Tbsp. Red Wine Vinegar
- 1 Clove Fresh Garlic, minced
- 1/2 tsp. Black Pepper, cracked or ground
- 1/8 tsp. Thyme

Prepare marinade and pour over dove breasts in plastic bag or marinating pan. Seal and store in refrigerator for several hours or even overnight. Half bacon slices and wrap around each breast with apple slice and secure with a toothpick. Grill breasts over medium hot coals until bacon is crisp. Do not overcook. Serve over wild rice pilaf.

Grilled Salmon

Submitted by: Cathy Channing

- 1 Lg. Salmon Filet

Marinade:

- 1 Cup Teriyaki Sauce
- 1/4 Cup White Wine
- 1/4 Cup Olive Oil
- 1/2 Cup Brown Sugar, packed
- 2 Tbsp. Brown Spicy Mustard
- Juice of one Whole Lime
- 1 tsp. Fresh Minced Garlic
- 4 Scallions (green onions), chopped

Mix all ingredients for marinade. Marinate whole filet in gallon-sized zip-lock bag in refrigerator over night. Remove filet from bag and grill directly on center grill rack over medium hot coals until fish flakes all the way through (about 30-45 minutes). Do not overcook. Serve with grilled corn-on-the-cob and roasted new potatoes.



Grilled Corn-on-the-Cob

Submitted by: Cathy Channing

- 6 Ears Fresh Corn, shucked and silks removed
- Mayonnaise
- Lawry's Seasoned Salt

Shuck and remove silks from ears of corn, wash, and pat dry. Spread mayonnaise generously all over each ear of corn and sprinkle with desired amount of seasoned salt. Place on top rack of grill, turning occasionally to get all sides of corn done. Keep corn on the grill while you grill the meat you're preparing and remove at the same time as the meat. No need for butter on this corn—it stays moist and buttery from the mayonnaise and is so yummy!





Calendar of Upcoming Events

August 6th

ATVING, CAMPING, HIKING, PHOTOGRAPHY & FISHING

UNCOMPAHGRE NATIONAL FOREST, NEAR MONTROSE
Meet at Wal-Mart parking lot in Wheatridge, CO, off of Youngfield and I-70. This is a 5-hour drive from Denver.

Contact: *George Reinbold*
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August 20th

**ELKCAMP IN THE CITY
CANCELLED**

September 2nd-7th

ARCHERY FOR ELK AND DEER IN THE COLORADO ROCKIES

TBA

There is a limit of 8 hunters in the bow camp.

Contact: *Lewie Foltz*
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September 24th

PHOTOGRAPHY IN ESTES PARK, COLORADO—9:00 AM
Meet at McDonalds

Bring your camera and beverages, snacks. This is a great event for wildlife photographers, see the elk in rut. Make sure that you have plenty of film. There is a cost to get into the park.

Contact: *Mike Brooks*
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October 20th - 30th

ELK, DEER, BEAR HUNTING /FISHING
Near Ridgway, Colorado

Meeting place & directions TBA.

This hunt will take place in the Uncompahgre National Forest. COFA will provide tents, heaters and cook stoves. This is a first-come-first-served basis and will be explained when you contact us. This is one of COFA's most popular events/hunts. We will be accepting a total of 30 applications—each camp will have 15 hunters. Meals and donations will be explained at a later date.

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November 20th - 26th

**WISCONSIN DEER HUNT
TBA**

November 27th - December 1st

**OHIO DEER HUNT
TBA**

Limited to 8 hunters. This is COFA's first deer hunt in Ohio and is a shotgun and handgun hunt. There is a \$125 non-refundable deposit requirement.

Contact: *Wilbur (Grizz) McCormick*
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