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## From Wrangler President

Greetings All

It's the holiday season again and it seems to come around way too soon. Only 213 days as of Monday November 22nd until the One Hundredth Greeley Stampede Celebration.

A few quick reminders: The Greeley Lights the Night Christmas parade is this Saturday November 27th and needs your help. Please get signed up for this Holiday Tradition to make it a safe event for all who attend. If this is something you have time to help with, please reach out to Karen Baumgartner. You can reach her at 970-590-7111 or email her at [greeleylightsthenight@gmail.com](mailto:greeleylightsthenight@gmail.com)

The Wrangler Christmas Party will be on December 11th at Zoe's, Location is 715 10th Street. The evening will start at 6:00pm for Cocktail Hour with Dinner starting at 7:00pm dinner. Don't forget to RSVP please. We will also be accepting new, unwrapped toys for **Toys for TOTS** and Pet Food the local Animal Shelter. I will have my vehicle available at Zoe's to load these items in during the night of the party.

It's a very busy time of year but don't forget to take some time for yourself. The Christmas Party is an awesome Thank You for all your hard work and sacrifice this last year. We will have a photographer available at the party to take a picture of you and significant other all decked out in your holiday attire.

I also want to thank the members of the Board and Committee who have put a lot of time and thought into getting this party lined up for us. I hope that this will be a memorable Christmas for all of you.

We are very blessed to have this wonderful community we live in, blessed to have a wonderful Arena and Grounds that bring people to Greeley to see our magnificent event. We are blessed to have the volunteers, Committee and Wranglers, who stick with it and help make the whole thing possible. Thank you for all you do!

Happy Thanksgiving and we'll see you soon,

Bill Walter  
Wrangler President

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**November**

6<sup>th</sup> –Board Retreat @ 8:00am

10<sup>th</sup> –Membership Meeting  
4H Building @ 7:00-8:00pm  
(Military Appreciation night)

**December**

8<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting @ 6:30pm

11<sup>th</sup> – Christmas Party  
Zoe’s Café @ 6:00-11:00pm

17<sup>th</sup> – Jan-Feb newsletter content  
deadline

**January**

5<sup>th</sup> - Board Meeting @ 6:30pm

12<sup>th</sup> – Membership Meeting  
4H Building @ 7:00-8:00pm  
*Chili & Soup at 6:00pm*

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[Wrangler Volunteer Portal](#)

(aka Volgistics)

Feel free to log in and  
update/validate your  
information!



**Other Important Notes:**

Your new Wrangler Board has put together the 2021-2022 event calendar and emailed it out to you on 11/02. Please check for that document and note that we will likely update it from time to time as things change. There is a date and revision mark in the lower RIGHT corner of the calendar; make sure you have a recent copy through the year. We will be sure to keep you informed on the upcoming dates as the get closer!

Next membership meeting:

January 12<sup>th</sup> in the 4H building @ 7:00pm  
Starting at 6:00pm, there will be a Chili & Soup Potluck. Bring a chili, soup, crackers, toppers or a dessert to share. No Judging for this, just enjoy!

Greeley Lights the Night Parade

It’s not too late to volunteer to be an ‘Intersection Elf’ on the Saturday, November 27<sup>th</sup> for the parade. Here is what you need to know to be a helper:

Contact Karen Baumgartner. You can reach her at 970-590-7111 or [greeleylightsthenight@gmail.com](mailto:greeleylightsthenight@gmail.com)

Time: 3:30 – 6:30 p.m. Saturday night.

Where: Meet at the corner of 8<sup>th</sup> Ave & 15<sup>th</sup> St. between 3:30 - 3:45.

There will be a meal for the Elf Volunteers.

Task: Assemble and disassemble a wooden road barricade to assist in blocking intersection along the parade route, manning these barricades and providing information to drivers with the alternate routes around the event. You must stay at your assigned intersection for the duration of the event.

Provided to you: Reflective safety vest will be loaned to you, as well as a flashlight.

Tips: Wear comfortable shoes and WARM clothing.

**Wrangler Christmas party – December 11th:**

**Check your email for the RSVP link and get counted.**

**We need to know if you’re attending by Nov. 30<sup>th</sup>.**

**Donations will be collected at the party for:**

**Toys for Tots – a new unwrapped toy.**

**Dry or canned Pet Food for the local Animal Shelter.**

## Meet an Old Wrangler Who is the New Kid on the Board

Howdy Wranglers,

I am Rish Burkholder and want to thank you for this opportunity to serve as your Communications Board Member. I have been a Wrangler for 25 years. This is my very first time serving in any position on the Wrangler Board, not that I haven't tried before. The timing just wasn't right, I guess, but I am very excited about serving in this capacity during the 100<sup>th</sup> Greeley Stampede. My hope is that I can always keep you informed with our many means of communication. You should expect to see several e-mails during each month with updates from your Board Members, the Wrangler Round-up Newsletter and the Greeley Stampede Committee as well. I hope you will let me know if you have any changes to your email addresses or how you want to receive the Wrangler's information.

I have lived in Greeley for 33 years after serving in the Navy on the east coast with my husband Charles. We moved here to be close to family with our son, Jordan, who was five years old at the time. We continued to work in a hospital setting as we did in the Navy and joined a Navy Reserve unit in Denver.

In 1997, my first year as a Wrangler, Jordan tagged along with me at events and assisted me with stamping hands. After high school he applied for and received the Wrangler Scholarship. He attended UNC with a major in Technical Theater. He was given the scholarship twice and in 2004 he graduated with his BA in Technical Theater. He graduated debt free and I am thankful for the Wrangler Scholarships that helped make that possible. Today he works full time in theater productions, musical shows, concerts and stage pyro in Sacramento, California. He and his wife have a daughter, Zoey. Every summer, Jordan and Zoey come back for the Greeley Stampede.

After working 27 years in medical I bought an embroidery business that provided custom logo apparel for the Greeley Stampede Wranglers and Committee. Since 2006 we have grown to offer other services to Greeley and the surrounding area. Charles also left his work as a respiratory therapist five years ago to work full time in our shop, Stitched in Stones.

Outside of the Stampede and our business, we have an adopted family in Pierce that includes our four Nana Kids and lots of farm critters. They all love the Greeley Stampede and come out to help in areas where they can or just hang around with 'Nana' and 'Char-char'. Our oldest one, Bailey, has been a WIT since 2019 and this year will officially be a New Wrangler.

I am looking forward to the 100<sup>th</sup> Greeley Stampede and carrying on with our heritage and the traditions for our community and the state of Colorado. I hope you all are as well.

*Rish Burkholder*  
Wrangler Communications

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Hello to the Hospitality Team,

It doesn't seem possible that this week is Thanksgiving. I personally have so much to be thankful for; but a big one is for ALL OF YOU!!! I was so impressed (with all the uncertainty leading up to the event) how you all stepped up, worked exceptionally hard, participated, and made the 2021 Stampede a huge success. Thank you!!!

I hope you will be able to attend the Wrangler Christmas party, which is scheduled for Saturday, December 11<sup>th</sup> at Zoe's Café & Events. It begins at 6:00 and I hope I'll get to see you there.

May your Thanksgiving provide time for you to sit back and focus on the good things in life!!!

Shelly Seaton  
Hospitality Trail Boss

Hello Night Shows Crew!

Hang on tight! Time flies!

The 100<sup>th</sup> event is shaping up quickly and will certainly be one to remember! I have a good feeling that we will be pretty dang proud of this year's event once we get to running in June.

I appreciate the long hours and hard work you all do. I also am thankful for the conversations with many of you since the last event too!

For 2022 we have some great opportunities in our area, and I am excited to share those with you all in some upcoming emails and I'd like to pull us into a meeting before May as well.

We are in need of volunteers and are working hard at the leadership layers to help folks that want to give back to the community by supporting our event easier than in years past. With your help we can add a few new faces to our awesome crew! I hope to see you at the Wrangler Christmas party on December 11<sup>th</sup> and don't forget to RSVP! Space is limited!

Cory Sample  
Night Shows Trail Boss

Howdy Everyone.

I hope everyone is doing well and staying healthy. I would like to wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving and for everyone to enjoy the Holidays with friends and family. I look forward to seeing you all soon to start preparing for next year's event. Thank you for everything you do.

You are all greatly appreciated.

Jerod Lichtenberg  
Rodeo Trail Boss

Hello Wrangler Family,

#100 will be here before we know it, so hopefully we're all starting to gear up to help present an amazing event. Teamwork is our key to a successful event!!

The Gold Spur (Spur Club, Buckle Club. etc.) Committee Representative, Jacki Reider, Rhonda Donahue and I have been reaching out to our restaurants to obtain their interest for the 2022 event. Several have indicated they plan to participate. YEA!!!!

Our leadership team is scheduled to meet November 23rd to begin discussion about how we plan to move forward and tackle our areas for a successful event.

As we know more, we'll communicate and fill you in on what's going on and possibly where we might need assistance.

We are needing volunteers and would greatly appreciate your involvement and input to recruit individuals who wish to give back to our community through donating a few hours during the event. Volunteers do not have to be a Wrangler. If you know of someone(s), please let Jacki, Rhonda or I know.

Our Christmas Party is on December 11th at Zoe's, 6pm - 11pm. It's a great opportunity to spread some Holiday Cheer and visit with wonderful friends. Hope to see you there.

Until next time,



Connie Ley  
Gold Spur Trail Boss  
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## **GREELEY STAMPEDE HALL OF FAME NOMINATIONS OPEN**

The Greeley Stampede's Hall of Fame has recognized some of the most influential individuals that have made long-lasting contributions and had a significant impact on the success of the event over the past 100 years. Special contributors have stood out by going above and beyond and are recognized by their peers as the cream of the crop.

The Greeley Stampede is now accepting applications for the 2022 Hall of Fame class. Inductees into the Hall of Fame may include, but not be limited to, volunteers, affiliated organizations, contract personnel, and others who have made a significant contribution to the success and prestige of the Greeley Stampede.

"We are thankful to everyone that contributes to the success of the Stampede," said Justin Watada, General Manager and Hall of Fame Chairman. "The Hall of Fame members have left a long, lasting impression on the event that does not fade."

Past Hall of Fame inductees include:

2018 - Art Parker, the Farr Family, Hadley Barrett and Tom Mawson

2019 - Bennie Beutler, Bill May and Bill Webster

2021 - Earl Anderson, Nyla Bristow, Harold Evans and Dick Lookhart



Nominations will be open until January 15, 2022. Inductees to the 2022 Hall of Fame will be selected by a review committee and inducted on April 8. Nomination forms can be found at [greeleystampede.org/p/halloffame](http://greeleystampede.org/p/halloffame).



**Best Wishes to Our  
November & December  
Birthday Wranglers**

**We appreciate you and hope you have a wonderful birthday! Stay healthy!**





### Sunshine Corner

Below are the members of the Sunshine Crew. Please contact any member with news regarding our members who might need a little sunshine added to their day.

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# SAVE THE DATE

**General Membership Meeting @ 7:00pm - 4H Building  
Wednesday, January 12th  
\*\*\*\*\*6:00pm Chili & Soup Pot Luck Supper\*\*\*\*\***

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