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Volunteer Kudos:

Tanya Stearns - for her outstanding help and flexibility in completing many special projects.

Teresa Vieira - for her help in coordinating a mobile feeding exercise with our partner organization, Woodmen Valley Chapel.

Mary Moorhouse and Sheila Bouton - for helping coordinate special needs sheltering activities with the county.

Jeremy Rousseau - for his continued innovations in web design and management for Emergency Services.

Bill MacNamara - for stepping up to become the new volunteer Training Specialist in Disaster Services.

NEW Appointments to the Pikes Peak Chapter Board of Directors

Volunteers John Michael Horst and Pat Chappell were both recently formally elected on to the Pikes Peak Chapter's Board of Directors.

Pat has been a Red Cross volunteer since 2004 and her experience includes Disaster Action Team (DAT) member and Captain, Chair of the Disaster Preparedness & Response Committee and Disaster Response Operations (DRO) Director. Before the Red Cross, Pat worked professionally in health care administration for more than 30 years, serving in many capacities, and retired as a Colonel from the United States Air Force.

John Michael first began volunteering for the Pikes Peak Chapter in 2007 as a member of the Community Disaster Education Team. Since that time, he has quickly become an integral member of the Red Cross team by continuing his service as a Red Cross Ambassador and member of the Financial Development Team, where he has assisted in the development and execution of multiple fundraising activities. Currently, John Michael works at Chef's Catalog as the Web Merchandise Manager.

Congratulations to Pat and John Michael!



Upcoming Special Events

Saturday November 7th

Volunteers are needed for three events, all being held on Saturday November 7th:

- For the second year in a row, the Pikes Peak Chapter has been invited to walk in the **2009 Veteran's Day Parade**. This year the chapter was given the opportunity to register two vehicles in the parade - the Emergency Response Vehicle (ERV) and the Emergency Communications Response Vehicle (ECRV). *Two drivers are needed for the ERV and one co-driver is needed for the ECRV.*
- The first annual **Bow-Wows and Meows Fundraiser** will be held from *10am – 4pm* at the Chapel Hills Mall (lower level across from Dick's Sporting Goods). A variety of local vendors – groomers, trainers, veterinarians, and more - will be participating in this free event to benefit the American Red Cross.
- Pre-deployment event for a United States Army unit on Fort Carson.

If you are available November 7th, please RSVP to Jaici Murcia at jmurcia@pparc.org and include the date and time you are available as well as the event in which you are interested.

Community Disaster Education Upcoming Event:

Friday, October 16

Pikes Peak Behavioral Group Employee Wellness Fair

1:00 - 4:00 pm

Southeast YMCA
2190 Jet Wing Drive
Colorado Springs, CO 80916



Shop at Albertson's and help the Red Cross!



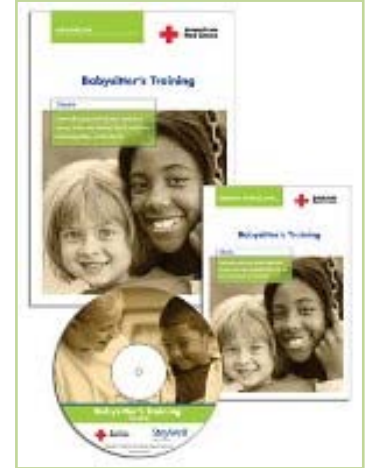
We now have *Albertson's Community Cards* available. Every time a card is scanned, the Pikes Peak Chapter receives 1% of the total sale.

We're not just CPR! See what else we offer...

Babysitter's Training

Designed for 11 to 15 year olds, our 7-hour Babysitter's Training gives babysitters the skills and confidence to safely and responsibly care for children and infants. Through hands-on activities, interactive video and lively discussions, the course teaches young people how to:

- Care for children and infants
- Be a good leader and role model
- Make good decisions and solve problems
- Keep the children you babysit and yourself safe
- Handle emergencies such as injuries, illnesses and household accidents
- Write resumes and interview for jobs
- And much more!



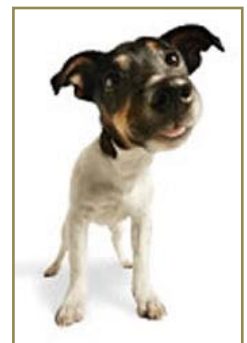
Wilderness First Aid

If you live, work or play in the outdoors, this class is for you! Our Wilderness First Aid is a good basic course in backcountry emergency response and is very similar in content to basic courses offered by NOLS, SOLO, Wilderness Safety Council and Wilderness Medical Associates. Even though emergency workers in backcountry areas are trained to search for a rescue those in need, there may be a delay in the notification of assistance, the time required to get to the injured, or in moving the injured to more advanced treatment. This class expands the concept of basic first aid to give more detailed information and hands-on skills practice that are applicable to wilderness environments.



Pet First Aid

Keep Your Furry Friends Safe - Your pet depends on you for his or her well-being. In addition to providing daily care, love and affection, your best friend depends on you in an emergency. Whether your pet becomes ill or injured, or needs help in a disaster, the American Red Cross can help.



Swimming & Water Safety

Since 1914 the American Red Cross has been a leader in aquatics training. The Pikes Peak chapter, through its Authorized Providers, certifies more than 6,000 lifeguards and water safety students every year. We rely on our community partners such as aquatics centers and private pools to certify the Pikes Peak region in water safety programs. See our website for a list of local aquatics safety training providers.

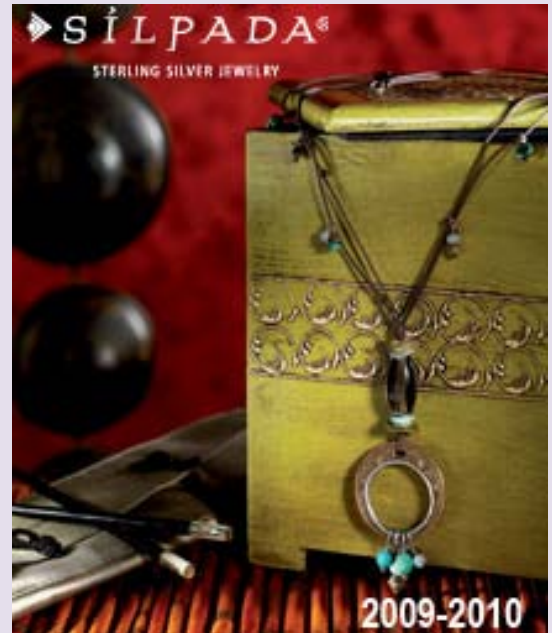


Silpada Designs Jewelry Fundraiser Friday October 16th

10am – 3pm
American Red Cross
1040 South 8th St.
Colo. Springs, 80905

Silpada Jewelry will be holding a fundraiser at the Pikes Peak Chapter – 50% of the profits will go towards the Red Cross.

To view the online catalog, go to
WWW.MYSILPADA.COM/DIANE.MCKENZIE



Cannot attend?

- 1) Call the Red Cross and place your order with Linda Russett 719-632-3563
- 2) Call the Silpada representative Diane McKenzie 719-590-1529 or email her at proverbsdi@hotmail.com

