

Pikes Peak Chapter Employee Departs

Jennifer Mariano, five-year employee of the Pikes Peak Chapter, left the Red Cross on September 22, 2010 to accept the position of Programs Director for Care and Share.

Jennifer started as the Volunteer Coordinator on the day Hurricane Katrina made landfall in 2005, then served as our Emergency Services Director. Within her first 18 months, she managed four National disaster relief operations: the Castle West Fire, the Holly Tornado, Buena Vista Mudslides and the Ordway Wildfire.

Most recently she served in the position of Director of Community Relations and Support, where she raised \$200,000 in grant funds and untold thousands through the Combined Federal Campaign, special events, corporate donations and planned giving dollars.

Jennifer will stay on as a volunteer in the Disaster Public Affairs team.



Jennifer Mariano on her first day with the Pikes Peak Chapter in August 2005.

Services to the Armed Forces Grant Funds Position at Pikes Peak Chapter

For the third year in a row the Pikes Peak Chapter was approved to receive grant funding from the Department of Defense to support the growth of the Service to the Armed Forces Program. This year over \$36,000 was allocated to fund volunteer recruiting, casework training, marketing, outreach and a part-time paid position.

Frances Scott began service as the SAF Community Outreach Coordinator on September 15, 2010. Her primary goal will be developing a volunteer-sustained Service to the Armed Forces program which will focus on community partnerships and support, to include education for community based military veterans, service members, and their families.

The nine-month appointment will allow the Pikes Peak Chapter to provide outreach to outlying counties with high concentrations of military personnel and their families in an effort to bring awareness of Red Cross services and develop ongoing community presence.

VOLUNTEER KUDOS

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Disaster Services:

Dennis Burdick
Larry Seals
Kathy Sharkey
Jan Peto
Eileen Pekarek
Joy Garscadden
Donna Martinez
Roger Bram

Ambassadors:

Bill Fortune
Liz Northcott
Gwen Baldinger
Julia Aguirre
Deanna Ward

Administrative:

Betty & Art Boedigheimer
Marian Bradshaw
Audrey Cornford

SAF:

Jim Maddern
John Snyder
Joe Davis
Mike Pierson

**THANK YOU ALL
SO MUCH!! WE
COULDN'T DO IT
WITHOUT YOU!**

2010 Annual Volunteer Recognition Breakfast

This year's Annual Volunteer Recognition was held at the Stargazer Theatre & Event Center in Colorado Springs. Over one-hundred Red Cross volunteers, staff, and board members attended to support the recognition and appreciation of our volunteers.

Event sponsors and supporters included Broadmoor Hotel, Briarhurst Manor, Club at Flying Horse, Flying W Ranch, Kroenke Sports Charities & the Colorado Avalanche, Manitou & Pikes Peak Railway Company, Manitou Cliff Dwellings, Michael Garman Studios, Stargazer Theatre & Event Center, and Texas Roadhouse.

Awards went to individuals in the award categories listed below:

- **Certificate of Appreciation**

- Julia Aguirre
- Laura Bentley
- Roger Bram
- Barbara Collins
- Cynthia Doty
- Mike Pierson
- Dan Steger

Dennis Burdick receives the Tutt Summit of Services Award and a hug from Jaici Murcia, Director of Volunteer and Emergency Services.



CEO Tom Gonzalez (*above*) addresses volunteers, board members and staff.

- **Life Saver**

- Marian Bradshaw
- Audrey Cornford
- Jake DeRaad
- Cathy Filliaux
- Martha Griego
- Marsha Schwartz

- **Rookie of the Year**

- Robert Adsit
- Donna Martinez
- Anna Torres
- Deb Wheatley

- **Shooting Star**

- Jon Ainsworth
- Gwen Baldinger
- Ken Blackwell
- Joan Eitzen
- Bill Fortune
- Jim Hunter

- **Spotlight**

- Jeff Diesing
- Eileen Pekarek
- Jan Peto
- Peggy Schnurr

- **Quiet Hero**

- Keith Marcantel
- Ron Pryor
- Steve Reed
- Debby Reed
- Brad Rice
- Al Wetmore

- **Good Neighbor**

- Redeemer Lutheran School
- Woodmen Valley Chapel

UPCOMING EVENTS

- DSHR All Teams Meeting – October 13th, 6:00 PM – 7:00 PM; Divine Redeemer Catholic Church
- Annual Scout Show – October 8th and 9th, 10:00 AM – 5:00 PM/11:00 AM – 4:00 PM; Phil Long Expo Center
- FanFest at the Air Force Academy – October 9th, USAFA Falcons v CU Boulder ; 9:30 AM – 12:30 PM
- Colorado Springs Homeless Veterans Stand Down – October 14th; 7:30 AM – 2:30 PM; City Auditorium
- Veteran's Day Parade – November 6th, 8:00 AM – 11:00 AM; Tejon St. **(VOLUNTEERS NEEDED)**

Community Visibility Initiative

The American Red Cross is a non-profit organization LED BY VOLUNTEERS, and this year that is truer than ever!

The Pikes Peak Chapter is focusing its efforts on increasing our visibility in the entire southeast Colorado region. To do so, we need volunteers to support outreach in rural areas to deliver the Red Cross message, and to recruit and develop additional volunteers to serve as the face of the Red Cross in their community.

Current areas where additional volunteers are needed to help in these efforts include Red Cross Ambassadors, Service to the Armed Forces, Volunteer Management, and Disaster Services.

If you are interested in getting to know your neighbors in southern Colorado through involvement in Red Cross outreach efforts, please contact your Volunteer and Emergency Services Director for more information.



New Chapter T-Shirts Available

New Chapter t-shirts are available for purchase from the Health and Safety Department. These short sleeve tees now come in the color red along with the light blue, khaki (while supplies last) and white. Each t-shirt is \$10. Stop into the Health and Safety Department and see Larry, Donna or Heather to get yours!

Red Cross SEEK and FIND Puzzle

In your "spare" time, see what you know about Red Cross Services. Words listed on left.

- AED
- Babysitting
- Community
- CPR
- Disaster
- Donate
- Education
- Emergency
- Fires
- First aid
- Hurricanes
- Military
- Planning
- PPARC
- Preparedness
- Relief
- Response
- Safety
- Training
- Volunteers

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