



GARNA Gab March 2017

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### [Wild & Scenic Film Festival](#)

Benefitting the Greater Arkansas River Nature Association and  
Central Colorado Conservancy

**Friday, March 17 Buena Vista Community Center**  
**Saturday, March 18 Salida SteamPlant**

Different films will be shown each night!



The Wild & Scenic Film Festival will leave you feeling  
**INSPIRED** and **MOTIVATED** to go out and make a difference in  
your community and the world.

**NEW THIS YEAR:** VIP event in Salida. Two additional films (about  
45 minutes) will be shown at 4:45 pm, and with a VIP ticket, save  
your choice of seat for the evening festival. At both main events,  
doors open at 6:15 pm, show from 7:00 until 9:00 pm. Food and  
beverages will be for sale.

[Tickets can be purchased ONLINE.](#) Tickets are also available at  
the BV Chamber, Salida Steamplant Box office and the GARNA  
and Conservancy offices. Don't wait, we have sold out in past  
years!

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### [Nestbox Monitoring Training & Box Building](#)

**Saturday, March 11**

### **SAVE THE DATES!**

**Bloomin' Fundraiser:**  
when warm days remind  
you that spring planting  
will be coming, think about  
what starts, gifts and  
flowers you might like to  
get through GARNA's  
Bloomin fundraiser. This  
year we're investigating  
the possibility of adding a  
supplier in BV.

**AgriSummit 2017:**  
**Friday, April 21.**

AgriSummit is a day-long  
event highlighting  
opportunities for  
networking, discussion  
and learning focused on  
local food production and  
agritourism in the Heart of  
the Rockies region.

**Earth Day: Saturday,**  
**April 22.** Join GARNA,  
AHRA and many other  
community groups for a  
family-friendly Earth Day  
2017. The event will take  
place at Riverside Park in  
Salida and is free and  
open to the public. **Stay  
tuned for info on a  
"Procession of Species"  
march!**

**Upper Arkansas  
Wilderness Volunteers  
Spring Training:**  
**Saturday, May 13.** One  
day training with a focus  
on the needs of volunteers  
on Forest Service  
Wilderness lands.  
Questions contact Kate  
Garwood at 719-966-9351.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**



GARNA partners with Colorado Parks and Wildlife to monitor nesting boxes on State Parks and State Wildlife lands in Chaffee County. The boxes are primarily used by Mountain Bluebirds and Tree or Violet-green Swallows. A training is scheduled for volunteers who wish to help with the Nest Box Project this spring and summer. Several former volunteers are not returning and we really need some new people to join the project. It is fascinating to observe the nest from first egg laid to last hatchling fledged. After the training, we'll build some new boxes; everything is pre-cut and drilled and just needs to be put together. This is a great activity to do with your kids or grand kids! For more information please contact Denny Arter at [denison118@gmail.com](mailto:denison118@gmail.com).

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## [Salida Historical Town Tour with Absolute Bikes](#)

**Sunday, April 23**



*Photo courtesy of Salida Regional Library*

Salida has one of the biggest and best-preserved downtown historic districts in Colorado. This tour by bike will include lively stories about the legends and history of the area including the railroad, the downtown district, the brothels, the gunfights, the ghosts and more. We will also visit the Salida Museum! This ride follows the city streets and bike path and is great for individuals of all ages. [Registration](#) is required.

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### **Not a GARNA member?**

GARNA is the Arkansas River Valley's only local, broadly focused conservation and education organization. GARNA is supported by

**Saturday, June 17:** Join GARNA as a Green Team-Composting and Recycling Attendant when the Ride the Rockies ends their tour in Salida. If you are willing to help us earn a little money for GARNA, please [contact us](#). Thanks!

### **LEADVILLE NATIONAL FISH HATCHERY NEEDS YOUR HELP**

In February, the picnic pavilion at the Hatchery collapsed due to heavy snow fall. The pavilion was constructed using only donations, and the Friends of the Leadville National Fish Hatchery (FLNFH) is now seeking any and all contributions to help fix it. GARNA has held a number of trips at the Hatchery and we wanted to pass along this plea. Checks made out to FLNFH can be sent to PO Box 1194, Leadville CO 80461.

### [Colorado Trout Unlimited River Conservation & Youth Fly Fishing Camp](#)

Our local Chapter, Collegiate Peaks Anglers, is offering a limited number of scholarships for this camp taking place June 11-16 in Weston, CO. Participants are ages 14 through 18. Please see [HERE](#) for more info and an application. **Deadline is March 15.**

membership fees. We have over 450 members and growing...[will you join us?](#)

Our Mission: To foster stewardship of the resources of the greater Arkansas River region through education, volunteerism and experience. We accomplish our mission through formal partnerships with natural resource agencies, and work with local, like-minded organizations.

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