



GARNA Gab September 2017

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[Tour the Leadville National Fish Hatchery](#)

Friday, September 8



GARNA has arranged for a special tour and presentation at the [Leadville National Fish Hatchery](#). Ed Stege, Hatchery Director, will conduct a special tour of the facility. Ed will discuss aquatic habitat changes from natural or human influences, and how these changes impact the natural production of fish. The group will learn more about how the Hatchery has combated whirling disease and about how one of the most endangered amphibian species in North America, the Wyoming toad, is being raised at the Hatchery. **Free for GARNA members.** Non-members, please consider joining to support this type of programming. [Register now.](#)

[Trip to the Orient Mine Bat Cave... one more time](#)

Monday, September 11

Moonlight Monday for GARNA!

Labor Day, Monday, September 4



Every Monday [Moonlight Pizza & Brewpub](#) generously donates 10% of all sales to a different local organization. On Monday, September 4, GARNA will be the beneficiary. All sales are eligible including dining in and take-out. Enjoy a beverage, let Moonlight do the cooking on Labor Day and support GARNA!

GARNA's Robust Youth Ecological Literacy Programming



Upcoming dates:

- Wed, September 6 - GO Leadville! 3rd grade trip
- Sat, September 9 - GO Leadville! Familias Juntas program
- Thurs, September 14 - Longfellow Elem 3rd grade trip
- Thurs, September 21 - Salida Middle School 6th grade trip
- Friday, September 29 - Avery Parsons Elem 4th grade trip

Can you share your time and



Photo: Colin Treworgy

Because this program was so popular, we decided to add another trip to see the Orient Mine bats in the San Luis Valley. We will drive to and then hike to the opening of the Orient Mine Cave via the Black Canyon trail head. The Orient Mine Cave is located on the Orient Land Trust (OLT) and Valley View Hot Springs property, approximately 11 miles southeast of Villa Grove. The closed Orient Mine has been the home to nearly 250,000 migratory bats for the last 40 years. Ecologist, educator, outdoor enthusiast and GARNA program committee member Max Keller will lead the group. [Register now.](#)

[14er Fest Guided Hikes](#)

Saturday and Sunday, September 30 and October 1



GARNA is leading 3 hikes as part of the inaugural [14er Fest](#) in Buena Vista. Register directly through 14er Fest.

- Lake Hartenstein - Saturday, September 30**
- Lost Lake - Saturday, September 30**
- Ptarmigan Lake - Sunday, October 1**

SAVE the DATE [Telluride Mountainfilm Festival](#)

Thursday, October 19 in Salida
Friday, October 20 in Buena Vista

volunteer for one of these important events? Please [email Emily](#) for more information.

Envision Chaffee County



Chaffee County's population is projected to increase by 31% by 2030 and 52% by 2050. Envision Chaffee County is a countywide effort to help maintain our natural beauty, rural landscapes and sense of community as we grow and prosper.

PLEASE ATTEND one of these meetings! We want to hear what you think about the future of Chaffee County.

Town Hall Meetings:
Wednesday, September 20, 5-7 pm at Chaffee County Fairgrounds

Thursday, September 21, 6-8 pm at Buena Vista Community Center

[Friends of Fourmile Chapter Update](#)



This GARNA Chapter has been busy as usual. Visit the newly updated [webpage](#) to learn more about their activities. New maps and information about the Fourmile area have been posted as well.



The Greater Arkansas River Nature Association and Central Colorado Conservancy are teaming up once again to bring an evening of film from [Telluride Mountainfilm Festival](#). Salida festival will be at the Salida High School, BV event is at the BV Community Center; the same films will be shown.

[Purchase tickets now!](#)

Not a GARNA member?

GARNA is the Arkansas River Valley's only local, broadly focused conservation and education organization. GARNA is supported by membership fees. We have over 500 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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