

FROM THE PRESIDENT

APRIL 2004

1. The Great Outdoors Colorado (GOCO) has requested Concept Papers from entities proposing large-scale outdoor programs and seeking grant awards of more than \$1 Million. Projects submitted in response to this request should be of regional or statewide significance. The restoration of Rollins Pass should meet the requirements for this effort. It is my understanding that both Gilpin and Grand Counties are preparing concept papers. No information has been received concerning Boulder County. Concept papers will be evaluated and those entities selected will be asked to submit a more complete application.

2. It has been 100 years since the Denver Northwest and Pacific Railroad crossed over the Continental Divide. The Gilpin County Historic Society is joining Author Bob Griswold in celebrating the Anniversary of the First train at Tolland. The event will be held Saturday June 19, 2004 at noon. Autographed copies of Bob's new book "Before the Moffat Tunnel"



will be available. Call 303-757-2159 for more information.

3. RPRA will recognize the 100-Year Anniversary of the Denver Northwest and Pacific by holding two picnics, one on each side of the Pass. Earl Salter will present his multi-media show "David Moffat, The Man and His Dream." Coordination is not firm but the picnic and show on the Westside will be Saturday August 7, 2004. The Grand County Historic Society is arranging the place. The picnic and show on the Eastside (Front-range) probably be held in Nederland. Access to a facility to set up projectors and have space to view the show is a problem. Save the dates of August 7, and August 22nd for our picnics. As soon as exact sites are set you will be notified.

4. RPRA Annual Meeting is Monday; May 17, 2004; 6:30 to 9:00 PM; Boulder Public Library-MEADOWS BRANCH, 4800 Baseline Road, Boulder, Colorado (Same place as last year) PROGRAM: Dick Oldberg will present video of his model of the "Hill Route" from Utah Junction to Craig. (Directions: Baseline is a main East-West cross road in South Boulder. Foothills Parkway runs North-South in eastern Boulder. Turn west from the intersection of Baseline Road and Foothills Parkway two blocks to Mohawk (Traffic light); turn left (south) to the second street, turn left around the shopping center, and follow the road to the Meadows Branch



Library. There is plenty of parking. As you enter the building the meeting is in the room to the right.

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Program is: Dick Oldberg will update his progress in modeling the Moffat Road by video.

> PLEASE ATTEND ANNUAL PICNICS West Side - Saturday August 7, 2004 Noon at Cousin's Ranch at Winter Park East Side - August 22, 2004 Noon (location to be announced)