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You're personally invited to a Natural Areas Reunion and Friend Raiser. Come and enjoy wine, cheese, desserts, music and contests. You'll hear some words from our current Friends leader, Lynn Reidel, then a 30 year retrospective of Natural areas from Harris Sherman, who was the Executive Director of DNR when Natural Areas started, and is back in the same job now! You'll hear a short update on what the Colorado Natural Areas Program is working on now and how a stronger Friends Group can help.

Why does CNAP need more Friends? The Friends Group can help the Natural Areas Program fund and manage some exciting projects for Outreach, Protection and Acquisition. There are projects such as: putting up more interpretative signs; selling a coffee table book, Natural Areas calendars and post cards; building fences; and building endowments for conservation easements. The private funds raised can be applied to projects that are difficult to accomplish with state funds. For example, the \$13,000 raised for the Clay-Loving Wild Buckwheat last year was very important for the protection of that plant. Our goal is to have over 100 people show up at the November event and sign up for ways to support CNAP's goals. We would like find three people to sign up to be official Friends Board Members, especially a treasurer to manage funds and negotiate contracts, and people to help organize an annual fall fundraiser, maybe an art auction.



High Mesa fence building

Who should Attend? If you have ever worked with the Colorado Natural Areas Program, been a Council member, a volunteer, or are just an interested friend, then please come. We would like to have over 100 people attend to demonstrate to current leadership how important these areas are and how many people care about them. Your presence at this event is critical to build more momentum for growing this program. So please talk to other former CNAPers, CNAP partners, or your own friends to make sure they get an invitation. If you can't attend, please consider filling out the attached form to become a member of the Friends Group and let us know if we can seek your help on particular projects in the future. If you are coming, please send in a membership form and an RSVP so we can plan the refreshments accordingly.

Send your best CNAP Story. Whether you can come or not, please mail back your CNAP stories - fill out the attached story contest sheet. This is a way to remember and celebrate some of CNAP's history. We want to hear about the good times and the dark days. We want to remember the things that made you laugh and made you want to cry. A lot of people have put sweat, blood and tears into protecting these most special treasures of our state. You can come and share those memories with other CNAPers to reconnect with the past, and see where CNAP is headed in future. We'll pick the 3 best answers we get by November 6th and display them at the FriendRaiser so attendees can vote for a winner. We'll ask the winners to tell their winning stories to the audience, and then we'll give those folks **good prizes!!!**

Clay-Loving Wild Buckwheat



This event will be sponsored by the Friends of Colorado Natural Areas and the Foundation for Colorado State Parks, so contributions will be **tax deductible**. We want to give a special thanks to all of you who have made contributions to the CNAP program or to the Friends Group over the last several years. For questions, feel free to call 720-855-8584 or email Friends_of_CNAP@comcast.net . Thank you!

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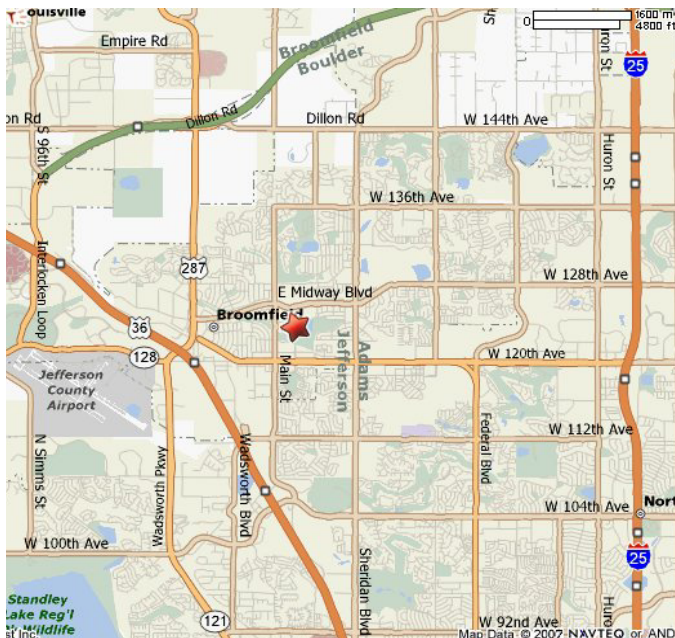
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Celebrate CNAP's 30th year, help build friends for the future, and sip some beer, wine, and munch some food while you chat with cool people. Bring some photos and some stories.

Directions From Boulder it's about 20 minutes/ 14 miles. Head southeast on Highway 36 for 11 miles, then take the Hwy 121/128 exit toward Broomfield/Arvada, turn left onto Wadsworth Parkway (121/128) and head north about 0.5 miles, then turn right on Midway Blvd. Go 1.3 miles east on Midway and then take a right and head south on Lamar St. for about 0.2 miles and the building will be one block down. Park on the southwest side of the building and enter through the South doors.

From Denver it's about 25 minutes/ 17 miles. Head north on I-25, take exit 217 onto Westbound US 36 for 9.3 miles. Take the Hwy 121/128 exit and turn right onto Wadsworth Parkway (121/128) and head north about 0.5 miles, then turn right on Midway Blvd. Go 1.3 miles east on Midway and then take a right and head south on Lamar St. for about 0.2 miles and the building will be one block down. Park on the southwest side of the building and enter through the South doors.

From the Westin it's only 2.5 miles north. Go north on Westminster Blvd for 0.8 mi, stay straight at 111th and the road changes names to Main St and continue north for 1 mile. At 120th, take a right and head east for 0.2 mi, then take a left and head north on Lamar St. for 0.1 miles until you see the rec center. Park on the southwest side of the building and enter through the South doors.



Please tape this to your fridge/calendar, and please call some other Friends to make sure they come too!
For questions about the event, call: 720-855-8584. For questions about directions, call 303-464-5502.