



**BLACK FOREST COMMUNITY CLUB
JULY 2024 NEWSLETTER
“Everyone is Family in the Forest”**

Schedule of BFCC Events

Saturday, July 13, 11-8pm	Firehouse BBQ Festival Fundraiser
Sunday, August 4	Keepers Dinner
Friday, August 9	Biergarten Fundraiser
Saturday, August 10	Black Forest Festival
Thursday, Aug. 22, 6:30pm	General Meeting Board and Officers

Everyone is invited to attend the meetings and the events.
For Line Dancing classes, etc., check bfcommunityclub.org.

2024 Keeper of the Keys to the Black Forest by *Barbara Hosmer* The Past Keepers Committee is still accepting nominations for this year’s Keeper of the Keys. All nominations must be postmarked by **July 8** and sent to P.O. Box 88088, Black Forest, CO 80908. **Voting will start on July 15 and end on August 2.** The voting box will be located at the Black Forest General Store/Firehouse BBQ.

This year’s Keeper of the Keys will be announced on August 4 at the Keepers’ Potluck Dinner to be held at the Black Forest Community Center starting at 6pm. Beverages and table settings will be furnished but everyone is asked to bring a covered dish to share. As a suggestion those with last names starting with A-H are asked to bring a salad, those starting with I-S an entrée and T-Z a dessert. (I hope we have a lot of Zieglers attending!) This event is for the entire community as a start to the fun we have at the Festival on August 10.



Pictured above are past Keepers in 2022. You may recognize many or all of these Black Foresters who have contributed to the improvement of our community over the years.

2024 Black Forest Festival Weekend celebrating... *55 Years of Tradition*

The 2024 Black Forest Festival will be held on **Saturday, August 10th**. This year marks the 55th year that the Black Forest community will be able to come together and celebrate all that makes our community so wonderful. The festival theme this year is, “***55 Years of Tradition***”. For 55 years, the BF Community Club’s dedicated sponsorship, alongside local church, business, and volunteer support, has succeeded in bringing the Black Forest community together for a family-friendly, fun day.

The festival aims to celebrate life in the forest and is an opportunity to highlight aspects which we hope to preserve and propagate for generations to come. You can expect this year’s festival to be a great time with neighbors far and wide. The festival weekend also

features a **Friday night Biergarten (August 9)** which has been a sellout in past years, so mark your calendars for that event. The Biergarten **proceeds will go to the "Project in the Backyard" fund** as the backyard needs professional refurbishment.

One of the great festival traditions each year is the creation and selection of the **festival logo**. Black Forest local artists, including some youth, submit logos that reflect the festival theme. This year's winning logo was chosen by a vote of the Festival Volunteer Team. **The logo submitted by Liz Deen (shown above) was chosen to represent the Festival this year.** You may recognize the name Liz Deen because she owns Cotton Blossom Caramel, a store local to Black Forest. If you have not been to her store, you are missing out! Thank you again to all that participated in the Logo Contest and help keep this fun tradition alive!



Schedule of BFCC Events

- July 8th Black Forest **Biergarten Tickets go on sale**
- July 13th Festival **Fund Raiser at Firehouse on the Run**
- July 19th Festival **Parade Sign-up deadline**
- **Friday, August 9th 6th Annual Black Forest Biergarten Fundraiser -**
Saturday, August 10th Black Forest Festival - Festival Schedule*:
- 6:30am – 9:30am – **Pancake Breakfast**
- 8:00am – 2:00pm – **Children's Entrepreneurial Market**
- 8:00am – 3:00pm – **Artisan and Business Booth Fair**
- 8:00am – 3:00pm – **Live Demonstrations, Children's Games, Children's Crafts, Tractor Rides & Pony Rides**
- 10:30am – **Parade**
- 11:30am – **Outhouse Races**
(estimated start time, Outhouse Races immediately follow Parade)
- 11:00am – 3:00pm – **Beer Pavilion**
- 12:00pm – 3:00pm – **Live Music at the Beer Pavilion**
- ***Schedule Is Subject To Change**

Demonstration Booths:

- 4H Petting Zoo
- Alpacas and wool demonstrations and products
- William Vogl Sheep Homestead and moveable fence demonstration
- Black Forest Demo Garden and
- Simple Pump demonstration

- Tractor Hay Rides
- Pony Rides by Spurs Academy
- Division of Wildlife
- Colorado State Forestry
- Hidy Honey Bee demonstration
- Purina Nutritionist
- Roots Chainsaw Demonstrations
- Kids games sponsored by LDS Church
- Kids Crafts sponsored by Black Forest Girl Scouts
- Chicken demonstration

Non-profit informational booths:

- BFCC
- Save our Wells - Friends of Black Forest
- Black Forest Educational Opportunity Foundation
- Black Forest Trails Association
- School in the Woods
- Edith Wolford Elementary
- Black Forest AARP
- BF Church of Latter Day Saints Genealogy and Just Serve information

Questions? Or need more information? Please email WeAreBlackForestCO@gmail.com.

- **Festival T-Shirts showcasing the logo** will be available for pre-order and for sale during the festival. Pre-orders will be taken via the WeAreBlackForest.com website. T-shirts will be available for pre-order on the website by Friday, July 1.
- **Volunteers are very much needed to support this year's festival setup.** Please check out all the ways you could help and volunteer for the festival.
 - <https://weareblackforest.com/2024-festival-volunteer-opportunities/>
- **Calling all families and local businesses that want to be in the parade or outhouse races. Please sign-up online via the website before the deadline of July 19th.**
 - <https://weareblackforest.com/2024-parade-signup/> ○ <https://weareblackforest.com/2024-outhouse-races/>
- **Interested in becoming a sponsor for the Black Forest Festival** and directly contributing to the festival? Please sign-up on our sponsorship page. ○ <https://weareblackforest.com/2024-festival-sponsorship/>

Festival Fundraiser at The Firehouse on the Run
July 13 @ 11:00 am - 8:00 pm

Join us for a Festival Fundraiser on July 13th!

An open invitation to a family-friendly fundraiser!

Come out to The Firehouse on the Run to help us raise the funds we need to keep our beloved Black Forest Festival and Parade alive and well!!

All are welcome!



Note from Mack Sharp about the Line Dance Class:

On 19 Jun 2023, the Black Forest Community Center's Line Dance Class, headed by founder, Mack Sharp was honored to have a couple of international celebrities as part of it. These celebrities are none other than Mr. Scott Moore, 21-time national Pickleball champion and his very talented wife. Mr. Moore was recently inducted in the Hall of Fame. During the 1 1/2 hour class, Mr and Mrs Moore were welcomed by our Dancers and learned fun dances, such as "Makes Me Shiver", "Cold Heart" and "Wild Wild West" to name just a few. Due to a serious knee issue, Mack was unable to instruct on this date, however, his wife, a seasoned and talented Dance Instructor taught and lead all the dances beautifully and the entire class of approximately 30 laughed and had a wonderful time according to those present. The Black Forest Community and Center are indeed honored to have such distinguished guests in our community and our center and we're glad the Sharp couple were there to make them feel welcome and part of our community through dance lessons.

Mack Sharp has been an active member of our community for 20 years now and has served in various positions, including as a Director, Vice President and most recently, as President of our club. He founded this Line Dance Class nearly 6 years ago and has

raised nearly \$10,000 all of which was donated to our community center. When Mack formed the Dance Class he almost immediately filed with the United States Patent and Trademark Office to have his dance Group called the "Black Forest Line Dancers". As a last year, this trademark name was verified by the USPTO.

A poster for the Black Forest Summer Jazz Series. The title "BLACK FOREST SUMMER JAZZ SERIES" is at the top in large, bold letters, with "SUMMER" in a gradient of yellow and orange. Below the title, it says "FREE for the whole family" and "Join us at the Pavilion for fantastic music and dancing". It also mentions "Snacks and drinks will be available to purchase" and "Don't forget to bring a blanket or lawn chair to enjoy the incredible sounds of these very talented groups". A list of dates and bands is provided: 6/20 The Bill Emery Band, 6/27 Front Range Big Band, 7/11 Kicks Big Band, 7/18 Swing Factory, 7/25 Peak Big Band, 8/1 Academy Jazz Ensemble, 8/8 Kicks Quintet, and 8/15 Triple Play. The poster features a background of stylized green trees and a blue sky with white clouds. Musical notes are scattered around the text. The bottom left corner says "Image by freepik" and the bottom right corner says "Design by Sherrie Lichtenfeld".

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7/11 *Kicks Big Band*
7/18 *Swing Factory*
7/25 *Peak Big Band*
8/1 *Academy Jazz Ensemble*
8/8 *Kicks Quintet*
8/15 *Triple Play*

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Just a note about one of our long-time members who has moved to Canon City: **Carrie Robertson** served as the Parliamentarian for the BFCC and the Black Forest Homemakers in the past. In May she had a heart attack and says the recovery is slow. You can drop her a note at 3070 N. Sherrelwood Dr., Canon City, CO 81212.

“Tact is the knack of making a point without making an enemy.” Isaac Newton

Black Forest Community Club Membership Application P.O.

Box 88034

Black Forest, Colorado 80908-8034 WEBSITE:

www.bfcommunityclub.org

Please send this application to the address above. Membership is \$15.00 per family per year.

Monthly newsletter — (circle one) Electronic Hardcopy

Name:

Address:

Phone:

E-mail: \$15.00

Active Membership (Must reside within Black Forest Preservation Plan boundaries)
(Voting)

\$15.00 Associate Membership (Outside Black Forest Preservation Plan boundaries)
(Non-voting)

Circle any interest from those listed below:

Black Forest Festival

Hall Maintenance

Land Use

Club Programs

Publicity

Hall Rental Management

Membership

BFCC Property Development

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Hall Rental Manager: Jeff Ader (cell: 232-1882)

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