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Dear Members,

Hope you had a successful, busy season. I've been reflecting on how amazing tour guides are when they take on their tasks.

We don't have a particularly easy job. By definition, our job as a tour guide is very detailed, filled with so many responsibilities. I think many of you do your job instinctively as many of you have done it for years. And of course, the newer guides to our profession are probably newly out of training and are familiar with their responsibilities. But, I don't think it hurts to occasionally remind ourselves what we do and why we do it.

Our work is very useful for visitors who are for the first time in our area, because we are professionals who are very knowledgeable and provide valuable information. We represent our city, state, region, and/or country. What we do counts. ***We are making their trip special.*** We are showing them things that they might not see or know on their own, so it needs to be researched. It needs to be interesting but make sense. It must be positive, too.

So, I've tried to put together a fun checklist.

INFORMATION

I want to be enthusiastic

Need to be useful

Flexibility is key

Organized is imperative

Reliable and show up on time

Management of groups

Able to share facts

Time management succinctly telling the story

Interesting

On stage presence

Nice, friendly, to people from different backgrounds

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Or, if that was too much to remember, let me break it down a little more.

POETRY

Purposeful Organized Enjoyable Thematic Relevant **You!**

Keep up the good work. You rock!

Sherry Moon, President

FROM THE EDITOR

Deadline for submissions for the October 2019 *Guide Line* is **Thursday, September 26**

Future contributions should be emailed to *Guide Line* editor Eileen Pearl at rngaeditor@rockymountainguides.com. If anyone has photos to share, please send them along with either a short description or names.

COLORADO TRIVIA

by Sherry Moon

In 1919 the [US congress](#) voted in favor of the [19th amendment](#) and needed 36 states to vote in its favor. This amendment was ratified on December 15th, 1920 by Colorado. Colorado was one of 35 other states that had recognized women's suffrage rights in 1920. Let's see how much you know about Colorado's early suffrage involvement.

1. What year did Colorado adopt an amendment granting women the right to vote? a) 1869; b) 1876; c) 1893; d) 1919
2. What was the first state to grant the vote to women? a) Wyoming; b) Colorado; c) Utah; d) Idaho
3. True or False: After Colorado became a state in 1876, a referendum on women's suffrage was held.
4. Several prominent women in Colorado lent their names and spaces to the cause. They were: a) Mattie Silks and Jenny Rodgers; b) Baby Doe Tabor and Mrs. Nathaniel P. Hill; c) Annie Oakley and Calamity Jane; d) Margaret Brown and Molly Brown.
5. 55% of the electorate turned out to vote in 1893, with how many votes for and against? a) 35,698 for and 29,461 against; b) 29,551 for and 35,798 against; c) 72,800 for and 23,345 against; d) 16,345 for and 15,229 against.
6. True or false: This was the first time in U.S. history that a state referendum had passed women's suffrage into law.
7. True or false: Governor John Long Routt signed it into a bill.
8. True or false: Mrs. John L. Routt, the wife of the first state governor, was the first woman to register to vote.
9. The following year, three Colorado women became the first women to be elected to any legislature in U.S. history when they were elected to the Colorado House of Representatives. They were: a) Baby Doe Tabor, Mrs. Hill, and Margaret Brown; b) Dr. Elizabeth Cassidy, Emily Griffith, and Frances Jacobs; c) Clara Brown, Caroline Bancroft, and Patricia Schroeder; d) Clara Cressingham, Carrie Clyde Holly and Frances Klock

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COMMITTEE UPDATES

None to report.

UPCOMING INDUSTRY EVENTS



2019 Colorado Governor's Tourism Conference
Sunday, September 29, 2019 to Tuesday, October 01, 2019
Sheraton Hotel, Denver



NAI National Conference
Denver Colorado
November 12–16, 2019

National Association for Interpretation is hosting a National conference in Denver, November 12-16. NAI is a professional organization dedicated to advancing the profession of heritage interpretation. “If you help visitors learn about a place that’s important to you, you’re an interpreter.” The conference traditionally was workshops and learning sessions. For more information <https://www.interpnet.com/>
If you are interested in learning more about Interpretation contact Sherry Moon.



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SEPTEMBER and OCTOBER BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Board of Directors Meetings

Tuesday, September 3, 2019 2:00-4:00 pm

Monday, October 7, 2019 2:00-4:00 pm

Bear Valley Church, 10001 W Jewell Av, Lakewood, CO 80232

All Members are welcome to attend.

OCTOBER PROGRAM MEETING TEASER

The program will be held Monday October 14, at the Englewood Library.

Ethan Magusin, Taste of Denver Food Tours, will be presenting a tasty October program for all of you! He'll be giving an overview of what food tourism is, how it evolved, and how it works from an operations perspective. He may even have a few restaurant recommendations for you. Make sure you bring your appetite. The more knowledge you gain the better tour guide you will be.

Women's Vote Centennial Kickoff

Submitted by Jillian Allison, adapted from History Colorado press release. Jillian will be providing updates as the year progresses.

On August 26, Women's Equality Day, Governor Jared Polis, representatives of History Colorado, and the newly formed Colorado Women's Vote Centennial Commission (WVCC) made history on the steps of the Colorado State Capitol, when they kicked off the **Women's Vote Centennial** commemoration of the 19th Amendment. On the anniversary of the largest voting-rights expansion in US history, the event launched a full year of educational programming, community engagement, and partnerships in all 64 Colorado counties.

History Colorado, the state agency leading the Women's Vote Centennial Colorado, invites interested organizations and individuals across the state to collaborate to create space and events for civic engagement, commemoration, impact and support. Statewide partnerships between local museums, libraries, clubs, schools, arts organizations and individuals in communities will provide settings for suffrage-related events and dialog. For more information about ways to get involved and participate, visit COWomensCentennial.org, call 303-620-4933, or email HC_COWomensHistory@state.co.us.

In 1893, Colorado was the first state to outlaw, via state referendum, denying citizens the right to vote based on their sex. This took place more than 25 years before the national women's suffrage act was signed into law on Aug. 26, 1920. The trailblazing collaborative fight for women's voting rights changed the course of history in Colorado and continues to inspire social, economic, political, and cultural advancements today.

"As the first state to give women the right to vote by popular referendum, Colorado has a lot to be proud of and a lot to commemorate," said Cathey M. Finlon, chair of the Colorado Women's Vote Centennial Commission. "We also have the opportunity to understand what brought this vote to pass -- the coalitions, the economic anxieties, the societal situations that came together to achieve this momentous result. We will call attention to Colorado's important role in the national movement for the women's vote, while inspiring new action and research."

Statewide Programming

Statewide events and initiatives officially commenced today on Women's Equality Day and will culminate in 2020, with the 100th anniversary of the 19th Amendment's adoption. Several organizations are already participating in the grassroots movement, including the Arvada Center, Colorado Women's Hall of Fame, Colorado Encyclopedia, El Pueblo History Museum, Fort Garland Museum and Cultural Center, League of Women Voters, Molly Brown House, Regis University, Territorial Daughters of Colorado, and Trinidad History Museum. Statewide, organizations are invited to become partners in programming, with support from History Colorado. For a calendar with upcoming events, please visit COWomenscentennial.org.



ANSWERS TO Trivia Questions

1 c) 1893

2 b) Colorado is the first state to adopt an amendment granting women the right to vote in 1893. Utah and Idaho follow suit in 1896, Washington State in 1910, California in 1911, Oregon, Kansas, and Arizona in 1912, Alaska and Illinois in 1913, Montana and Nevada in 1914, New York in 1917; Michigan, South Dakota, and Oklahoma in 1918. The **territory** of Wyoming passed the first women's suffrage law Dec. 10, 1869. The following year, women begin serving on juries in the territory.

3 True

4 b) The suffragettes opened campaign headquarters in the Tabor Grand Opera House in rooms donated by Baby Doe Tabor and Mrs. Hill donated office space.

5 a) 35,798 for and 29,551—a difference of 6,237 votes in favor.

6) True

7) False: The bill passed both houses and was signed by Governor Davis Waite.

8) True

9 d)

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