November 2024 President's Note Susan Mathre

Our search for a new home for our monthly meetings beginning in January was successful. In **January 2025**, we will begin meeting at the Elderhaus Adult Day Program facility at 6813 S. College Ave., Ft. Collins. Coming from Ft Collins, this is located just south of Trilby Road on the west (right) side of 287 or if coming from Loveland, just north of the Fossil Creek Nursery on the west (left) side of 287. The driveway has two large white stone entry posts, one on each side of the drive, which helps to locate the small driveway.

Our next monthly meeting will be November 8, at 7 PM at First Christian Church, 2000 N Lincoln Ave., Loveland, CO. We will have a presentation by Joan Waldoch called "Snapshot of Poland." Joan is a native of North Dakota. Her paternal great-grandparents emigrated to the U.S. from Poland in the late 19th century. This will be our last meeting at this location. We will probably need a few members to assist in cleaning out our storage room at the end of our meeting.

November 9th CLEO, is on a **Saturday**. We will have lunch at 10:45 at Buffs Restaurant, 2600 Canyon Blvd., in Boulder. We plan to go to Fiske Planetarium, 2414 Regent Dr., Boulder for a 1 p.m. showing of Black Holes and Solar Super Storms. Cost is \$8. RSVP to Rocky Padden.

Our Holiday Party will be December 13, from 5:30-8:30 p.m. We will hold this at Harvest Park Clubhouse, 5303 Corbett Dr., Fort Collins, where we held it last year. We need a volunteer to coordinate the holiday party. Pam Morrison is willing to assist whoever coordinates this committee. She has a list of people from our last meeting who have volunteered to help.

Journeys in 2025

Inbound Baton Rouge to FFNC probably in late August. Elizabeth McCoy has stepped up to be Host Coordinator. She will be looking for a committee to assist in planning this journey.

We have a request from Central Phoenix for an inbound Journey to FFNC in the summer of 2025. It may be possible to combine with Baton Rouge, depending on the number of ambassadors.

Outbound FFNC to FFAustin with possible extension on to FFDallas for a few additional days. Dates we are looking at are March 19-28, 2025. Susan Mathre has offered to be the Ambassador Coordinator.

Outbound Journey to FFSeacoast New Hampshire, Sept. 17-23, 2025. We are looking into options to extend this journey to Boston or take a 9-day Caravan Tour into Nova Scotia & Maritimes Provinces. Ken has offered to be the Ambassador Coordinator.

*We are in need of someone to volunteer as Program Director and work with a committee to plan the programs for our monthly meetings.

Our next Board meeting is on November 6th, by zoom at 4:30 pm.

^{*}Marilyn Garner will take over the Journey Director position.