



BLACK FOREST COMMUNITY CLUB
JULY 2026 NEWSLETTER
“Everyone is Family in the Forest”

Schedule of BFCC Events

Monday, July 6, 13, 20, 27, 6pm	Jazz in the Park (food at 5:30pm)
No July Board and officers meeting	
Saturday, July 11	Summer Movie Night on the Pavilion
Sunday, August 2, at 5pm.	Keepers Potluck Dinner
Saturday, August 8	Black Forest Festival
Saturday, Sept. 12, 5:30pm	Fall Harvest Potluck & Hoe Down Dance
October	Oktoberfest
October 31	Halloween Trunk-R-Treat
December 5	Black Forest Christmas Market, Santa visits, tree lighting

(ALL members are welcome to attend the Board and Officers Meetings.)
For Line Dancing classes, etc., check bfcommunityclub.org calendar.

The President's Corner

Hello all,

I hope you're all enjoying your summer and time with Family. We have been making good progress with upgrades at the Community Center.

- The new security cameras are up and running, thanks to Tristen Eker. As I wasn't a huge help hobbling around on a new knee. We still have a few more to install as we identify blind spots.
- Josh Eker was a huge help in replacing the cistern transfer pump.
- And High Country Air serviced our gas heaters.
- With the help of Pierre Gaudreault, Steve White, and two kind Texans we got all of the Lidderdales' barn cleared out and debris cleaned up in the Backyard.
- We are getting closer to getting the new fence installed as the material has been delivered. Yeah!

- The grading in the backyard is going to start soon and be done before the Festival which will give us much more useful property.
- A huge thanks to Picker and Cheryl Munson for their generous hearts.
- The event committee did it again and put on a great Father's Day event.

We are getting closer to the 57th Festival and with all the hard work from the awesome volunteers, everything is going smooth.

Remember it takes a village to put on this great event so if you would like to help in any capacity please reach out. The next Festival meeting is July 8th.

Have A Blessed Day!!

Jim Collins

Our 1st Father's Day BBQ was a success! by Dawn Sciarrotta

Our Father's Day needed some preparations. Thanks go out to Jim Collins and John Bennet for mending and cleaning our Flattop grills for this event. Burgers and brat, some chicken and mushrooms danced on the grill! And around the grill, others chatted with great laughs and drinks. Johanna made the desserts. Candy brought the Dad's Root Beer for the floats. Laurie made all the coleslaw. We also had some baked beans and hashbrown casseroles for our sides. We had about 25-30 people hang out at the Community Club. It's always great when people come together for some fun.

We're already looking forward to doing it again — **be sure to mark your calendars for next year!** 🌲

Please join us for the 8th Annual Black Forest Biergarten Fundraiser



August 7th from 5:00 PM to 9:00 PM at the Black Forest Community Center and Log School Park.

Tickets go on sale July 8th!

It will be a festive night under the pines featuring craft brews from local breweries, food trucks, and a home brewing demonstration. We are also excited to host live music from Wirewood Station and Amore.

This year, our fundraising efforts are dedicated to installing a new digital sign for the community center. This update will allow us to display club events in a more legible format for passersby while providing a safer way for our volunteers to provide updates.

Black Forest Festival Volunteers Needed!

The Black Forest Festival is powered by neighbors, friends, and community members who are willing to lend a hand. We need volunteers for setup, festival-day support, breakfast, parking, parade assistance, the Family Beer Garden, cleanup, and more. If you can give even a couple of hours, your help will make a big difference. Please review the opportunities below and contact WeAreBlackForestCO@gmail.com to sign up or ask where help is needed most.

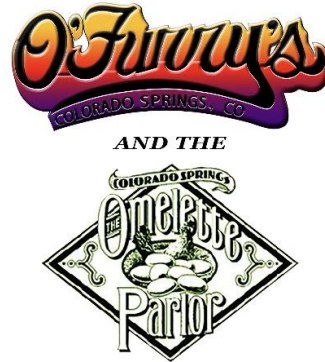
Lead Volunteer	Festival Activity	Contact for Volunteers to get in touch with	Additional Volunteers Needed Description	# Needed	Date Volunteers Needed
Johanna Ofstedal	Booth Fair	WeAreBlackForestCO@gmail.com	Measure and mark out booths		NLT Friday 8/7
Johanna Ofstedal	Booth Fair	WeAreBlackForestCO@gmail.com	Booth Fair Setup Attendants. Volunteer per section,	6	Saturday 8/8 6:00 am - 8:00 am
Johanna Ofstedal	Booth Fair	-	Need to man the front entrance .		
Johanna Ofstedal	Children's Market	WeAreBlackForestCO@gmail.com	Measure and mark out booths	2	NLT Thursday 8/6
Johanna Ofstedal	Children's Market	WeAreBlackForestCO@gmail.com	Directing dropoff and parking - 1 person in back yard for flow through (right direction). 1 person at front of community center to help them cross.	2	Saturday 8/8 6:00 am - 8:00 am
Kelly Marchbank	Morning Entertainment	-	Meet and greet the morning entertainment acts, set up speaker for pancake breakfast until acts arrive	1	Saturday 8/8 6:00 am - 8:00 am
Kelly Marchbank	BFCC Booth Shift 1	-	Sell t-shirts, answer questions, lost and found	2	Saturday 8/8 6:00 am - 9:30 am
Kelly Marchbank	BFCC Booth Shift 2	-	Sell t-shirts, answer questions, lost and found	2	9:30 am - 12:30 pm
Kelly Marchbank	BFCC Booth Shift 3	-	Sell t-shirts, answer questions, lost and found and help with tear-down	2	12:30 pm - 3:00 pm
Kelly Marchbank	Demo/Non-profit	-	Help with getting demonstrators and non-profits in place	2	Saturday 6:00 am - 8:00 am
Kelly Marchbank	Set up Chairs in Pavillion	-	Help set up chairs in the pavillion	2	Friday after the Beirgarten - set up the chairs.
Kelly Marchbank	Printed Festival Signs	-	Help distribute signs across the festival grounds	2	Friday 8/7 during the day
Jim Collins	Festival Signs that not paper	-	Need volunteers to assist with picking up signs at Cal Liddersdales and at Jim's. Then distribute to locations	2	Last Week of June
Jim Collins	Parking Lot Mowing	-	Mow backyard, Mow Munson Lot	2	
Jim Collins	Parking Lot Attendants	-	Assure Bistro Parking is only for those planned by Jim	2	Saturday 8/8 6:00 am - 8:00 am
Jim Collins	Food Trucks	-	Assure food trucks for chip yard get parked correctly	2	Saturday 8/8 6:00 am - 8:00 am

Jim Collins	Signs	-	Sunday or Monday Jim has this covered	2	Saturday 8/8 6:00 am - 8:00 am
Pierre Gaudrealt	Backyard, Parking Lot and Log School Park Setup	gaudre_p@hotmail.com	Backyard, Parking Lot and Log School Park Setup	12	Friday
Pierre Gaudrealt	Backyard, Parking Lot and Log School Park Tear-Down	gaudre_p@hotmail.com	Possibly JROTC, maybe LDS on Saturday evening, but no LDS on Sunday due to church services	10	Saturday 8/8 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm
Dawn	Volunteer Food	-	Prepared bag lunches delivered to bus drivers when they do their route training.		Deliver food to bus drivers
Dawn	Pancake Breakfast	-	Collect and Store Ingredients		Friday 8/7
John Trcka	Pancake Breakfast	john.r.trcka@gmail.com	Move 10x20 (2) after Biergarten	2	Friday 8/7 after Beirgarten ends
John Trcka	Pancake Breakfast	john.r.trcka@gmail.com	Boyscouts - Servers, pancake runners	6	Saturday 6:30 am - 9:00 am
John Trcka	Clean all the Grills	john.r.trcka@gmail.com	Pull the Grills out from under community center and clean them, set them up	3	Friday 8/7
John Trcka	Breakfast Cooks	john.r.trcka@gmail.com	6 Grills/6 Cooks	6	Saturday 5:30 am - 9:00 am
Ryan Wanner	Pancake Breakfast	-	Deliver Coffee	2	Saturday 8/8 6:00 am
Steve White	Parade Setup	-	Help set up the parade route on Shoup and Black Forest Road	6	Friday 8/7 . Two teams of three.
Steve White	Parade	-	Golf Cart Drivers - take entries to their spots	6	Saturday 8/8 8:00 am - 10:30 am
Steve White	Parade - Keeper of Keys	-	Someone to drive the Keeper	1	
Steve White	Parade - Grand Marshall	-	Someone to drive the Grand Marshall	0	
Steve White	Parade Route Safety	-	Keep parade route free of guests, children for safety	5	Saturday 8/8 10:30 am - 12:00 pm
Steve White	Post Parade Drivers	-	Drive Golf carts 0 providing presence to help handicap , move people	4	Saturday 8/9 12pm - 3 pm
Steve White	Sheriff Assistance	-	Juniper, Herring, White fir, Homes	3	
Steve White	Clean up parade route	-	Once the festival is over these volunteers will help clean up the roads, neighbor frontage from any parade debris while the roads are still closed.	6	Saturday 8/8 4:00 - 5:00 pm
Leif Garrison	Family Beer Garden	leif3@outlook.com	Check Ids and sell beer. 2 shifts 11om - 1:15pm and 1:15 pm - 3:30pm	4	Saturday 11 - 3:30 pm
Leif Garrison	Family Beer Garden	leif3@outlook.com	Encourage Family Beer Garden after Parade	2	Saturday 8/8 12 - 3:00 pm
Leif Garrison	Family Beer Garden	leif3@outlook.com	Need a golf cart driver to help cleanup the family beer garden	1	Saturday 8/8 3:00 pm

The following companies are Platinum Sponsors for the Festival.

O’Furry’s and the Colorado Springs Omelette Parlor opened their doors in 1993 and have been serving up great food ever since. The Omelette Parlor is a returning, dedicated sponsor of the Black Forest Festival Pancake Breakfast serving up smiles and flapjacks first thing festival morning.

Visit the Omelette Parlor for fluffy omelets, homemade pork green chili, thick-cut bacon, giant plate-sized pancakes, and fresh-squeezed orange juice at 900 E. Fillmore in Colorado Springs. View their menu online at their [website](#) and [Facebook page](#).



Hennessey Roofing provides professional and stress-free roofing services in our communities and prides itself on superior quality and service. We specialize in all aspects of residential and [commercial roofing](#) including nearly all types of [roofing materials](#).

We are excited to support the Black Forest community as a returning sponsor of this year’s festival.

For more information, visit Hennessey Roofing on the [web](#) or via our [Facebook page](#).



Rial Heating & Air Conditioning proudly supports the Black Forest Community and is a returning Platinum Festival sponsor. Rial’s is a family-owned company providing top-tier commercial and residential HVAC services and is a proud Carrier Factory Authorized Dealer.

Their technicians service all makes and models, handling everything from routine maintenance to complex system repairs. Rial Heating & Air Conditioning is your one-stop



Iron Knight Disposal's dedication to supporting the Black Forest community is as evident as their customer service is truly unmatched. At Iron Knight, customer service isn't a shifting goal — it's a core value. Integrity, community service, and genuine care guide everything they do.

Every day is another chance to be great. Let Iron Knight Disposal be great for you. *Satisfaction guaranteed...or double your trash back.*

Find Iron Knight online via their [website](#) or [Facebook page](#).

CLEANUP FOR A CAUSE AND SUPPORT THE BLACK FOREST FESTIVAL

Saturday, July 18th, 2026



Got unwanted junk cluttering your home? Haven't had the chance to get rid of it? We can help!

Join us on Saturday, July 18th, in the **Backyard of the Black Forest Community Center**, for a clean-up event with a cause!

Starting at **7:00 AM**, bring your trash for disposal and support the Black Forest Festival at the same time. We'll be there until Noon—or until the trucks are full.

We are happy to take any acceptable items that you bring, all we ask is that you donate what you can for the Black Forest Festival.

Acceptable Trash

Couches/furniture
Household garbage
Yard Debris
Lumber
Scrap Metal

Not Acceptable

Tires
Paints
Electronics
Hazardous
Materials
Mattresses
Appliances

Organized by Iron Knight Disposal, the 2026 Black Forest Festival Committee and the Black Forest Community Center

MONDAYS IN THE PARK!

— 2026 SUMMER —

JAZZ *in the* **PARK** **— CONCERT SERIES —**

SHOWS START AT 6:00 PM



6/15/2026 Front Range Big Band
6/22/2026 Peak Big Band
6/29/2026 Academy Jazz Ensemble
7/6/2026 Kicks Big Band
7/13/2026 Kick Combo
7/20/2026 Swing Factory
7/27/2026 Bare Bones
8/3/2026 Peak Big Band

BLACK FOREST COMMUNITY CENTER PARK

12530 Black Forest Rd, Colorado Springs, CO 80908

CLUB WILL HAVE BRATS & DRINKS STARTING AT 5:30

**FREE CONCERTS! | BRING A BLANKET OR CHAIR!
DONATIONS ACCEPTED FOR THE PERFORMERS**

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

The Black Forest Community Club Newsletter is a publication of the Black Forest Community Club, a non-profit, social club organized around a theme of community service. Subscriptions are included exclusively with club membership. Membership is open to all adult residents of Black Forest. Annual dues are \$20 per family. For membership information write to the following address or visit our website. Black Forest Community Club, POB 88034, Black Forest, CO 80908-8034. Or fill out the membership form in this issue.

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