

Front lines – News briefs of the West

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Many are the sorrows of the wicked; but he who trusts in the Lord, loving kindness shall surround him. Be glad in the Lord and rejoice, you righteous ones, and shout for joy, all you who are upright in heart. Psalm 32: 10,11 (NAS)

Denver Red Shield a finalist

Captain Ron McKinney reports that the **Denver Red Shield, Colo.**, is **one of three finalists** for the **2007 El Pomar Award For Excellence in the Sports and Recreation Category for Colorado Nonprofits**. Being a “finalist” guarantees a grant of \$7,500 with the possibility of winning the ultimate

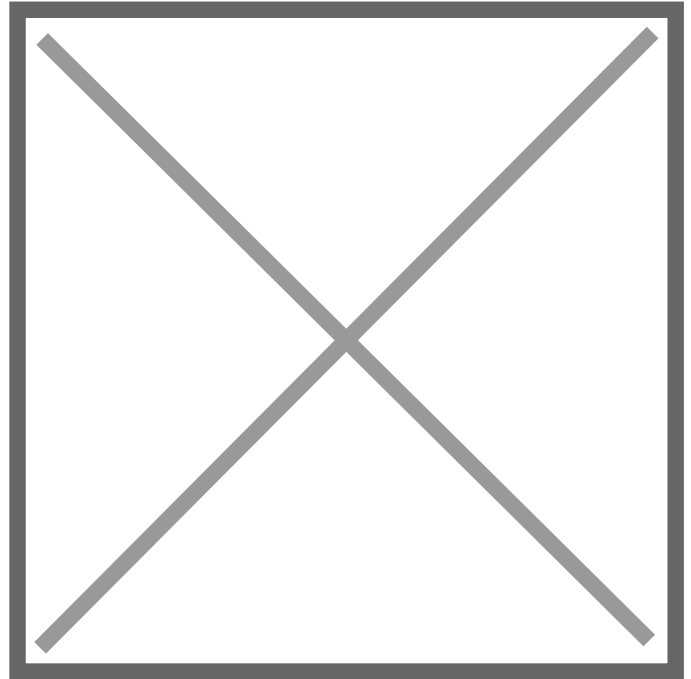
grant of \$25,000 at the 19th Annual Awards for Excellence Banquet on November 28, 2007 at the Broadmoor Hotel in Colorado Springs. “The Awards For Excellence Selection Commission **recognizes The Salvation Army Denver Red Shield Community Center as one of the three best programs** among all similar nonprofits in Colorado,” said McKinney.

Cheyenne assists at Frontier Days

Over 1,400 rodeo contestants participated at the **111th annual Frontier Days** held July 21-30 in Cheyenne, Wyo., an event attended by thousands. The **Air Force Thunderbirds** also flew for the 54th consecutive year. “The **Cheyenne emergency disaster services (EDS) canteen** was mobilized as well,” stated Cheyenne **Corps Officer Captain Dave Shull**. “A total of **20 volunteers** gave **over 333 hours** of their time and served over 8,000 cups of coffee and 290 gallons of water.” This year marked the **22nd year that the Cheyenne EDS unit has been in attendance**.

Coeur d’Alene celebrates

Over 400 people gathered in **Coeur d’Alene, Idaho**, to celebrate with the Army in **breaking ground on the \$72 million Ray and Joan Kroc Corps Community Center**. **Major Ralph Hood**, secretary for personnel, announced the groundbreaking goal had been met and that The Salvation Army was making **\$64 million available to build and endow the center**. **Sandy Patano** was master of ceremonies; also participating were vocalist **Ruth Pratt**, Project Director **Major John Chamness**, Advisory Board Chair **Sandi Bloom** and campaign co-chairs **Art Brown and Jack Riggs**.



Rotary recognizes Walton

Sandra Steffaney, Tacoma Sunrise Rotary Club out-going president, recently recognized **Tacoma, Wash., corps Business Administrator Frank Walton** as: Rotarian of the month; 100% attendance 2006-2007; and presented a certificate of appreciation (fine master).

Listen to Spirit of the West

Jim Sparks, youth leadership development director, announced in the **August installment of Spirit of the West**, **Commissioner Phil Swyers** discusses several **upcoming youth programs** with **Territorial Youth Secretary Captain Kyle Smith**. Additionally, **Rachel Giffey-Brohaugh** and **Craig Rodriguera**, who participated in two of this summer's **Service Corps mission teams**, describe their experiences. To listen to this and any past episode of the podcast, visit <https://spiritofthewest.blogspot.com> and click on the title of the blog entry to download the audio file.