



# Boulder County Nature Association

BCNA Buzz

February 2014

## KEEPIN' UP THE BUZZ!

BCNA Buzz—A quick update of BCNA doings.

Keeping you in touch and involved

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### Naturalist Resources

BCNA has many resources catalogued for use by those interested in the natural world of Boulder County and the Colorado Front Range. We are working to increase the number of resources available on this site.

- [KGNU/BCNA Almanacs](#)
- [Links for naturalists](#)
- [Books of local interest](#)
- [BCNA topic summaries](#) Still to come

*You can help us enhance the naturalist resources section of our web site. Above is what this page looks like now, with links to various interesting and helpful information.*

*Please bring to the Feb. 8 dinner a card or sheet of paper with your favorite books, websites, apps or CDs that would be of interest to local naturalists. Your input is important to our mission to educate our members. There will baskets to collect everyone's ideas.*

### ARE YOU ON FACEBOOK?

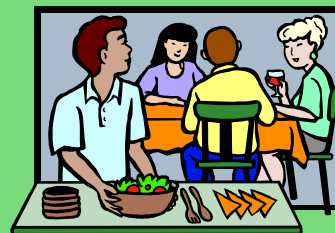
You can help us reach out to more people! "Friend" us on Facebook and your friends will be able to see the interesting tidbits posted on our page.

<https://www.facebook.com/BoulderCountyNatureAssociation>

### DON'T MISS IT!

### ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

*BCNA Annual Meeting and potluck  
6:00 PM Saturday, February 8th  
Arapahoe Ridge HOA Clubhouse,  
1750 Powell Street, Erie  
[http://www.mapquest.com/  
#d2f883eb96de049464c90a33](http://www.mapquest.com/#d2f883eb96de049464c90a33)*



**Guest speaker— Dave Sutherland,**  
Education and Outreach Coordinator  
for City of Boulder Open Space and  
Mountain Parks (OSMP)  
Will give an update on efforts to restore  
flood damaged OSMP properties.

Bring a salad, main dish, side dish or  
dessert to share and your own  
drinks, table service and serving  
utensils. All are welcome!

### FROM THE PRESIDENT

We have openings on our Board of Directors. My own experience on the Board has been most gratifying. The Board is a very compatible group of people working hard to have an impact on local conservation activities. I urge interested BCNA members to step forward and let us know of your interest in participating on our Board and having a say in the continued success of our organization. Contact me: Peter Kleinman

[peterk218@gmail.com](mailto:peterk218@gmail.com)



# Boulder County Nature Association

## CALL FOR PROPOSAL GRANTS Peter Kleinman, President, BCNA

BCNA is a private, non-profit membership organization committed to preserving the natural history of our region through research, documentation and public education. We are pleased to offer research funding by giving small grants for projects consistent with our mission.

Grants have been available in two categories:

Ken Iverson Memorial Grant provides up to \$400 available specifically for research on our native cats. One grant will be awarded each calendar year.

General BCNA grants individually up to \$1000 to \$2000 to fund projects that will add to our understanding of the natural history of Boulder County or will augment the existing documentation of the County's ecosystems. Past projects have included a scientific survey of butterflies, bat species and their ecological requirements, and a comparison of flora and fauna adjacent to trails that allow dogs and those that don't allow dogs. There have been many others. BCNA is proud to support solid local research. We currently have up to \$4000 available for such grants.

Proposals should include a detailed methodology, timeline, a complete budget (to include other funding sources), and be limited to five pages. No institutional overhead is allowed. Individuals at institutions requiring overhead can apply as independent scholars. Successful applicants sign a contract specifying they will complete the project in the current year, will share the results with BCNA, and will allow BCNA to share written reports of results on the web.

Applications should be submitted not later than March 1, 2014, either to the BCNA post office address : P.O. Box 493, Boulder, CO 80306, or to peterk218@gmail.com

## 2014 ECO-SYSTEM SYMPOSIUM -APRIL 12TH EXTINCTION—CAN OUR NATIVE SPECIES BE SAVED?

Registration 8:30-9:00AM Ramaley Auditorium CU Campus

Explore important environmental topics presented by noted local authorities.

- Ecosystem Ecology/Restoration
- Can Citizen Science Monitoring Provide Reliable Data to Assess the Vulnerability of the American Pika to Climate Change in the Front Range
- Bristlecone Pines
- Rights of Nature
- **Complimentary Lunch**
- State of the Birds in Boulder County: Threatened, Endangered, and Extirpated Breeding Species
- Potential Flood Effects to Rare and Endangered Plants and Animals

## TIME TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP

Support BCNA's important scientific projects, educational opportunities and our voice in public decision-making

- Quarterly newsletter
- Discount on our classes
- Discount on BCNA Publications.

It's a great bargain

<http://bcna.org/member.html>