

VINTAGE MESSENGER

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Thank You!

Thank you to all RMVR members who contributed to my Marathon Walk fundraising effort for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. Your generosity was tremendous. I raised over \$5000 for the cause!

While you were racing the Pueblo Trans-Am Invitational I was walking from Steamboat Lake, down along the beautiful Elk River to downtown Steamboat Springs. I successfully completed the entire 26.2 miles (and was able to walk the next day!).

It was a very gratifying experience being part of the Team in Training. Together our Rocky Mountain and Santa Fe chapters raised \$245,000 in this event for the fight against blood cancers.

I appreciate the personal notes and words of encouragement I received from all of you. These inspired me to keep going for the six plus hours it took to complete my journey. Thank you all again.

Sincerely,

Chip Hane

Historic Class

Ian Rainford wishes to remind all those in the Historic class that there will be an Historic grid at the upcoming race at Second Creek July 17-18. If you plan on running that run group, please be sure to properly mark it on the Event Registration form when sending in your entry.

Denver Grand Prix Special Ticket Offer

RMVR Members:

As you know, we're quite excited about the return of a Vintage Grid to the upcoming **Grand Prix of Denver (GPD) Aug. 13-15**. If you plan on attending (and why wouldn't you????) **there are now THREE WAYS to get tickets.** And, it's not too early to place your orders. August will be here before you know it. Here are options to buy tickets:

1. Jimmy Aretakis at Nostalgia has once again purchased a **big block of seats in Grandstand 10**, (turn 5) and you can buy thru him. Three days \$95 (no other amenities) Give him a call at 303-697-0750.

2. Grand Prix of Denver is offering our vintage club members two special seating packages. Details of their special offer which, expires on July 15th, are below. You'll call Joshua Nettles at GPD to order these tickets.

3. Or, if none of these combos satisfy your needs, you can buy all other regular retail ticket packages via TicketMaster. If you do buy directly from TicketMaster, it is imperative that we let GPD know that you are there because of their generosity in working with us to make a vintage grid happen. Buying your tickets by Option 1 or 2 automatically takes care of this. But if you buy via TicketMaster, please also contact Bonnie Mortimer to let her know what tickets you've bought and she will keep track and let GPD know. Bonnie can be reached at; 303-790-8676 (between 10:00 AM and 8:00 PM) or Email at edzink88@aol.com

So, here are the **two ticket packages available directly from Grand Prix of Denver.** To buy either package, simply call Joshua Nettles directly at GPD, 720-783-5034. The offer expires July 15th:

Gold Package - Only \$65:

Reserved seat in Grandstand #2 or #3, located close to the very high foot-traffic Vintage Paddock now located at turns 2&3 this year. It includes 3-Day admission with reserved seats on Saturday and Sun. Beer/Soft drink & Hot Dog Vouchers all three days.

Platinum Package - Only \$95:

Reserved seat in Grandstand #10, the high-action corner Turn #5. Includes 3-Day admission with reserved seats on Saturday and Sunday. Beer/Soft drink & Hot Dog Vouchers all three days.

This year's Grand Prix and enhanced urban festival experience is geared towards stimulating all five senses: Feast on delicious local food and beverage while perusing art and photography at the **Lifestyle Expo**, rock out at the **Saturday Night Concert**, marvel at the **X-treme skateboarding and stunt bike demos**, treasure the return of a **Vintage Car Race**, and let the children loose the **Kids Zone** in and around the Pepsi Center. All within earshot of the hum of the **Champ Cars'** 750 horsepower engines running at 12,000 RPM.

See you there.

The regular RMVR Board Meeting is held the third Wednesday of each month, commencing at 7 p.m. at Porter Hospital Auditorium (enter by the Cancer Center entrance) 2525 S. Downing St., Denver, CO
FOR MORE INFORMATION: Catie Davis - Box 2096 - Estes Park, Colorado 80517 - (970) 586-6366

Pikes Peak Hillclimb

If you are interested in participating as a vintage racer in the Pike's Peak Hill Climb, please contact Scott Sanders at 303-442-0622.

Medicals

The Medical Committee would like to remind all members that Medicals **MUST** be submitted on the "new" 2004 form, which is available on the RMVR website.

Minutes

Rocky Mountain Vintage Racing Ltd.
Regular Board Meeting 6/16/04
Porter Hospital Auditorium
2525 S Downing St
Denver, CO

Board Members present:

Norm Pettitt-President
Bob Darcey-Past President
Jim Bradley-President Elect
Steve Gesse-Treasurer
Mark Robinson-Secretary
Andy Gould
Tom Ellis
Marcia Hubbell

Excused absence:

Janet Urbanek
Keith Davidson
Joe Pizzi
Ross Robbins

Call to order: 7:04PM

Announcements from Norm Pettitt

Norm wished to express his thanks to Keith Davidson for all his work in organizing the Trans Am Invitational race. A special thank you goes to Bill & Carol Betts for completing publication of the Apex magazine, despite commuting to and from California for a job transfer. Norm wanted to remind all that the upcoming Denver Grand Prix is a huge opportunity for promoting vintage racing and RMVR, and urges all to support the event. He hopes that the drivers selected will treat this as a "show" for the crowds, not necessarily a fully competitive event as a regular race would be. Feedback from all members is sought on how to make the most of the event. He has found

a Race Chair for the Enduro, and will be meeting with a prospective Apex editor, who has some automotive writing experience. Thanks also to Kevin Lynch for getting the club involved with the Golden car show held on June 12th. This was a well-attended car show of mostly rods & customs, but 4 vintage race cars, along with many copies of our race schedule and the new "How to get started in Vintage Racing" pamphlet handed out, lots of kids sitting in race cars and pictures taken, seemed to generate public interest in the club.

Minutes

Mark Robinson reported that there was a revision made to some wording of the Eligibility Chief's report a few days after it was sent to the Board for review and put on the web site. The revised version was then re-posted on the web site. With no other corrections or changes noted, a motion to accept the revised minutes was made, seconded, and approved unanimously by all Board members present.

Treasurer's Report

Steve Gesse presented financial statements for the year-to-date period ending 5/31/04 and for 6/16/04, the latter to capture the Pueblo Trans Am event. Gesse reported that year-to-date we are about where we should be compared to budget. The Trans Am event was great and preliminary figures show an above budget profit for the race, Advanced Drivers' school, and the Test & Tune. He thinks being a 3 day event helped, and urges that some type of three-day event be part of the 2005 schedule. Our new method of payment of event track rental (by actual car counts vs. by entries) will show net revenue improvement over budget amounts.

Chiefs' Reports

Timing & Scoring

Eloise McIlree mentioned that they had not heard any feedback, pro or con, to the mixing of fast & slow small bore run groups and splitting by time instead of class at Pueblo. It was suggested that feedback from the drivers involved is needed to gauge support for the concept. Bob Alder & Norm Pettitt will compose a forum on the web site's Bulletin Board asking for feedback.

Flagging & Communication

Pauline wished to thank the drivers & Board members that came out to work at the Pueblo race. It would have been much more difficult to staff the event without their help. She did not hear of any comments from drivers about the movement of the Black Flag station from corner 7 to corner 8. The drivers at the Board meeting said it was more visible to them, so this will most likely be a permanent change.

Administrative Assistant

Catie reported that the remaining rosters that were not handed out have been mailed. The Apex copies that were not handed out at Pueblo will be in the mail by the end of the week. She has begun to receive entries for the Second Creek race in July.

CMC/New Track Report

Bob Darcey, reporting for Scott Sanders, said that the 2003 figures needed for the new track financing proposal have been turned in, and a report is hopefully forthcoming. Second Creek will not be available 6/21 through 6/25; there is a motorcycle event going on. Initial reaction from Commerce City on renewing the permit for Second Creek in 2005 is not positive at this time. No improvements have been done at La Junta yet. RV hookups at Pueblo are possible by year end. There is a closed meeting for neighbors adjacent to the site of the new track and the county to be held 6/23 to gauge reaction to the proposed use. The organizers of the Pikes Peak Hill Climb have asked RMVR if there is any interest in a Vintage class at the Hill Climb; if anyone is interested, please contact Scott Sanders.

Denver Grand Prix

Norm Pettitt (reporting for Ross Robbins), said that all of us need to promote the ticket packages that are on the RMVR Bulletin Board to any and all that might be interested in attending, and use the opportunity to promote the Vintage cars being a part of the event. John Frew of the Grand Prix and the sponsor Centrix Financial are excited about our cars being there. The race entrants have been invited, and the entry list is to be published on the Bulletin Board very soon. They include a broad representation of the cars that we run. This is a big marketing opportunity for Vintage racing. There are plans to have display cars on hand as well.

Second Creek Fundraiser

Due to time limitations, the July race at Second Creek will be promoted as a spectator event without the extras such as VIP tent, banquet, etc. Some advertising is planned to attract spectators with a modest entry fee of \$5/carload and kids under 12 free. Steve Gesse pointed out that if we had a good turnout of race entries from our own members, it would be a successful event financially for the Club.

Historic Group Tire Rule

Bob Mitchner asked for a second reading of the tire rule proposal affecting the Historic Group only. The first reading, done at the April Board meeting, sought to limit this group only to 60 series tires or higher. It was tabled at the May meeting, as there was a revision being considered. The revision was cancelled in favor of proceeding with the original proposal. The proposed rule would read:

(2.2Bp1)Tires: DOT 60 series or higher or Goodyear Blue Streak racing tires or equivalent treaded vintage tire made by Avon, Hoosier, or Dunlop, no slicks, 2/32" minimum tread, no regrooves or recaps.

Tom Ellis made a motion to approve this rule change. Andy Gould seconded. Approved. FOR: Andy Gould, Tom Ellis, Mark Robinson, Marcia Hubbell, Bob Darcey, Jim Bradley. OPPOSED:None. Absent: Steve Gesse.

Eligibility: Provisional Log Book

Bob Mitchner reported that the Eligibility Committee has changed their name to the Eligibility Team. At their 6/4/04 meeting, they sought ways to allow cars that were "almost correct" to participate. They want to offer members an eligibility process that wasn't "pass/fail", or "black/white", and allow new applicants whose cars do not comply completely with our rules, but can be made to comply with a few changes, to participate in our events temporarily. To achieve this, the following proposed changes to the RMVR General Rules were presented for first reading (changes are underlined):

E: RACE EVENT REGULATIONS:

2. Regulations for Cars:

c. All entrants must have an RMVR Logbook with the required photos, and it must be presented at registration, tech inspection, and drivers' school. This **log**

book will be issued by the Eligibility Team. This rule does not apply to cars in the touring class.

C. Car Eligibility:

1. RMVR Car Race Groups (add the following new paragraph):

j. Cars meeting all the current rules and eligibility requirements will be issued a Log Book by the Eligibility Team. Some acceptable cars, but for requiring a few minor non-compliant items to be remedied, will be issued different colored Provisional Log Books which will clearly note the items requiring fixing and an expiration date for the Provisional Log Book. The owner will have six races or one calendar year (from the date of issuance of the Provisional Log Book, whichever comes first) to remedy the items, upon which a regular Log Book will be issued. If all the items are not corrected, the car will no longer be eligible to run with RMVR.

A motion to accept this first reading was made by Bob Darcey, and seconded by Andy Gould. Approved. FOR: Andy Gould, Tom Ellis, Marcia Hubbell, Mark Robinson, Bob Darcey, Jim Bradley. OPPOSED: None. Absent: Steve Gesse.

Meeting adjourned, 9:18PM.

Mark Robinson, Secretary

Classifieds

BT-40 BRABHAM, current RMVR car with log book, fresh pro build (MWE) BDD 1600cc. Spares including wheels, gears, etc. A nice clean example of the Marque, ready to run for 2004 season. Car and trailer \$35,500. Call Terry for details. 303-9733074.

FOR SALE: Trailer, enclosed, double axle. Accommodates a Formula Ford or Formula Vee as well as an older Corvette, XKE or smaller sports car. Low profile, excellent condition \$3500. Call Bob Durham, days - 303-526-9570. evenings and weekends 3003-674-7282.

Several Tex Racing/OMR Chevy Super T-10 Road Race 4-speed transmissions. Bullet proof fine spline front and rear, used, fresh and new from \$950. 1969 Caldwell D9 FF, new body, radiator, complete and ready for reassembly. Original log books. \$9500. 970-988-3076

66 CORVETTE Roadster, Corvette City 427 motor, fully race modified, runs cool, goes fast, Randy 305-744-0168.

1964 MGB Race Car # 225. Newly built engine with only a few practice laps at second creek. The car has only been driven in 5 race weeks since 1998. Almost new BF Goodrich R1 racing tires. Car is in excellent condition and could be raced this weekend. Call Rodger McCafferty - 719-837-2216

Wanted: a copy of the GT-40 poster from Steamboat '98. We have extras of 1996 - year of the Porsche we would trade or we would purchase one from someone. Thanks -Rodger McCafferty - 719-837-2216

Cheap race wear: Jacket - Filler Safety brand, "natural" off-white color with red stripes, Nomex single-layer, Size L. Has vintage look, \$25.

Pants - Nomex IIIA (current technology), near new, navy blue, 34x28, \$29, now \$19; and size 36x29.5, \$36, now \$24 (Industrial catalog price is \$82@.)

Flyer's coveralls, fire resistant, olive drab, excellent condition. Size 40 Long, \$32; and Size 42 Regular, \$49.

Tool: K-D click-type torque wrench (model 2951), 3/8" drive, range: 15 to 100 ft-lb. Compact and very accurate. Sears catalog price \$156, little use, in plastic case for just \$78.

Prices plus shipping. Andy Keller, 1455 Twin Sisters Drive, Longmont CO 80501 (Less than 8 miles from I-25.) Call 9 am to 9 pm: 303 772-4801 **keller@svvi.net**

1970 Winkleman FF Vintage race with RMVR and/or Club Ford racing with SCCA. Popular Winkleman WDF-2. Race ready, requires nothing. Strong, solid, reliable, certified "Legal and Proud" car, with fresh motor. Easy-load drop-axle open trailer. Pick it up today, race Second Creek tomorrow. \$15,000 OBO. Andy Hiller, 970-2235068. smartzAH@comcast.net.

Austin - Healey Sprite 1967-Body race prepared, complete with roll bar, gages, wiring, primer and sealcoat. Ready to paint. Plus a test car 1973 MG Midget, Licensed, with the race prepared engine, and all drive line and suspension. Plus a 1969 MG Midget parts car, with good body. More parts than can be listed. Only \$2500.00 for all. Call Ralph Covell at 970-731-9483, or Vic Vaile at 719-687-5925.

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**RMVR Infraction Report
June 12, 2004**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Incident</u>	<u>Penalty</u>
6/5/04	Michael Frederick	Contact with Armco	Probation until 9/12/04

2004 Event Schedule

July 17-18	Second Creek (RMVR charity event)
Aug. 7-8	Second Creek (backwards)
Sept. 11-12	La Junta
Oct. 2-3	Pueblo Enduro

RMVR Website- <http://rmvr.com>

**ROCKY MOUNTAIN
VINTAGE RACING
NEWSLETTER**

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RMVR VOLUNTEER NEWS

July, 2004

Our last race was at Pueblo on June 5th and 6th. Once again it was the Trans-Am reunion put together, as always, by **Keith Davidson**. We had a good field of cars prepared to Trans-Am specifications and it was interesting to watch and think about racing in the late 60s and early 70s. The Trans-Am cars then were much closer to production cars than they are today and a bunch of Camaros and Mustangs were sold on Monday if they won on Sunday. The Mexican Fiesta on Saturday evening included dinner and speakers with Trans-Am experience in the Sixties. The dinner was great and no one was turned away from the buffet table. The speakers had many interesting stories concerning their experience with Penske Racing and Chevrolet cars. Occasionally though, a reference would slip out to cars from that other manufacturer. This event is fun and I hope Keith can continue for many years into the future.

On Friday June 4th, RMVR conducted their first Advanced Driver's School. I got to participate in this, thanks Pauline for handling Flag and Comm, and I think this class was definitely worthwhile. **Betsy Krill** should be congratulated for putting this together and assembling such an able crew of instructors. Instruction included driving, driver preparation and car preparation. The instructors included **Betsy Krill, Danny Collins, Nick Ham, Carl Wells and Tom Ellis**. Driving instruction included getting comfortable in the car, driving with smoothness and "grace", heel-and-toeing, and trail braking. The instructors were also available during the day to examine your car and provide help with preparation and ergonomics. I got a lot of valuable information here from Carl Wells. I hope the club can continue this class and I would recommend it to anyone who wants to improve their driving.

SECOND CREEK BACKWARDS – AUGUST 7 & 8, 2004 - PLEASE REPLY BY 8/6/04

NAME _____ NAME _____
ADDRESS _____ ADDRESS _____

PHONE _____ PHONE _____

PLEASE CHECK SPECIALTY, DAYS.

F&C GRID TECH T&S

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NON-SMOKING

NON-SMOKING

FRIDAY WORK (TECH ONLY)

FRIDAY WORK (TECH ONLY)

SATURDAY WORK

SATURDAY WORK

SUNDAY WORK

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Another unique feature of the weekend concerned the small bore groups. **Roger Hively** has been working hard this year, both with the expanded eligibility and with the experiment conducted this weekend. The small bore cars practiced and qualified in the usual grouping by classes. That is, all the D Production cars together in the same group, etc. After qualifications the cars were divided into two groups based on only their qualification times, the faster half in one group and the slower half in the other, regardless of car classification. I will be interested in how the participants felt about this grouping. The view from the tower showed much closer racing in both groups with much less lapping and separation of the cars. I think this is a positive step and I am looking forward to participating when I race again.

Our next race, after you receive this, will be The Rocky Mountain Grand Prix at Second Creek on July 17th & 18th. It's never too later to sign up for a local race, except after it's over so call us and come work. I haven't checked with Pauline, who is doing the sign-up for this race, in the last few days but the last time we talked things looked grim. This seems like a good time to encourage our friends who haven't tried it yet to take the plunge. This is the only spectator race we will be having this year and it is the best chance for all workers to demonstrate our esprit de corps. Let's look good and perform at our best for the spectators. Come on out and work with us.

The signup for this newsletter is Second Creek Backwards on August 10th & 11th. This event is always interesting for me because the track looks and drives completely differently when going in the opposite direction. We always have a lot of fun with the cars going backwards. We will need a full complement of volunteers for this race. Corner workers, your responses for this one go to Pauline.

To get to the track, for either of these events, go north on Tower Road from I-70 to 88th Street. Go west on 88th to where 88th turns north into Buckley. The gate will be either off of 88th just short of Buckley or off Buckley just after you turn north. You can also exit I-76 onto 96th Avenue. Go east until the road turns south at Buckley. Look for the open gate. Be there at 8:00 AM Saturday and 7:30 AM Sunday and look for the meeting near the concession stand.

PLEASE CALL THE APPROPRIATE CHIEF LISTED BELOW TO VOLUNTEER.

F & C

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EVENT • Second Creek Race Backwards

DATE: August 7 & 8, 2004
LOCATION: Second Creek Raceway
CHAIR: Pat Dent (303) -526-0600
RACE STEWARD: Sara Black (303) -697-4750
RACE ENTRY FEE: \$180
LATE ENTRY FEE: \$25.00 after July 24, 2004 (at the track \$50.00)
DEADLINE: July 24, 2004

Fuel WILL be available

EVENT SCHEDULE

REGISTRATION & TECH: Saturday 7:00 AM
DRIVER'S MEETING: Saturday 8:30 AM
Sunday 8:00 AM

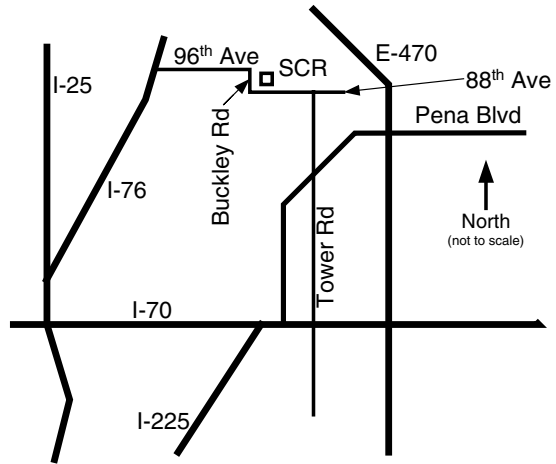
The rest of the schedule will be handed out at either registration or at Driver's Meeting.
All drivers and crew must sign in at registration.
Any driver that has not signed in, by the above specified time,
will not be allowed on the track.
All drivers must attend the Driver's Meeting.

CANCELLATION POLICY: Total reimbursement of race fee will be issued
If registrar is notified of cancellation no later than 72 hours prior to race dates.
Cancellations later than 72 hours or no shows will forfeit the race fee.

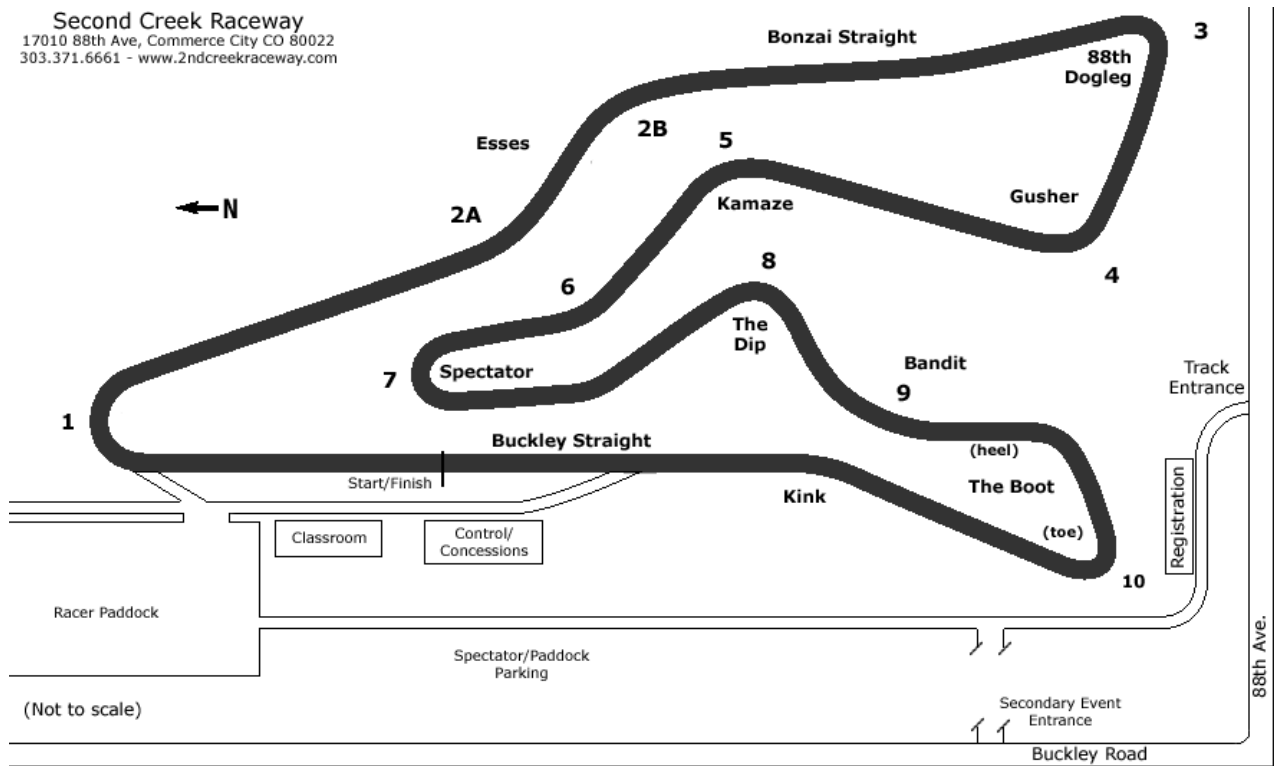
Second Creek Raceway Commerce City, Colorado

1.7 miles
Altitude 5200'

*There are no "used oil" receptacles at the track.
Therefore, participants must pack out all "used oil"!*



Second Creek Raceway
17010 88th Ave, Commerce City CO 80022
303.371.6661 - www.2ndcreekraceway.com



Accommodations:

Comfort Suites, Tower Rd.....	(303) 371-9300
Courtyard, Tower Rd.....	(303) 371-0300
Days Inn, Tower Rd.....	(303) 373-1500
Hampton Inn, Tower Rd.....	(303) 371-0200
La Quinta, Tower Rd.....	(303) 373-0888
Ramada Inn, Tower Rd.....	(303) 373-1600
Red Roof Inn, Tower Rd.....	(303) 371-5300
Super 8, Tower Rd.....	(303) 371-8300
Sleep Inn, E 40 th Ave.....	(303) 373-1616
Quality Inn Airport.....	(303) 371-5640
Holiday inn Express, Tower Rd.....	(303) 373-4100