



Golden Lotus Foundation
2019 Best of Colorado Springs Award



February 10, 2020

Dear GLF Members, Family & Friends,

Golden Lotus Foundation welcomed the **Year of the Rat** by sponsoring **Chinese New Year Dinner** at **Chinatown Restaurant** on January 23, 2020, and **Korean Lunar New Year Lunch Buffet** at **Tasty Korean Restaurant** on January 25, 2020. In addition, partners shared their celebrations: Colorado Springs Chinese Cultural Institute (CSCCI) 19th Annual Chinese New Year Festival; Asian Pacific Market Chinese New Year Celebration; and Japan America Society of Southern Colorado (JASSC), Mochitsuki (Rice Cake Pounding Event). As the **Year of the Rat** begins a new 12 year zodiac calendar cycle, we wish everyone a very happy year 2020.

Golden Lotus Foundation mourns the unexpected passing of Richard "Ric" Denton, mentor and wise advisor to GLF over many years. Ric was a Service Corps of Retired Executives (SCORE) counselor bringing years of experience in Silicon Valley, founder of many angel-funded businesses, & founder, President & CEO of Rocky Mountain Innovation Partners. Ric truly enjoyed assisting entrepreneurs and nonprofits with strategies and operations. To honor Ric and his legacy, a local artist has been commissioned to create an Asian theme sculpture recognizing Ric's virtue for "INTEGRITY" to be situated in a park setting. If you care to assist with this endeavor, Golden Lotus Foundation is accepting donations **In Honor of Ric Denton** through www.GoldenLotusFoundation.org. Contact Cynthia Aki, 719 271-5050 or Sherrie Denton, 719 576-0483, sherriedenton@gmail.com for more information.

ReFUND CO

Your 2019 Colorado State Income Tax refund can be donated to GOLDEN LOTUS FOUNDATION. New to Colorado State tax payers, you are allowed to give ALL or a part of your 2019 refund, up to the amount of your total refund to ONLY ONE designated nonprofit. Just locate "Donate to a Colorado Nonprofit Fund" on your Colorado state tax schedule, insert **GOLDEN LOTUS FOUNDATION, registration number 20123021429**, and the amount of donation. GLF appreciates the monetary support to help fund many Asian cultural programs throughout the year.

Please join us for 2020 Golden Lotus Foundation Membership Celebration. Everyone welcome to enjoy food, silent auction, and make origami cranes to be sent to Tsuru for Solidarity.

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2020 Membership Celebration - Golden Lotus Foundation Open House

Saturday February 29, 2020

Time: 11:30 am - 4:30 pm

Place: Colorado Springs Police Department, Gold Hill Division, Community Room, 955 W Moreno Avenue, 80905

Cost: GLF Membership levels available

Information: Sushi & Food on a Stick. You are welcome to bring Food on a Stick for 15 people. Bid on special Silent Auction items, cash or check. Make origami cranes. Drawing for two \$50 gift cards.

Contact: Cynthia Aki 719 540-5338, 719 271-5050 mobile, cynthia.chung@juno.com

Here are other Asian related community events listed for you to enjoy.

"Temper:" Site Specific Art Installation by Su Kaiden Cho

February 7, 2020 through March 16, 2020

Time: Gallery hours

Place: Manitou Art Center, 513 Manitou Avenue, Manitou Springs, 80829

Cost: No cost, open to the public

Information: Seoul, South Korea born artist Su Kaiden Cho moved to Colorado Springs when he was 9. Cho attended the University of Colorado at Colorado Springs, makes art that is a mix of sculpture, performance fibers and fashion design. The solo exhibit features a site-specific glass installation piece.

Contact: manitouartcenter.org

Japan US Military Program (JUMP) Event

Saturday February 29, 2020

Time: 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Place: The Falcon Club, 3120 Academy Drive, US Air Force Academy, 80840

Cost: No cost, open to the public

Information: Japan America Society of Southern Colorado (JASSC) invites everyone to meet Lt. General John Dolan (ret), Consul General Midori Takeuchi, as well as other guests of the AFA and the military community. Participation is limited to 140, RSVP IS REQUIRED at www.signupgenius.com/go/9040e44a8ab2cabfc1-theusjapan. Must have government issued photo ID card, vehicles subject to inspection and all USAFA regulations followed on unrestricted areas open to the public. Use AFA north or south gates. Food, drinks, Denver Taiko entertainment.

Contact: Robin Lawrentz, admin@japanamerica.org

2020 Paul Maruyama Scholarship

Time: DEADLINE, applications must be postmarked by March 1, 2020

Cost: Japan-America Society of Southern Colorado (JASSC) membership

Information: www.JapanAmerica.org or Email admin@japanamerica.org for application and guidelines. This \$1,000 scholarship for post-secondary education is available ONLY to JASSC members in good standing and their dependent children (Kazoku members). Scholarship winner must provide confirmation of their planned use of the scholarship award.

Contact: www.JapanAmerica.org or Email admin@japanamerica.org

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Concrete Couch - Tea House Project (Phase 2)

Saturday March 14, 21, 28, 2020 through April 4, 11, 18, 2020

Time: 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm

Place: 1100 S Royer Street, Colorado Springs 80903

Cost: No cost, open to public

Information: Hands on construction of tea house continues on 5.67 acres neighborhood park. Phase 1 was the 8' x 8' framing construction of the tea house and roof. YOU can be involved in Phase 2, which is lighter construction including tea house table, benches, ceramic tile, stained glass, and solar collector elements. Families welcomed, all ages, children under 13 years old need to be accompanied by responsible adult. All materials provided on site, wear comfortable clothing, closed toe shoes, prepare to get dirty. Instruction on hand saws, hammering, cordless drills, painting. Six sessions, 2 hours, please RSVP to accommodate staffing, drinks, inclement weather notice. Parking available inside gate.

Contact: Steve Wood, 719 373-7694, steve@concretecouch.org

Rocky Mountain Bonsai Society - Colorado Springs Chapter

Saturday March 7, 2020

Time: 9:00 am - 12:00 noon

Place: Residence of Della Clark, 5960 Schwencks Place, Colorado Springs 80908

Cost: No cost, open to the public

Information: March meeting, repotting workshop, mini-workshop on making bamboo chopsticks. As a group, repotting 50 trees. You are welcome to bring your own trees for repotting, must provide own pots, soil and wire. RSVP by February 28, 2020.

Contact: Bob Randall, rockymountainbonsaisocietycos@gmail.com

12th Annual Manitou Lantern Workshop & Parade

Spring Break Workshop March 23 – 27, 2020 & Parade April 3, 2020

Time: March 23 - 27, 1:00 – 3:00 pm & April 3, 8:00 pm

Place: Manitou Art Center, 513 Manitou Avenue, Manitou Springs 80829; Parade: Memorial Park, 502 Manitou Avenue, Manitou Springs 80829 to Soda Springs Park, 42 Park Avenue, Manitou Springs 80829

Cost: No cost, open to public

Information: GLF needs volunteers to plan, construct and participate in the lantern parade, Memorial Park to Soda Springs Park, Manitou Springs. This year theme, Year of the Rat.

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Haiku and Watercolor Class

Friday April 3, 2020

Time: 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Place: Pikes Peak Library District, Ute Pass Library, 8010 Severy Road, Cascade 80809

Cost: No cost, open to the public

Information: April is National Poetry Month, learn to write and create a watercolor/framed picture of your own haiku. Haiku originated in Japan and is one of the world's oldest written forms of poetry. RSVP Ute Pass Library 719 684-9342.

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Shen Yun – Pikes Peak Center

April 16-18, 2020

Time: shenyun.com for performance time

Place: Pikes Peak Center for the Performing Arts, 190 S Cascade Avenue, Colorado Springs, CO 80903

Cost: \$80.00 – \$170.00, online check-out add Promo Code: gazette, waives \$8 fee per ticket

Enter to win a pair of tickets, gazette.com/shenyun

Information: www.ShenYun.com/CoSprings Live performance with over 100 world-class performers dancing to live orchestra. Classical Chinese dance, ethnic and folk dances, authentic costumes.

Contact: 1-888-633-6999, 1-888-974-3698

Haiku and Watercolor Class

Friday April 17, 2020

Time: 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Place: Pikes Peak Library District, Fountain Library, 230 S Main Street, Fountain 80/817

Cost: No cost, open to the public

Information: April is National Poetry Month, learn to write and create a watercolor/framed picture of your own haiku. Haiku originated in Japan and is one of the world's oldest written forms of poetry. RSVP Fountain Library 719 382-5347.

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Best regards,

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President & CEO

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