

Ring Lake Ranch • Dubois, Wyoming fall 2009

# The Ring Lake Carillon

An ecumenical retreat center – “renewal in a sacred wilderness”  
“Speak with the earth, and she shall teach you.” -- Job 12:8

**E**ven though the Ranch is in winter mode, we look forward to next summer. Not a few people have made comments like, “All the sessions next season look so good, I’m not sure which to sign up for!” One gratifying aspect of being director is that I get to attend all the sessions!

Another gratifying part of being director is watching generations of families enjoying the Ranch together. Since its earliest days, Ring Lake Ranch has welcomed families for renewal. Here are four stories from the summer of 2009. – Carl Koch, Director



## Family Renewal at Ring Lake Ranch

### The Gennrichs

*Katie and Jim Gennrich of Thiensville, WI, have been coming to the Ranch over the last 35 years. This summer they returned with eleven other members of the clan.*

This year we added more memories to our visits to the Ranch, which began in 1974. Spending a whole week with our four children, their spouses, and their kids was pure joy. The togetherness of a family reunion was combined with the independence of each of us choosing our own activity every day. We particularly liked watching our kids bond with each other and interact with other guests.

Son-in-law Mike said, “Meal times were a fun way to meet the other guests.” Mary Catherine -- MC -- enjoyed getting to know her new family. Lexi, age 9, said simply, “This is one of the awesomest places on earth!”

Two of our grandkids, Nick & Lexi, now ages 11 and 9, had been at the Ranch in 2001. This trip, Nick and Lexi fully enjoyed all the activities. Nick started the week planning to canoe and fish with grandpa, but soon worked his way into the Ranch, volunteering in the kitchen and sitting next to

Marty the wrangler at the dinner table. Nick is planning to volunteer when he is 13.

Lexi went on every ride offered and took the all-day hike to Lake Louise. She pitched right in for cleanup duty as dish “scrubber.”

Lucy Rose (age 2) took to outdoors as long as mom and dad were there to comfort her when the hills were too much for her little legs. Patting the horses was special, but she’s waiting ‘til next time to actually sit on one.

We look forward to many more times of family-sharing at Ring Lake Ranch.

### The Knights

*Coming to Ring Lake Ranch has been a Knight family tradition for years. Lin and Ann Knight directed the Ranch in the 1990s and returned this summer again along with daughter Jennifer and grandson Max.*

Thirty summers ago in a dust covered red Volvo station wagon, we – Ann, Lin and three of our kids—Stephen, Jennifer and Kirk—traveled over what was then a fiercely rough and rocky dirt road through the gate of Ring Lake Ranch. We immediately were in awe of the place, and the

Ranch has been part of our life ever since.

This summer we returned once again, this time with Jennifer and her seven-year old son Max. Max fell in love with Wyoming and relished life at the Ranch. Wrangler Marty made him feel at home immediately, not only on horseback but also on a couple of fishing expeditions. When Max was asked what he thought about the Ranch, his response was, “It was awesome and fun. I liked the horse back riding and catching my first fish.”

Jennifer returned for her first visit since working as a teenage wrangler for four summers. “It was fabulous to be back at the Ranch after so many years; it just felt like coming home again! Thank you for keeping it going for my son now to experience and fall in love with.”

The Ranch, of course, has changed over the years: new buildings, redesigned cabins, the new corral, shorter seminars, and wi-fi. But the heart of the Ranch has not changed. People still come from the stress of their lives to find healing and rest. Trail Lake still glimmers in the late afternoon sun; the osprey sits on her

nest, and the petroglyphs entice us. The pots and pans still need to be washed!

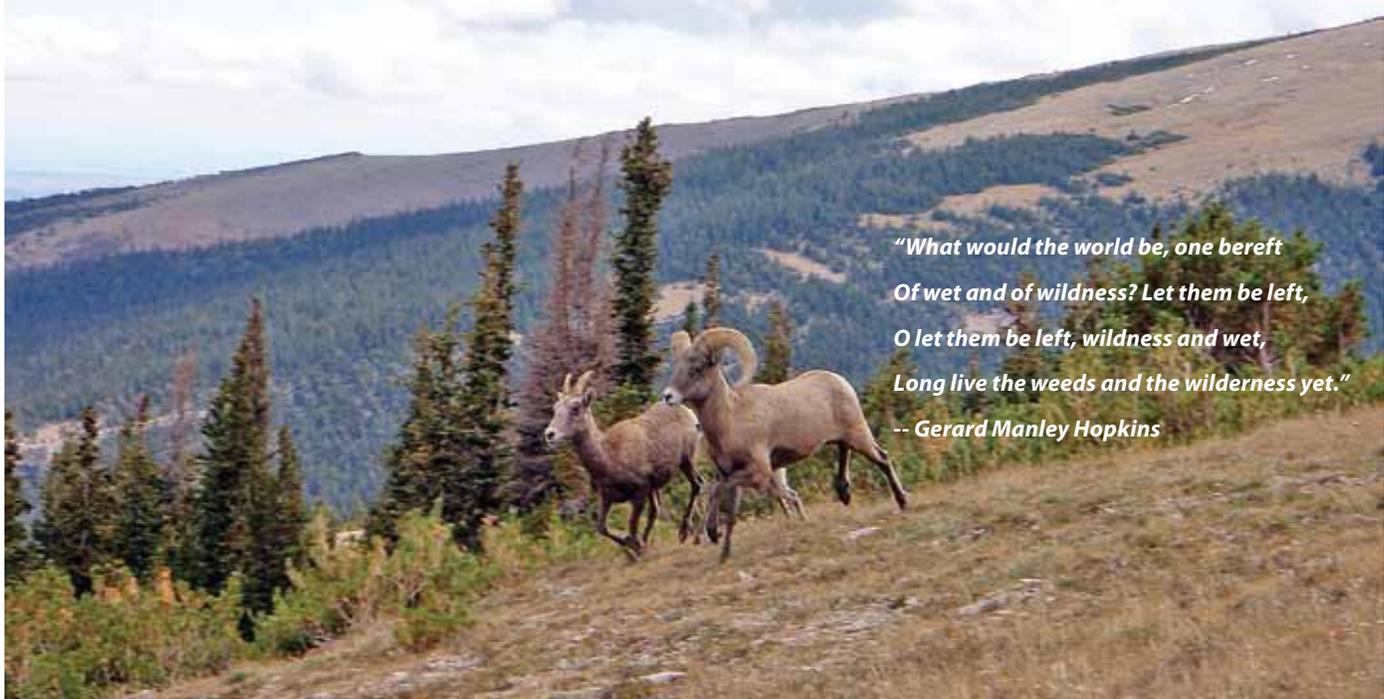
And a seven-year old falls in love with a place we hope will remain a part of his life.

### The Turpin-Blackmuns

*Ranch Board member, Katherine Turpin led a session in 2007 and came again this summer to talk about creating Sabbath Spaces. Besides husband Andy Blackmun and their three children, her father, David, and sister, Krista, joined them at the Ranch.*

The three generations of my family enjoyed both the time together and the time with other folks visiting the Ranch. My children Elizabeth (8), Christian (5), and Ben (2) savored the chance to share a place they already love with their aunt and grandfather. They especially liked the “pudding ride,” a kid friendly ride/adult hike along Trail Lake that ended with pudding cups at a big rock overlooking the Lake. We had opportunities to watch birds out the window of the dining hall, to canoe and watch out for the moose, and to take a gentle hike up to fossil ridge.

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*"What would the world be, one bereft  
Of wet and of wildness? Let them be left,  
O let them be left; wildness and wet,  
Long live the weeds and the wilderness yet."  
-- Gerard Manley Hopkins*

## Ring Lake Ranch -- Protected Forever

by Terri Schulz, Ring Lake Ranch Board President

**W**hat makes Ring Lake Ranch so special will be maintained forever: the wilderness setting, the wildlife habitat, the cultural heritage of the petroglyphs, and the limited amount of land that is transformed by human development.

In September, the Ranch's Board of Directors signed a conservation easement with the Jackson Hole Land Trust. This means that the Ranch has sold the development and subdivision rights to the Land Trust, taking them off the market in perpetuity. In addition to preserving the land as it is, the money for those rights has effectively doubled the Ring Lake Ranch endowment, thus insuring the financial stability of the Ranch. The Board also hopes its action will encourage others to consider placing easements on nearby ranches and other private lands.

For those who are not familiar with conservation easements, let me explain what this means for Ring Lake Ranch. A conservation easement is a voluntary, legally binding agreement that limits certain types of uses now and into the future. The conservation

easement will allow all current Ring Lake Ranch activities to continue as well as potential expansion of facilities to a modest degree.

The easement also obligates the Ranch to maintain the wildlife habitat and cultural values on the Ranch, something that would be done anyway. In the words of Aldo Leopold, "a thing is right when it tends to honor the integrity, stability, and beauty of the biotic community."

The Board also wanted to honor the intent of the founder of Ring Lake Ranch, Maggie Kahin. Brian Kahin, Maggie's son remarked, "Maggie would have been pleased with this easement." Maggie founded Ring Lake Ranch in the Torrey Valley precisely because of its remoteness. She understood that wilderness has always been a special place for contemplation and closeness to God.

From the beginning in 1966, the mission of the Ranch has been "renewal in sacred wilderness." The Conservation Easement on Ring Lake Ranch – this sacred wilderness – ensures that it will continue to fulfill its mission for generations to come.



## A Ranch Wedding

On August 8, we celebrated the wedding of Amanda Wolfe and Ben Verheul. Ed Everding of the Ranch Board presided, and over 120 people witnessed and rejoiced.

Ben has been Facilities Manager for the last two years, and Amanda has been a cook. They will reside in the newly expanded Cabin B – more on that in the spring *Carillon*.

May they may be abundantly blessed with love and joy in their new life together.

## The Ring Lake Ranch Carillon

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# Keeping the Mission Alive

Nate Bachtell of the RLR Board

**A**s a Ranch community, we are all grateful for the recent easement award (see article on page 2). This will be an important part of the financial foundation that will ensure the long term security of the Ranch. Despite our current excitement, we recognize that this award is not enough to secure the proper funding for all the capital and operational needs the Ranch will face in coming years, including cabin upkeep, horse maintenance and safe vehicles, just to name a few.

The annual income-to-expense gap that results from our commitment to keep prices as affordable as possible also requires ongoing financial contributions and commitment. For both of these reasons we ask that you please continue to support the Ranch as much as you are able through your generous annual donations.

In addition we encourage you to consider Ring Lake Ranch when making your estate plans. You can help provide for Ring Lake Ranch's future by including a charitable bequest in your will or revocable trust. If you wish for more information about bequest-giving to Ring Lake Ranch, please contact Carl Koch, Director, at [carl@ringlake.org](mailto:carl@ringlake.org) or by calling 888.458.5253 toll free.

## Family Renewal ... continued from page 1

One of the best parts of coming to the Ranch together was that we could just relax and be together without worrying about scheduling activities or food preparation. The time at the Ranch is time-out-of-time, sacred space to be together with just the right blend of adventure and rest. The variety of activities at the Ranch gave us space to pursue things at each person's pace and to gather together to share our adventures over meals and reflection times.

The community of folks that gathers creates connections and friendships in which to immerse your family. My children were gently shepherded by the teenagers they met. My sister and father got to know the other with whom they could have significant conversation over dishwashing and while hiking. My husband and I were able to go on adult hikes and rides together knowing that our children were hanging out with their aunt and papa. The simplicity and community of the Ranch really suited our family, creating special memories.

### The Everdings

*Ed Everding presented a session on Women & the Church in 1976, ten years after the Ranch's founding.*

*His four children Lisa, Linda, Kelly and Henry came along. Since then Ed has come back many times as presenter, guest, and member of the Ranch Board.*

In 2009, I was invited to lead a session and planned a three generation family reunion with wife Lee and three daughters, Lisa, Linda, Kelly and granddaughter Lyssa.

While Lee rode horses and interacted with the other guests, Kelly and I hiked four days, but couldn't keep up with Lisa and Linda who tagged along behind Lyssa. Together we shared family meals and occasional morning prayers. The "sort of talent" show was fun -- Kelly and I led the gathering in a rendition of "Drop kick me Jesus through the goal posts of life."

After the experience at the Ranch in 1976, Lisa and Linda weren't sure they ever wanted to return, Kelly was ambivalent but, only 10, Henry wanted to join the junior staff. After 33 years their reflections have changed a lot.

About this summer's time at the Ranch, Lisa reminisced, "It is always an adventure and the best of times being at the Ranch. A time to remember and treasure the past, but also a time to create



new memories -- whether that is watching the brilliant meteorite showers with the family or admiring the amazing hummingbirds outside the dining room picture window or huffing and puffing uphill with your sister!"

Linda remarked, "What I like about the Ranch is the connection of the Ranch to my family throughout my life. The Ranch instilled an appreciation for nature. The ability to come full-circle from a teenager (a little rebellious and extremely upset at the lack of amenities) to a middle-aged adult and the ability to be in a class that my father is teaching and appreciating his exceptional skills and wisdom is invaluable. The ability to re-connect with my sisters and daughter is priceless. Where else will you see a thousand stars in the sky, looking for those shooting stars in total stillness and silence? While an important member of our family was not with us physically, he is everywhere at the Ranch." [Longtime staff member, veterinarian, and Board President Henry Everding died in 2005 while mountain climbing in Chile.]

Kelly simply said, "Just knowing Ring Lake Ranch is out there with

its glorious landscape helps me make it through the day-to-day world. My spirit calls to the Wind River Range and the wonderful people of Ring Lake."

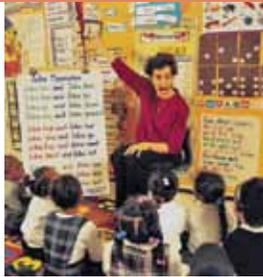
My youngest granddaughter, Lyssa, created this poem.

*Your troubles are gone.  
Camouflaged in nature,  
you both become one.  
Love is all around.  
Diversity surrounds.  
Wildlife exposed.  
Spiritual relationships connected.  
Beauty, Amazement,  
and Refreshment.  
Gratitude. Soul Searching. Wonder.  
This is the blessing of  
Ring Lake Ranch.*

Lee can slow down at the Ranch. "I have become deeply bonded with the sense of peace and spirituality that I experience. To stop and reflect on the beauty and silence is healing, and what a joy to share it with family."

I always experience renewal in the sacred wilderness of the Ranch. Although this year my energies were devoted to leading a session, the renewal was enhanced by sharing the experience with Lee, my daughters, and my granddaughter -- an intergenerational form of renewal!

# Ring Lake Ranch



## June 13-19 Margaret Edson Inside Out

Inside out; upside down; thinking and writing; simplicity and complications; Jesus' shoes: what happens when our longings become our walking papers? Maggie will explore four topics: the relation of speech to text; the relation of resolve to action; things that are worth doing badly; and shoe-shopping in Sephoris with Jesus. **Margaret Edson** was born in Washington, DC and between earning degrees in history and literature worked in the cancer and AIDS inpatient unit of a research hospital. *Wit*, her play, received the Pulitzer Prize for drama in 1999. The HBO production won the Emmy Award for best film in 2001. *Wit* has received hundreds of productions in dozens of languages. Maggie Edson has been an elementary school teacher for seventeen years, in Washington, DC, and Atlanta.



## July 11-17 Margaret Coel Arapahos, the Spirituality of a Plains Indian Tribe

Today the Arapahos remain a vibrant people with a rich culture and ancient spiritual beliefs. They occupy the nearby Wind River Reservation. They have been sustained by a rich spirituality handed down through the generations. The week-long session will focus on the way in which Arapaho spirituality is related to the people's history and to the landscape of the Great Plains, as well as the way in which many Arapahos accept Christian teachings while not abandoning their own ancient beliefs. **Margaret Coel** is the author of fifteen books about the Arapaho people, including *Chief Left Hand*, a history of the tribe and a biography of one of their leaders as their way of life on the Great Plains was coming to an end. *Chief Left Hand* was awarded the best non-fiction book of the year by the National Federation of Press Women. Coel is also the *New York Times* bestselling author of the Wind River mystery novels set among the Arapahos on the Wind River Reservation. She is a five-time winner of the Colorado Book Award, and her novel, *The Spirit Woman*, won the Willa (Cather) Award for the best novel of the West.



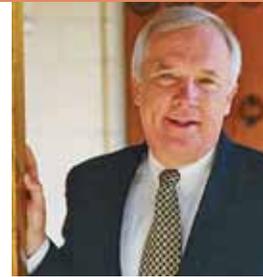
## July 18-24 Amy Oden God's Welcome, Our Welcome

Jesus said, "I was a stranger, and you welcomed me." We will focus on the crucial place of strangers—in our communities, in our families, in ourselves, and in God—as sources of grace and renewal. Voices and practices from our ancient Christian family will companion us as we explore welcoming the stranger in our own lives and communities today. **Amy Oden** is Professor of History of Christianity at Wesley Theological Seminary in Washington, DC. Most of her work has been an effort to make ancient voices, especially women's, accessible to current audiences. Her recent scholarship has focused on the radical practice of hospitality in early Christianity and its challenge for communities today.



## July 25-31 Steve Tipton God Goes to Washington -- American Religion and Politics Today

What is the role of religion in American public life? Tocqueville's vivid picture of a "democratic and republican Christianity" revealed Americans' religion as "the first of their political institutions" in 1830. Is this picture a museum piece in a public square now crowded by religious lobbies and parachurch partisans engaged in culture wars, or is Obama redrawing it in the progressive image of prophetic peace and justice? Let's show and tell, delve into our convictions and doubts, and discover more about how we co-create and contest who we are through body politics. **Steven M. Tipton** teaches sociology and religion at Emory University and its Candler School of Theology. He is the author of *Public Pulpits: Methodists and Mainline Churches in the Moral Argument of Public Life*, and co-author of *Habits of the Heart* and *The Good Society*. He has hiked in the Sierras, played semi-professional baseball in California, and worked in Harlem as a murder investigator for the New York State Superior Court.



## Aug. 1-7 Bishop Will Willimon Haunted by God with Flannery O'Connor

Flannery O'Connor's stories provide some of the most challenging and invigorating explorations of Christian redemption in literature. In this retreat we will read some of her most revealing stories and discuss them, as well as view a couple of films of her work. We will immerse ourselves in her unique vision of Christian redemption and atonement and ponder the implications of her work for contemporary believers. **Will Willimon** is a prolific author and preacher. He is Bishop of the United Methodist Church in the North Alabama Conference. His book, *Reading with Deeper Eyes* is an exploration of the life of fiction and the life of faith. He is speaker at many conferences and has served on the faculties of universities in the U.S., Canada, Australia, and Germany. For twenty years he was Dean of the Chapel at Duke University.

# 2010 Schedule of Programs



## August 8-14 Carrie Newcomer Before and After Creatively Exploring Our Transformative Stories

This session explores how our personal stories of hope, struggle, and transformation connect us to the larger spiritual and cultural story. We will consider the sacred in the ordinary, giving special attention to daily transformations, as well as reflect upon the wisdom and opportunity gained in crisis. We will utilize music, writing exercises, deep listening, and discussion to identify the important stories of our lives, and how we as individuals can participate in new stories of hope. **Carrie Newcomer** has been described as "a soaring songstress" by *Billboard*, "a rising star" by *The Wall Street Journal*, and a "prairie mystic" by *The Boston Globe*. The Indiana native sings of the small joys and pains in life, emphasizing the little moments that are often taken for granted. Her albums include *Regulars & Refugees*, *The Age of Possibility*, *The Gathering of Spirits*, and *The Geography of Light*. She toured with Alison Krauss and Union Station. In 2009 Carrie received Folkwax Artist and Album of the Year, and was featured in the Emmy nominated *Wilderness Plots* PBS Special.



## August 15 – 21 Jacob Kinnard Why Comparing Religions Matters

Why it is crucial, especially now, to grapple with religions other than our own. How do we go about learning another religion without "translating" it into our own. How do we understand not just what is similar, but also what is different? Why does attention to difference matter? These are some of the issues we will grapple as we look at four non-Christian traditions: Judaism, Islam, Hinduism, and Buddhism. **Jacob N. Kinnard** teaches courses on the religious traditions of India, comparative religion, and theoretical and methodological issues in the study of religion at Iliff School of Theology in Denver. He is the author of *Imaging Wisdom: Seeing and Knowing in the Art of Indian* and *The Emergence of Buddhism*, and co-editor of *Constituting Communities: Theravada Traditions in South and Southeast Asia*.



## August 22 – 28 Ann Brock Peter, Paul, and Mary (Magdalene), the Early Years: Three Apostles, Three Spiritualities

Christianity at its best is seen in the lives of believers who emulate the spirituality of the Jesus we know from the Gospels. How is the presentation of Jesus in these writings seen in the legacies of his disciples, especially Peter, Paul and Mary Magdalene? Does Paul's spirituality stifle or support women? How do the depictions of Peter – particularly in relation to Mary Magdalene-- affect Church politics? Finally, Mary Magdalene has been portrayed as repentant sinner, the first apostle, and even as the wife of Jesus in books such as the *Da Vinci Code*, but who was she really and what does her spirituality teach us? **Ann Graham Brock** is Associate Professor of New Testament and Christian Origins at the Iliff School of Theology in Denver. Her most recent monograph is entitled: *Mary Magdalene, the First Apostle: The Struggle for Authority*. Ann has also appeared on the History Channel in its presentation of *The Twelve Apostles*, the Discovery Channel in *The Real Da Vinci Code*.



## Aug. 29-Sept. 4 Rodney Hunter Searching for Hope

In this retreat, we'll be searching for a realistic sense of hope for today's world and for ourselves, rooted in faith. How many times have we asked ourselves how justified and realistic is it to "hope in God" in the face of personal problems, or in relation to the urgent and overwhelming social and environmental dangers confronting global humanity? As one who asks these questions a lot myself, I am looking forward to an open discussion with seminar participants, and to sharing, through informal presentations, some fresh, contemporary theological and psychological angles that offer, I believe, some real help and possibility for us all as we attempt to answer these great questions. **Rodney Hunter** retired a few years ago from teaching pastoral theology at Emory University, but maintains an active academic and professional life of research, writing, speaking, and consultation. He is the author of numerous academic articles and the editor of two books, including the *Dictionary of Pastoral Care and Counseling*. He is a dedicated student of classic piano and, with his wife Ann, a long time Ring Lake enthusiast who has also led several previous seminars at the Ranch.

## September 4-10 Flyfishing and Theology

FAITH - FELLOWSHIP – FLYFISHING Though not a regular seminar session, guests are welcome to register with **Fred Webb** for the 12th year of this program at Ring Lake Ranch. (540) 962-1300

*For more details  
check our website:  
[www.ringlake.org](http://www.ringlake.org)*



### Help! We Need Your Vintage Photos

If you have had a chance to check out the photo Gallery on the website, you will have noticed a specific gallery for "vintage" pictures – that is, photos from 1966 to 2000. Right now only two photos are posted. We have received some from the 1990s, but would like to include photos from the Ranch's first 25 years.

So, if you have photos from those early years and would like to share them, you can do so in a couple of ways:

- If you can scan them, please send the photos via email (carl@ringlake.org) or mail us a CD.
- Or mail the photos to us so that we can scan and post them (we will send them back to you). They can be mailed to: Ring Lake Ranch, PO Box 446, La Crosse, WI 54602-0446.

### Scholarships Available

Partial scholarships are available to people needing assistance to attend programs at the Ranch. While we strive to keep the cost of attending the Ranch as affordable as possible, we do not want the cost to keep folks, especially new participants, from attending a session.

In particular, two Linda Scholarships of \$500 are awarded to help introduce new, young clergy families to Ring Lake Ranch. Applicants should be persons in ministry with a young family who have never been to the Ranch. These scholarships are funded by a generous donor wishing to remain anonymous.

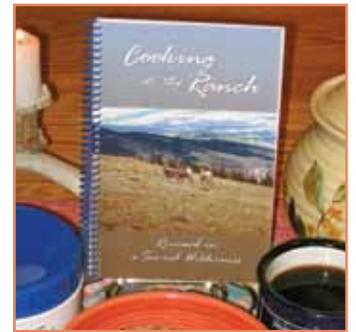
Please direct your questions to or ask for our simple application from Carl Koch at carl@ringlake.org or phone 888.458.5253.

### Thanks to 2009 Volunteers & Invitation for 2010

During this past season, the Ranch was blessed by the good services of the following volunteers for Volunteer Week and during the rest of the summer: Dick & Marge McIntosh, Lida Hill, Cathy & John Monson, Eric & Betsy Azariah, Ted & Renette Laase, Sidney & Jim Lowrey, Naomi & Nick Hoyer, Mike Morris, Paula Wellnitz, Liz & Kevin Sellstrom, Tina Anderson, Tammy Sue Oyen, Melanie Johnson, Beth McArthur, Dennis & Melanie Kohler, Jeanie & Alan Mebane, Andy Reitz & Becky Brown, Dwight Haberman, Lesley Stugelmayer, Lisa Landgraf, Drew Landgraf, John Maule, Dave & Janice Cramp, and Mary Ellen, Caroline, and Madeline Hauptert.

Samples of their accomplishments include: the complete re-siding of the Chapel, repainting of most of the Ranch's signs, hanging new curtain rods for the Living Room, a thorough cleaning of the cabins that were cobblasted and refinished, planting grass around foundations, remodeling of the walls and closets in Top Cabin. Volunteers during the sessions help in a million ways – always making a contribution to the smooth running of the Ranch. For all your invaluable assistance, thank you. Maybe more important: Thank you for your caring presence among us. Please return again.

We will be having Volunteer Week again in 2010 from May 30 – June 5 or join us when you have time during the summer. To discuss volunteering, contact Joyce at joyce@ringlake.org or phone 888.458.5253 toll free.



### Cooking at the Ranch

Associate director, Joyce Heil, and second season cook, Amanda Verheul, have compiled a book of favorite recipes from the Ranch. More than 300 recipes offer cooks all the best dishes that guests have enjoyed over the years: from Joyce's great granola to Martha's brined pork to Susan's taco soup to Beth's pumpkin pie cake.

Cost \$10.00 + \$3.00 mailing; pay by check or Visa/Mastercard.

You can order the book by emailing Joyce at joyce@ringlake.org or by phoning us at 888.458.5253. Soon you may order on-line through the website.

The cookbooks make great gifts. Of course, proceeds from the sale help support the Ranch too. Bon appetit!

**"Think for a moment about the holiness of our own food, and the ways that cooking and sharing a meal can be forms of love and prayer." – Brian Doyle**

# 2010 Registration

## 2010 RATES

All rates are per person and based on double/multiple occupancy

Includes lodging \* meals \* seminars \* horseback riding \* guided hiking \* boating. No charge for children 12 & under.

Scholarships are available: Contact – Carl Koch at mailing address below or [carl@ringlake.org](mailto:carl@ringlake.org)

## ADULT FEES FOR 6 DAY SESSIONS

Basic lodging with shared bath .....\$710  
 Basic lodging with private bath..... \$795  
 Larger cabin with private bath..... \$860  
 Kitchenette cabin..... \$960

## YOUTH FEES FOR 6 DAY SESSIONS

Youth (ages 13 – 17)..... \$545  
 Child (ages 12 and under) .....no charge

## ADULT FEES FOR 2 CONSECUTIVE SESSIONS

Basic lodging with shared bath ..... \$ 1250  
 Basic lodging with private bath.....\$ 1400  
 Larger cabin with private bath.....\$ 1500  
 Kitchenette cabin.....\$ 1690

## YOUTH FEES FOR 2 CONSECUTIVE SESSIONS

Youth (ages 13 – 17)..... \$ 940  
 Child (ages 12 and under) .....no charge

All fees exclude sales & lodging taxes Daily and off-season rates are available upon request.

To reserve a private room, contact Carl or Joyce about additional fee & availability.

**Receive a 10% discount on your session fees by bringing someone new to the Ranch with you. Please indicate on your registration form who the new guest is. When they register, we'll record the discount. Thank you for spreading the word about Ring Lake Ranch.**

## Deposit:

To hold your reservations, we request a deposit of \$235/adult and \$130/youth for 6 day sessions or \$415/adult and \$180/youth for two sessions. The deposit is refundable (less a 20% handling charge) up to 60 days in advance of the session for which you have registered. After that time, the deposit is refundable (less 20%) only if we can rebook your space in the session.

No. of Registrants:  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Adults @ rate \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Youth (13-17) \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Children(12 & under) *no charge*  
 TOTAL (without taxes) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Deposit Amount \_\_\_\_\_

## Session

Dates \_\_\_\_\_

Registrant Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Names & ages of children (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Cell ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Accommodation preference: \_\_\_\_\_

Basic/shared bath Basic/private bath

Large/private bath Kitchenette Cabin A

Roommate preference (registering separately) \_\_\_\_\_

One bed? Two beds?

Is walking over steep or rough terrain difficult for you?

Yes No

Any other physical limitations? \_\_\_\_\_

Dietary restrictions/food allergies: \_\_\_\_\_

Will you need transportation from the airport? \_\_\_\_\_

(see spring Carillon or website for charges) \_\_\_\_\_

No Yes Jackson/Riverton

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

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We now accept Visa & Mastercard. Pay by cash or your personal check and receive a 5% discount in fees. \_\_\_\_\_

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Return Service Requested

Come join us at Ring Lake Ranch for “renewal in a sacred wilderness.”



See our complete listing of outstanding programs for 2010 on pages 4 & 5. Presenters include a Pulitzer and Emmy Award winning playwright, a singer/songwriter that Rolling Stone said, “asks all the right questions and refuses to settle for easy answers,” renowned theologians and teachers, and a Willa Cather Award winning novelist.

A sampling of comments from 2009 guests –

“I felt God’s presence in the conversations with interesting people, the hikes and rides, and the quiet time alone. I could be myself and let God work in and around me.” – M.C.

“I’ll definitely miss you all and of course the horses. It’s really sad to leave. I’ve had a great time here. I really hope I come back next year.” B.L. (12)

“I would definitely recommend Ring Lake. This is a unique place for activity and rest—a perfect place for Sabbath!” – A.G.

“This is one of the few places one can move at his/her own pace and be challenged and nurtured by outstanding speakers.” – P.B.

For more information about our programs and the Ranch community, please visit our website: [www.ringlake.org](http://www.ringlake.org).