

Larimer County Sheriff's Dept.



IN APPRECIATION

for

Larimer County Search and Rescue

In many ways, 1996 may have been a normal year for search and rescue activity in Larimer County. However, there were two incidents which the Search and Rescue Team deserves recognition for assistance over and above what is expected.

On May 18, 1996, Richard, age 5 and Javier Flores, age 6, became missing from their home in Ft. Collins, CO. On November 16, 1996, Ileen Anderson, age 66, became lost in the mountains west of Red Feather Lakes, CO. During these two searches, not just one person came forward, but the whole team responded to the call for help in an extraordinary manner.

Team members voluntarily spent many days, expending hundreds of man hours on both searches looking for the missing individuals in hopes of finding them alive. For reasons out of the Search and Rescue Team's control and not due to a lack willingness of all involved, both searches were completed with less than the hoped for outcomes. The Search and Rescue Team's willingness to assist the Larimer County Sheriff's Department and the county residents in these and many other search and rescue activities is an example of the devotion of the Search and Rescue Team and its members to making Larimer County a better place to live.




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