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## Messages of Pride for Those Who Serve Our Veterans

For two years, it has been my privilege to be president and chairman of the Board for The Home Front Cares. As my term ends and I return to the Board of Advisors, I am extremely proud of what our team has accomplished.

With April Speake, her great staff and a battalion of volunteers, our great Boards of Directors and Advisors, THFC helped more Colorado veterans and military families-358-in our last fiscal year than ever, marking the fourth straight year we've increased the number of people we aid.

Despite a particularly challenging fundraising climate this past year, we've raised more money than ever in each of the past two years. Tragic wildfires in Colorado, a catastrophic Hurricane Sandy, the sting of shrinking defense dollars, the threat of further sequestration, have all channeled donor dollars away from nonprofits like ours.

Despite this, we set a record for aid in Fiscal Year 2013, giving more than half a million dollars in grants to those who have sacrificed so much to protect our freedoms. What a great accomplishment. We've done all this while still looking ahead with determination and dedication. As one volunteer recently said, it's our tenth anniversary, but we're not celebrating. We have too much work to do!

That attitude embodies the people of THFC, volunteers and staff. They have carried a humble little nonprofit to new heights and new victories. I move out of the chairman's seat filled with pride for all of you, and I look forward to continuing our great work together.

We know there are many more challenges that lay ahead. I am confident that under Tom Daschbach's leadership, THFC will continue to serve the heroes and their families we serve.

Thank you again. God Bless our service members, our veterans and their families, and God Bless America.



Ed Anderson, Past President

~ Ed Anderson, Past President

# Where Your Donations Go

The Home Front Cares provides responsive, emergency financial aid and other support to Colorado's service members, veterans & military families. Our administrative overhead is less than 14%-an outstanding figure for a nonprofit. Nearly 87 cents of every dollar goes toward aid and programs: Grants to Families, Energy Assistance, Adaptive Housing & Welcome Home Heroes.

Since 2003, we have helped more than 2,200 military & veteran families with grants. The need for our aid will increase in the next few years, as the wars abroad wind down & 100,000 service members exit the military into an uncertain economy. They, & their families, have sacrificed so much for us. It is time to show them that their home front cares about them. Please help us. To donate, please click on the button above "Donate now" or visit

[www.thehomefrontcares.org](http://www.thehomefrontcares.org)  
&  
click the Donate button



## THFC Celebrates 10 Year Anniversary

**Colorado Springs, CO, Thursday, May 23, 2013** - The Board of El

Paso County Commissioners recognized the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of The Home Front Cares with an official Proclamation during Tuesday's meeting. Since 2003, The Home Front Cares has raised more than \$4 million to help more than 2,000 Colorado veterans and active duty military families with rent/mortgage,



Tom Daschbach,  
President

I am truly honored and privileged to be the new THFC chairman for 2013-2014. I look forward to working with our great Board, staff and all the good people associated with THFC. We have such a fine organization and an ever-growing mission: "Providing an immediate financial bridge for Colorado military."

A special thanks to Ed Anderson, my predecessor, and all the past THFC presidents. They have all advanced the THFC mission and it has continued to get better each year. I know that our founders, Bob Carlone and Joe Henjum, are very proud of all our accomplishments.

This year we celebrate our 10th anniversary, but the next 10 years will be even more exciting. Our military heroes and their families continue to need our assistance and we continue to be here for them!

This next year will be a challenging one. With the ongoing downsizing of our military, the need for the THFC will continue to grow. It takes funds to meet that challenge. Our military members have always been there for us-we need to be there for them in their time of need. Our key focus this year will be to have the funds available to assist even more transitioning military members. Please help.

Thank you for the opportunity to work with all of you to support our military heroes. Please come join us, too. This is truly a team sport. As always, we need and appreciate your strong involvement with THFC.

~Tom Daschbach, President

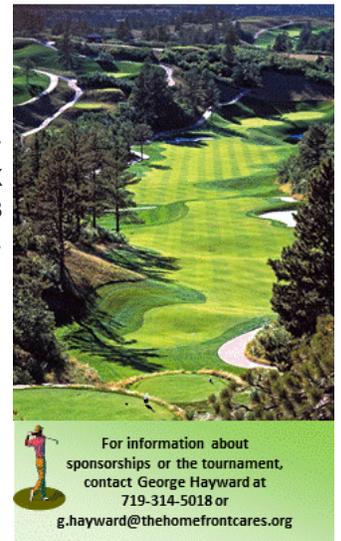
## Teams Slots *Slots Still Available* RSVP by June 13, 2013

**Tee Times, Sponsorships Open  
for Annual Golf Tournament**

**At Sanctuary  
Presented by RE/MAX  
Thursday June 27, 2013  
Sedalia, CO.**

THFC is honored and grateful to once again be among the select nonprofits chosen to hold a tournament at the prestigious, exclusive Sanctuary in the foothills south of Denver.

This year's tournament is Thursday June 27, 2013. Sanctuary presented by RE/MAX was created in 1997 as a place for service organizations committed to developing unique relationships with



For information about sponsorships or the tournament, contact George Hayward at 719-314-5018 or [g.hayward@thehomefrontcares.org](mailto:g.hayward@thehomefrontcares.org)

utilities, car and home repairs, childcare, groceries, and other essential life needs.

"In the last 12 months, we've assisted Veterans and their families with half a million dollars in direct support, mostly to prevent homelessness throughout our state," said April Speake, THFC executive director. "We want everyone to be aware of what we do so we can continue to do it longer."

The Home Front Cares was established following the deployment of American military personnel to Iraq and Afghanistan. According to its website, 100,000 service personnel will be leaving the military in the next two to three years, and many of these brave warriors will be returning to civilian life while still bearing the scars of battle.

Jim Tackett, manager of [El Paso County Veteran Services](#), said, "It's a great organization for veterans who need a hand." He went on to say that his office regularly refers veterans to The Home Front Cares. El Paso County has more than 76,000 veterans as residents.

For more information on The Home Front Cares go to its website, <http://thehomefrontcares.org/>



## Caring Calendar

Summer in the Pikes Peak region is full of opportunities for people of all interests to show your support for The Home Front Cares:

those who support their efforts to improve our community. Play is limited not by membership, but to support charitable organizations. That philosophy of stewardship has enabled it to nurture valued Colorado nonprofits like The Home Front Cares.

## Tee Times and Sponsorships

- **Tee Times:** \$900 per individual or \$3600 per foursome. Limited to 120 golfers. Includes brunch and dinner, cart and range balls, on-course beverages, snacks and goodie bags, use of Sanctuary's exquisite club house.
- **Title Sponsor:** \$15,000. Includes golf foursome, banner at event, recognition/speaking opportunity at golf dinner, logo item in golfers' goodie bags, news release announcing your sponsorship, recognition in this newsletter, social media and on website (logo and link to your site)
- **Hole Sponsorships:** \$2,000 each (18 total). Includes sign at your hole, logo item in golfers' goodie bags, recognition in newsletter, social media and website
- **The Home Front Care Package:** Four golfers and a Hole Sponsorship—\$5,000!

## "For The Love Of Our Troops" THFC Annual Dinner Sponsorships & Tickets Available

Gen. William Shelton, commander of Air Force Space Command, will be the keynote speaker at THFC's annual "For The Love Of Our Troops" dinner, Oct. 17 at Broadmoor Hall in Colorado Springs.

Sam's Club, our longtime supporters, is this year's Title Sponsor. Tickets cost \$200, and table sponsorships begin at \$2,000. Additional sponsorship opportunities are available.

Visit [www.thehomefrontcares.org](http://www.thehomefrontcares.org) for more information.



**Every Monday-4pm to close**  
10% of sales at HuHot's 2 Colorado Springs locations will benefit THFC



*THFC logo now appears on the scoreboard during the National Anthem and in the program at every home game for the Colorado Springs Sky Sox, courtesy of our friends at [Security Service Federal Credit Union](#).*

**June 13**

***Sky Sox Night!***

THFC will throw out the first pitch and be the Spotlight Charity when the Colorado Springs Sky Sox play Salt Lake Bees. First pitch 7:05 p.m. [www.skysox.com](http://www.skysox.com)

**June 15**

***Feast of St. Arnold, beer & cultural festival*** [www.feastofsaintarnold.com](http://www.feastofsaintarnold.com) Special ticket price \$20 **use promo code: *Thfc***

**June 27**

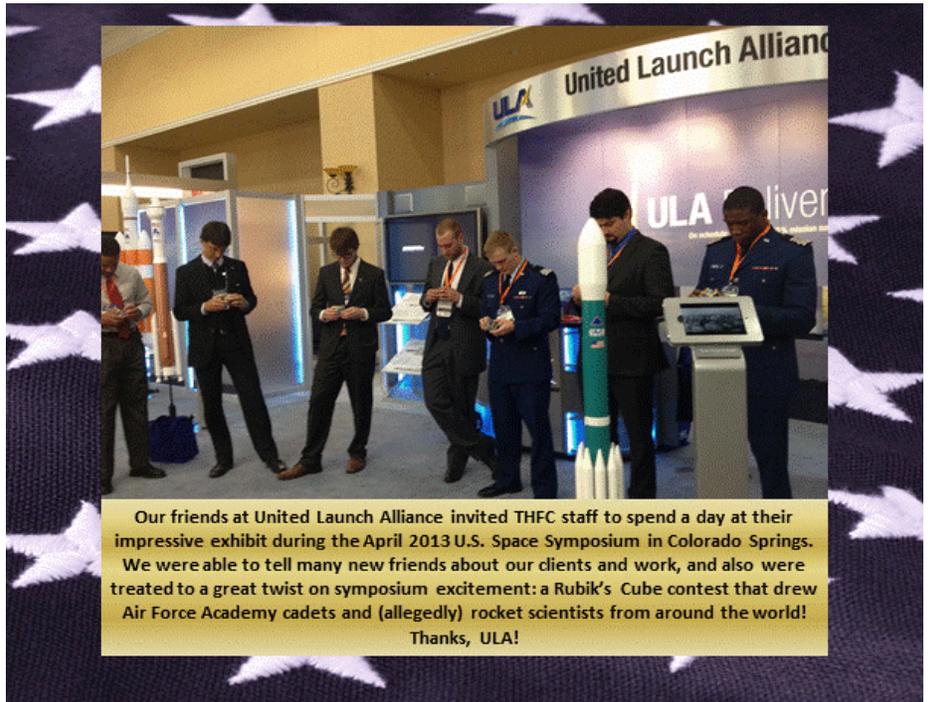
***The Home Front Cares Golf Tournament at Sanctuary,***  
(719) 314-5018 **Team Slots still available! CALLNOW!**

**July 13**

***Rough Riders MC 4th Annual Poker Run,***



General William Shelton, USAF Space Command



Start 8 a.m., Applebee's off 85/87 in Fountain

**July 19-20**

**Yard Sale**, St. Paul's United Methodist Church, [www.stpaulsumc-cs.org](http://www.stpaulsumc-cs.org)

**Aug 24**

**Titan Trail 5K**, The Classical Academy, [www.titantrail5k.org](http://www.titantrail5k.org)

**Sept 3**

**Karma Hour** at Bristol Brewery, [www.bristolbrewing.com](http://www.bristolbrewing.com)

**Sept 16**

**Gleneagle Sertoma Patriot Golf Tournament**, [www.gleneaglesertoma.org](http://www.gleneaglesertoma.org)



Denver Attorney  
Lars Bergstrom,  
Esq.

Veterans Advocate  
Dennis McCormack

KKTV Anchor  
Betty Sexton

## THFC Names New President, Three New Board Members

*Longtime Community Leader Daschbach Elected to Chair*

The Home Front Cares' board of directors has elected boardmember and longtime Colorado Springs community leader Tom Daschbach President and Chairman.

Daschbach is founder and CEO of TD Support Services Corp., a Colorado Springs-based corporation with 350 employees in 11 states and Europe. He is a former vice president of the Greater Colorado Springs Chamber of Commerce. He is past president of the local chapter of the American Heart Association; past board chairman for the Armed Services YMCA; and former chapter president of the Military Officers Association of America.

Daschbach succeeds Ed Anderson as president and chairman of the board. Anderson had served two years as president until reaching his term limit as a board member. He will remain a member of the nonprofit's advisory board. "I was privileged to serve on the board under Ed Anderson's leadership," Daschbach said. "He led us through tremendous growth and significant challenges. But most importantly, he positioned us to continue growing with the needs of our veterans and military families."

The board of directors also elected three new members to three-year terms: New boardmember Lars F. Bergstrom, Esq. is special counsel with the Denver law firm Dewhirst & Dolven, and a senior defense counsel in the Army Reserves. He has extensive career experience providing legal representation to soldiers who face the same challenges as many veterans.

Dennis McCormack was re-elected to the board of directors from the advisory board. A highly respected advocate for veterans' issues in the Pikes Peak region, McCormack leads THFC's Adaptive Housing program, and had previously served on the board of directors until being term-limited.

New boardmember Betty Sexton is a longtime supporter of THFC. The KKTV Channel 11 anchor and Call To Action reporter has been emcee of THFC's annual dinner each of its nine years.

### THFC Featured Sponsors Summer 2013



## Denver's

## Veteran's Passport

★★★ **To Hope** ★★★





Savings Made Simple

# Benefiting THFC with October Dinner

**The Home Front Cares** will be one of the benefiting nonprofits when *Veteran's Passport to Hope* holds their 2013 Gala Oct. 10 at the **Wings Over the Rockies Air and Space Museum in Denver.**

The second annual fundraising event raises awareness for the challenges today's veterans face, and supports three Colorado veteran-friendly charities.

**"We are honored to be one of Veterans Passport to Hope's beneficiaries for 2013," said April Speake, THFC executive director. "The work they have done for Colorado veterans in such a short time is truly amazing."**

The dinner is at **6 p.m.** Tickets cost **\$85**, and table sponsorships are available for **\$2,500** or **\$5,000**.

Colorado is home to more than 420,000 veterans and more are returning home every day. This event celebrates the contributions of our service men and women from every branch of our Armed Services-U.S. Army, U.S. Marine Corps, U.S. Navy, U.S. Air Force and U.S. Coast Guard.

For ticket or sponsorship information, visit [www.veteranspassport2hope.org](http://www.veteranspassport2hope.org)

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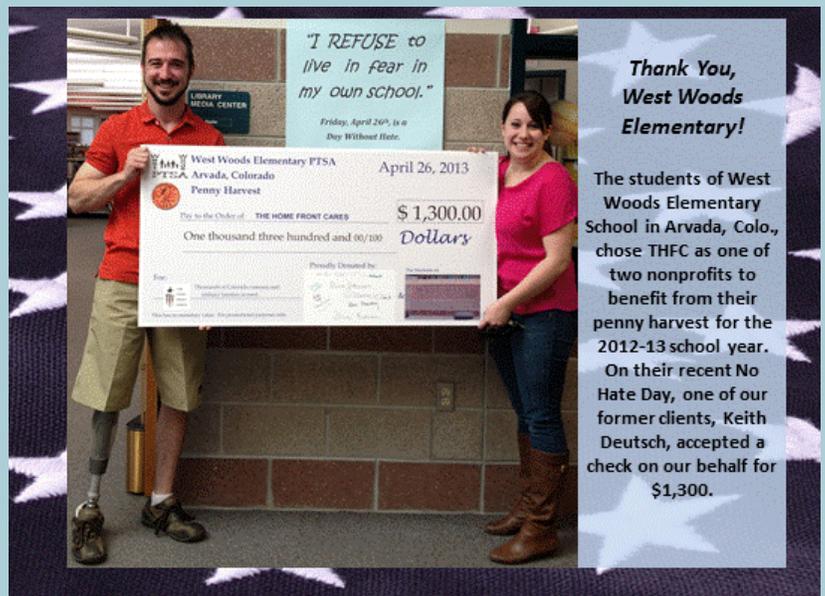
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## Office Wish List

- paper towels
- disposable coffee cups
- toilet paper
- non - parishable snacks
- liquid hand soap
- post it notes
- hanging folders
- manila files
- Clorox bleach spray
- Kleenex
- Bottled water
- dish soap
- Lysol or Clorox wipes
- Grocery cards
- Gas cards
- postage stamps

We appreciate your donation.

**THANK YOU**



**Thank You, West Woods Elementary!**

The students of West Woods Elementary School in Arvada, Colo., chose THFC as one of two nonprofits to benefit from their penny harvest for the 2012-13 school year. On their recent No Hate Day, one of our former clients, Keith Deutsch, accepted a check on our behalf for \$1,300.

Keith & Alicia

Dennis McCormack  
TriWest Healthcare

The Home Front Cares  
*has been awarded the:*

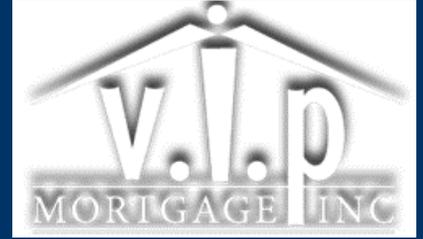
Rocky Mountain Insurance Association  
2011 Human Concern Award

Greater Co Springs Chamber of Commerce  
2011 Military Affairs Award of Excellence

Lifquest 2011  
Outstanding Collaborative Award



## Doers & Donors VIP Mortgage Making Ongoing Gift of VA Loans



A mortgage company serving three Colorado communities is using VA loans to make an ongoing gift to THFC.

V.I.P. Mortgage, Inc. is donating \$270 for every VA mortgage closed in Colorado Springs, Woodland Park and Canon City. V.I.P. branch manager Courtney Kline presented the first check, for \$1,890, at THFC's May executive committee meeting.

"Finding ways to contribute to the military community hits home for us on a personal level," he said. "We understand the unspoken sacrifices military families live with day to day."

Kline noted that 50 percent of V.I.P.'s home loans go to veterans receiving VA benefits. The V.I.P. donation per loan includes \$70 from their corporate headquarters.

"This is a way for us to say 'thank you' to the Colorado veterans and military families for their endless sacrifices," he added. "This is a small gesture compared to those who put their lives at risk to give us a better place to call home."

V.I.P. Mortgage offers a range of mortgage sources including conventional (conforming and jumbo), VA and FHA mortgages; USDA loans tailored for outlying areas; El Paso Turnkey Mortgages; and FNMA's Homepath mortgages, which lets a buyer purchase a Fannie Mae-owned property with a low down payment, flexible terms, no lender-requested appraisal and no mortgage insurance.

To learn more about this generous company, visit  
[www.vipmortgagecs.com](http://www.vipmortgagecs.com)

## Your Donation Makes A Difference

### A Client Testimonial

You are never truly prepared for the financial hardship that you will endure after you get your final paycheck from the military.

Without The Home Front Cares, our family would not have been able to pay for the little things that most of the time we take advantage of like electricity,



The Fritz Family

water, etc. The Home Front Cares helped us more than we could have ever imagined when they helped pay our mortgage. There are not enough words of gratitude to express how grateful we are for The Home Front Cares and what they did for our family. The Home Front Cares will always have a special place in our hearts.

John & Tiffanie Fritz

"As they marched, the crowds lining the route broke into applause, a sweet and deeply felt spontaneous pattering that was a sort of communal embrace. Welcome home."  
~ Lance Morrow