



Youth Service Awards

Subject: Dr. Jane Goodall to Visit with Denver Area Students



Dr. Jane Goodall with an orphan Chimpanzee at the Tchimpounga Sanctuary in the Republic of Congo

Dr. Goodall does not handle wild chimps. This orphan chimpanzee lives at a JGI sanctuary

Dr. Jane Goodall to Encourage Community Service at Service Fair

Colorado Academy hosts the Global Explorers Citizens of the World Awards Service Event

Denver, Colorado—date—World-renowned primatologist Dr. Jane Goodall, DBE, founder of the Jane Goodall Institute and UN Messenger of Peace, will attend the Global Explorers Citizens of the World Awards Service event, hosted by Colorado Academy at 3:30 pm, March 18. 10 schools and service clubs from the Denver area will be exhibiting their contributions to their community, competing for the opportunity to hear Dr. Goodall speak that night at the Global Explorers Citizens of the World Awards. The lecture and awards ceremony begin at 7 p.m. at the University of Denver's Newman Center.

Global Explorers, a Fort Collins-based non-profit youth travel organization, presents its Citizens of the World Awards annually to celebrate leaders who inspire youth to take action. This year Global Explorers and Natural Habitat Adventures are partnering with the Wildlife Experience, the Denver Zoo and the Denver Museum of Nature & Science to honor Dr. Goodall for her visionary group Roots & Shoots. Founded in 1991 by Dr. Goodall and a group of Tanzanian students, the Roots & Shoots program is about making positive change happen—for our communities, for animals and for the environment. With tens of thousands of young people in almost 100 countries, the Roots & Shoots network connects youth of all ages who share a desire to create a better world.

Tickets for the lecture and award ceremony are available for \$40 beginning February 18 at the Newman Center box office or via Ticketmaster at www.ticketmaster.com.

Jane Goodall is being presented to the Denver community by eco-tour company Natural Habitat Adventures in support of Global Explorers, a Colorado nonprofit organization that teaches students leadership, service, cultural tolerance and conservation biology through international immersion travel. All proceeds from the event will benefit Global Explorers. For more information, visit www.globalexplorers.org.

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Global Explorers honors youth leaders who have made a difference in their community. Welcome to our small gathering, where our guest of honor, Dr. Jane Goodall, takes a personal interest in the projects!

Youth Service Winner

Organization: Ponderosa High School PeaceJam Club

Mentor: Debbie Ruiz

Project: Ponderosa High School's PeaceJam club began with a simple recycling project. Two years later, Ponderosa High School reduced its trash by 70% and the program is self-sustaining. Their early success in recycling led them to develop an energy management program in conjunction with Douglas County School district that cut energy use by 13.8%!

The PeaceJam club didn't stop there. As part of "Mother's Day for Mother Earth" they engaged the community and ended up with 120,000 lbs of recyclable household electronics. They have discussed recycling ideas with the Mayor of Nairobi, Kenya, received the Colorado Environmental Leadership Award, and are continuing their work with a "Green Fair" to educate students across the district about the importance of recycling and energy management.

Congratulations to the Ponderosa High School PeaceJam club on their outstanding commitment to sustainability. Each one of us CAN make a difference in our communities and in the world!

Runner Up

Organization: AfricAid, Colorado Academy

Mentor: Dani Meyers

Project: AfricAid supports girls' education in Africa, providing young women with the opportunity to transform their own lives and the futures of their communities. This student run club organizes an annual fundraiser, coordinates a community service day with the lower school, and has supported 81 scholarships at four different female boarding schools across Tanzania.