

# News from Nan

## TRAVEL

# COLORADO REPRISE

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*Flatirons*

During the last week in May (2018) and first week in June we have been visiting the part of Colorado where we lived during the years 2007-2009. At that time we were living in Lyons Valley Village in Lyons, just downhill from Rocky Mountains National Park. We have fond memories of the time we spent in this part of the beautiful state of Colorado.



*Dick on the Sanitas trail, Boulder*

The “Colorado saga” actually began for me when I commuted for a whole year between San Jose and IBM Boulder. I typically flew back and forth every week, and when I was in Colorado I lived in the Boulderado Hotel. It was an interesting experience both personally and professionally.

On this trip we are renting a cute little house only a couple of miles from the Boulderado.

One of our goals on this trip was to visit our former neighbor, Veronika, and her dog, Nikki, who still live in Lyons and experienced the disastrous 2013 flood along the St. Vrain River. Veronika, who is a local artist, showed us around Lyons Valley Village and the town of Lyons, which has changed a lot as a result of the flood.

We also did some serious hiking in the Boulder flatirons and in Rocky Mountain National Park.



*View along the Fern Lake trail in Rocky Mountain National Park*

And we always enjoy local restaurants like the Chatauqua Dining Hall, Pasta Jay's, and the West End Tavern.



*Chatauqua dining hall, Boulder*

One evening we drove to Denver to see our San Francisco Giants play the Colorado Rockies. The Giants won: go gigantes!



*Giants-Rockies baseball game at Coors Field in Denver. The player on the screen is the Giants' catcher, Buster Posey.*

We toured NCAR (National Center for Atmospheric Research), which is located just below the local flatirons.



*NCAR from Bear Canyon*

Both the early summer domestic and wild flowers were a treat to see.



*Flowers in a Chatauqua cottage garden*



*Iris in Chatauqua Park*



*Peony in Chatauqua Park*



*Asters on the Fern Lake trail, Rocky Mountain National Park*



*Sunflowers on the Sanitas Trail, Boulder*

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