

CU Buffs' Mike MacIntyre to highlight Colorado Coaches Caravan

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University of Colorado football fans have been waiting to see what new coach Mike MacIntyre will deliver ever since his hiring last December. They will get to hear his delivery in person Monday through Friday, from Fort Collins to Pueblo and from Denver to Grand Junction.

MacIntyre will highlight the Colorado Coaches Caravan, which begins at noon Monday at Fort Collins' Ptarmigan Country Club. With CU in the throes of a school-record seven consecutive losing seasons, MacIntyre's message could go toward repairing some disconnect between Buffaloes football and fans.

"(It'll be) the same thing I've been saying all along," MacIntyre said. "Our four F's (foundation, family, future and football), and tell them a little bit more about our program, the discipline and conditioning factors we're instilling in these young men, not only football-wise but daily in life.

"I'll tell them what I believe and what I want to do."

This type of caravan is new for MacIntyre. While coaching at San Jose State, he did a much smaller road show. He went to Palm Desert and a couple of locations around Los Angeles and northern California. He has already made an impression in and around Boulder and Denver with his openness and congeniality with fans.

"I'm really looking forward to it," he said. "I enjoy meeting people. I enjoy sharing the vision I have for the program. It's always fun to meet people who are truly invested in the university and program and care about it."

This won't be MacIntyre's first trip across the state. He saw much of it watching his son play high school basketball. Also, the coach and his wife took a skiing trip after national signing day in February.

Where did a Tennessee boy learn to ski? At Purgatory outside Durango, where MacIntyre and some friends went while on college spring break. No, he never told his football coaches.

"You know how you are in college," he said. "You think you're invincible."

CU basketball coaches Tad Boyle and Linda Lappe also will be on the caravan.

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Hitting the road

The schedule for next week's University of Colorado coaches caravan:

Monday

Noon-1:15 p.m.: Fort Collins. Ptarmigan Country Club lunch (registration required), 5416 Vardon Way.

4:15-4:45 p.m.: Boulder. Bolder Boulder office, 1710 29th St.

5-7 p.m.: Boulder. Ted's Montana Grill (registration required), 1701 Pearl St.

Tuesday

11 a.m.-noon: Denver. McDonald's, 1350 W. Colfax Ave.

5-7 p.m.: Denver. Blake Street Tavern (registration required), 2301 Blake St.

Wednesday

Noon-2 p.m.: Pueblo. Waterfront Banquet Hall lunch (registration required), 101 S. Main St.

5:30-7 p.m.: Colorado Springs. Cheyenne Mountain Resort (registration required), 3225 Broadmoor Valley Road.

Thursday

12:30-1:30 p.m.: Lone Tree. Pasta Jay's lunch (registration required), 9226 Park Meadows Drive.

4:30-5:30 p.m.: Lone Tree. Safeway, 9229 E. Lincoln Ave.

Friday

Noon-2 p.m.: West Vail. McDonald's lunch, 2171 N. Frontage Road.

4:30-6:30 p.m.: Grand Junction. Doubletree Grand Junction (registration required), 743 Horizon Drive.

For more information or to register for one of the stops, go to cubuffs.com/coachescaravan