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Form **990-EZ****Short Form**
Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

OMB No 1545-1150

2009Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except black lung benefit trust or private foundation)

► Sponsoring organizations of donor advised funds and controlling organizations as defined in section 512(b)(13) must file Form 990. All other organizations with gross receipts less than \$500,000 and total assets less than \$1,250,000 at the end of the year may use this form.

► The organization may have to use a copy of this return to satisfy state reporting requirements.

Open to Public Inspection**A For the 2009 calendar year, or tax year beginning****, 2009, and ending****B** Check if applicable:

- ☐ Address change
- ☐ Name change
- ☐ Initial return
- ☐ Termination
- ☐ Amended return
- ☐ Application pending

Please use IRS label or print or type. See Specific Instructions.

C Colorado Press Association
1336 Glenarm Place
Denver, CO 80204

D Employer identification number

84-0371281

E Telephone number

303-571-5117

F Group Exemption Number

• **Section 501(c)(3) organizations and 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts must attach a completed Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ).**

G Accounting method ☐ Cash ☒ Accrual
Other (specify) ►**I** Website: ► <http://COLORADOPRESSASSOCIATION.COM>**H** Check ☒ if the organization is **not** required to attach Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF)**J** Tax-exempt status (check only one) — ☒ 501(c) (6) (Insert no) 4947(a)(1) or 527**K** Check ☐ if the organization is not a section 509(a)(3) supporting organization and its gross receipts are normally **not** more than \$25,000. A Form 990-EZ or Form 990 return is not required, but if the organization chooses to file a return, be sure to file a complete return.**L** Add lines 5b, 6b, and 7b, to line 9 to determine gross receipts, if \$500,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ

► \$ 316,927.

Part I Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances (See the instructions for Part I.)

1	Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received	1	
2	Program service revenue including government fees and contracts	2	111,453.
3	Membership dues and assessments	3	202,214.
4	Investment income	4	3,260.
5a	Gross amount from sale of assets other than inventory	5a	
5b	Less cost or other basis and sales expenses	5b	
5c	Gain or (loss) from sale of assets other than inventory (Subtract line 5b from line 5a)	5c	
6	Special events and activities (complete applicable parts of Schedule G) If any amount is from gaming, check here ☐	6	
6a	Gross revenue (not including \$ of contributions reported on line 1)	6a	
6b	Less direct expenses other than fundraising expenses	6b	
6c	Net income or (loss) from special events and activities (Subtract line 6b from line 6a)	6c	
7a	Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	7a	
7b	Less cost of goods sold	7b	
7c	Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (Subtract line 7b from line 7a)	7c	
8	Other revenue (describe ►)	8	
9	Total revenue. Add lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c, 6c, 7c, and 8	9	316,927.
10	Grants and similar amounts paid (attach schedule)	10	
11	Benefits paid to or for members	11	
12	Salaries, other compensation, and employee benefits	12	
13	Professional fees and other payments to independent contractors	13	100,801.
14	Occupancy, rent, utilities, and maintenance	14	15,880.
15	Printing, publications, postage, and shipping	15	16,920.
16	Other expenses (describe ► See Statement 1)	16	141,902.
17	Total expenses. Add lines 10 through 16	17	275,503.
18	Excess or (deficit) for the year (Subtract line 17 from line 9)	18	41,424.
19	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (from line 27, column (A)) (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return)	19	477,502.
20	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (attach explanation)	20	
21	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 18 through 20	21	518,926.

Part II Balance Sheets. If Total assets on line 25, column (B) are \$1,250,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ

(See the instructions for Part II.)

	(A) Beginning of year	(B) End of year
22 Cash, savings, and investments	334,042.	372,065.
23 Land and buildings	181,743.	179,247.
24 Other assets (describe ► See Statement 2)	32,284.	41,442.
25 Total assets	548,069.	592,754.
26 Total liabilities (describe ► See Statement 3)	70,567.	73,828.
27 Net assets or fund balances (line 27 of column (B) must agree with line 21)	477,502.	518,926.

BAA For Privacy Act and Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see separate instructions.

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Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments (See the instructions.)**Expenses**What is the organization's primary exempt purpose? **PROMOTE JOURNALISM**

Describe what was achieved in carrying out the organization's exempt purposes. In a clear and concise manner, describe the services provided, the number of persons benefited, or other relevant information for each program title

(Required for section 501(c)(3) and (4) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) trusts, optional for others.)

28	Newsletter prepared for members and persons interested in promoting journalism.		
	(Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here	☐	28a
29	Conferences and conventions intended to educate association on advances in the publishing field.		
	(Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here	☐	29a
30			
	(Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here	☐	30a
31	Other program services (attach schedule)		
	(Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here	☐	31a
32	Total program service expenses (add lines 28a through 31a)	☐	32

Part IV List of Officers, Directors, Trustees, and Key Employees. List each one even if not compensated (See the instrs.)

(a) Name and address	(b) Title and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation (if not paid, enter -0-)	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation	(e) Expense account and other allowances
Ed Otte	Executive Direc 20.00	0.	0.	0.
Denver, CO				
Jeanette Chavez	Vice President 2.00	0.	0.	0.
Denver, CO				
Terri House	Director 2.00	0.	0.	0.
Pagosa Springs, CO				
Steve Henson	Chairman 2.00	0.	0.	0.
Pueblo, CO				
Dean Lehman	President 2.00	0.	0.	0.
Longmont, CO				
Stephen Pierotti	Director 2.00	0.	0.	0.
Gunnison, CO				
Brenda Brandt	Secretary 2.00	0.	0.	0.
Holyoke, CO				
Bryce Jacobson	Director 2.00	0.	0.	0.
Craig, CO				
Robert Moore	Treasurer 2.00	0.	0.	0.
Fort Collins, CO				
Harrison Cochran	Director 2.00	0.	0.	0.
Aurora, CO				
Keith Cerny	Director 2.00	0.	0.	0.
Alamosa, CO				
Steve Pope	Director 2.00	0.	0.	0.
Colorado Springs, CO				

Part V Other Information (Note the statement requirements in the instrs for Part V.)

	Yes	No
33 Did the organization engage in any activity not previously reported to the IRS? If 'Yes,' attach a detailed description of each activity		X
34 Were any changes made to the organizing or governing documents? If 'Yes,' attach a conformed copy of the changes		X
35 If the organization had income from business activities, such as those reported on lines 2, 6a, and 7a (among others), but not reported on Form 990-T, attach a statement explaining why the organization did not report the income on Form 990-T		
a Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more or was it subject to section 6033(e) notice, reporting, and proxy tax requirements?	X	
b If 'Yes,' has it filed a tax return on Form 990-T for this year?	X	
36 Did the organization undergo a liquidation, dissolution, termination, or significant disposition of net assets during the year? If 'Yes,' complete applicable parts of Schedule N		X
37a Enter amount of political expenditures, direct or indirect, as described in the instructions 37a 0.		
b Did the organization file Form 1120-POL for this year?		X
38a Did the organization borrow from, or make any loans to, any officer, director, trustee, or key employee or were any such loans made in a prior year and still outstanding at the end of the period covered by this return?		X
b If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part II and enter the total amount involved 38b N/A		
39 Section 501(c)(7) organizations Enter		
a Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 9 39a N/A		
b Gross receipts, included on line 9, for public use of club facilities 39b N/A		
40a Section 501(c)(3) organizations Enter amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under: section 4911 N/A , section 4912 N/A , section 4955 N/A		
b Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations Did the organization engage in any section 4958 excess benefit transaction during the year or is it aware that it engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person in a prior year, and that the transaction has not been reported on any of the organization's prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part I 40b		
c Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations Enter amount of tax imposed on organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under sections 4912, 4955, and 4958 0.		
d Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations Enter amount of tax on line 40c reimbursed by the organization 0.		
e All organizations At any time during the tax year, was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? If 'Yes,' complete Form 8886-T 40e		X
41 List the states with which a copy of this return is filed None		

42a The organization's books are in care of Colorado Press Association Telephone no **303-571-5117**
 Located at 1336 Glenarm Place Denver CO ZIP + 4 **80204**

	Yes	No
b At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in or a signature or other authority over a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)? If 'Yes,' enter the name of the foreign country		X
See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for Form TD F 90-22.1, Report of a Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts		
c At any time during the calendar year, did the organization maintain an office outside of the U S ? If 'Yes,' enter the name of the foreign country		X

43 Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-EZ in lieu of **Form 1041** — Check here ☐ **N/A**
 and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the tax year **43** **N/A**

	Yes	No
44 Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds? If 'Yes,' Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ		X
45 Is any related organization a controlled entity of the organization within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If 'Yes,' Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ		X

Part VI Section 501(c)(3) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts only. All section 501(c)(3) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts must answer questions 46-49b and complete the tables for lines 50 and 51.

	Yes	No
46 Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule C, Part I		
47 Did the organization engage in lobbying activities? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule C, Part II		
48 Is the organization a school as described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule E		
49a Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization?		
49b If 'Yes,' was the related organization a section 527 organization?		

50 Complete this table for the organization's five highest compensated employees (other than officers, directors, trustees and key employees) who each received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. If there is none, enter 'None.'

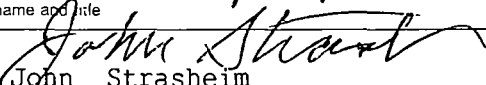
(a) Name and address of each employee paid more than \$100,000	(b) Title and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation	(e) Expense account and other allowances

f Total number of other employees paid over \$100,000 ▶

51 Complete this table for the organization's five highest compensated independent contractors who each received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. If there is none, enter 'None.'

(a) Name and address of each independent contractor paid more than \$100,000	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation

d Total number of other independent contractors each receiving over \$100,000 ▶

Sign Here	Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.			
	Signature of officer Date 8/11/10 		Type or print name and title Ed Otte, Executive Director	
Paid Preparer's Use Only	Preparer's signature Date 8-3-10 	Check if self employed ☒	Preparer's Identifying Number (See instructions) N/A	
	Firm's name (or yours if self-employed), address, and ZIP + 4 Scullion, Strasheim & Company 4155 E JEWELL AVE STE 616 Denver, CO 80222-4510	EIN ▶ N/A	Phone no ▶ (303) 355-8380	
	May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? See instructions ▶ ☒ Yes ☐ No			

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Colorado Press Association

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Statement 1
Form 990-EZ, Part I, Line 16
Other Expenses

Bad Debts	\$	15.
Board of Directors		1,260.
Capital Hill Luncheon		2,562.
CHSPA Programs		935.
Conferences, Conventions, and Meetings		92,583.
Depreciation		4,572.
Donations		1,000.
Dues & Subscriptions		1,547.
Income tax 990-t		842.
Insurance		4,210.
Member Services		750.
Office Expenses		444.
Press Credentials		1,970.
Property Taxes		12,306.
Public Notice on Website		11,500.
Telephone		1,739.
Travel		3,667.
Total	\$	141,902.

Statement 2
Form 990-EZ, Part II, Line 24
Other Assets

	<u>Beginning</u>	<u>Ending</u>
Prepaid expense	\$ 22,248.	\$ 14,633.
Due from Colorado Press Services, Inc.	5,001.	26,096.
NBV of depreciable personal property	4,005.	0.
Accounts receivable	1,030.	713.
Total	\$ 32,284.	\$ 41,442.

Statement 3
Form 990-EZ, Part II, Line 26
Total Liabilities

	<u>Beginning</u>	<u>Ending</u>
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	\$ 1,583.	\$ 15,999.
0 ACCRUED EXPENSES	14,830.	11,864.
0 DEFERRED REVENUE	52,914.	45,897.
0 DUE TO FOUNDATION	1,240.	68.
Total	\$ 70,567.	\$ 73,828.

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Statement 4

Form 990-EZ, Part VI

Regarding Transfers Associated with Personal Benefit Contracts

(a) Did the organization, during the year, receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?

No

(b) Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?

No

Application for Extension of Time To File an Exempt Organization Return

OMB No. 1545-1709

► File a separate application for each return.

- If you are filing for an **Automatic 3-Month Extension**, complete only **Part I** and check this box ☐
 - If you are filing for an **Additional (Not Automatic) 3-Month Extension**, complete only **Part II** (on page 2 of this form)
- Do not complete Part II unless** you have already been granted an automatic 3-month extension on a previously filed Form 8868

Part I Automatic 3-Month Extension of Time. Only submit original (no copies needed)

A corporation required to file Form 990-T and requesting an automatic 6-month extension—check this box and complete Part I only ☒

All other corporations (including 1120-C filers), partnerships, REMICs, and trusts must use Form 7004 to request an extension of time to file income tax returns

Electronic Filing (e-file). Generally, you can electronically file Form 8868 if you want a 3-month automatic extension of time to file one of the returns noted below (6 months for a corporation required to file Form 990-T). However, you cannot file Form 8868 electronically if (1) you want the additional (not automatic) 3-month extension or (2) you file Forms 990-BL, 6069, or 8870, group returns, or a composite or consolidated Form 990-T. Instead, you must submit the fully completed and signed page 2 (Part II) of Form 8868. For more details on the electronic filing of this form, visit www.irs.gov/efile and click on *e-file for Charities & Nonprofits*.

Type or print File by the due date for filing your return. See instructions.	Name of Exempt Organization Colorado Press Association	Employer identification number 84 0371281	
	Number, street, and room or suite no. If a P.O. box, see instructions 1336 Glenarm Place		
	City, town, or post office, state, and ZIP code. For a foreign address, see instructions Denver, CO 80204		

Check type of return to be filed (file a separate application for each return)

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|---|---|------------------------------------|
| ☐ Form 990 | ☒ Form 990-T (corporation) | ☐ Form 4720 |
| ☐ Form 990-BL | ☐ Form 990-T (sec. 401(a) or 408(a) trust) | ☐ Form 5227 |
| ☒ Form 990-EZ | ☐ Form 990-T (trust other than above) | ☐ Form 6069 |
| ☐ Form 990-PF | ☐ Form 1041-A | ☐ Form 8870 |

- The books are in the care of ► **Executive director**

Telephone No. ► (**303**) **571-5117** FAX No. ► (**303**) **571-1803**

- If the organization does not have an office or place of business in the United States, check this box ☐
- If this is for a Group Return, enter the organization's four digit Group Exemption Number (GEN) _____ If this is for the whole group, check this box ☐ If it is for part of the group, check this box ☐ and attach a list with the names and EINs of all members the extension will cover

- 1 I request an automatic 3-month (6 months for a corporation required to file Form 990-T) extension of time until **November 15**, 20**10**, to file the exempt organization return for the organization named above. The extension is for the organization's return for
- ☒ calendar year 20**09** or
 - ☐ tax year beginning _____, 20____, and ending _____, 20____

- 2 If this tax year is for less than 12 months, check reason ☐ Initial return ☐ Final return ☐ Change in accounting period

3a If this application is for Form 990-BL, 990-PF, 990-T, 4720, or 6069, enter the tentative tax, less any nonrefundable credits. See instructions.	3a	\$ 800.00
b If this application is for Form 990-PF or 990-T, enter any refundable credits and estimated tax payments made. Include any prior year overpayment allowed as a credit.	3b	\$
c Balance Due. Subtract line 3b from line 3a. Include your payment with this form, or, if required, deposit with FTD coupon or, if required, by using EFTPS (Electronic Federal Tax Payment System). See instructions.	3c	\$ 800.00

Caution. If you are going to make an electronic fund withdrawal with this Form 8868, see Form 8453-EO and Form 8879-EO for payment instructions.

- If you are filing for an **Additional (Not Automatic) 3-Month Extension**, complete only **Part II** and check this box ☐ **Note.** Only complete Part II if you have already been granted an automatic 3-month extension on a previously filed Form 8868
- If you are filing for an **Automatic 3-Month Extension**, complete only **Part I** (on page 1)

Part II Additional (Not Automatic) 3-Month Extension of Time. Only file the original (no copies needed)

Type or print File by the extended due date for filing the return. See instructions.	Name of Exempt Organization	Employer identification number
	Number, street, and room or suite no. If a P.O. box, see instructions	For IRS use only
	City, town or post office, state, and ZIP code. For a foreign address, see instructions	

Check type of return to be filed (File a separate application for each return).

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| ☐ Form 990 | ☐ Form 990-PF | ☐ Form 1041-A | ☐ Form 6069 |
| ☐ Form 990-BL | ☐ Form 990-T (sec. 401(a) or 408(a) trust) | ☐ Form 4720 | ☐ Form 8870 |
| ☐ Form 990-EZ | ☐ Form 990-T (trust other than above) | ☐ Form 5227 | |

STOP! Do not complete Part II if you were not already granted an automatic 3-month extension on a previously filed Form 8868.

- The books are in the care of _____
Telephone No. _____ FAX No. _____
- If the organization does not have an office or place of business in the United States, check this box ☐
- If this is for a Group Return, enter the organization's four digit Group Exemption Number (GEN) _____. If this is for the whole group, check this box ☐. If it is for part of the group, check this box ☐ and attach a list with the names and EINs of all members the extension is for.

- 4 I request an additional 3-month extension of time until _____, 20____.
- 5 For calendar year _____, or other tax year beginning _____, 20____, and ending _____, 20____.
- 6 If this tax year is for less than 12 months, check reason ☐ Initial return ☐ Final return ☐ Change in accounting period
- 7 State in detail why you need the extension _____

8a If this application is for Form 990-BL, 990-PF, 990-T, 4720, or 6069, enter the tentative tax, less any nonrefundable credits. See instructions.	8a \$
b If this application is for Form 990-PF, 990-T, 4720, or 6069, enter any refundable credits and estimated tax payments made. Include any prior year overpayment allowed as a credit and any amount paid previously with Form 8868.	8b \$
c Balance Due. Subtract line 8b from line 8a. Include your payment with this form, or, if required, deposit with FTD coupon or, if required, by using EFTPS (Electronic Federal Tax Payment System). See instructions.	8c \$

Signature and Verification

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this form, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete, and that I am authorized to prepare this form.

Signature ▶

Carole L. Kewitt

Title ▶

Accounting Manager

Date ▶

3/15/10

- If you are filing for an **Additional (Not Automatic) 3-Month Extension**, complete only **Part II** and check this box ☐ **Note.** Only complete Part II if you have already been granted an automatic 3-month extension on a previously filed Form 8868.
- If you are filing for an **Automatic 3-Month Extension**, complete only **Part I** (on page 1).

Part II Additional (Not Automatic) 3-Month Extension of Time. Only file the original (no copies needed)

Type or print File by the extended due date for filing the return. See instructions.	Name of Exempt Organization Colorado Press Association	Employer identification number 84 0371281
	Number, street, and room or suite no. If a P.O. box, see instructions 1336 Glenarm Place	For IRS use only
	City, town or post office, state, and ZIP code. For a foreign address, see instructions. Denver, CO 80204	

Check type of return to be filed (File a separate application for each return):

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|---|---|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| ☐ Form 990 | ☐ Form 990-PF | ☐ Form 1041-A | ☐ Form 6069 |
| ☐ Form 990-BL | ☐ Form 990-T (sec. 401(a) or 408(a) trust) | ☐ Form 4720 | ☐ Form 8870 |
| ☒ Form 990-EZ | ☐ Form 990-T (trust other than above) | ☐ Form 5227 | |

STOP! Do not complete Part II if you were not already granted an automatic 3-month extension on a previously filed Form 8868.

- The books are in the care of **Colorado Press Service, Carole Threewitt**
Telephone No. **(303) 571-5117** FAX No. **(303) 571-1803**
- If the organization does not have an office or place of business in the United States, check this box ☐
- If this is for a Group Return, enter the organization's four digit Group Exemption Number (GEN) _____ If this is for the whole group, check this box ☐ If it is for part of the group, check this box ☐ and attach a list with the names and EINs of all members the extension is for

- 4** I request an additional 3-month extension of time until **November 15**, 20**10**.
- 5** For calendar year _____, or other tax year beginning _____, 20____, and ending _____, 20____.
- 6** If this tax year is for less than 12 months, check reason: ☐ Initial return ☐ Final return ☐ Change in accounting period
- 7** State in detail why you need the extension _____
Tax preparer needs additional time to compile an accurate and complete tax return.

8a If this application is for Form 990-BL, 990-PF, 990-T, 4720, or 6069, enter the tentative tax, less any nonrefundable credits. See instructions.	8a	\$	650
b If this application is for Form 990-PF, 990-T, 4720, or 6069, enter any refundable credits and estimated tax payments made. Include any prior year overpayment allowed as a credit and any amount paid previously with Form 8868.	8b	\$	650
c Balance Due. Subtract line 8b from line 8a. Include your payment with this form, or, if required, deposit with FTD coupon or, if required, by using EFTPS (Electronic Federal Tax Payment System). See instructions.	8c	\$	0

Signature and Verification

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this form, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete, and that I am authorized to prepare this form.

Signature ▶

*Carole Threewitt CPA*Title ▶ **Accounting Manager**Date ▶ **7-13-10**