## **Garfield Story 2016**

After having to cancel the race last year due to saturated ground, I knew we could not call it off this year. It rained at the house for about an hour the night before. But it was not enough to make getting into the finish line difficult. We were good to go in the morning!

Between Gordon and Levi, two new bridges were installed, replacing broken units. The long one we put in last year and reinforced held up through the winter. The posting of a picture of it on Face book before the race kept the numbers down to a reasonable level.

We had great weather and a record 46 finishers. Although, I did worry about the 8 year old who was bringing up the rear with her dad. She finished just fine. Cried, threw up and then was happy.

The fire was somewhat subdued this year. Acting with discretion, Cliff, the hot dog cooker, knew that the land owner was coming out for a visit. We never told Rudy that we had a flaming finish line. That would just make him worry about liability all the more. Summit Canyon was gracious in helping the club supply T shirts for finishers and race helpers. Summit Canyon wishes to be the local running shoe headquarters. So, check them out when you can. Everyone seemed to have a good time. Rudy indicated that he would bring his front end loader and make the area more accessible for us.

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## Palisade to Clifton 5/28/2016 1 2 Scott Vig Patrick Hummel 47:27 53:18 3 Ben Hauschulz 54:24 4 Mike Burnham 54:37 5 Andy Mohler 57:23 6 **Cynthia Malleck** 57:37 7 Steve Green 58:16 8 Kyle Stone, 1:03:22 9 Levi Hamer, 1:04:03 10 Ernie Langelier, 1:06:12 11 Justin Blaskawsky, 1:07:06 12 Cheryl Castle, 1:08:14 14 Craig Burger, 1:11:45 15 Jim Morton-Bower, 13 Heath Scott, 1:09:29 1:12:12 16 Ryan Steele, 1:12:14 17 Steve Ela, 1:12:34 18 Laura Stone, 1:14:39 20 Glen Fitzgibbons, 1:15:15 21 Brad Rugel, 1:15:16 19 Rhonda Jones, 1:15:13 23 Gordon Harbert, 1:17:47 24 Tom Ela, 1:19:45 22 Brad Yenter, 1:17:25 26 Joe Schwarz, 1:20:48 25 Brian Buechler, 1:20:37 27 Marshal Steele, 1:20:52 28 Bob Thome, 1:21:17 29 Jeannie Grooms, 1:21:19 30 Shad Mickelberry, 1:21:52 32 Kara Dunston, 1:24:35 33 Jeremy Mattingley, 31 Dale Holm, 1:22:38 1:28:25 34 Christie Aschewanden, 1:29:29 35 Ray Jensen, 1:32:06 36 Suzie Steele, 1:32:08 37 Doyle Young, 1:34:31 38 Kelsi Antonelli, 1:34:45 39 Lyndall Young, 1:35:11 40 Steve DeFeyter, 1:42:17 41 Al Jaffee, 1:50:44 42 Conrad Cole, 1:52:20 43 Randy Larsen, 2:18:34 44 Randee Bergen, 2:18:58 45 Lella Young, 2:38:17 46 Jerry Young, 2:38:20

Editor adds: good field this year! The winning times (47 min. and 57 minutes) are creditable, and if the Race Director keeps a list of all-time bests, these have got to be "up there." Craig Burger journeyed from Glenwood, arriving late, and possibly could have had a 61-minute time! One of these years I'll get up the courage, or craziness, or whatever combination of those three, and do it again.