## Joy Bauman

Joy Bauman has been a Golden resident for 19 years. When she retired in 2018 from the fulltime career, which kept her in Centennial most of the time, she knew she wanted to truly "live in Golden" and immerse herself in Golden's community life. And that she has done!

One of the first things she did was enroll in Leadership Golden (LG). Joy says that despite having lived in Golden for years and despite having been very active in Buffalo Bill Days, LG "opened her eyes to other activities she could be a part of." Participation in LG expanded her network and gave her new lifelong

friends. She always recommends LG to others because it allows understanding of "how the city works and why things are the way they are."

Since her LG experience, Joy has become President of the Board of Buffalo Bill Days and, with her LG teammates, implemented the STAR program which grew directly out of their LG team project. STAR fills a need in Golden High School, providing toiletries, clothes, and gift cards for necessities free of charge to teens in need.

Additionally, she has taken on the annual Holiday ornament project for Leadership Golden! This involves spearheading the effort to sponsor a design reflective of Golden, which is printed on a globe style ornament, and sold.
The ornament sales are a significant source of funds for LG, and at this point (35 years along), also a Golden tradition.

Other community activities Joy is involved with include BGoldN, Golden Farmer's Market, the Art Fair, the Chile Cook-off, Friends of the Library, Christmas Parade, and the Visitor's Center!

We Goldenites are lucky to have Joy Bauman!

