Subject: Coyote's New Gig Posted by DavidF[1] on Thu, 02 Feb 2017 20:49:49 GMT

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Hi Folks.

Greetings from Coyote who is hanging out with a couple of babes and drinks somewhere in the Caribbean right now. He's not answering his phone.

He has left it to me to tell you what we have been up to since we left this wonderful place some time ago. While Coyote has been doing his usual yammering about being underpaid and overworked, I've been writing a new book, called Voices of The Colorado Trail. It's a weird one, and hard to classify. It's part photo book (my contribution), part distillation of over 150 interviews I have conducted with fellow hikers and mountain bike riders on the trail, a few trail poems, and Coyote's ramblings about the 500-mile trail itself, which we have now hiked three times. People have been known to both laugh and cry while reading it. Despite our best efforts to sabotage the entire enterprise with jokes and irreverence, the voices in the book speak of adventure, challenge, and personal transformation.

Since my writing "career" got started here by publishing travel essays on my Coyote's Guide to IDL Programming webpage, I thought some of you might want to know about the book. Some of you even told me "You should write a book!", although my accountant tells me few stepped forward to buy one after I did. I won't hold it against you. As in IDL programming, first attempts at writing aren't all that good anyway.

Why bring this up now? Good question! Probably because for another couple of weeks you can still get a 25% pre-order discount on the darn thing. The books have been printed and bound and are on a ship steaming toward the Port of Los Angeles even as we speak. They should arrive by the middle of the month. When they do, prices are sure to go up. If you wish to pay full price, you can find the book on Amazon.

You can learn more about the book here:

http://rawahranger.com/product/voices-of-the-colorado-trail/

At the end of that page you can even read a sample of the book. I'm really proud of it. If you pre-order, I'll even make sure Coyote signs it for you.

If you have ever thought about going on a long-distance hike, this will seal the deal for you. Leave it around the house where your friends and family can find it, and they won't think you are out of your mind anymore. They will be clamoring to come with you!

Best wishes to all of you. I still miss you more than you can imagine. I think about you nearly every day!

Cheers,

David