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**50 FOR TIBET**

**STATE HIGHPOINTER ADVENTURE, A NON-PROFIT FUND RAISING PROJECT FOR:  
THE ROWELL FUND FOR TIBET**

**TEAM TAKES HIGHPOINTING INTERNATIONAL IN 2010 & 2011;  
TOP OF SCANDINAVIA TRIP AN UNQUALIFIED SUCCESS!**

Colorado based **Team HighPoint** from the non-profit 501(c)(3) 50 For Tibet fund raising project in support of **The Rowell Fund For Tibet** has returned from Scandinavia where they successfully achieved four (4) new country international highpoints (Norway, Finland, Sweden & Denmark) from June 26<sup>th</sup> through July 10<sup>th</sup>. With the five (5) international country highpoints achieved in 2010, Team HighPoint has now accumulated nine (9) total international highpoints and 48 U.S. state highpoints (as well as Washington D.C.) since the project's inception in June 2006.

Since **50 For Tibet's** beginning in 2006, over 120,000 miles of travel have been logged and approximately \$210,000 in donations have been raised to promote The Rowell Fund For Tibet ([www.savetibet.org/about-ict/rowell-fund-tibet](http://www.savetibet.org/about-ict/rowell-fund-tibet)), an organization which provides grants to help preserve the threatened Tibetan culture. In addition, Team HighPoint has provided education and publicity about the Tibetan situation resulting from the occupation by China over the past 60 years. "The oppression of the Tibetan people is one of this planet's saddest ongoing tragedies. While much of the world has condemned China for its actions, serious, substantive dialogue that would provide Tibetans their homeland and culture has really not been achieved." states Team HighPoint member John Jancik. "Regardless of their location, atrocities, whether they be in Africa or Asia or some other locale, should not be ignored by the world community because ultimately we have a moral responsibility to our fellow human beings that we can help them live in peace and with home rule. That is why we chose to take the 50 for Tibet project back and forth across the United States as well as internationally."

Team HighPoint consists of John Jancik (Parker, Colorado), Terri Baker (Parker, Colorado), David Baker (Denver, Colorado) and Steve Gardiner (Billings, Montana). John and Terri, who originally met the late legendary photographer and mountaineer Galen Rowell in 1995 as the three of them prepared for their participation in the 1996 Top Of The World Expedition to northern Greenland, now serve on The Advisory Board of The Rowell Fund For Tibet. On September 23rd, 2006, Team HighPoint was honored with a special meeting with His Holiness The Dalai Lama during his visit to Colorado.

To learn more about Team HighPoint and its 50 For Tibet project, see the Team's website at [www.50fortibet.org](http://www.50fortibet.org) or contact John jancik at [echojj@aol.com](mailto:echojj@aol.com). More information about the Tibetan situation is available from the International Campaign for Tibet at [www.savetibet.org](http://www.savetibet.org) or by phone at (202) 785-1515.

**Check out this link: <http://cbs4denver.com/video/?id=19958@kcnc.dayport.com>  
featuring a 50 For Tibet feature story video aired by local Denver CBS network affiliate,  
KCNC-TV, Channel 4 on Wednesday, August 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2006.**

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