

Dave Palenchar



Dave Palenchar remains one of the most important individuals in the growth, traditions and history of sport in Colorado Springs. He serves as a Trustee of the El Pomar Foundation, which throughout its history, has consistently played a major role in connecting Colorado Springs to sports, including the relocation of the United States Olympic Committee from New York to Colorado Springs in 1978 and the creation of the new Broadmoor World Arena.

Palenchar retired from El Pomar as Chief Operating Officer last year after more than 23 years with the organization. In addition to his current service as a Trustee of the Foundation, he is President and CEO of the Broadmoor World Arena and Pikes Peak Center for the Performing Arts and Chairman of the Colorado Springs Sports Corporation, where his efforts and support have been important to the Sports Corps' recent growth and new programs.

In 2007, Palenchar was selected by the Greater Colorado Springs Chamber of Commerce as its Business Citizen of the Year. Additionally, he is President of the Air Force Academy Foundation and serves on the boards of the Great Outdoors Colorado Trust Fund and the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association Hall of Fame. He is a graduate of the Air Force Academy and was a career officer in the United States Air Force.