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WHOA PARTNER!

Whoa Partner!
Do you see who arrived
at the watering place?

Felicity, Wendy, Sara—
along with your good old boy
Tom and Dick—

Light on their feet,
smart as a wit,

About as different from the herd
that came before
as it takes to make a better world.

By our very horns and beards,
it's a her!

And we can't claim she took
any of our ribs,
seems for sure we still have all of ours
padded well within our growing open space.

Beardless wonders! Welcome!
You've changed our definition:

A change of water rites
is an exercise in maximum utilization
of our greatest resource—
next to water, land, and air
and every living creature—
Women and Men

In Colorado community
without injury to each other
from source to mouth
speaking scholarship, humility,
common sense, solving problems,

Helping to shape the great and small details
born of a magnificent landscape.

Must be the best western
has a whole new Hospitality Suite!

(In celebration of the Colorado Bar Association Water Law Section
Water Buffalo Award to the 2005 honorees Felicity Hannay, Sara Duncan,
Wendy Weiss, Tom Ossola, and Dick MacRavey)