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Our Annual Online Auction Is coming up soon! This is the perfect time to buy:

- *HOLIDAY GIFTS, or*
- *ART for YOURSELF!*

It's easy to bid, and pieces can be shipped directly to you, or picked up in Jackson, WY.

Bidding will open on Wednesday, November 2, 2022, and close on Sunday, November 13th.

We have a wide variety of creativity to browse, including a lovely collaborative piece by our students that is featured on our card.

NEW PIECES are added right up to the opening of bidding. Have fun shopping!

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Check us out on Instagram! Meet our horses and see daily program updates!

What **Have** We Been Up To Lately???

This year has **FLOWN** by! We haven't even had time to catch our collective breaths, let alone create a newsletter, so we have a **LOT** of catch-up to share.

First of all, we'll show you some of the artwork that the students did in our winter retreats. We were lucky to have Susan Durfee come for a painting workshop where we created our collaborative flower piece. Students painted individual pieces on MDF with acrylic paint. They brainstormed a group palette, background and layout, and ended up with beautiful, unique flower interpretations for the final presentation.

Kay Stratman taught a delightful and inspirational card making/writing workshop in March. Our relatives were happy recipients of our artwork that we mailed off.



2022 PROFESSIONALS' TRAINING

Equine Professionals gathered at the Diamondfly Ranch in Thayne, WY, for an intensive, 7-day immersion in horsemanship, somatic experiencing, equine assisted therapy, education, and creative arts inclusion.

Traveling from California, Arizona, Wyoming, Montana and Massachusetts, our 7 participants and 2 staff delved deeply into the intricacies and subtleties of partnering with horses to help clients heal and grow.

Thank you to our most excellent horses, cook, and instructors for an unforgettable experience! Don't miss next year's spring offering! Tentative dates are May 28-June 4, 2023. Stay tuned!



Trail rides, somatic work, art activities, obstacles and liberty work are all part of the curriculum



SUMMER SESSIONS



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A FEW TRANSITIONS



BUZZ



1994 - 2022

Buzz was the horse who could tell you the truth of who you are in about 5 minutes. He was ultra sensitive and you could ride him with your breath. He did it all - trail, obstacles, liberty, gymkhana, connection. He is sorely missed - we have never had a horse quite like him. We all miss him: his many riders, both kids and adults, and his sponsors, David and Kathy Clawson.

Our herd is aging, and along with that comes losses. Some are a surprise, but the reality of a herd with 50% in their mid- to late-twenties (one is 33!) is that the odds are pretty strong for them to be close to the end of their time.

All our horses have a Forever home here, and are buried in the east pasture when they go. We like having them watch over us as we continue to help people and horses communicate better through kindness and presence.

WELCOME TO THE NEW GUYS

Karen and Rob Eckert

generously loaned us their big, Quarter Horse gelding, **CISCO**, to help out on the trail this summer. He made his debut in our Professionals' Training in June. He was such a star, and he had so much fun making new girlfriends and bro-type sparring partners in the herd, that we asked to keep him with us this winter and have him in the program next year, too!



Dale and Tamara Cottam just donated a 12 year-old Appendix gelding to us. He is figuring us out and making friends with the ponies. Very curious and happy to follow us around, he seems like he will be a great fit. He'll be in our kindness training program this winter and ready to be a full fledged member of our mounted program in the spring. Because he's had a number of owners he deserved a forever name, so we are calling him **SAFE LANDING** ("Landing" for short) because this is a place he can count on for the rest of his life.

Younger horses who are sound and willing to make emotional connections are what we need in our herd. We have **Dreamer**, a mustang from UT, who is 6; **Raven**, another mustang who is 5, and **Biscuit**, one of our ponies who is 7, who are all youngsters coming up through the ranks. Each of them has a huge personality and is part of our (self-appointed!) "Welcoming Committee" at the Diamondfly. They have been in training with our upper level riders and staff in order to build their confidence. As the herd ages we adhere to this commitment to acquire younger horses so Horse Warriors™ can continue to **"make the world a better place, one relationship at a time."**

BOARD CHANGES



David Chavez and Corinne Storey at Old Bill's

David Chavez, our beloved President, is moving on to do more traveling and enjoying the world. We have all benefited tremendously from his guidance and wisdom during his time at the helm. Late night and early morning brainstorm calls helped us grow in a host of creative ways. We never wanted him to leave, but we know he deserves to keep having as much fun as a person can have. **All the best to you, David!!**



Brett and his favorite horse, Whicker

We know some people can't fully be replaced, but we are excited to welcome 3 new board members: **Corinne Storey, Patti Maily, and Brett Storey.**



Patti helping a young rider learn to saddle

All of them have been deeply involved in the programs, from helping with horse care and ranch maintenance, to instructing and mentoring in our arena programs. With their experiences as both students in the adult programs, behind-the-scenes administration, fundraising, and event help they are all **excellent additions** to our organization!



From the Horse's Mouth

"**ZANE** here, with some information from my pals in the corral.

We want you to know how important it is to us the way we get treated. Most of us weren't born here, so we had lots of experiences other places. And not all of them were good.

I was lucky, but some of my friends have some sad stories about how mean people can be. A lot of the horses never got heard, even when they were being so clear that things weren't comfortable, or safe. They had to really yell in horse language, but nobody listened. And sometimes they were punished for just trying to talk.

But at Horse Warriors™ they teach **KINDNESS**, and that's to people AND animals - even dogs and chickens! They care about how we all feel, so we get to trust them and be trustworthy ourselves. It's pretty sweet to have a **DIALOGUE** with your very own human and know that both of you are paying attention to each other."





What Did We See, Feel and Hear at Blacktail Ponds?

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| The Tetons | Broken Glass |
| Ponds | Buck Fence in Parking Lot |
| Riparian Areas | Park Informational Sign |
| Indian Paintbrush | Tourists with Bikes |
| Lupine | Tourists Looking at Phones |
| Harebells | Blacktail Butte |
| Queen Anne Lace | Trails to Ponds |
| Buckwheat | Many Private Airplanes |
| Trumpet Flower | Red Tail Hawk |
| Marsh Grass | Foxtail Grasses |
| Swamp/Marshland | Yellow Daisies |
| Evergreens | Blue Flowers on Stalk |
| Aspens | Cloudless Blue Sky |
| Bitterbrush | Gentle Breeze |
| Sagebrush | Deer Flies |
| Pronghorn | Mayflies |
| Bear Scat | Damselflies |
| Bear Scratchings | Sound of a Large Animal |
| Standing Cottonwoods | Horses Chewing Grass |
| Downed Cottonwoods | Streams |
| Hills with Loose Rocks | Friendship |

Just One Day on the Trail

NOTICING.

It's important everywhere, yet we take for granted many of the things our senses tell us while our minds are busy, busy, busy!

We enjoy the peacefulness we get to experience out on the trail with our teen and adult groups. We get a chance to relax and let the worries of life slip away while we eat our lunches, draw, write or simply just **BE**.

All of our rides take us to the heart of the natural world. We explore canyons, lakesides, river bottoms, steep mountain pathways, wide open, rolling meadows, elk, moose and deer habitat (and bison and bears sometimes!).

Thanks to our trusty horses, we get to spend many hours each year out in the backcountry, away from screens, traffic, pressures of daily life. They patiently carry us up and over every type of terrain while we absorb the beauty of where we live, and recharge ourselves, **body, mind and spirit.**



WOMEN & HORSES

What could possibly be more fun than a long weekend with new and old **friends and horses**???

Our Women & Horses clinics bring communication, creativity and camaraderie together through exploring relationships. Some of the most transformational are the ones we create with the Horse Warriors™ herd.

It doesn't matter how much horse experience you have! You can be a beginner or an expert and still have 3 days of delightful riding, playing, feasting and creating lifelong memories.



OPPORTUNITIES *for* KINDNESS

... HORSE SPONSORS ...

Our horses are noble, trustworthy, generous and often OLD! They give us everything, and sometimes we have to give back a little bit extra. The "old guys" get numerous (sometimes pretty expensive!) supplements and a lot of extra grain, rice bran, beet pulp and alfalfa.

Supplements include:

Meloxicam for our arthritis and melanoma management; (Leia, Stache, Woody, Gato, Cap, Hawk, Doc, Sami)

Focus (by Source) for weight management; (Hawk, Woody, Stache, Doc)

ImmuBiome for cellulitis; (Woody)

UniPrim for a lifelong sinus ailment that requires daily antibiotics; (Stache)

Lamina Mix for our horses who are prone to laminitis - thanks to the incredible generosity of **CHAVA NATURALS**, the maker of Lamina Mix, we have that supplement donated to our 4 lami horses, who have been 100% sound since taking it (4 years!!) (Spirit, Topaz, Freya, Nubbin)

TumEaze for our old horses with digestive issues (Grainne, Landing)

Full sponsorship

of a horse is **\$1500**, which is less than the cost of annual maintenance. Our average cost is **\$1760**, with some horses being cheaper to maintain, and some more costly, of course depending on their individual needs.

For a **full sponsorship** we provide donors with timely updates about your horse and photos of your horse enjoying his work and play.

We also send our sponsors either a bracelet or keychain of your horse's tail hair, with the name of your horse on a heart.

Of course **we are always delighted to have any amount donated** to our horse care fund, so please share what is comfortable for you!

To sponsor a horse, please contact us at our office. You can call **307-690-6124**, or email us at **horsewarriors@wyoming.com**, and we can help you adopt a precious 4-footed "child"!

The horses who need the most help with "extras" are listed on the following page, along with their special needs. You can choose any horse you wish, and if you have any additional questions about the horses, please give us a call!

The horses want to say a big *Thank You* for your help!

Who Would *You* Like to Sponsor???



LEIA: One of our Beauty Queens, she has one fused hock and another is becoming arthritic. **MELOXICAM** has been wonderful for her. She also has multiple "gray horse" melanomas under her tail and the Meloxicam has helped shrink them!



DOC: 33 years old now, Doc just keeps on ticking! He is fast and competitive but he has hardly any teeth at all. He gets mushy food and **FOCUS** to keep his weight up, along with lots of TLC. He still loves running the barrels, FAST!



STACHE: He developed a life threatening sinus infection last year and we nearly lost him. Because that kind of infection lodges in the bones he requires full time antibiotics to keep it at bay. He feels wonderful now but definitely needs the **UNIPRIM** each day.



GRAINNE: A local event favorite, she has been a permanent player at the White Horse Social and Old Bill's for many, many years. She gets the **MELOXICAM** for her hock arthritis, and the **TUMEAZE** for her digestion. She has earned her way to sainthood in our programs, as hundreds of little girls will tell you!



WOODY: Missing all his front teeth, Woody needs **FOCUS** (extra fatteners) and grain. He also has cellulitis from an old injury from before we got him, and needs **IMMUBIOME** to keep the swelling at bay so he can continue to delight our smallest riders!



HAWK: At 29, Hawk is still a major player in the program. But he, too, needs **FOCUS** to help maintain his weight as his teeth are all wearing down and it's hard to utilize all the calories he eats.



Round Two of Felted Animals! Thank you, Corinne Storey!



We want to thank the **Community Foundation of Jackson Hole, The Wyoming Arts Council and the Wyoming Cultural Trust Fund** for their funding of art supplies, program logistics, and honoraria for our guest instructors. Because of their generosity, our participants receive professional art instruction in a variety of media, both in the studio and out in the natural world. The arts programs are also funded in part with an Arts For All grant provided by the Town of Jackson and Teton County.

