

Reaching Hands Ranch



November 2008

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 Fall Program 1-5pm
2	3	4	5	6	7 Open Ranch 3:30-5:30	8 Fall Program 1-3:30 3:30 First Rides and Graduation!
9	10	11 Happy 1 st Birthday Skye!	12	13	14	15 Open Ranch 2-4pm Happy Birthday Nina! Celebrate Birthdays Today
16	17	18 6 Horses to College for trims	19	20 6 Horses to College for shoes RHR Directors presentation to Rotary Noon	21	22 No Open Ranch Today Craft Fair
23	24	25	26	27 Happy Thanksgiving!	28	29 No Open Ranch Today Thanksgiving Weekend
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Buzz From The Barnyard

Adoptions

Diamond has been adopted into the loving home of our own Gini. He is settling in very nicely with his two new pals. Leo is keeping Smoky company and the whole transition went very smoothly.

Some of you remember Anna Belle (now Bella) and Tumbleweed (now Nugget) that came in such pitiful condition last year with Lady Bird. It has been over one year since they were adopted into the wonderful family of Dave and Amy Tardiff. I had the pleasure of signing over title and visiting with them this past month. Nugget has grown into a mature horse and is very handsome and kind. Bella is looking great now as well. Thank you Dave and Amy!

October Financial Supporters

Amber Burch - WA, United Methodist Women Global Ministries - Washington D.C., Poor Boy Feeds - Powell
Karen

Fall Program

The Fall group of Ranch Hands are preparing for graduation. They are doing a fabulous job and are so ready to take their first ride on Saturday.



Volunteers

In the last few months we have gained some really terrific volunteers. I would like to extend a special thank you to Brook Nisely of Powell, Cole Bennion of Powell, Kylie Boe of Cody and Dean Steppe of Cody. We REALLY need the help and truly appreciate your time and hard work. Thank you!

Horse of the Year Nominations

It is election time at RHR! We have received some nominations for Horse of The Year. They are listed below as received by ranch hands and we need all of you to vote for your favorite. At the end of the newsletter is an official ballot. Please fill it out and return by November 30th. Election day will be Saturday, Dec. 6th at Open Ranch.

Napoleon: I think Napoleon should get horse of the year because he has gone through so much. Napoleon means so much too. He's my best animal friend and he helped me get over my dad. My dad always promised me I'd get a horse since I was about 5 years old and when he left I got Napoleon. He should get this opportunity because he is a very good and funny horse. And he deserves it too. We might not be able to ride him and do all

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the things we want to but I do know he has a lot of personality and a crazy wondering mind we can laugh about. He's an amazing horse and all I can say is he'd love to be the horse of the year.

Dust Pan: He deserves horse of the year because you can actually ride him. He is a nice fellow...except to Haley maybe. He's a paint and he does tricks.

Rain: Rain deserves horse of the year because she's my favorite and she's really sweet.

Hobo: I think that Hobo should be horse of the year because he has worked so hard this year and been so handy, and good to each and everyone in his own ways. I think that he also has been willing to open doors to new and adventurous things.



Ranch Hand of the Month

Kenzy Goodrich is our Ranch Hand of the Month for November. She has been with Reaching Hands Ranch since it's first session in September of 2006. Her favorite activities at Ranch are taking care of the horses and riding. The one thing she would change at RHR - the addition of a riding arena with more room to ride. Her favorite horse?? Napoleon of course. Kenzy's hobbies consist of taking care of horses, riding, hanging out with friends and texting. Her likes are candy, horses, good books and her laptop. Dislikes are Angelo (very funny Kenzy), Dora The Explorer, school, little kids bothering her and scooping horse poop. Although I am certain she meant the last to be on her list of likes:) Kenzy goes to Cody Middle School and she's into science as she has an "A" and pays attention in that class. She wants to be a barrel racer and work for the Game and Fish when she grows up.

Partner Adoption Program

We continue to receive calls from horse owners who need to find homes for their horses for a variety of reasons. As many of you know, we are full at the ranch and cannot take in more than we are able to take care of. It breaks our heart to say no to a difficult situation, especially when the horses future looks grim and we are powerless to help. Our dear friend Nicole came up with a hopeful solution and we are putting it together as the *RHR Partner Adoption Program*. RHR is acting as a third party to place horses in need through our adoption process.

Our first situation has come along from a family in Billings. Due to the sudden loss of her husband, she is unable to care for all of their horses and needs to find a home for two mares or put them down. Jynx is a well trained 20 year old bay Arabian mare. She is sound and healthy. Jo is an 11 year old QH mare that has suffered a serious wire cut injury and can be used for light riding. Adoption fees are \$400.00 for Jynx and \$150.00 for Jo. If someone would be willing to take both, the fee would be \$400.00 for the pair.

Please let us know if you or anyone you know may be interested. We are running out of time to help them.

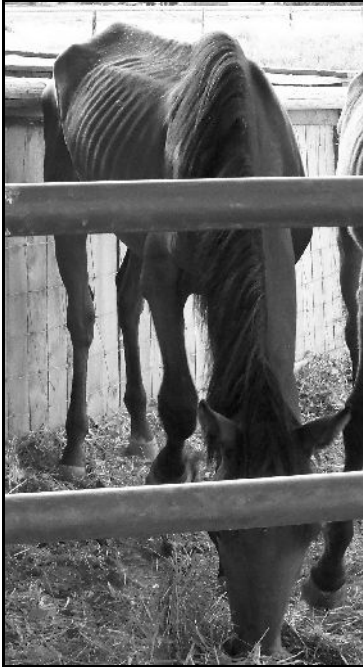
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Hope

The pictures say it all.



"Before"



"After"

2008 RHR Horse Of The Year Official Ballot

Voter Name: _____

Please choose one Equine Candidate

- Napoleon
- Dust Pan
- Rain
- Hobo