



May 2019 – Special Issue

70th Anniversary Celebration!

Our 70th Anniversary planning committee wanted to update everyone on our plans for the celebration this summer. Not everything has been confirmed, so this could change, but we thought we would give you an idea of the things we have planned. The art and written word contests were announced in the April issue of Boots and Saddles. Those contests are for individual riders in the organization. However, we have a few ways in which each base team and tenderfoot class will be involved in the celebration.

The schedule as it looks right now is:

Saturday, July 27 in the Jeffco Auditorium
3:00 – 6:00 Silent auction open
4:00 – 7:00 BBQ Dinner with pork, brisket, turkey, mac and cheese, pasta salad and cole slaw.
5:00 Special Historical Video Presentation
6:30 – 7:00 Live auction
7:00 – 9:00 Dancing

Dinner tickets will cost \$10 if purchased before the event. \$15, if purchased on the day of the event. Tickets may be purchased in the store or in the office beginning June 1. **The last day to purchase tickets at \$10 will be Saturday, July 13.**

Sunday, July 28

10:00 – Report for costuming
Noon – ‘Family Photo’ in the Rodeo Arena
1:00 – 4:00 Carnival at the Equestrian Center

The ‘Family Photo’ is a photo of the entire organization each ten years. It includes all current members, as well as all instructors, monitors and other volunteers. All members will be costumed and adults will be in ‘Dress Uniform’. Red Team and all Red Division owners will be mounted. All other members and adults will be on foot grouped by team.

We are looking for donations of either goods or services for our auctions. If anyone has contacts to use in order to get things donated for our auctions, please do so. You can contact us through the Westernaires.Boots@Gmail.com address, contact our auction coordinator directly (Alisyn Bukowski alisynhb@gmail.com) or just leave a note in the office with Danielle.

Those of you that were here for the 60th Celebration will remember that everything except the photo was held on the property of Westernaires. There were many complaints about holding the dinner in the Volunteer Arena – from having to get the dirt so packed that it took months before it was back to normal for riding to having the dance in the arena. Therefore, our committee decided it would be worth the cost of renting county facilities for the dinner and dance in order to have a better celebration. Of course, we are also paying rent for the Rodeo Arena on the day of the photo. If we purchase bottled refreshments for the dinner they must be purchased from an approved vendor. Therefore, we will provide punch, lemonade and iced tea from mixes like Danielle does at the Christmas

Party. The BBQ caterer does not include dessert so we are asking each team to provide dessert items.

Team Contributions:

1-Each team has already been given guidelines for supplying one or more baskets for the silent auction. Other groups such as Harness Team and Wranglers are encouraged to participate as well.

2-Each team will also be given a horse on May 25 that they should decorate for the auction. It can be picked up in the office as the basket themes and carnival booth ideas are dropped off. During the dinner these will also be used as table centerpieces.

3-Each team will participate in providing a booth for the carnival on Sunday. Teams can combine in order to do a better booth.

4-Each team should provide dessert items such as a cake decorated in their team colors, cookies, pie, cupcakes, muffins, etc. Each team should provide enough dessert to feed 50 people. These are to be brought to the dinner on Saturday, July 27.

Schedule Reminders:

May 25 – Basket themes due in office

May 25 – Carnival Booth ideas due in office

June 1 – Pre-sales for BBQ dinner begin

June 15 – Art/Written Word entries due

June 15 – Memory Book submissions due

July 13 – Final day for \$10 BBQ tickets

As you can see, our planning committee has opted for making this a fun celebration rather than a fund-raising opportunity. We have tried to keep costs down so that whole families could participate in the celebration. Our goal is to cover costs on the dinner and let any money from the auctions go to support Westernaires.

Westernaires Board Update

The Westernaires Board of Directors has been considering adding some younger members for the past couple of years. Important events such as the Strangles problem kept delaying achieving the goal. However, at the regular April meeting, three new members were selected to be invited to join the board.

All three agreed to join and debuted in a special meeting called for April 24. The three new members are Jerry Bauer, Becki Green Gasper and Kris Maikranz.

Jerry Bauer graduated from Cavalry and Red Team at Stock Show in 1987. His daughter Jenii graduated from Red Team during the summer of 2014. Jerry has been an instructor for Cavalry and Steppes for many years and recently became the Chief Instructor of Red Division.



Becki Green Gasper graduated from Red Team at Stock Show in 1994. She currently has two boys enrolled in the program (Colton and Parker). Becki instructs Trail Blazers, Tenderfoot 12 and Trick, and is the coordinator for the organization. This requires that she spend many hours each week fitting all of the pieces together to optimize practice rides and keep the conflicts to a minimum.



Kris Maikranz graduated from Precisionettes in 1986. Her son Josh graduated from Cavalry and Red Team at Stock Show 2014 while her younger son Jake is currently Indian Warriors. Kris has been an instructor of Precisionettes and Chief Instructor of White Division for several years.



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Unfortunately, their first meeting is the one at which Terry McDaniel submitted his resignation from the board and Presidency. Treasurer and Training Director Bill Schleicher agreed to take on the Presidency. Our by-laws state that the President cannot hold any other office, so Mr. Schleicher transferred the Treasurer title to Bob Parson. What a way to welcome our three new members!

Alumni Week 2019

Each year we have a week during which the alumni of the organization can return to ride once again with the team from which they graduated or to just visit with old friends. This year that week will start on July 22, which leads up to our 70th Celebration so they can join us for the celebration.

Reminder: All recent issues of Boots and Saddles are archived on the website in the members section.