



From our barn to your hearts
SPRINGING FORWARD WITH PURPOSE

Welcome to the Spring Edition of Seen & Herd

Dear Friends,

We are excited to share the latest edition of The Seen & Herd, filled with wonderful updates.

Thanks to your incredible support, our recent Bonanza at Whispering Ranch was a tremendous success, and we are proud to recognize Robin Bramson and John Harris for their well-deserved honors. Looking ahead, we have several exciting opportunities to engage, including our upcoming Volunteer Appreciation Events and the beloved Ride for the Roses.

As we head into summer, we invite you to explore our camp programs, now open for enrollment. In recognition of Volunteer Appreciation Month, we are celebrating the volunteers in our programs who help make everything we do possible. We are also excited to introduce the newest member of our herd, Oliver, who is already making a special impact.

Be sure to visit our newly updated website for the latest news, events, and ways to get involved.

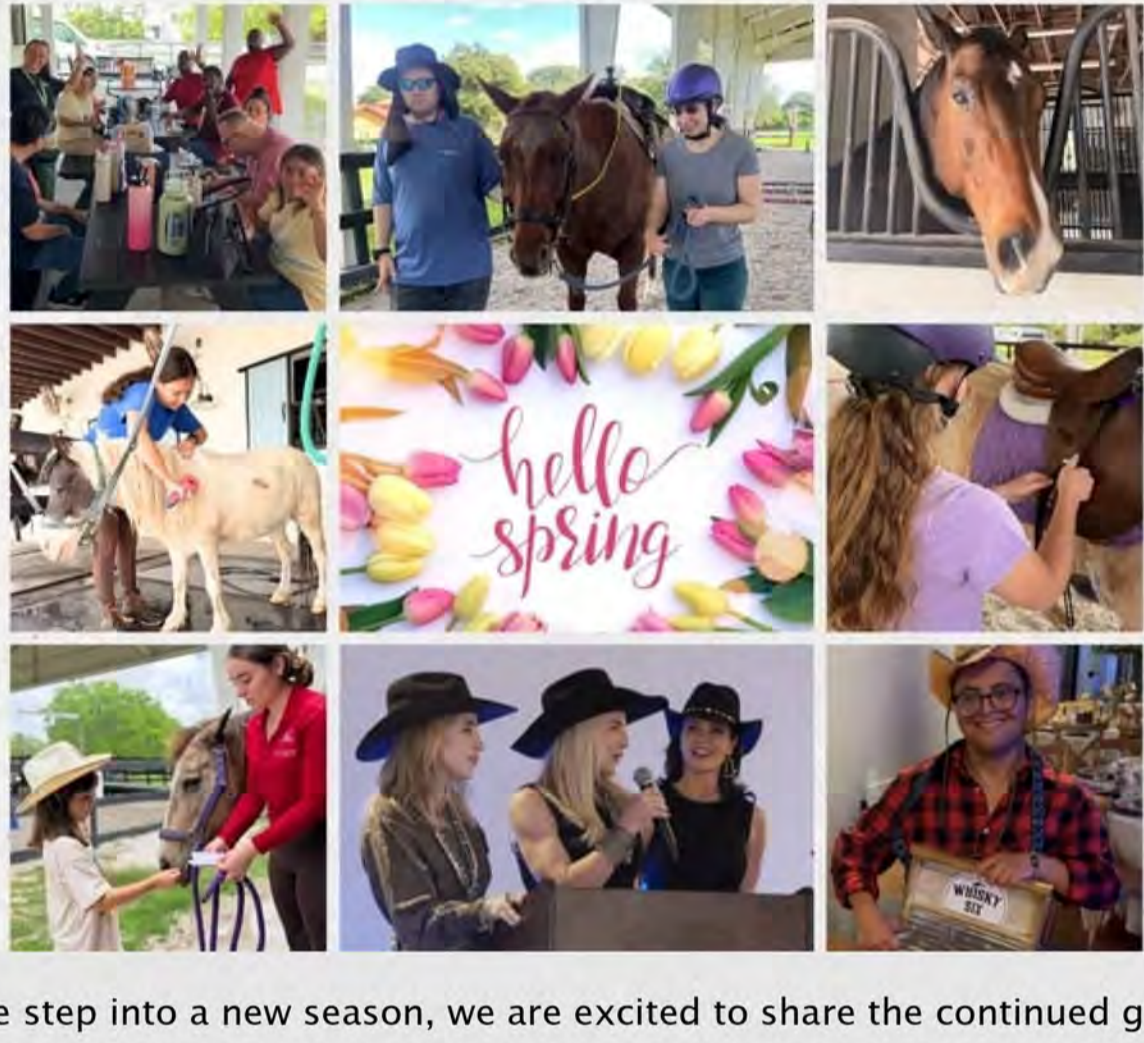
Thank you for being such an important part of our mission and community.

Warm regards,

Helen Picard



Spring at Whispering Manes



As we step into a new season, we are excited to share the continued growth and meaningful moments happening at Whispering Manes. From a memorable Bonanza at Whispering Ranch to upcoming events, new additions to the herd, and opportunities to get involved, there is so much to celebrate within our community.

Thank you for being part of the journey with us.

Volunteer Appreciation



At Whispering Manes, volunteers are at the heart of everything we do. From supporting sessions and helping to maintain a safe and welcoming environment at the barn, to assisting at events, their time and dedication make our work possible.

We are incredibly grateful for each individual who chooses to be part of this community.

If you've ever considered getting involved, we always welcome new volunteers. Whether you can commit weekly or monthly, prefer working alongside the horses in the program or supporting in other ways, there is a place for you here. No prior horse experience is required — we provide orientation and training to ensure you feel comfortable and confident.

Celebrating Volunteer Milestones

In honor of Volunteer Appreciation, we are proud to recognize the individuals who have dedicated significant time in support of Whispering Manes. Each hour contributed reflects a commitment to our mission and a meaningful impact on the riders in our programs and the horses in the program.

Over 100 Lifetime Hours

- Elizabeth Arias
- Catherin Bayetti
- Betsy Benitez
- Libby Bueres
- Sebastian Cabrera
- Genevieve Changtu
- Jennifer Chirino
- Alexander Collins
- Kevin Concepcion
- Christine Cunill
- Cristina Curici
- Philis Edelman
- Christina Escardo
- Sophia Franzosa
- Alessia Garcia
- Nicolas Gonzalez
- Maria Guzman
- Paul Harrington
- Lynn Heyman
- Barbara Hochman
- Madeline Hoel
- Ericka Landsman
- Roger Ledesma
- Lavonne Love-Dube
- Stephanie Mancebo
- Adriana Martinez
- Allison McKeegan
- Rachel McLeary
- Alejandra Molina
- Fabiana Moran
- Ellen Neret
- Bryanna Nunez-Westhues
- Joseph Perez
- Cristina Ramirez
- Maria Reyero
- Chanel Rivera
- Cassandra Tavel
- Amelia Visbal

Over 250 Lifetime Hours

- Matthew Celaya
- Patricia Davis
- Mando De Armas
- Laura Escardo
- Jade Gomez
- Michelle Haast
- Carly Harowitz
- Marcella Hernandez
- Shane Hernandez
- Andrew Johnson
- Victoria Pazos
- Nestor Perez
- Sandra Richardson
- Sharon Vosseller
- Valeria Westring

Over 1,000 Lifetime Hours

- Miguel Arbesu
- Kelly Johnson
- Aaron Parker Yarnal
- Veronica Sanchez
- Alexander Taupier-Vandewater

Each name represents more than time given — it represents connection, care, and a lasting contribution to this community.

We are deeply grateful to every volunteer who helps make Whispering Manes what it is today.



Bonanza at Whispering Ranch



Bonanza at Whispering Ranch was an unforgettable evening filled with connection, community, and celebration. From music and line dancing to meaningful conversations and shared moments, the night truly reflected the spirit of Whispering Manes.

We are deeply grateful to our sponsors, supporters, volunteers in our programs, and everyone who attended and contributed to making this event such a success. Your support directly impacts the riders in our programs and the horses in the program who make this work possible.

Honoring Our Award Recipients



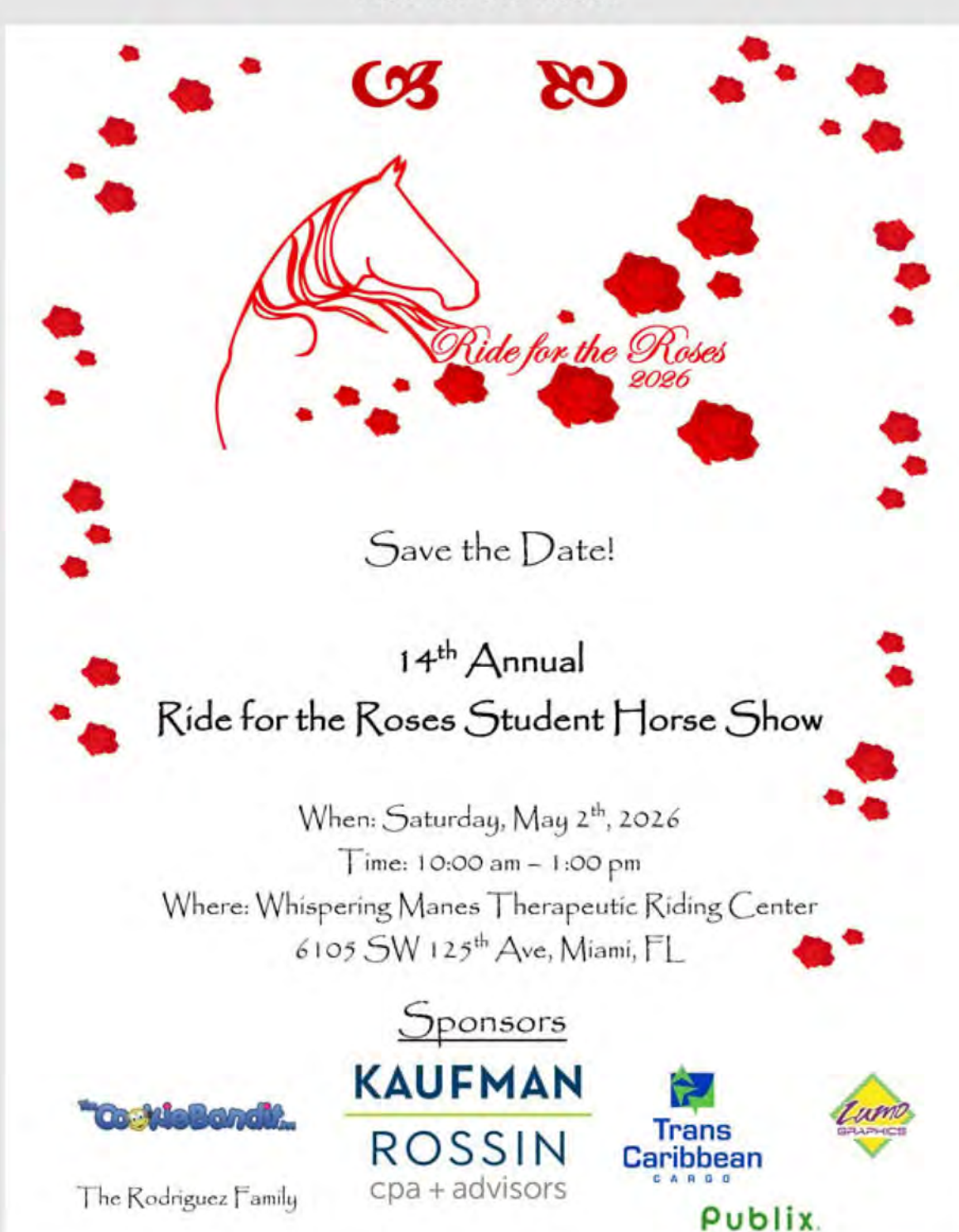
A special highlight of the evening was recognizing two individuals whose impact on Whispering Manes is truly lasting.

John Harris, Founder and Advisory Board Member, was honored with the Spirit of Service Award for his vision and continued dedication to our mission.

Robin Bramson, CTRI, ESMHL, Program Director, received the Legacy Award, celebrating her years of leadership, compassion, and the meaningful difference she makes every day.

We are grateful for their continued contributions and proud to recognize their lasting impact.

Ride for the Roses



The Ride for the Roses continues to be one of our most meaningful traditions.

This event brings together members of the community in support of our programs while creating a memorable and engaging experience for all who participate. We look forward to continuing this special tradition together!

Summer Camp Enrollment



Summer Camp enrollment is now open for individuals with special needs, 9 years old and above. Our camp provides participants with the opportunity to learn horseback riding and horsemanship skills while building confidence and independence along the way. Other activities include arts and crafts, games, music and art therapy. It's a fun and memorable way to start the summer!

Dates:

June 8 - 12

June 15 - 19

June 22 - 26

For more information, please send an email to info@whisperingmanes.org

Welcome Oliver



We are pleased to introduce Oliver, the newest member of the herd.

Oliver has already begun settling in and contributing to the program environment. His presence brings new opportunities for engagement and connection, and we look forward to seeing the role he will play within our programs.

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Whispering Manes Therapeutic Riding Center Building Abilities. Empowering Lives.

WOW Center Visit

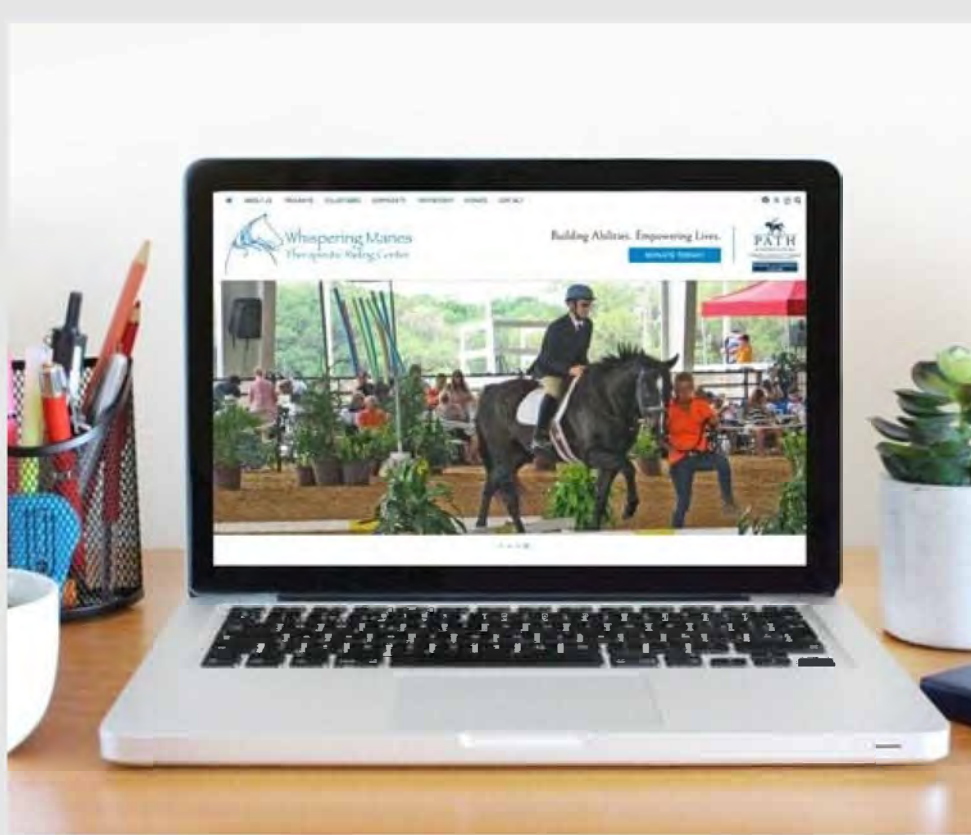


We were pleased to welcome students from the WOW Center to Whispering Manes as part of their Community-Based Instruction program.

During their visit, students engaged in hands-on activities, observed daily routines, and experienced the barn environment alongside the horses in the program.

Opportunities like these provide valuable experiences that support learning, independence, and confidence in a structured and supportive setting. We are grateful for the partnership and look forward to future visits.

Visit Our Updated Website



We invite you to explore our newly updated website.

The site provides improved access to information about our programs, upcoming events, and ways to get involved. Whether you are looking to volunteer, support, or learn more about Whispering Manes, we encourage you to visit and stay connected.

Be A Part Of The Herd



The Heart of What We Do: Volunteers Make It Possible

At Whispering Manes, every ride, every moment of progress, and every smile is made possible thanks to the incredible individuals who generously give their time and care. Volunteers are at the core of our mission—whether they're leading horses, supporting participants during sessions, or working quietly behind the scenes to ensure our barn remains a safe and welcoming place.

As we look ahead, we're filled with anticipation for what's to come: welcoming new equine partners, expanding our programs, and deepening our connection with the community. Whether you're a longtime volunteer, returning after some time away, or thinking about joining us for the first time, we would love to have you involved.

If it's been a while, now is the perfect moment to reconnect. You can sign up through our weekly volunteer email or reach out directly to volunteer@whisperingmanes.org

Want to learn more or schedule a visit? Visit www.whisperingmanes.org. Together, we're building a place of confidence, connection, and care—for our riders, our horses, and our community.

Join the Blue Ribbon Circle!

Make an impact that lasts all year long. By joining the Blue Ribbon Circle, your monthly contribution provides steady, reliable support that allows Whispering Manes to offer meaningful equine-assisted activities to participants of all abilities—every single day.

No matter the amount, your recurring gift helps us remain a trusted community resource, ensuring our programs continue to grow, thrive, and change lives.



Calling all volunteers! Are you, or do you know anyone who is interested volunteering in classes or around the barn? Be a friend, share our contact information!

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