

# Sycamore Canyon Gazette

Barn News

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## Spring is Here!



**Spring is upon us!** Along with its beautiful bright blooms, long wavy grass, and meandering plant growth, Spring also brings with it an abundance of annoying flies, bugs and slithering rattlesnakes. Here are some reminders to help make this time of year more comfortable and safe for both you and your horse.

### **Use fly spray before and after going out on a ride.**

Here is a simple fly spray recipe for those of you who are adventurous and want to make your own!

- 16 oz. Spray bottle
- 2 cups Raw Apple Cider Vinegar
- 1 Tbs Mineral or Olive Oil
- 1/2 Tbs Dawn Dish Soap
- 30 – 40 drops of any combination of the following essential oils:
- Citronella, Eucalyptus, Lemon Grass, Basil, Peppermint, Cedarwood, Lavender, Tea Tree, Rosemary
- Put all ingredients into spray bottle, shake gently and spray.



Photo by Lisa Lighthouse

### **Less expensive option:**

- 16 oz. Spray bottle
- 2 cups Raw-Apple Cider Vinegar
- 1 tablespoon Eucalyptus essential oil
- 1 cup water

### **Use Diatomaceous Earth!**

Food Grade Diatomaceous Earth is a natural alternative to traditional pest controls. It can create a dry environment that stops flies from breeding when sprinkled in and around your horse's stall. It can also help reduce odors that attract flies.

### **Rattlesnakes are lurking!**

Avoid walking through high grass and brush with your horse. Snakes – even poisonous ones would rather stay in hiding than interfere with your trail ride. If you do come across a rattlesnake, stop and let the snake retreat or give it a wide berth. Snakes are actually deaf but can feel the vibrations from the earth. They will usually retreat if given the chance. Note: A snake can strike from up to two-thirds the length of its body length. If you happen to run into the SC black rattlesnake some of us have encountered...be careful. It is very aggressive! Definitely steer clear if you see it!

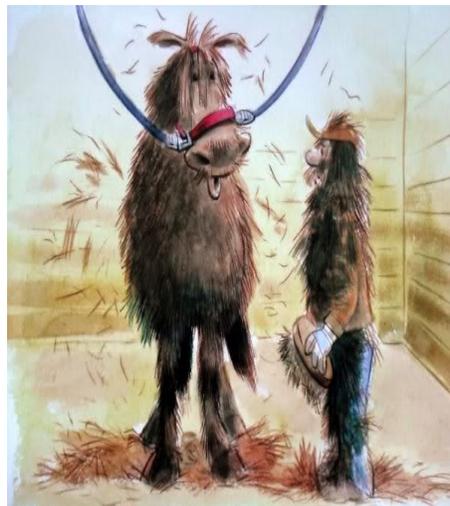


## REMINDERS

### **Ahh...Shedding time!**

Spring brings shedding and a whole LOT of it! As the hours of daylight increase, a horse's winter coat begins to loosen and shed. Keeping up with grooming and brushing during this time is important for your horse, but it also means more hair on the ground.

**Please take the time to sweep up after brushing at the tie rails or when washing your horse in the wash racks.** Hair and muck can be placed in one of the muck buckets or trash cans nearby. Our wash rack drains can get super clogged up during this time of year!



**Where did all this hair come from?!  
I thought I just brushed you yesterday!!**

- \* Please use **Courtesy** when using arenas.
- \* **Turnouts** – 15 minutes when others are waiting. All halters must be taken off before turning horses out.
- \* **Trainers** giving a lesson and/or riders have priority in arenas
- \* Always **walk horses** on grounds and in between aisles
- \* For your **horse's safety**, please do not leave horses unattended in wash racks, arenas, or at tie rails.
- \* Do not tie horses to stalls, stall doors or arena fences. This can be very dangerous as horses can pull down the pipe rails!
- \* **Speed Limit** on Sycamore Canyon Equestrian Property is **5 mph or less.**
- \* Please **clean up after yourselves** and your horses in all grooming areas and wash racks.

# Happenings Around the Barn

## Spring BBQ Potluck



**When:** Saturday, May 14<sup>th</sup>

**Time:** 4:00 pm

**Where:** Lower Barn by the tank

**Why:** Just because!

**Who:** SC Boarders and Guests

**What:** Bring your favorite side dish or dessert along with your favorite drink!

We will provide pulled pork/chicken sandwiches

Come on Ya'll and join the fun!

Featuring...Friends, Music, Food, Fun!



**There's a NEW TRAINER in town!**

**Welcome Macey McCallion!**

Macey is excited to be able to operate her business

True North Equine at SCEC!

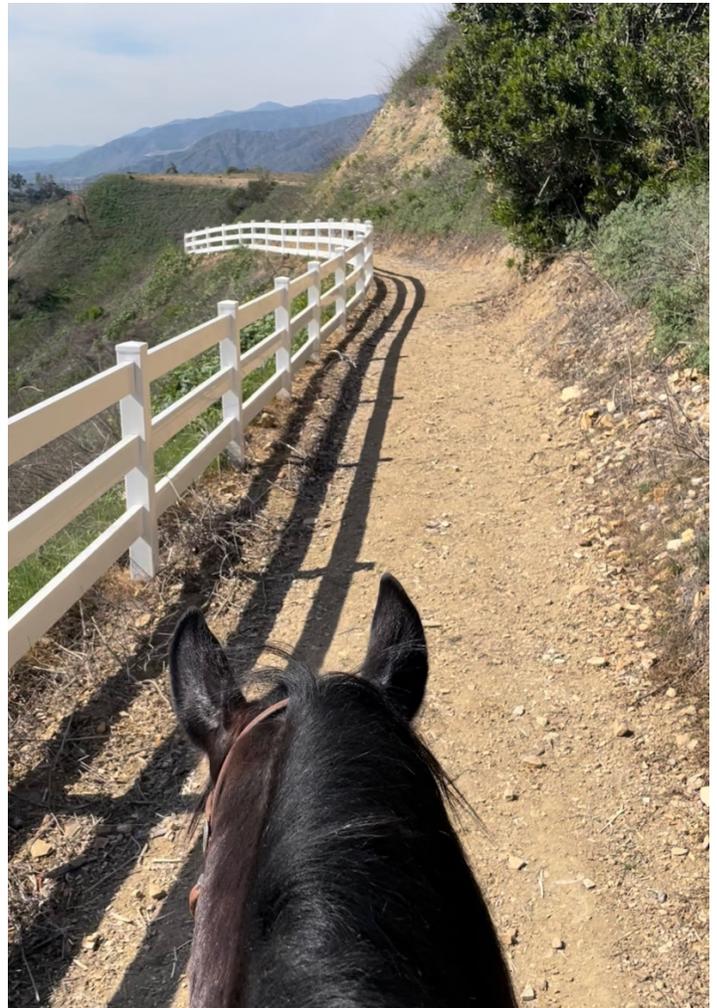
If you would like to learn more about Macey and the services she offers, please visit her website at

[www.truenorthequinelc.com](http://www.truenorthequinelc.com)

## Happy Trails!

**Hey Trail Riders!** Have you tried out our new and improved **Mustard Trail**? A BIG thank you goes out to our San Dimas city planning crew who helped make the trail accessible and horse friendly!

Entrance is just a quick left beyond the top of the **Poison Oak trail**...then down to the right where the old **Cactus Trail** used to be. It can also be accessed heading down to the left from the top of the **Face Trail**.



# MORE HAPPENINGS...

## Vaccination and Dental Clinic

Hosted by:

TOPLINE Equine Veterinary INC.

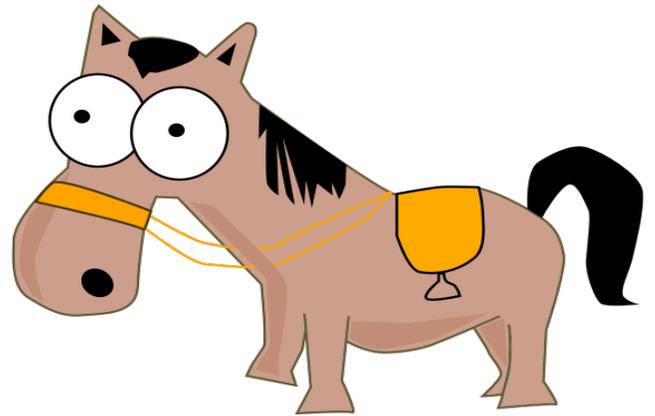
Dr. Samantha Abair

Dr. Brenda Stadelmann

**DATE: 4/27/22**

Reduced or no charge call fee if 5 or more sign up!

**909-741-7130**



## Emergency Contacts

If you haven't already...please update your emergency contact information and provide the office with a current emergency contact phone number. Forms are located in box in front of office.

Fire Emergency Procedures coming soon!



**Let's Be Prepared!!**

## Board Rate Increase beginning May 1, 2022

- Lower 12 X24 Pipe - \$405.00
- Lower 24 X 24 Pipe - \$450.00 (new customers \$475.00)
- Upper 12 x 24 Pipe - \$435.00
- Upper 12 x 12 Pipe - \$405.00
- Full Covered Stall - \$475.00
- 3/4 Covered Stall/ Mare Motel stall - \$475.00
- Box Stall - \$610.00
- Pasture - \$440.00, \$450.00, \$475.00



# Introducing our...

## Sycamore Canyon Barn Manager and Ranch Hands

*Thank you for all you do for our barn and horses!*

OWNER/MANAGER



Lauree

RANCH HAND



Davitt

RANCH HAND



Victor

RANCH HAND



Jaime

RANCH HAND



Juan

RANCH HAND



Pedro

*We will be highlighting one or more of our Sycamore Canyon Equestrian Staff or Trainers in each Newsletter!*

*This month we are highlighting... **Juan Garcia!***

### **Did you know?**

Juan was born in Michoacán, Mexico.

He came to the United States in the 1980's.

Juan is married to his beautiful wife Vidalia. He has 5 kids and 8 grandkids.

Juan has lived in Glendora for over 36 years.

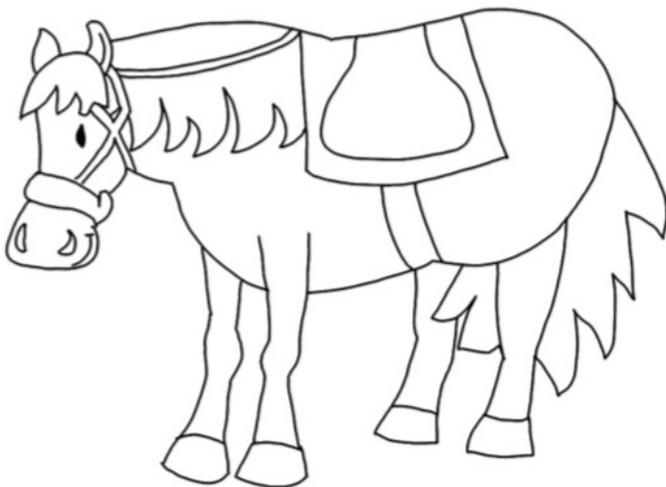
Juan **LOVES** to dance! As a matter of fact...dancing is his favorite hobby!

We have heard that he is quite the Salsa and Disco dancer!! Woohoo!

NOTE: Our *fabulous* Sycamore Canyon Equestrian trainers will be introduced in our June/July Newsletter edition!

# Kid's Corner

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| Bridle   | Hay     |
| Trot     | Saddle  |
| Mane     | Reins   |
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| Stallion | Foal    |
| Blinkers | Trainer |
| Barn     |         |