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### Calendar

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# Thanks to our long time Partners Goodbye to Roy Frey & R B Outpost

For those of us that live in NE Kansas, and many others, we are going to miss our friends at Roy Frey Western Store in Topeka and R B Outpost in Manhattan. Jo Turner, owner of Roy Frey and Pam Laird, manager of R B Outpost have both served many years on the Kansas Horse Council Board of Directors.

They are not only actively involved in horse happenings, providing a great selection of boots, jeans, hats, tack and home decor', but have also volunteered many, many hours working behind the scenes for the horses and horse owners of Kansas. They have supported so many horse shows, rodeos, scholarship programs, silent auctions, door prizes for educational seminars and trail rides, donated prize buckles and so much more!

It's not too late to help them out with the store closings and to get some terrific bargains for you and your horse. Make a trip to Manhattan or Topeka and say goodbye in person.

Jo and Pam - THANK YOU for your friendship and service these many years. We wish you both the very best.

Happy Trails!



# Is the water in that lake safe?

Toxic algae in KS lakes and reservoirs.

While trail riding don't assume all water is safe for your horse or pets to drink. There are incidents of toxic algae in Kansas lakes and reservoirs.

listing of events including saddle club meetings, trail work days, parades, clinics, etc. For a complete listing CLICK HERE

<u>Click Here</u> for Kansas barrel racing dates/events

#### **Just for KIDS!**

The American Quarter Horse Association, June 30, 2014 -

<u>Take Me Riding</u>, the world's most revolutionary effort to introduce children to a wonderful world of horses, is now available. <u>Take Me Riding</u> is an all-breeds "edutainment experience" for children ages 5 to 9 found online at <u>TakeMeRiding.com</u>

"It's refreshing how leaders in the horse industry have come together for the similar cause to introduce more children to the wonderful world of horses," said Todd Branson, AQHA director of youth development. "Children can play fun, educational games; watch comprehensive videos showing kids with horses; learn more with an ultimate 'all about horses' encyclopedia; and find horses near their home with geolocation maps and driving directions to popular horse landmarks, events and riding centers."

Take Me Riding works on mobile devices and tablets. Desktop or laptop users have an enhanced experience with more games and a customizable Riding Space where children can collect images of horses, earn badges for their on-line and offline experiences, track their progress and much more!

# Mosquitoes and West Nile, is your horse vaccinated yet?

Now is the time to protect yourself and your horse from West Nile virus.

Kansas State University equine expert Beth Davis says there was an increase in equine West Nile virus cases last year.



Some algae blooms can look like foam, or a thick slurry. The blooms can be blue, bright green, brown, or red and may look like paint floating on the water. <u>Some blooms may not</u> affect the appearance of the water.

Most animals exposed to blue-green algae toxins die acutely. Treatment is supportive and symptomatic. In some cases animals can recover, but death typically occurs so quickly that the animals are found dead near the water source.

It is impossible to tell visually if a water source contains bluegreen algae or to determine which species are present without laboratory analysis. Blue-green algae blooms often impart a bluegreen sheen to water, but not always, and bluish-green biomass accumulations in water are not always blue-green algae. Even when blue-green algae are present, toxic compounds may or may not be produced. Some water testing laboratories and veterinary diagnostic laboratories can test water for the presence of bluegreen algae and several of the algal toxins.

Current Advisory Warnings as of June 15, 2014:

WARNING

Conditions are Unsafe, contact should not occur,

signs should be posted.

- Marion Reservoir, Marion County
- Memorial Park Lake also known as Veteran's Lake, Barton County
- Milford Lake North of Farnum Creek, Clay, Geary & Dickinson Counties
- South Park Lake, Johnson County

**ADVISORY** 

A hazardous condition exists, signs should be posted, water contact is discouraged, water may be unsafe for humans & animals.

- Lake Warnock, Atchison County
- Logan City Lake, Phillips County
- Old Herington Lake, Dickinson County

Link to KS Dept. of Health and Environment website.

**Frontier Western Celebration** 

West Nile is spread to a horse, or human, through a mosquito bite from an infected mosquito. Mid-to-late summer is when outbreaks usually happen, which is why you need to start prevention practices now.

"Eliminating things like old tires or

any sort of container that could hold water. Boats that might have tarps on them. Rain gutters that may hold water. Try to eliminate all those opportunities. Bird baths are areas where there is going to be standing water. Clean them at least once a week and other areas where there may be a need for water, things like water troughs for livestock, put things like mosquito-eating fish in the tanks," said Davis. Minnows and goldfish are some of those mosquito-eating fish. Horse vaccinations, available as a series of shots, started soon will help make sure the horse is protected by mid-summer. Eight states have already reported West Nile virus infections in mosquitoes, birds or veterinary

animals
"We look to species like horses to
help give us some insight into how
likely are we to have problems with
the virus, but it's important to
recognize that these sort of weather
patterns are high risk for
mosquitoes, transmission of the
disease and for not only horses, but
for people to get sick," said Davis.

# **AQHA Trail Ride**

**HOST: Frontier Western Celebration** 

DATE: August 3, 2014

LOCATION: El Dorado Lake, Boulder Bluff Area #2, El Dorado,

KS

FEES: Free to the public. Includes free BBQ lunch with the fixins to horse riders. Lunch sponsored by Frontier Western Celebration.

ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES: Take part in the Frontier Western Celebration held July 31 - August 3, 2014. To Pre-register or learn more about the celebration, visit www.frontierwesterncelebration.com

ITINERARY: 9:00 a.m. Check-in. Ride begins at 10:00 a.m. Lunch is served at 12:30 p.m.. Hit the afternoon trail at 2:00 p.m. and return at approximately 4:00 p.m.

DIRECTIONS: Located 25 miles NE of Wichita. One mile south of Kansas Turnpike (I-35) and 77 Highway Junction, or one mile east of 77 Highway on 12th Street from El Dorado.

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AND TO REGISTER:

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# Stable View Counseling Center

Mandy Todd and Rebecca Elliott are both Mental Health Counselors who recently established Stable View Counseling Center, an Equine Assisted Psychotherapy and Learning Center in Olathe, Kansas.

They have on staff both licensed professional counselors and equine specialists who work with individuals, families, groups, corporations and other professionals to uncover and resolve patterns that impede growth as well as enhance relationships and quality of life.

They offer a variety of services to a broad range of populations:

- We cater to the mental health needs of individuals and families, utilizing Equine Assisted Psychotherapy (EAP) to for clients to work on their personal growth or overcome specific struggles.
- We offer enrichment camps to schools and other groups which incorporate Equine Assisted Learning (EAL) with structured classroom time.
- We implement EAL with corporations and other organizations' staff and leadership teams to develop new insights with regard to creative thinking and problem solving skills to successfully implement goals.
- We are developing two new programs; one with a focus on



Homes for Horses Ready for Adoption Meet "Phoenix"



Phoenis is a 15 hand Quarter Horse mare born in 1999. Phoenix first came to us in July, 2009 along with several other horses seized by the county. She was broke to ride for an intermediate rider and great to lead kids around on.

Phoenix was adopted out in July, 2010 but came back to us in April, 2013 with a new baby at her side. The foal, Apache, has been weaned allowing Phoenix to get a 30 day tune up at the trainers in August, 2013. Phoenix is back from the trainers better than ever and ready for an intermediate rider.

# Click here to see more pics of Phoenix.

This monthly feature provides contact details for a horse adoption in Kansas. Please contact the rescue or adoption service directly. All rescues are welcome to submit pictures and information to

director@kansashorsecouncil.com.



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Health Care professionals and improved patient care and bedside manner, the other working with Service Professionals (Fire Dept, Police officers, etc) to grow mindfulness in their areas of work.

To learn more about Stable View Counseling Center Click Here.

# Santa Fe Trail working ranch rodeo

By Frank J. Buchman

Working ranch cowboys from several Midwest states will converge on Council Grove July 4th & 5th.

"It's the 28th annual Santa Fe Trail Ranch Rodeo, Friday and Saturday evenings, July 4-5, in the arena east of Council Grove, just off Highway 56, beginning at 7 o'clock," announced Clay Wilson, president of the Morris County Youth Rodeo Association (MCYRA), rodeo sponsor.

Sanctioned by the Working Ranch Cowboy's Association (WRCA), competition will feature ranch teams each represented by four working ranch cowboys. Events are to include wild cow milking, stray gathering, team penning, calf branding and ranch bronc riding.

Points from both evenings' performances will be totaled, and the top team is automatically qualified for the WRCW Finals later this year in Amarillo, Texas.

A trade show featuring vendors selling Western tack, clothing, accessories and home décor is planned both evenings. A snack shack operated by the sponsoring organization is scheduled to be open as well.

The MYRA Summer Junior Ranch Rodeo, with three-member teams made up with cowboys and cowgirls, 13 years of age and under, is scheduled for Saturday morning, July 5, at 10 o'clock.

Events are team penning, ribbon roping, and calf branding. Entries can be made by calling Wilson at 785-466-1359, and will also be accepted the day of the rodeo.

### Legislative Update

# Feds waive mandatory 30 minute break period for drivers hauling livestock

The Federal Motor Carriers Safety Administration (FMCSA) has announced they are granting a limited one year exemption from the mandatory 30-minute rest period in the hours-of-service regulations for commercial motor vehicle drivers transporting livestock, including horses.

Last July, the AHC supported the FMCSA decision to give a 90-day exemption for the 30-minute rest period for drivers of commercial vehicles hauling livestock in order to minimize the potential of rising temperatures inside the trailers that could harm the animals. Before this exemption, drivers were required by law to take a 30-minute break for every eight hours of service. Due to the success of the 90-day exemption in 2013, the FMCSA had sufficient experience to provide a one-year exemption. The hours-of-service exemption is specifically for drivers transporting livestock as defined in the Emergency Feed Assistance Act of 1988, which includes horses. Under current regulations, this will only affect drivers moving horses commercially. Hours-of Service exemptions already exist for those occasionally transporting their own horses within a 150 mile radius of home and not crossing a state or international boundary.

The AHC supports the FMCSA's decision to put the health and



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welfare of the horse in the hands of the driver during transport to assure that it arrives at its destination safe and well.

# EquiFest 2015

Mark your calendars for:

**February 13, 14 & 15, 2015**Kansas Pavilions
Park City, KS (just north of Wichita)



#### **EquifestofKS.com**

#### Come See CHRIS COX & JULIE GOODNIGHT

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