HALLECK CREEK RANCH

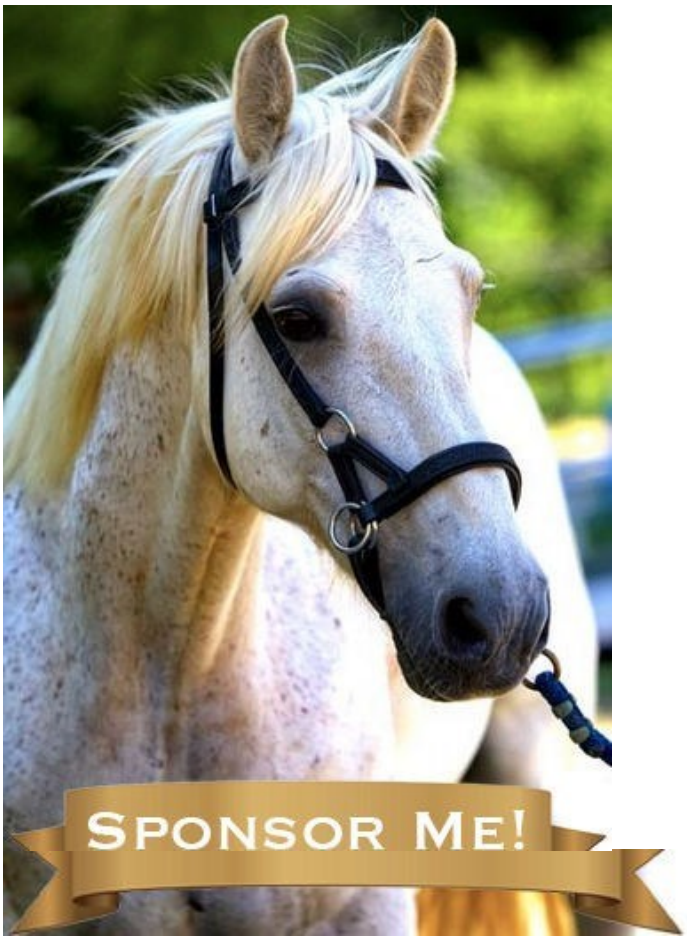
Breaking Barriers Since 1977

Spring Campaign

Horse Sponsorships Now Available

Our Spring Appeal is now in full swing and we will be updating our Horse Barn and Website with new horse sponsors! These campaigns are critical to fund our program, care for our horses and facilities and support our low tuition. Copies of the mailing are available in the clubhouse, and you can read on for an excerpt:

Horses are the cornerstone of our program: their unique movement helps our students **build strength and improve balance while their natural desire to connect and ability to read our emotions helps calm and focus anxious minds.**



Our gentle giants come to us from a variety of disciplines, but at Halleck Creek Ranch our horses serve a higher purpose. Not every horse has the personality and patience to serve our participants, so they are carefully selected and continuously trained. Once accepted into our program, they serve in our riding program as long as they can comfortably do so. When they retire from riding, we engage them in our unmounted Horse Skills program, where they continue to change lives, educate and be pampered.

As you can imagine, there are expenses related to caring for an aging herd, including specialized feed and medications, and we've all experienced the strain of inflation, drought, and the increasing cost of fuel these past few years. As a result, **the cost of caring for each of our horses has grown to $5000 per year, double that in 2019,** not including any major medical expenses that might occur.

We have sponsorships available at several levels this year: $5000, $2500, $1250 and $500. But any amount helps. Please click here to donate.

Mark Your Calendar!

Don't miss these fun events

There is a LOT going on at Halleck Creek Ranch! Don't miss out!

Open House: April 20: 10am-2pm at 1740 Old Rancheria
RockRose Ranch Plan Reveal: May 9, 5:30-6:30 at RockRose Ranch*
American Sign Language training: May 14, 2-3pm , RockRose Ranch*
Horse Show: May 18 9am-3pm at 1740 Old Rancheria Road
Inclusive Summer Camps: June 25-27, July 9-11, 16-18, 23-25
Halleck Creek Ranch Birthday BBQ July 13 at 1740 Old Rancheria
Inclusive Ranch Camp: July 30-Aug 1 at RockRose Ranch*
Buckles and Bling Annual Fundraiser: September 20 at Rancho Nicasio

* RockRose Ranch is located at 3311 Nicasio Valley Road
Note: Please go to HalleckCreekRanch.org/programs/program-calendar/ for up to date information or click here (link updated). Printed wall calendars with photos are also still available at the ranch, now reduced to $10 each

Open House - Casa Abierta

April 20, 10-3pm

Our annual Open House will take place on April 20, 2024 from 10-3pm.
Come out to the ranch and take a tour, watch demonstrations, learn about opportunities to volunteer, enjoy arts and crafts, listen to live music and make new friends. Free admission, no RSVP required.

RockRose Ranch Plan Reveal for our entire Community

May 9, 5:30-6:30pm

On May 9, we are planning to open the doors once again at RockRose Ranch to recognize the one year anniversary of this extraordinary gift and unveil the next steps of our plans for the property. More details and RSVP in the May newsletter or contact Sklein@halleckcreekranch.org for more details

Annual Horse Show

May 18, 9-3pm

Our annual Horse Show will take place on May 18, 2024 from 9-3pm. Come out to the ranch and celebrate our participants' accomplishments, learn about opportunities to volunteer, enjoy arts and crafts and make new friends.

If you are a caregiver new to Halleck Creek Ranch and want more information on your participant's involvement in the show, please contact Brenda, bfalco@halleckcreekranch.org Free admission, no RSVP required.

Sign Training

May 14, 2-3pm at RockRose Ranch

Sign language can be a helpful way to communicate with some of our participants and we have several volunteers with experience in Speech Pathology that have offered to share their knowledge and some practical signs with us on May 14. Join live or via zoom (will be recorded) at Join Zoom Meeting
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4156622488?omn=87301499310
Meeting ID: 415 662 2488

Summer Ranch Camp
At RockRose Ranch

We have availability and scholarships funded by the Bay Area Barns and Trails group for this summer's Summer Ranch Camp at RockRose July 30, 31 and August 1. We will be offering an unmounted camp experience full of fun activities drawing from our Horse Skills program and using our retired horses at RockRose Ranch.

Daily experiences range from grooming, working together building obstacle courses to lead the horses through, making horse cookies, making toys for the horses, matching games, games, craft projects, learning to feed, hikes on the beautiful trails and fun in the outdoors! These activities are ideal in preparation for or accompanying a riding program as well as standalone. Contact Maya for more information at mstessin@halleckcreekranch.org

NEW Horse Skills Program
Video coming soon!

Horse Skills is an **unmounted program** for all ages designed to provide experience working with and building a relationship with our horses at RockRose Ranch. Horse Skills is a great program offering benefits for both riders and those who do not ride. Partnering with volunteers, participants will have the opportunity to connect with horses, grooming and leading them, learning functional skills and building motor skills in a supportive, accepting environment. A video showcasing some current participants will be coming soon in Spanish and English, to see the preliminary version (pre-dubbed) click here.

For more information, check out our website and contact mstessin@halleckcreekranch.org

Jefferson Awards Gala
March 14, 2024

Joyce Goldfield received her Jefferson Award on March 14. She was accompanied by Molly Scannell, Executive Director. This award was announced last June in a KPIX news story). For more information, watch that news story here.

Thank You, Volunteers

Today and Every Day

April is Volunteer Appreciation Month and here at Halleck Creek Ranch, we cherish each and every volunteer every day. We'd like to recognize some of our longest serving volunteers: Nancy Brookshire (facilities volunteer and former board member), David Lambert (Side walker, parent and board member), Bob Reyff (board member). Cheers and Thank you!

Thank you for your ongoing support

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