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Korbin Murphy (06), Phillip Kennedy (04), Tim Tibbits (93), Johnny Tallant (88), Corina Cooper-Carr (95), Kenny Eatinger (84), Chris Grepo (93), Glenn Gardner (72), Michael Ridling (88), Dan Casey (89), William Clendennen (02), Jim Sisson (80), Toby Gardner (50), Daniel Chavez Jr (03) and Robert Phipps (09) visited the Town Office and signed the Alumni book. Dean Thompson (87), Ben Reed Sr (?), Ben Reed Jr (78), Jerry Nicholson (65), Jeffrey Mitchell (65) and Lewis Gunter (87) came by to say hello.



We heard from Fred Hatchett (72), Rayla Wyatt (GT/09), Aaron Johnson (07), Buddy Brennan (83), Richard Amon (64), Gary Seeberger (79), James Price (79), Kim Jordan-Wilson (GT/76) and Melissa Martinez (GT/97).

We received emails from Toni Thompson White (GT/78), Liz Drummond Spin-
hirne (96), Jeri Richards-Ivie (GT/81), Darall Clemons (83), Maria Padilla (03), Jay Taylor (88), Dale Miles (89), Charles Brandenburg (76), Richard Strain (48) and Brent Seelar (88). The editor talked with Eddie Enochs (63), Wayne McKenzie (60), David Griffin (76) and Debra Caldwell (GT-68).

We also heard from Napoleon Hernandez Jr (77), Charlie Kennedy (53), Dallas Hiller (53) and Donisa Cook-McKenzie (GT/89). We heard from Mark Weisbecker (92), Henry "Buster" King (78), Mikal Ayala (93) and Phillip Gentry (79), who now goes by Johnnie Sifford.

The Alumni Association heard from Benji Adams (84), Cameron Price (79), Charles Brady (64), Harvey Renfro (81), Mike Korpian (60), Dominic Schiro (93), Cody White (92), Shawn Patrick (99), Lonnie Wade (77), Beverly Waldrip-Hall (74), Amy Adams-Brasher (92), Danny Fletcher (61), Jerry Nicholson (60), Ken "Gabby" Hinds (64), Jason Granger (90), Harold Yarbrough (67), Anacleto Garcia (63), Lyndal Waldrip (81).

Michael Rogers (71) has been in contact with Dan Hardy (71). Tom Novak (73) recently talked to Paul Kitrell (90) and Sandy Cable (72). Charles Brady (64) tells us he has been in contact with Bill Rhea (64).

Bette Akin at Girlstown talked to Corinne Ewing (GT/05), Pamela Henthorne (GT/97), Hannah Criswell (GT/09), Laura Kennedy Reeves (GT/94), Ashley Green (GT/02) and Laura Rose McKinley Hunter (GT/92). She received emails from Dawn Bowman Fabbri (GT/72) and Cristi Calcote Wallace (GT/89). Jamie Wier (GT/00) and Kari Johnson Carbrera (GT/94) both sent pictures of their children. She also visited with Kathryn Perry Hall (GT/03), who is still in the Navy and talked with Sheila Akin (GT/92) who says her sister, Rhonda Akin (GT/88), is also doing well.

Mike Pacino at Boys Ranch heard from Dustin Branch (06). He recently won the Navy Achievement Medal, which recognized the contributions has made to the Navy. Congratulations Dustin! The Association received a sweet thank you note from the Landers and Jowers Family, thanking us for the arrangement sent to the memorial for **Barbara Landers**.

*****Correction.** The editor made a mistake in identifying Debbie & Hap Rainbolt's (69) new grandson. His name is **Colton JAMES Newell**.

Our Mission

The mission of the Cal Farley's Boys Ranch Alumni Association is to provide a professional network of former ranchers who seek to carry on the spirit of family through fellowship, association and support.

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**"A boy is the only thing
God can use to make a
man."**

--Cal Farley

Condolences



Our sincere prayers and sympathy are extended to the family and many friends of **Michael Shawn Callahan** (94). Michael passed away August 12, 2009 in Duncan, Oklahoma. Please remember his family during this sad and difficult time.



It is with sadness that I report the passing of Robert W. Smith (83). Robert passed away September 29, 2009 in Amarillo. Please lift his family and friends in prayer for healing.



Condolences go out to the family and friends of **James Jaramillo** (02). James passed away on July 31, 2009 near Denver, Colorado. Please pray for the Jaramillo family during this sad time.



Sympathy goes out to **James White** (77) on the recent passing of his beloved wife. **Anita White** passed away August 22, 2009. Please remember the White family during these sad times.



Our prayers and sympathy are extended to the family and friends of **Mildred Hendricks**, wife of former Cal Farley employee, **Louie Hendricks**. Mrs. Hendricks passed away August 4, 2009 and was buried at Boys Ranch.

Our prayers are sent to Cal Farley retiree, **Betty Bentley** on the death of her husband, **Jim Bentley**. Mr. Bentley passed away July 1, 2009. Please lift this family with prayers during these difficult times.

Sympathy is extended to the family and friends of **Lamisise Miles** (98) & **Teena Wheeler** (01) on the sudden passing of their mother, **Cynthia Gale Miles Wheeler** (GT/Borger). Cynthia passed away September 2, 2009 in Houston, Texas. Please keep this family in your prayers.

Congratulations



Congratulations to the union of **Keith Kalinec** (06) & **Callie Gonzales** (07) who were exchanged vows August 22, 2009.

Congratulations also go out to **Ted MacVaugh** (93) and **Carrie McDade** who married September 12, 2009. Their Best-Man was **Andy Justus** (91).



Charles Brandenburg (76)
Donald Hipp (74)
June 13, 2009 @ BR



Jim Boyd (49)
Mike Pacino
Sept 5, 2009 @ BR Rodeo

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2009 CFBRAA Rodeo & Reunion

THOSE WHO GAVE SO WE COULD CELEBRATE

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While those who donated items were essential, we cannot fail to thank the many folks who bid and purchased these items. Through the combined support of donors and purchasers, the Silent Auction raised nearly \$5,000 for Special Needs support of former Ranchers and their families.

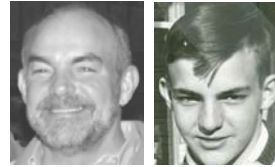
BY THE NUMBERS

The numbers are not all in, and statistics certainly are not a full measure of success, but they do reflect at least a little on the success we are achieving in doing what we do. One of our primary objectives as an Association is to promote Family Reunions. Doing this well helps us more effectively achieve our other objectives of meeting special needs, providing scholarships and supporting Cal Farley's. The numbers indicate we are doing a pretty good job of "reunioning."

The most significant statistic from the weekend relative to achieving our objective is the number of new members. Over the weekend we added 100 new members to the Association, bringing our total to **360**. That's a 400% increase in the last 4 years. We must be doing something right to prompt so many to become a part of CFBRAA.

The Presidents Corner

Michael Rogers (71)



To try and describe in words our incredible Family Reunion and Rodeo this year would be difficult. All I can say is that my heart exploded with many emotions as I attended all of the Alumni Events and the Rodeo, seeing so many of our family, young and old, reuniting and having the time of their lives. Dan Adams, Mike Pacino and countless other Boys Ranch support staff made the 70th Annual Rodeo Anniversary an astounding success. The SuperTron television screen towered over the rodeo arena giving everyone a bird's eye view of the little things normally not captured with the naked eye sitting in the stands. The expressions and emotions on these participating kid's faces were priceless, bringing back many memories for me when I rode (loosely said) broncs and bulls over 38 years ago.

Thanks to you, your Alumni Association has gained tremendous momentum over the last several years. Something right must be happening with so many of you joining the membership. We have experienced a 400% increase in dues paying members in the last 4 years! Folks are seeing and feeling the good stuff that the Association is doing for our family and are now wanting to be a part. As impressive as this increase is, there are still many of 8,000 past residents that we must locate and bring back to their roots and family. As our membership grows, so does the networking you do in reaching out to those who have been "missing in action". It's a blessing and joy to be a part of this organization and see so many lives affected and enhanced on a daily basis as folks are stepping forth becoming involved.

This past year, close to 50 alumnus volunteers helped in many ways including serving on committees and helping bring ideas, advisement and just plain work to make our association's objectives bear fruit. As serving president, I am extremely grateful and proud! But, we need more of you to step up and serve. With all of us doing a little, the outcome results are huge. The BOD and Committee Chair's goal, is to have all of our standing committee members consist of a higher than majority of association members. We are now forming each committee with additional members to serve the 2009 – 2010 term. If you desire to participate, please contact our Executive Director, Bobby Sarpalius or myself and let us know right away....we need you in a big way!

More great news to come in our next news letter! May the Lord's richest blessings be with you.... These are very trying times for many of us during this economy melt down. Please remember our many family members in your prayers daily! Again, thank you for allowing me to be a part of this life changing experience serving with you!

God Speed....

Board & Committee News



Douglas Brady (60)

As I retire from 21 years of service on the Alumni Board of Directors, I think back to the Labor Day weekend of 1967 when a number of ex-ranchers met in the Natatorium. We talked about the need to continue the legacy of Mr. & Mrs. Farley and how we were a part of that legacy. We talked about what we as individuals could do to perpetuate their memory. We agreed unanimously that an Alumni Association would be an appropriate way to do it.

By a show of hands, we voted to start the Cal Farley's Boys Ranch Alumni Association. We were lead by a small core of older ex-ranchers, **Danny Price, Lyn Turner, Herb Fuggett, Leonard Schmidt** and **George Schmidt**. As a new organization, we were charting new territory for most all of us. We have had numerous growing pains over the years, but our primary objectives and goals have never wavered. It has been my privilege and an honor to have the opportunity to serve our alumni association in various capacities. Many of the long-range goals that others and I have had over the years are now coming to fruition.

Today, we have what I believe are a very dedicated and capable Board of Directors and I see nothing but success and growth in our future. The long-range plans that have been developed and are beginning to be implemented will go a long ways to that end. THANK YOU to all who have stood by the association and continue to provide support for what we do! ~Douglas Brady

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Alumni Association in Your Will?*

For more information contact the Alumni Association



Missing the Annual Reunion was a very unexpected and unwelcome experience. I am so very grateful for the many prayers and thoughts so many have expressed at the passing of Cindy's mother. At the same time, I am extremely grateful to so very many for the diligent and capable service rendered during the weekend to make it a success. I'd like to call out some names here, knowing I will be missing some.

Jim and Reeta Canada took on the role Cindy and I have had for the past 3 years. Their labor was essential to the success of the weekend. If you get a chance, express your appreciation. **Tom Alvarez, Justin Lewis** and **Bubba Davis** ramrodded the Amarillo activities very effectively. They were helped by many, including **Billy Bob Touchstone, John Matteson** and **Britt Hammond**.

Dean Sharp took charge of the Silent Auction this year and it was the best ever. He had a number of helpers, including **Beverly Hall** and **Cam Lindsey**. **David Tallant** again took care of the Fishing Derby and it too was the best yet. The Association leadership ran the meeting and coordinated so very many activities. These included **Michael Rogers, Britt Hammond, Tom Maynard** and **David Rattan**. Gratitude must be expressed to **Cheree Gilliam** and **Mike Pacino** for their help from Cal Farley's to make all we did successful.

And everyone in the Association who attended and supported the events of the weekend are to be applauded. It is a team effort and CFBRAA is a team!

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Get Connected!

Visit the CFBRAA Website at -

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and click on the link to the *Boys Ranch Family Online Forum*. The forum is a great place to catch up with other alumni and share "war stories" from days at the ranch. Also, visiting the website is a great way to stay connected to alumni activities.

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Prayers

Benny Allison

Chris Chandler

Dayla Eliezer (GT-07)

Faith Hatchett [wife of Fred Hatchett (72)]

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Dallas Gathering

February 2010

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