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2006 Annual Meeting

Expectations Exceeded! New Goals Set for 2007!

Thanks go out to the **2006 Annual Meeting Sponsors**

Mr. Lenny Sadler / Ditch Witch of West Texas AND Mr. Gary Hardy Leading the Legacy Golf Tournament

> Mr. Gary Hardy Meet & Greet Reception

Harold & Joyce Courson Annual Meeting

Gemaire Distributors LLC Social & Fellowship

Integralogics

Visit the website for some awesome pictures of the various events. The photos were taken by Karl Sarpalius (70). Also, please notice that there is a new mailing address for the Alumni Association. This new address should help in streamlining the mail process.

> Visit our website at: http://calfarleysboysranchalumni.org

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Tom Maynard (82) Florence, Texas

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Newsletter

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DALLAS GATHERING

February 3, 2007

Dinner & Social

Eddie Deens Ranch in Downtown Dallas ---More information to follow in days & months ahead--

"The reason some parents don't guide their children along the right path is because they aren't going that way themselves."

--- Cal Farley

Condolences

Our sympathy and prayers are offered to the family and friends of former Boys Ranch employee, **Cynthie Sparks**. Mrs. Sparks passed away on August 17, 2006. Please hold **Tony Sparks** (72) and their family in your prayers today and in the days to come. Cynthie touched many hearts and will be missed by all that knew and loved her. She was laid to rest at Boys Ranch.

Sympathy goes out to the family and friends of **Dennis Cole** (71). Dennis passed away August 24, 2006 in Borger. Please keep this family in your prayers for comfort and peace.



Our prayers and sympathy are extended to family and friends of BR alumni, **Richard "Dickie" Bowen** (56). Dickie passed away on July 27, 2006 in Coeur d'Alene. Please remember the

Bowen family in your prayers today and in the days to come.

Sympathy is extended to the family and friends of BR alumni, **Paul Zeller** (00). Paul was murdered in early July 2006 in Arlington, Virginia. He will be missed.



Our prayers and sympathy are extended for Boys Ranch director, *Troy Mays* (86-06). Mr. Mayes passed away September 15, 2006 in Amarillo. He will be missed by all that knew him.

Condolences go out to the families and friends of ex-BR staff *Dan Costas*. Dan passed away July 25, 2006 in Amarillo.

Sympathy goes out to the family and friends of *Dr. Ronald Redus*. Dr. Redus passed away June 22, 2006 and was a friend of the Cal Farley organization who provided dental services to our residents.

Alumni News

Thomas "Toby" Gardner (50), Donnie Hubbs (70), Robert Carter (90), Shawn Logan (75), Jerry Nicholson (64), Bobby Shaw (65) and David Stanley (74) came by the Town Office and signed the Alumni book.

We received emails from Justin Fowler (04), Roger Schneider (69), Barbara Ponder (77), William Crawford (53), Jacqulynn DePascal (GT96), Charles Robinson (94), Francisco Diaz (02), Christy Meloche-Galindo (GT98), Allen Tant (91), Steven Hamill (92) and Van Perryman (64).

We heard from Arnold Bennett (66), Chris Pacino (03), Tom Riehl (88), Danny Bell (69), Bob Tuck (88), Nicky Branch (57), Jason Granger (90), Jon Kerr (79) and Eddy Hodges (71). It was nice hearing from them!

James Hewett (98), Casey Cirio (04), Bill Potter (68), Chris Edmunds (96), Marlin Rogers (72) and Daniel Osburn (00) contacted us and let us know how they were doing.

The editor heard from **Tom Weissinger** (63), **Rex Clifton** (82), **Hap Rainbolt** (69), **Kyle Humphrey** (81) and **Richard Strain** (48).

We also talked with **David Gaylor** (75), **Richard Frazier** (74), **Clay Baker** (93) and **Dan Casey** (89) who dropped by the Town Office.

Congratulations!

Congratulations go out to **Chris Peacock** (02) and **Chelsea Miller** on the birth of their baby son, Bryson Christopher Peacock. Bryson was born July 20, 2006 and weighed in at 8 lbs 7 oz and 20 inches long.



Where Are You?

Meagan Dauer (GT/01) is trying to find Amy Jackson (GT/01). Alycia Graham (99) is looking for Bill Rigney (98). Everette Davis (68) is trying to contact Ricky Dean Smith (68). Stacey Tipping-Carrete (97) is looking for Joe Anderson & Brandy Lynn (97). Laura May is trying to find Ashley Dollar (04). John Hill (78) is looking for Tim Patterson (77). Dirk Graves (85) is looking for Greg Gardner (85) and John Palmer (85). Karen Hudspeth McNeil is trying to locate Jesse Clark (63). Kenneth Hinds (64) needs to contact his uncle Clarke Hammer (61). Gene Bowman (61) is looking for Larry Pickford (62). Brendan Stephenson (95) is trying to find Mitch Loveless (95). James Williams (80) is looking to find Sean Taylor (80). Robert King (83) is looking for Monty Ganders (86) and Ricky Figures (83). Scott Peterson (95) is looking to find Larry Jetton (95) & Rent Donaldson (95).

The **Editor** is looking to return some personal items to **Michael Wayne Chacon** (59). If you have been successful in locating someone or if you have been "found" please let the editor know so she can remove your request off the list.



Gary Hardy (63) with *Genie & Sherm Harriman*.

Showing off Cal Farley's watch that he won. The watch was donated by the Harrimans for the silent auction.

To the Board Members of CFBRAA, General Members and Former Staff of CFBR

Thank you so much for making your calling and election sure while sharing your life and your family with us- Boys Ranchers. To the Men and Women who've endured- continue to do so but you never have to go it alone. Reach out to the Alumni Association. It's why we're here.

Just as our lives changed going to live somewhere else- we are charged with changing the lives of those who have yet to come after us. It's been an honor to serve as President for the last 2 years and though it's not been easy at times- it's been proven to be rewarding to witness the fruit that has grown from within the organization.

Thanks to the leadership of all and a specific thanks to Tom Maynard and Michael Rogers for their support- of which made finishing manageable with your friendship and encouragement.

Lets make it the Best for 07- it's our 40th Anniversary!

---Britt Hammond (77)

Board of Directors

Aaron Alejandro (84) Wichita Falls, Texas Doug Brady (60) Haysville, Kansas Bubba Davis (84) Amarillo, Texas Britt Hammond (77) Pilot Point, Texas Gary Hardy (63) Camarillo, California David Rattan (78) Dallas, Texas Wyman Owen (53) Bonham, Texas Bill Sarpalius (67) Stevensville, Maryland Les Saker (89) Amarillo, Texas David Tallant (81) Amarillo, Texas Billy Bob Touchstone (86) Dalhart, Texas

Prayer Requests

Joe Ben Pacino (2009) Bill Abbott (60) Gary Giles (62)

Roy Hayes (71) was featured in the July/August 2006 issue of *The Roundup*.

All submissions and comments should be directed to the editor <u>no later</u> than December 15 in order to make it into the 2006 WINTER Edition of the Alumni Newsletter.

The Presidents Corner

Tom Maynard (82) "Carrying on his work"

About a year ago, my family initiated a project to build an office/shop facility on our property northwest of Austin, Texas. A year later, we have made progress, but the project is not yet finished. I could not have imagined the snags and obstacles we have encountered in completing what appeared, on the surface, to be a rather simple project.

As of this writing, we have a concrete slab, a steel reinforced concrete safe room, a red-iron frame and all of the steel siding and insulation attached to the southwest wall. A thumbnail of what is left to be done: remainder of walls, roof, electrical work, fixtures, finish-out on interior and equipment.

My little project has a lot of parallels with our—the Boys Ranch Alumni Family's—project of building and developing the Cal Farley's Boys Ranch Alumni Association into a powerful national association of former Boys Ranchers—a professional network through which we can help each other.

Many have come before us and laid the foundation for what we are now doing. In 1967, our organizational forefathers had a vision for an association of those who had shared the unique experience of growing up at Boys Ranch. Over the ensuing years, many had stewardship of that vision, adding their contributions and leaving their fingerprints on the legacy of those early alumni pioneers. Now we are building on the foundation laid by them.

Over the past year, your board of directors has worked hard to build an organizational infrastructure to put your association into a position to grow and become a formidable national association. Like my building, we have built a frame on a foundation. That framework includes revision of the bylaws to make them current with present-day non-profit standards, internal financial controls, standing committees and board policies.

So what's next? What can we do to bring the vision of our foundations to full fruition? How do we complete the building project?

- 1. <u>Join and bring others with you.</u> Remember that in today's business environment, everything is driven by two things: first the numbers and secondly, the numbers. It's all about data. If we are to secure benefits for our members, we must be able to demonstrate that we have a loyal, viable market place and that it is to the benefit of a company to partner with us—to create a win-win proposition for us and our partners. More than 6,000 boys and girls have passed through Boys Ranch gates. Granted, many have passed away, but there are many out there who are unidentified and unreached. We need your name and the names of many others in our database.
- 2. <u>Get involved.</u> As we evolve as an association, there will be increasing opportunities to contribute and be an active member—more than a database entry. In 2005-06 we launched an initiative to establish local chapters around the nation, an effort that culminated in the issuance of two provisional charters to chapters in Dallas-Fort Worth and California at this year's annual meeting. These local organizations have the potential to be a real and powerful vehicle to mentor young ex-ranchers moving out into the "real world" and to help create benefits for members. In addition, our board of directors' committee structure is designed to allow others to participate on these committees. We are always looking for those who have the willingness and skills to make a contribution to the future of the association.
- 3. <u>Build your personal legacy</u>. One of the greatest assets that we have is your success—your success as a parent, community leader and professional. When one of us wins, we all win and continue to validate the lifework of Cal and Mimi Farley. Additionally, we want to hear about your success. Your story helps build our association.

I have not earned a reputation as a patient man, but in my little building project, I have had to gain some patience as I persevere to follow the project through to completion. As we build our association as a our legacy for future generations, we do so with a sense of urgency, tempered by a measure of patience—understanding that our construction project must be completed with the utmost care and attention to detail. We are committed to doing it right and we are committed to completing it with the greatest degree of participation from everyone. In doing so, we honor the memory of Cal and Mimi Farley and fulfill the words of our association's motto—"Carrying on his work."

2006 CFBRAA Annual Meeting in Review

Aaron Alejandro (84)
Chairman
2006 Annual Meeting Committee
CFBRAA Board of Directors

Thank you for making the 2006 Annual Meeting one for the record books. Our success centered around us having a number of alumni stay in a headquarter hotel, have positive activities promoting the alumni, providing professional networking and some good ol' story telling. Learn more about the Annual Meeting and association activities by checking out our website at www.calfarleysboysranchalumni.org. Be sure to visit the "pictures" menu on the website to see photos from the annual meeting.

We kicked off with the *Leading the Legacy* Golf Tournament -- the largest alumni golf tournament to date. We had 22 teams of four - or 88 golfers. We had 24 paid hole sponsors. In total, the golf tournament raised just over \$3,000, and everyone had a good time.

As for registration, we had 72 members pay their dues over the weekend. We now have 25 lifetime members. We added two new board of directors: David Rattan and Les Saker. We made the transition from the Century Club to the Alumni All-Star Program. Recognitions were given to: 15 – one star members, 5 – two star members, 4 – three star members, and 3 – five star members.

The Annual Meeting and Fellowship Social were super. Positive committee reports, strategies and growth were the discussion of the day. Committee reports and updates were given from all of the committee chairmen. In addition to the strategies, goals set, goals accomplished, and policy handbook, we had a great year raising much needed operational funds with more than \$32,800 put in the bank. Monies raised this year will go a long way toward developing the kind of independent organization/association we can be proud of and expect. By not duplicating the efforts of the ranch and their service to alumni, we have gained a greater position of strength and ability to serve our members.

Much of our fundraising success was a result of our sponsors and silent auction. 2006 sponsors included: Mr. Lenny Sadler / Ditch Witch of West Texas and Gary Hardy (Leading the Legacy Golf Tournament -\$1,500) – this does not include hole sponsors; Mr. Gary Hardy (Meet and Greet Reception - \$2,500); Harold & Joyce Courson (Annual Meeting - \$2,500); and Gemaire Distributors LLC (Fellowship & Social - \$1,500). Our silent auction raised additional dollars thanks to the generous support of Gary Hardy and Gene & Sherm Harriman and the donation of Mr. Farley's watch. Many other silent auction items were sold which also added to the excitement of the evening and fellowship.

As chairman of the 2006 event, let me say THANK YOU! Several board members pitched in and made this year's annual meeting a resounding success. We appreciate Bubba Davis, Dean Thompson and Jennie Russell helping with the logistics of the golf tournament onsite. We also appreciate Michael, Bill and Scott helping to round up all our potential contacts and market this event for a great turn out. Thank you to Bobby and Cindy Sarpalius -- we all owe you a great amount of gratitude for serving as "the" point person for registration at "all" events! Thank you. To Bill Sarpalius for establishing the relationship with Gene and Sherm Harriman for a wonderful silent auction item, and also to Gary Hardy (we can't say thank you enough), for helping put an exceptional exclamation mark on the Annual Meeting. To Michael Rogers for being just a great guy - no actually for giving me a ride and helping Bobby and I haul all of the shirts, caps and sale items to their respective locations for sale. Thanks to Tom Maynard and Britt Hammond for providing steady leadership throughout the entire weekend. Finally to our brother Wyman Owen, thank you for attending all the events you did and serving as the "goodwill" ambassador for the CFBRAA. Many thanks.

If you were not able to attend this year, please mark your calendar and start saving your pennies to attend next year. Hope you will all spread the word, engage more alumni and share in the success that we've all worked hard to achieve to date.

At my church, they always told me to hold onto my fork at the end of fellowship meals. Why? Because the good stuff is coming! Tell fellow alumni -- the good stuff is coming.

Have you Remembered the Alumni Association in Your Will?

For more information, contact the Alumni Association.

2006 BR Christmas Cantata	ALUMNI DONATIONS A contribution is enclosed in the amount of \$
December 17 2007 BR Prom - May 12 GT Graduation - May 25	FOR: General Fund Alumni All-Stars Scholarship Other NAME:
BR Graduation - May 26 Cowboy Poetry Gathering	ADDRESS: CITY: STATE: ZIP:
June 14-17 63 rd Annual Rodeo Sept 1-2	Mail to: Cal Farley's Boys Ranch Alumni Association PO Box 9435, Amarillo, TX 79105