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Northern New Mexico Horsemen's Association Newsletter

October 2026

"State of the Union" Program Meeting to Focus on Member Input, Ideas

The next monthly program meeting is special. It's Wednesday, October 28, 7 pm. First, we'll hear from President Howard Gershon who will provide an overview of where NNMHA is headed these days, and why. Then, Board member Amelia Adair will facilitate group discussions to better understand what's important to members. We need your input to help guide the Board in planning for next year and beyond.

So, please attend and come with your ideas, questions and comments. For example, should NNMHA have fewer or more clinics? What kind of clinics and workshops interest you? We have hosted demonstrations by experts who make saddles, fix horse trailers and ride in the backcountry. What other demos would you like? What specific topics about horse health and care interest you? Or, training, whether western dressage" handling obstacles or working with cattle?

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Plus, to whet your whistle a bit, there will be a cash bar during the meeting. We want to make this meeting as informal, interactive and meaningful as possible. We look forward to seeing you!

We meet at Dr. Field Goods Kitchen, 187 Paseo De Peralta, DeVargas Center, SF. The closest entrance to the restaurant is on the south side of the center. There is plenty of parking. Join

others for dinner at 6 pm in the main restaurant area. Please be in the separate meeting room a few minutes before 7 pm.

Save the Date! Our Holiday Party is Sunday, December 13, 3 – 6 pm

It's in the works! Our annual Holiday Party, that is. We're meeting at Dr. Field Goods Kitchen, 187 Paseo De Peralta, DeVargas Center, SF. The closest entrance to the restaurant is on the south side of the center. There is plenty of parking. This event is free for members. More details to come.

Members – Vote for Your Board by Email Ballot or in Person



Members, we're excited about the candidates for your NNMHA Board of Directors. Everyone has great experiences and ideas that will support our focus on our mission of equine wellness and equestrian efforts.

There are four existing and two additional positions on the Board to fill this election. The new positions expand the Board to nine members, beginning with this election. Current Board members Howard Gershon, Ed Srsic, Leanne DeVane and Karla Lauritsen are candidates for reelection. Sophia Hoekstra and David Lyles are members who were nominated to run for election. All terms are for two years.

Members will vote by ballots to be emailed early in October. You may also vote in person at the October 28 program meeting, and ballots will be available there. All ballots, whether by email or in person, must be received by the end of this meeting. Voting officially ends then.

Thanks for taking the time to vote. *Please look for your ballot via email and don't delete or discard it without voting first. Your vote counts and will influence the future of NNMHA!*

Election results will appear in next month's newsletter. If you have a general question about the election, contact: Howard Gershon, howard@reach-newheights.com, 505 690-8433.

2027 Board Member Candidates

Leanne DeVane



Leanne is happy to have the opportunity to run for the Board for another term. She has been a member of NNMHA since 2014 and has served on the Board since fall of 2024. Leanne thoroughly enjoys her time serving on the Board and hopes to continue working to further NNMHA's broader mission.

During that time, she headed efforts to initiate and develop our Partnership-Based Youth Riding Program. She is passionate about creating opportunities for underserved youth who might otherwise never experience the joy and rewards of working with horses.

As a horse and donkey owner, Leanne's equestrian interests center on confident, enjoyable riding and natural horsemanship. She recently completed intensive training and practicums in animal communication. Leanne has since launched a professional practice in animal communication with a sub-focus on homeopathic medicine for animals. Previously, she oversaw music education programs for children, creating networks and relationships with multiple nonprofit, business, and civic organizations serving SF youth. Leanne served as Director of Education and Outreach for the SF Chamber Music Festival and as Supervisor of Music Education for SF Public Schools.

Her skills include strategy, building consensus among stakeholders, and establishing mutual understanding within working groups. Leanne enjoys working with others on long-term, broad, and far-reaching projects with meaningful goals that ultimately have a profound and positive impact on the lives of **youth, adults**, and equines.

Howard Gershon



I have been a member of NNMHA since 2015 and served as president for the past several years. I am an avid trail rider and past president and current Board member of the Chuck Wagon Trail Riders of NM, a 70-year-old men's trail riding group.

My education includes a BA in Economics and an MA in Healthcare Administration. Prior to retiring, I worked as a healthcare management consultant for over 40 years, specializing in assisting hospitals and health systems throughout the US with strategic planning and program development initiatives.

Locally, I have been a Board member of the NM Healthcare Executives, Many Mothers, the Tano Road Association and the Sundance Estates Homeowners

Association. I currently serve as a Board member of the NM Horse Council and My Little Horse Listener.

I am excited about the opportunity to continue to develop NNMHA and look forward to being an active participant in that process.

Sophia Hoekstra



Sophia Hoekstra is a professional horse trainer and the head trainer and manager at Trinity Ranch in SF. Her experience spans English and Western disciplines, with a career focused on training horses, coaching riders and developing successful youth and amateur programs.

As a competitor, Sophia is a multiple Pinto World and Reserve World Champion and has earned World and Reserve World Championships at the Western Dressage Association of America World Championship Show. As a coach, she has guided riders to World and Reserve World Championships, national titles, Top Five and Top Ten finishes, and numerous wins across disciplines and organizations.

Sophia's approach is rooted in horsemanship, thoughtful development of the horse and creating confident, capable riders. Her experience as both a trainer and manager gives her a practical understanding of the needs of professionals, amateurs, youth riders, horse owners and equine businesses.

She hopes to bring that hands-on industry perspective to Board service, supporting education, accessibility, sportsmanship and the continued growth of the equestrian community.

Karla Lauritsen



Karla has been a member of NNMHA, both in its years as an equestrian club and as a 501(c)3 nonprofit. She is currently the secretary of the Board and outreach coordinator with El Rancho de Las Golondrinas. She has helped maintain federal and state trails with various organizations where she serves for one organization as a legislative liaison. In that role, she writes a monthly newsletter column, "Legislative Round Up." She has also helped with executive leadership initiatives.

Karla participated in a therapeutic riding stable program where she boarded two horses, one of whom became a routine volunteer in its programs for fragile kids. There, she also offered equine body work to program horses. Her areas of expertise include stable management and developing cooperative sharing among retired and working boarding clients to provide for mutual daily care of our equines.

She has also served as a volunteer with the Eldorado Stable Committee. This group both advises the area Board and its maintenance crew, as well as problem solvers with members of the Eldorado Community Stable. Karla continues to volunteer with the American Endurance Ride Conference and the North American Trail Ride Conference competitions.

Karla believes that as a charitable organization, NNMHA provides crucial startup support in the NM equine industry. That, in turn, facilitates equestrians playing a greater role in the rapidly expanding outdoor industry in NM, an expansion which has bipartisan support.

David Lyles



David Lyles is a retired commercial product photographer, currently living and ranching in SF. He has been a member of NNMHA since moving to SF in 2022.

He has served the organization in various capacities as both a volunteer and Board member over the last several years. He has played a leadership role in planning monthly program meetings, participated in El Rancho de las Golondrinas meet-and-greet events and organized various clinics, including last year's obstacle training day.

David enjoys trail riding, clinics, parades and grand entries on horseback, as well as behind the scenes work at growing NNMHA as a 501(c)3 organization.

Ed Srsic



I welcome the opportunity to continue serving on the NNMHA Board. My participation in the organization goes back to 2021, when I was elected to the Board. Since then, I have served as vice president for one term and as trail boss for our Ridge Riders currently and for several years.

In addition, I serve on the Finance Committee and started the retail sales of our logo apparel. The logo apparel sales help fund our annual Scholarship, Sponsorship and Grant Giving Program.

Being retired, I do my best to stay active with NNMHA and trail riding. In addition, I am now serving as president of the Chuck Trail Riders Inc. and as a Board member of First Commonwealth Holdings, Houston TX. Thank you for your consideration and vote. Happy Trails!

Ridge Riders Ends Season on a High

Yep, last ride of this season. North side of Apache Canyon. A bit of a challenging ride but worth the views. Nothing like ending the season on a high!

Congratulations to all who rode with Trail

Boss Ed Srsic this season. Gotta enjoy the beautiful and interesting places we go on our rides.



Note: Photo is from the ride last month in the Abiquiu area that followed the historic Espinosa Trail homesteaded in 1832. It also traces part of the Spanish trade route to Cajon Pass in California.

Take a Look: 2025 Community Report

For the last several years, we've produced an annual report that has lots of cool photos and a few words that sum up our events, workshops, rides, clinics, program meetings, and more.

We believe that our members and the general equine community in our area deserve to know what we've been doing, and why.

It's an easy read, so check it out. Simply go to our website, nnmha.org, click on Resources and open "2025 Community Report."

You'll see a list of scholarships, grants and sponsorships we supported, as well as several meet-and-greet events. We love reaching out to youth and adults to share our passion for horses. We're also proud of our Partnership-based Youth Riding Program!



Livestock Board Shifts to Digital Format

Beginning July 1, 2027, the New Mexico Livestock Board (LB) will only accept electronic certificates of veterinary inspections (eCVIs) for all incoming health certificates.

“With the advancement of digital platforms and the need for improved traceability, the time has come for NM to shift away from using paper certificates of veterinary inspection (health certificates),” explained Samantha Holeck, DVM, state veterinarian, Livestock Board (LB).



“Given the speed of commerce these days and the challenges that we face with an ever-increasing variety of diseases and pests, it is imperative that we step up our efforts to ensure safe movement of livestock and companion animals,” she explained.

Paper interstate CVI booklets will be available through the end of November or while supplies last. The LB will send this reminder out regularly, but please help share this information with others. If you have questions about the different eCVI platforms that are available, please feel free to contact the LB veterinary team through their main office: 505-841-6161.

Thanks for the heads-up from Samantha. Her contact info is: office 505-841-6161, cell 505-414-2811, samantha.holeck@nmlb.nm.gov. She was a speaker recently at one of our program meetings.

Santa Fe Trail Highlights Documented by Local Author on Horseback in Film



The history of the SF Trail in NM is beautifully depicted in Jackie Fleming's film, “Santa Fe Trail Keepsake – A Personal Journey,” shown at our program meeting in August. She and her horse, Fancy, visited all of the key locations along both routes of the SF Trail. She rode in an Australian saddle. Her dog, Holly, accompanied them.

Together, they filmed swales left by the long-ago wagons, Raton Pass, Fort Union, Maxwell Land Grant, Cimarron, Spanish Peaks, Wagon Mound, and much more. She sprinkled quotes from earlier travelers, including Joseph Pratt Allen, Marian Russell and

Susan Shelby Magoffin throughout the film.

This trek started out to as a means to promote her many books, but it ended up being "...a profound and nostalgic adventure," said Jackie.

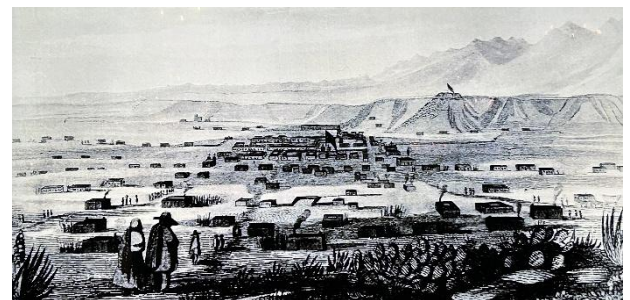
"Following in the hoof prints of countless trail travelers and looking out at the same views, was a dream come true for a New Mexico history buff like myself."



Signposts Noted Important Events



In Las Vegas, for example, she talked about how it served as an important stop and later as a major railroad center. General



Kearny announced the annexation of NM by the U.S.

government here in 1946.

In 1862, during the Confederate occupation of SF, Las Vegas served as a Territorial capital." She acknowledged much of the open spaces were occupied then by Kiowa, Cheyenne, Ute tribes, and others. Large herds of buffaloes shared these spaces at the time.

At Wagon Mound, Jackie added at this was the last great landmark on the SF Trail and is named for its resemblance to the top of a covered wagon. Here, travelers could cross from the Cimarron cutoff to Fort Union, which is located on the Mountain Branch of the Trail. The two branches joined south of Wagon Mound at Watrous.

The Film Concludes with Past and Present

Bringing our history up to date, the film discussed and showed then-and-now photos of scenes in SF, including Burro Alley, San Miguel Church, the Barrio del Analco, the Plaza, Loretto Chapel, the Palace of the Governors, the Exchange Hotel (the precursor of La Fonda) and a view from Fort Marcy Hill.



Much of the Santa Fe Trail today is on private property, but owners were gracious in allowing Jackie onto their properties. Of course, use of the trail came to a halt when railway transportation reached NM, and trail travel was no longer cost-effective, she explained.



Jackie shared one of her experiences that brought laughs. She said she was often alone while filming, so she set her camera on a tripod. She gave herself time on the camera setting to return to her horse before filming began.



In the meantime, her horse took great interest in knowing what she was doing. "I think she was posing when she knew I



had started the camera and was on my way back to her." Clearly, Fancy and Holly were great companions on this wonderful adventure.

Thank you, Jackie, for sharing some of the highlights of your travels along the SF Trail. Happy trails, indeed.

Note: Jackie's pen name is Anne J. Thomas. One of her many books is "Shadowlands Ranch: Mustangs and Burros on the Santa Fe Trail." Jackie lives near Watrous where she operates a sanctuary for wild horses, Mustangs and donkeys. Her film is available on youtube.com.

Board Notes

Amelia Adair reviewed the Treasurer's Report. Board members discussed and approved two additional students for our Partnership-based Youth Riding Program to begin again this fall.

Ed Srsic brought up the need to have an updated membership list, and there was discussion about the importance of welcoming new members, as well as better understanding why members may not renew their membership.

Karla Lauritsen discussed the upcoming Harvest Festival at El Rancho de las Golondrinas early this month. She thanked members who brought their equines, others who provided rope, straw bales and artificial steers and calves and our roping teachers. She is planning to include an activity called "listening to equine's ears" as demonstrated at the equestrian program at Eagle Nest Schools in northern NM.

Karla still needs more volunteers to help with general tasks, as well as members who are interested in bringing their equines. A separate email will be sent to encourage members to participate.

Howard Gershon provided a recap of the Board member election process for this year. Howard, Ed, Karla and Leanne DeVane are seeking reelection. David Lyles and Sophia Hoekstra are new candidates. The Board will expand to nine members next year. Ralph Larranaga and Amelia Adair are not up for reelection this time. Candidate bios and photos appear in this edition of the newsletter. A ballot will be emailed to all members in early October, and election results will be available at our next program meeting.

Our “2025 Community Report” is now posted on our website under Resources. Each year, this report summarizes key accomplishments, events and activities. There is also a one-page flier under Resources that can be used as an easy-to-read introduction to NNMHA. It’s designed to be used at events or other activities. Members are encouraged to take a look at the report.

Lynn Allen noted that we have received a query about donating property to NNMHA. Lynn and the prospective donor visited the property together. The property would require some regular maintenance and does not have water or electricity. It is designed to remain as it is, with no new structures. The Board discussed possible uses. It was decided to have a decision made within the next 30 days.

Amelia Adair provided an overview of the Recommended Roles and Responsibilities Matrix to be used for future planning purposes. She highlighted various areas that either have been fully developed or need further work.

Ed said he thinks we need to provide more reminders of program meetings, events, workshops and activities. Communication in any form is in competition with so many other messages that we may need more frequent updates or reminders to encourage participation. A pilot biweekly email will be developed.

The next Board meeting is Tuesday, October 6, 7 pm, via Zoom. We welcome comments or questions, so please feel free to contact any Board member to join the meeting. Let us hear from you anytime!

Do You Know...

You can save your sanity with Schneider's "Show Day Packing List." Whether you are headed to a show or another event, this checklist may save you time. Not to mention the aggravation of leaving something behind that you *really* need. The email from Schneider's that included this list advised, "Print it, screenshot it, whatever you need to do, but keep it handy!"

Show Day Packing List

For Your Horse

- ☐ Cooler, scrim, or show sheet
- ☐ Fly spray, mask, boots, & bonnet
- ☐ Shipping boots / standing wraps
- ☐ Braiding kit: bands, pull-through, spray, scissors)
- ☐ Grooming & bathing tote: body brush, finishing brush, hoof pick, hoof oil, show sheen, mane/tail detangler, clippers, shampoo, conditioner, sponges, towels
- ☐ Stall / aisle guards
- ☐ Buckets, hay bags, & hay
- ☐ Grain / supplements (for overnights)
- ☐ Bedding, mats, fork, & muck bucket
- ☐ Treats
- ☐ Poultice / hoof packing
- ☐ Horse Therapy: LED, Ice, Magnetic
- ☐ Horse & human first aid kit: vet wrap, band aids, gauze, bute/banamine, electrolytes, hoof boots, contact info
- ☐ Horse boots / Leg wraps
- ☐ Fans & extension cords

For You

- ☐ Show shirt
- ☐ Show coat
- ☐ Show breeches / pants
- ☐ Boots / half chaps
- ☐ Belt
- ☐ Helmet
- ☐ Safety pins
- ☐ Extra shirt / pants
- ☐ Gloves
- ☐ Socks
- ☐ Jacket / rain Coat
- ☐ Folding chairs
- ☐ Mounting block
- ☐ Snacks & water
- ☐ Ball cap / sun hat / visor
- ☐ Sunscreen
- ☐ Tool kit: scissors, leather hole punch, nail clippers, duct tape, extra hardware
- ☐ Human grooming kit: brush, hair ties, makeup, hair net, bobby pins

Tack

- ☐ Saddle
- ☐ Bridle (check: bit attached, noseband buckled, reins clean)
- ☐ Girth / cinch
- ☐ Saddle pad
- ☐ Extra stirrup leathers
- ☐ Extra reins
- ☐ Martingale / breastplate
- ☐ Spurs
- ☐ Extra halters & leads
- ☐ Lunge line
- ☐ Crop / whip

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Bulletin Board

Bulletin Board is a "one-stop shop" for all equine-related products, services and events. Current members may submit listings of no more than 80 words. Be sure to include a name, brief description and website, phone and/or email for contact purposes. We can't edit fliers or other materials provided to us and be assured of describing your news accurately. Send your listing to: Sandra: smithcom@goldengate.net. At any time, let us know if you need your current listing removed or changed. We rely on members to keep their info correct and up to date.

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Equine chiropractor. Equines and canines, but also happy to treat any critter with a spine. By appointment. Call: 505 913-7493.

NORTHSIDE BOARDING

Ride out on miles of trails, five minutes from NM599/La Tierra Rd. Reasonable rates, relaxed atmosphere. Prices from \$500 to \$400/mo. for pens 12x60 and larger. Arena, round pen, three tack rooms, wash rack, trailer parking. Horses fed grass mix or alfalfa twice daily. Boarders provide extras, we feed. Owner lives on premises. Contact: Carolyn, Centaurus Ranch, 505 474-0821.

EQUINE PORTRAITS

Helen K. Garber is available to create a unique photographic portrait of your horse or you riding your horse. In sizes up to 10 feet wide. Can be printed on paper or fabric. Her work has been acquired by museum collections such as the Getty Museum, Los Angeles County Museum of Art, the Brooklyn Museum archives of the Venice Biennale and the Academy of Motion Pictures Arts & Sciences. Contact: Helen, 310 344-7883, www.helenkgarber.com (Helen K Garber Studio), mail@helenkgarber.com.

EQUINE BODY WORK

Susan Smith | Equine and human Ortho-Bionomy® powerful and effective therapeutic bodywork. Registered Instructor and Advanced Practitioner. Equine acupressure massage, certified. Both in-person and online courses are offered. By appointment. Contact: Susan, 505 501-2478, info@susansmithsantafe.com.

BODYWORK AND MASSAGE

Sandy Benson offers Integrated Equine Bodywork and Massage, working with the whole horse to build trust, restore balance and release tension. Certified in Masterson Method since 2018, CST since 2005. Consider it an investment in wellness. Contact: sandybenenson@earthlink.net, 505 920-2497.

BOARDING AT RANCHO MARIPOSA

15 minutes from Old Pecos Trail in the Eldorado area. Indoor arena, outdoor dressage and jumping arenas, access to trails. Training and instruction available. We welcome equestrians of all disciplines! Call or text Anna: 505 490-0990, info@mariposasantafe.com.

SANTA FE PONY CLUB

The Santa Fe Pony Club is looking for new members, volunteers and sponsors as the new year begins. The Club welcomes 5+ ages (adults too!). For more info: lindsaylechner@gmail.com, www.ponyclub.org.

HORSE SITTER

Professional care of your equines and other pets while you are away. Extensive experience caring for horses, dogs, cats and other precious creatures. Experience as Animal husbandry Instructor, beginner riding instructor, wilderness guide, wrangler and Ranch Manager. Contact: Laurie, 970 390-5597, thepoetlaurie@hotmail.com.

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EQUINE VETERINARY SERVICES

Offering an integrative equine practice, combining western preventive and emergency care, as well as Traditional Chinese Veterinary Medicine, including chiropractic, acupuncture and herbal options. Contact: Dr. Shannon Subasi, Los Alamos Equine Veterinary Services, 240 681-1125.

SEEKING PRIVATE BOARDING FOR ONE HORSE

Due to sale of the property where we board, we're looking for a private barn in the Eldorado/Lamy area with room for one horse. Request daily group turnout and some room to ride on property. Can be self- or partial-care and I'm happy to serve as backup for your horses. I'm respectful, tidy and low drama; my horse is respectful, herd experienced, low in pecking order and blind in one eye. Contact: Sylvie Anacker, 415 309-0162, asorges@gmail.com.

SELF-CARE BOARDING

Arrowhead Ranch has self-care boarding space available for horse owners wanting to be more hands-on with their horses and their care. Roomy indoor/outdoor stalls with large runs attached. Includes water with electric hookups, outdoor arenas, SF river trail access, trailer parking, hay, grain and tack storage. Located in town off West Alameda. Clean, safe, gated. For more info: arrowheadsantafe@aol.com, 505 690-4955.

TWO SENIOR HORSES FOR SALE



24-25 year-old gelding (left) ridden primarily on trails for the last 15 years. Sound, has reining training and light handle. 24-25 year-old gelding (right). Trail experience, most popular children's horse at Challenge



NM in SF. For more info: 505 670-2924.

RAINBOW RIDGE FARM LLC

New boutique boarding facility located in Edgewood NM. Stalls with separate paddocks and daily turnout. Indoor riding arena, outdoor riding arena, round pen for training and trails off property and nearby. Self-care and full care, short and long-term options available. Two current openings. Contact: Sandi Hutchison, rainbowridgefarmllc@hotmail.com, 505 205-5452.



HORSE PROPERTY FOR SALE

9 Jacinto Road, \$900,000. Los Caballos Subdivision, SF County. Ten level acres, 20 miles from SF. Includes a 3,434 sq. ft. two-story, five-bedroom, four-bath house. Horse amenities with 2,818 sq. ft., six-stall horse barn, turnouts, tack room with half-bath, hay storage, arena and roping corral. Plus, a separate 1,805 sq. ft. workshop/garage with mechanic's pit. Contact: Penelope Vasquez, Associate Broker, 505 690-3751, penelopenewmexico@gmail.com, Sotheby's International Realty, 505 988-2533.



BOARDING AT SECTION EIGHT STABLES (FORMERLY HIPICO SANTA FE POLO BARN)

Newly renovated barn stalls, 12x16, featuring Nelson automatic waterers and attached pens, 16x18. Covered pipe stalls, 16x16, also available. Reasonable rates for self-care or full board. Full board includes grass hay or alfalfa, 2x/day. We will feed boarder-supplied grain/supplements. Arena, round pen, trailer parking and tack storage area. On-site trail riding, as well as direct access to BLM/Caja del Rio trails. Contact: Phyllis, call/text 505 479-2628 or email phyllis@hipicosantafe.com.

CAMPER FOR SALE

2024 Rockwood GeoPro G19FDS in like-new condition with less than 900 miles. Asking \$27,000. Two-point heavy duty hitch with sway control (value \$434), tire chocks and covers, leveling blocks, small grill. Kitchen slide and table make it spacious. Large bathroom with a shower. Outdoor shower, too. Lots of storage inside and out and a bike rack. The queen size murphy bed is comfy and easy to use. The powerful rooftop solar panels, two batteries and two propane tanks are ideal when hook ups are not available. It is 22-feet and pulls easily with SUV. Selling only because it's not getting used enough. For more info: Karolyn, 303 579-2251.



HORSE TRAILER FOR SALE

2020 Cimarron Norstar 3H Slant BP trailer for sale. Original owner, clean title. Less than 6000 miles, newer tires and battery. Includes hitch with anti-sway bars. In excellent condition. Asking \$26k. Located in SF. Contact Mark Campbell: 818 324-3616, markcampbell19@gmail.com.



SADDLE FOR SALE

Circle Y Flex 2 trail saddle. 15 1/2 inch seat, 7 1/2 inch gullet. In excellent condition. \$1200. Contact: Lynn Allen 505-595-4457.



Training/Trainers

TERRY BERG TRAINING

Trainer offers lessons, training and show coaching, among others. Specialties include ranch riding, reining and ranch trail. Contact: sfcolores@sprynet.com, 505 473-4147.

LINDSAY LECHNER EQUESTRIAN SERVICES

Currently accepting new lesson students ages 5 + on your horse or one of the lesson horses and horses in training. Focused on Dressage basics, introduction to jumping, trail riding essentials in and out of the arena and fox hunting. We travel to local shows and other recognized competitions in NM and surrounding states. Rancho Mariposa and other locations in the Eldorado/Lamy area. For more info, contact Lindsay: 513 850-5839, lindsaylechner@gmail.com.

MIKEL CARMON, M.A., EAL, TRAINING

Natural horsemanship lessons start on the ground. "Horse Wellness for Wisdom" helps you learn how to "read" your horse, build trust and connection that makes you the leader in your horse's mind. With over 35 years of experience, my work promotes mental, physical and emotional wellness with individuals, couples, families, corporations, small businesses. (It's not therapeutic riding.) Equine Assisted Learning certified. Also teach harnessing and driving lessons, using my good team of mules, Bo and Jessee. Contact: Mikel: 307 277-1235, fc4126@gmail.com.

Clinics/Workshops/Events

Note: The New Mexico Horse Council (NMHC) posts fliers for shows, clinics and demos throughout the state in its newsletters. Go to: www.nmhorsecouncil.org and click on "News" to see any newsletter. You can also see info on NMHC Facebook.

Board and Committees

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Please contact any Board member with questions or comments about NNMHA plans or activities. We welcome your ideas. Board meetings are usually held each month, and members are invited to participate in Board meetings. Meetings may be online or in person. See phone numbers and emails for Board members.

NNMHA seeks to inform and educate our members and the broader northern New Mexico community with regard to equine wellness and equestrian activities. We generally do not take an advocacy position on such issues, but endeavor to keep members and others aware of developments that NNMHA deems may be of interest.

We welcome letters to the editor for publication. Please send letters to Sandra, smithcom@goldengate.net. Letters must be written by an active member and include a name, email address, phone number and full street address, as well as any information sources used in the letter. If used, submissions may be edited due to space limitation and other considerations.



*Those who show up to vote
shape the world. So, vote.*

*Benjamin Franklin
(paraphrase)*

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