



Pony Express

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Tijuana River Valley Equestrian Association (trvea.org)

TRVEA continues to advocate and promote equestrian presence and activities in the Tijuana River Valley.
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"Securing America's Equestrian Heritage"

President's Corner

On September 15, people from the Tijuana River Valley went before the San Diego City Council and spoke on why the city must act now in order to prevent a repeat of, or worse than, December 17, 2008. Audubon and Coast Keepers spoke against an emergency declaration, but the council voted unanimously to authorize \$4.4M to clear out the river pilot channel. **There's a catch.** The final word on by-passing environmental permits in order to start the emergency clearing is left to the federal agency Army Corp of Engineers (ACOE). Members continue to pressure Federal Representatives Filner and Bilbray to have ACOE grant the permit. The city has begun the surveying and is ready to go immediately. Perhaps by the time this newsletter is released, we will know the outcome—probable flood, or normal winter delight. Special thanks goes to Council President Ben Hueso who in an articulate and emotional appeal to the rest of the city council, paid out a lot of political capital appealing to them to act with force and money to avoid this calamity. Also, thank you to Mario Banuelos, Jim Martin, Clay Phillips, Mary Powell, Carolyn Powers, Martha Torkington, Dick Tynan, Alfred Viruegas, Jay & Christine Walker, Dan Winne, Ben and Paloma from WildCoast, and the unknown gentleman for participating and speaking for the valley at the city council.

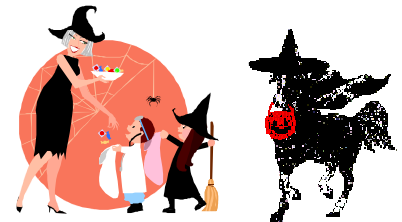


--John
Gabaldon
TRVEA
President



**SUNDAY
OCTOBER
25,
2009
1:30 – 7 PM
COME IN
COSTUME!
@ Happy
Trails
2012A
Sunset Ave
SD 92154**

HALLOWEEN Rodeo, Carnival Chili Cook-Off & Trick-or-TREAT



Happy Trails and TRVEA are presenting a HALLOWEEN

CARNIVAL with Childrens Rodeo, Trick-or-Treat, Chili Cook-Off Competition, Activity/Game booths and Costume Contests for the Community families and their horses on Sunday, October 25th from 1:30 pm to 7 pm at Happy Trails, 2012A Sunset Ave, SD 92154. All are invited to compete for a Chili Cook-Off. (*Horses are optional, if child brings a horse, it **must be able to tie.***) **Children need not be TRVEA members or have a horse to participate. DETAILS ARE AT END OF THIS NEWSLETTER.**
1 - BOOTH FORM
2 - CHILI Cook-Off Rules
3 - Flyer for your ranch/Business/Refrigerator!!
You can also pick up these forms at Southwest Feed and Happy Trails



Mother Goose Parade

Submitted by Kim Sokol

We'll soon be having practices to get ready for this year's Mother Goose Parade on Sunday, November 22 at 10am in El Cajon. All members are encouraged to participate as ground crew. All members are invited to come to practice, and are welcome to ride their horse in all but the last the practice.

Riders in this parade will have to be limited to those that rode in last year's Mother Goose Parade, but we would like to offer these practices to prepare yourself and your horse for any future parades. I hope that we can include a truck with our banner like we had for the Coronado 4th of July Parade and have people ride along in the back to show support for TRVEA.

I have planned to participate as ground crew, as I do not have a horse that is conditioned for parades as of yet. This parade is very exciting and is one of the largest parades on the West Coast. I hope you will join us in representing TRVEA for this event. Thank you for all of your support in past parades and I hope to see you in upcoming practices.

The first practice is on Saturday, October 3rd at 10am, at Wigginton ranch. The rest of the practices will be on Sundays at 2 pm, Wigginton Ranch, 2191 Hollister St, SD 92154.

PARADE PRACTICE DATES:

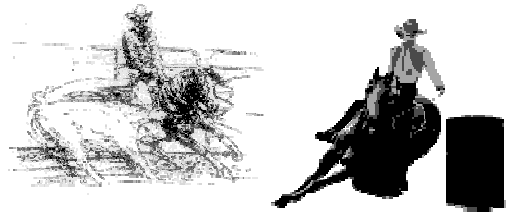
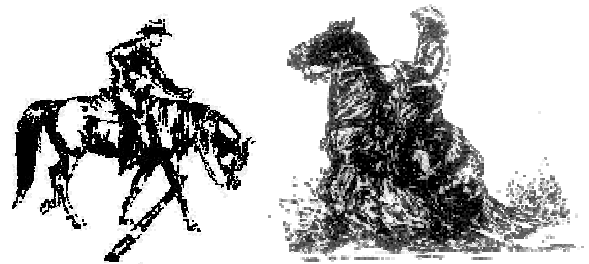
Saturday, Oct 3 10 am

Sunday, October 18

Sunday, October 25

Sunday, November 1

Sunday, November 15 MANDATORY for all – riders and ground crew, support members – all ages.



Valley Equestrian Sports Facility

By John Gabaldon

The proposed 64-acre county park facility located at the northeast corner of Sunset and Hollister (Amsod operations) is nearing its final layout. The approximately 5-acre equestrian sports area is currently located at the intersection.

However, County Department of Parks is asking equestrians to consider a larger parcel further west. The TRV committee wants more guarantees that any area selected is usable year-round and has a high probability of completion. Watch for the community meeting when final plans will be shown. After plans are shown to the public, the next phases are funding for detailed engineering and environmental studies (2010); award start of detailed engineering and environmental reports (2011); finish of infrastructure design and EIR (2012); seek funding for facility construction (2012); construction 2013 or later. (jg)

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OUR MEMBERS PAGE:

TRVEA Members Win Futurity

By Rose Goodlett



Howdy all, *photo – Roger Clark*
Attached is a picture of Thomas and his Quelow Poco Dandy...3yr old NFSSP and FTF futurity winner and me and my new boy Jaz Mighty Mateo. Both horses competed in the Oregon show and both won most of their classes with professional trainer Matt Sheridan aboard .

We are both home now to complete our 4 keepers. We also have our grulla mare for sale if anyone is interested... (I know - times are tough...that's why we are only keeping 4).

Anyway...hope all is well and we look forward to seeing you all soon!

Rose Goodlett

Rockin G Foundation Quarter Horses
"Watch Me Navigate"

Real Estate

By Carri Long

I would love to let everyone know that I am a Realtor in the San Diego Area, Native to the South Bay and have prided myself on helping people buy and sell their properties for 28 years. I work with Prudential California Realty in Chula Vista and can be contacted on my cell phone for assistance or just questions @ 619 850-8665. As a happy horse owner, I am very knowledgeable of horse properties, but sell condos, houses, land, etc.... Just wanted to put a "bug in the bonnet", so to speak, if possible. Hope all is well, Thanks, Carri Long carrilong@aol.com happy riding!



Into the Big Time Barrel Racing!

By Copper Bales



This past Labor Day weekend we spent Friday thru Sunday at the SRS Ranch in Temecula, an incredible private ranch with an indoor arena for the three day event where Cheyenne Long competed with her horse Cowboy in her first professional barrel racing event. Friday was for time only and Saturday and Sunday held individual day competitions. There were 106 entrants on Saturday and 126 on Sunday. There were 4 divisions...open, senior (45+ years old), youth (10-18 years old) and pee wee (under 10). Chyenne (youth) and Jennifer (open) competed and my sister, Carri Long and I went along for support. On Sunday Chyenne beat her best ever time by 1.1 seconds and ran a 19.7 seconds. She missed the money by 2 places and took an overall 4th place in the 4D youth division. Her trainer Jennifer Schackel ran a 16.8 on Saturday and a 16.7 on Sunday in the women's open division. . I've convinced Carri to compete in the senior division at the next event. I plan on promoting them to local businesses for the possibility of sponsors to help with the entrance fees and travel expenses. I would really like to see other young girls from our area ranches interested in attending future events simply for Chyenne to have a buddy to increase her comfort level and confidence. I plan on being at all of her competitions for support and assistance with the horses and assurance of their safe travel.



... from Carri Long

TIP:

I do this with my horses....while filling up water buckets, spray a little water on the hay they're eating, it hydrates it to perk it up and adds additional water to their diet. They seem to like it, too

Happy Trails Throws GREAT PARTY for TRVEA's MEMBERS

By Rodel Reyes, resident

Special thanks to **Dan Winne** of Happy Trails Horse Rentals (619 443-3517) for being a gracious host along with his great staff. The membership drive party was indeed lots of fun!

(www.happytrailshorserentals.com)

TRVEA's membership drive party at **Happy Trails Horse Rentals** at 2012A Sunset Avenue, San Diego, CA 92154 on Sunday, August 23, from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. was well attended with TRVEA (Tijuana River Valley Equestrian Association) members, friends, and guest. We were all treated with delicious food, drinks, by Happy Trails and live entertainment was presented by CocoLafe. The membership drive produced 6 new members for TRVEA and numerous renewals (yeah). In attendance was **Mark Kukuchek**, president of the Bonita Valley Horsemen. He and Rodel Reyes are members of the Advisory Committee of the Otay Valley Regional Park. Also, **Emma Spurling** was present. She and her husband are owners of the 40-acre Suncoast Farms at 2805 Hollister Street, San Diego, CA 92154. **Martin Juarez** and his daughter from Rancho Senora Fina (Andalusian Horses) at 2606 Hollister Street, San Diego, CA 92154 were present. **John Gabaldon**, who is a member of the County Project Advisory Committee for the Tijuana River Valley Active Recreation Concept Project Plan was in attendance. John is also the president of TRVEA. **Rose and Thomas Goodlett**, owners of the Rockin G Ranch in Ramona were present as well. They raise and train Rockin G Foundation Quarter horses.

I appreciate TRVEA's care, dedication, hard work and activism in helping to keep the equestrian character of the Tijuana River Valley strong.

TRVEA played a critical role in the evacuation efforts in the December 2008 flood in the Tijuana River Valley. TRVEA members assisted in the rescuing of horses in the floodwaters. The association also made available important information on flood emergency and safety tips and provided weather forecast news. TRVEA's presence and service are invaluable and indispensable to our Community (Otay Mesa - Nestor - A Community of San Diego).

Kudos to Vice president **Gale Moriarity**, and board directors **Julie Jensen, Mary Johnson, Jan Allen, Paula Hugill, Sara Kimmich** and **Mary Christensen** of TRVEA for arranging this event.

Musically Yours

By CocoLafe,

Thanks for having us play at the TRVEA party. We really enjoyed meeting you all and had a great time. Love the work that TRVEA is doing for horse rescue...even though I haven't ridden in years, I never outgrew my obsession with horses!

Cheers and musically yours,

Coco (for CocoLafe) www.cocolafe.com

www.sonicbids.com/cocolafe



The Jewel Mesas of the South

By Russ Kimmich

For those that enjoy breathtaking views, cool ocean breezes and miles of groomed trails, don't miss the Tres Mesas Trail System. These extensive sets of trails are conveniently located just south of the Tijuana River Valley and just north of the new Border Patrol fence.

This trail system has to be one of the most tranquil public trails located so close to San Diego. On a typical weekend, you can ride or hike on the miles and miles of trails and not encounter one other soul (with the exception of the Omni present Border Patrol.)

The new Border Patrol fence and its earthwork have impacted the continuity of the trail system, but access is still available to each of the three Mesas, Lichty Mesa to the west, Spooner's Mesa in the middle, and Valley View Bluffs to the east. Each Mesa has its own views, feel, wildlife and history. I definitely encourage tax paying citizens to get out and explore these public lands.

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Spooners 2005



Winchester loves a good view!

Now is a good time to use these trails and to let your public officials know that these trails are valuable assets to the public. The county is currently in the process of establishing designated trails for public use on the Mesas. The county is also attempting to control access and reduce the number of trails available. The more input the county gets the more likely these trails will stay available for future use.

An effort is being made to reconnect the Tres Mesas Trail System so that it is continuous from the east to the west, (just like it used to be before the new border fence), but this will take time and political clout so please help by having some fun on the Mesas and become acquainted or reacquainted with the Tres Mesas Trail System.

A note regarding the Border Patrol:

Since the new fence, the number of illegal aliens crossing through the Tijuana River Valley has dropped dramatically. However the Border Patrol agents still patrol the three Mesas heavily. It is not uncommon for an agent to drive by and ask questions. They will want to know if you are a US Citizen and will ask you what you are doing. Most of the agents are friendly, polite and will do whatever they can to safely share the trails with those on horseback. Occasionally, an agent may request that you don't use the trails due to possible conflicts with their operations. This is only a request because this is public park property and the public has every right to use these trails. Please don't be intimidated by our boys in green, they have a job to do so that we can safely use these public lands. Please keep in mind the miles of trails on the Mesas are kept open and groomed, (yes groomed with a brush) every day by the Border Patrol so we will have good footing for our horses (or maybe to see footprints.) For whatever reason, the trails are great so have fun using them!

Mundane Halters - So Vital

by Joey Gabaldon

During an emergency event in the valley, instant access to a halter is vital. Here are some lessons gathered by many from the last fire and flood emergencies. These are critical when someone has to act without any delay to save a horse.

1. Locate the halter very near the stall's **gate**. At least one halter per horse in the stall.
2. Halters should have normal, common fasteners, not ties or tricky latches. In very cold water the rescuer will have a difficult time moving their fingers for fine work.
3. Ensure halters have a full length lead rope. Don't relegate your chewed up, short rope for emergency duty. Even normally calm horses throw their head around and the rescuer needs a good rope length to keep a hold.
4. Cotton halters are better than meltable nylon where flames might be close. Leather is great, but must be supple.
5. A tight halter causes difficulties for the rescuer and later for the horse. Too loose a halter is not ideal, but better than too tight. Know that your halter shrinks with time.
6. Again—halter size—during a fast moving event, rescuers are grabbing halters from wherever they can. It's a mixed up time. If your horse has a big head, put a second halter near their stall. Rescuers might not get a second chance to search for a large halter.
7. Putting information on the halter is okay, but it can't be guaranteed your horse will get their special halter. A rescuer likely won't know you or your horse's names. *During a night time evacuation*, your information can't be seen.
8. Expect that you will never see that halter again. Buy accordingly.

A night evacuation will be completely different than a daytime event.

Will they load in a dark trailer? Can you put on their halters? Are there battery and chemical lights close by? Can you be seen by drivers?

Consider your nighttime strategy.

Protect Your Horse When Disaster Strikes ASPCA News Alert Sept. 18, 2009



Tornadoes, hurricanes, floods and fires—devastating natural and man-made disasters can enter our lives at anytime, often without warning. Are you prepared to take care of your horse if tragedy strikes? Emergency situations may require anything from a brief absence from your home to permanent evacuation. Even small-scale events, such as a gas leak, can have a significant impact on your ability to help the animals in your care. It is vital for all horse parents to plan, prepare and prevent. To help you protect your horse from the dangers of both natural disasters and ordinary, everyday accidents, the ASPCA has provided a list of 10 vital actions you can take. Here's a preview of some of our life-saving tips:

Get a Move On - Practice putting a halter on your horse, and get him used to trailering. Periodically, you should practice quickly getting your horse on a trailer for the same reason that schools have fire drills—asking a group of unpracticed children to exit a burning building in a calm fashion is a little unrealistic, as is requesting a new and strange behavior of your horse. Remember, practice makes perfect!

Be a Social Butterfly - Get your horse well-socialized and used to being handled by all kinds of strangers. If possible, invite emergency responders and/or members of your local fire service to interact with your horse. It will be mutually beneficial for them to become acquainted. Firemen's turnout gear may smell like smoke and look unusual, which many horses find frightening — so, ask them to wear their usual response gear to get your horse used to its look and smell.

Visit www.trvea.org to read about your valley, the trails, TRVEA events, and interesting valley trivia. If you are interested in working on the website, let us know! We have the need for your voice and skills.

For a complete list of actions you can take, read our [Top 10 Disaster Readiness Tips for Horses](http://www.aspcanews.org/news/national/09-18-09.html).
<http://www.aspcanews.org/news/national/09-18-09.html>

A Word of Caution for Staging Area at Margarita Creek

By Doug Crugar, Bonita Valley Horsemen VP

After a ride at Santa Margarita Creek, a truck parked in the staging area had a window broken out and some contents of the vehicle were stolen! It was a real bummer and a terrible way to end a ride. The Sheriff that came and took the report said this is happening weekly at the staging area, so be careful everyone. We think we must have scared the thief off before he hit everyone's truck or stole more out of the truck he did break into. They know we are leaving for a few hours and our group of rigs is sitting unattended during that time. We ladies should not take our purses and hide them in our trucks anymore, just take what we need with us. Also, he said a lot of stuff in a truck/SUV that they can sell quickly is not good to have along. Thieves will steal tack too. Locking tack room doors on trailers is important. He said don't hide keys on your rigs because they will find them.

Please pass this on to any trail riders you know that ride there, so this doesn't happen to anymore of our friends.

Del Mar Evacuation Instructions

Submitted by Sandy Jones

In the event of an emergency: Animal Evacuation Instructions Released: September 24, 2009 DEL MAR, CA— San Diego County currently is under a Red Alert for firestorms. The staff of the Del Mar Fairgrounds would like to assist stable owners and managers, trainers and owners of horses with evacuation plans in the event of a firestorm in San Diego County, and the probability that your horses will be transported to the Del Mar Fairgrounds or Del Mar Horsepark for shelter. During the 2007 firestorms, the Fairgrounds housed about 2,200 horses and other large animals. We also sheltered animals during the 2003 Cedar fire. Based on what we learned in meetings with staff from the County's Office of Emergency Services, Animal Control, volunteers, veterinarians, and evacuees, we would like to provide information as to what to expect once you arrive at the Fairgrounds with your horses. (*cont'd next page*)

Before your horses leave your home or stables, please:

- Make sure they have halters, lead ropes and water buckets.
- Make sure the horses are identified. If your horse does not have their name on its halter, put duct tape on it with its name and your phone number. We've seen phone numbers painted on the sides and hooves of horses as well.
- If you have time, please load some hay on your trailers. While the Fairgrounds can order hay while providing shelter, its delivery can be delayed if highways are closed due to the fires.
- Pack general first aid supplies, such as antiseptic ointments and bandaging materials.

When your horses arrive at our facility, the driver of each vehicle hauling horses will be given a form to fill out for each horse. This form may be downloaded from the fairgrounds website in case you wish to print it and fill in your information before your horses are evacuated. Our staff and volunteers will do their best to get the trailers into the barn areas quickly, get the animals unloaded and into stalls. Passenger vehicles may be diverted to be parked in another area. This will be done to facilitate the sheltering of your animals, so that the trailers and vans may leave as quickly as possible to pick up more animals being evacuated and requiring shelter.

In the event of an evacuation, please call (858) 755-1161 for information. You will be prompted to enter # 1 to reach the Stable Office. We hope this information will be helpful to you while you are making your plans in the event of evacuation. For more information, please contact: Del Mar Fairgrounds 858-755-1161



info@sdfair.com

Thank you members and donors for your generous contributions to the TRVEA Emergency Fund. It has been used to help offset losses by horse owners and businesses all over the San Diego region.

Carrots Anyone?

... on the lighter side!



By Mary Christensen

Are your horses somewhat spoiled? I'm sure mine are. I'd like to think they are just well taken care of. Yes, that's it, very well taken care of. Why wouldn't they be? We love these big beautiful animals.

First of all, we spend hundreds, if not thousands of dollars to purchase just one. Then, we willingly continue to spend hundreds of dollars each month on their upkeep and care. And for some of us who decide to show...Well, you get the picture.

So, now I'm back to my question. I'll turn it on myself. Are **my** horses spoiled? Well, I try to feed them the right balance of hay and consult with my trainer as to the best supplements. Of course they are always up to date on their shots and worming, even worming them a month early because I heard some weird horse ailment was going around my ranch and it was caused from worms.

Okay, I admit it, I let my older gelding bump me lightly with his head. It's his way of politely asking for his face to be scratched. He loves it brushed, darn near falls asleep when I groom his face. And since I had to get fake fingernails for a special occasion, both my mare and gelding think they are quite useful. Should I keep them? I can't open the clasp of a necklace, open the tiny cover on my cell phone to charge it, and I'm even having difficulty typing this article for our newsletter. But, my horses love them...hmmm.

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This question came up during a ranch-side conversation I was having with another horse owner friend of mine. As we talked, I sat atop my gelding, and my friend brushed my horse's entire face with a tiny circular comb made just for that purpose. In his relaxed state of Nirvana, she tells me he needs a carrot. She returns from her tack shed with a carrot fresh from her cooler. I only feed my horses crisp chilled carrots, she tells me. And then adds, I hope you don't mind me spoiling your horse. Oh, they're not spoiled I tell her. They would only be spoiled if they demanded ranch dressing with their carrots.

Just In!!

Bill of Southwest Feed has just donated the delivery, use and pick-up of 60 bales of straw for booths at the Carnival!!

NEW Member Benefits:

The Hay Guy – TRVEA Members can get \$.50 off every bale of hay you pick up! (see links on trvea.org)

Happy Trails TRVEA Discount

Regular Prices for Happy Trails Horse Rentals:

- \$50 an Hour
- \$150 3-hour Beach Ride

TRVEA Price with DISCOUNT:

- \$40 an hour
- \$90 3-hour beach ride

For a TRVEA Member to receive a discount, the TRVEA Member must show his/her card and picture ID. If the card shows a family membership, the primary card-holder must rent the horse/s. The first time rental TRVEA Member may be requested to have a guide by the Happy Trails Management. Happy Trails reserves the right to deny rental. Please bring the horse back in good shape and tip your guide if you have one. Remember that you are representing TRVEA when you present the TRVEA ID Card. Misuse of the TRVEA card can cause revocation of the card and you could lose your membership rights. This discount cannot be combined with any other offer.

Equine Affaire sent TRVEA flyers and brochures for their 10th anniversary event on Feb 4-7, 2010 at the Fairplex in Pomona. The information will be available at the TRVEA Booth on October 17th Gymkhana and October 25 Carnival.

CALENDAR some new events



OCTOBER

- 3 Saturday Parade Practice 10 am Wigginton**
- 5 Monday BOD**
- 10 Saturday TM**
- 11 Sunday Trail Ride 12pm@ Central Staging Area**
- 17 Saturday Gymkhana Open**
- 18 Sunday Parade Practice, 2pm Wigginton**
- 25 Sunday Parade Practice 2pm Wigginton**
- NEW - 25 Sunday All Ranch Halloween Carnival**
@ Happy Trails, 2021A Sunset hosted by Happy Trails/TRVEA from 1:30 – 7 pm



Happy Thanksgiving

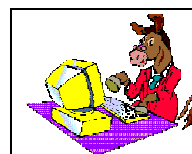
NOVEMBER

- 1 Sunday Parade Practice 2pm Wigginton**
- 2 Monday BOD**
- 7 Saturday SCHOOLING SHOW**
- 8 Sunday, Trail Ride 12pm@ Central Staging Area**
- 14 Saturday TM**
- 15 Sunday Parade Practice MANDATORY for all – riders and ground crew, support members – all ages. 2 pm Wigginton**
- 22 Sunday, MOTHER GOOSE PARADE**
- 30 Monday BOD**



DECEMBER

- 5 Saturday GEN'L MTG Awards/Christmas Party**
- 12 Saturday TM**
- 13 Sunday Trail Ride noon Central Staging Area**



A huge THANK YOU to all who wrote or submitted articles for this, our largest ever newsletter!
Gale Moriarity, editor

2009 Booth FORM

Describe your booth activity here: _____

BOOTH FEE – Pre-registration by Oct. 22 is \$25. After Oct. 22 is \$30.
CHILI Cook off FEE by Oct. 22 is \$35. Includes booth After Oct. 22 is \$45.



**SUNDAY
 OCTOBER 25,
 2009
 1:30 – 7 PM
 COME IN COSTUME!
 @ Happy Trails
 2012A Sunset Ave
 SD 92154**

1. Booth will be a 10'x10' area either on the grass or dirt at Happy Trails, 2012A Sunset Ave, SD, CA 92154. If you need more than this size, you may rent more than one booth. Each booth will be marked with a hay bale on each side and poles 8' high on which you can string your sign or banner.
2. Please bring a sign to advertise your game or activity as well as your ranch, business or group.
3. Please indicate what kind of booth you want: Activity/Game or Food or Chili COOK-Off. You will need to supply all of your needs. Booths **will not** have access to electricity. CHILI COOK-OFF contestants must pay \$25 for a booth plus pre-registration fee of \$10 = \$35 by October 22 to compete for cash prizes. **After Oct 22 booth is \$30 + chili cook-off sign up fee is \$15 = \$45.**
4. You will need to bring your own equipment and supplies: table, chairs, decorations, games/activities, prizes and trick-or-treats for children and horses.

Schedule: 1:30 – 3:30 Children's Rodeo Fun Show – open to all
 4 – 6 pm Booth Activities, Carnival games, petting zoo, pony rides, fun jump, etc
 5 – 6 pm Chili Cook – Off Contest, Costume Contests, any other organized event
 6 – 7 pm Trick-or-Treat

PRIZE FOR BEST DECORATED BOOTH. *Because this is a family oriented activity, we ask that alcohol not be served or consumed. PLEASE – NO DOGS or STALLIONS*

Keep the top part of this form as your reminder.



----- **FILL IN** then cut here and **turn in slip below** with your payment -----

Make checks payable to TRVEA and send to TRVEA 2191 Hollister Street, SD, CA 92154

Name _____ Phone # _____

Email address _____

Ranch or business _____

Pre-registration-Booth Rental = \$25 **Pre-registration Deadline Oct 22, 2009** / After Oct 22, - Booth Rental = \$30 (You may rent more than one booth if you need more room.)

Describe activity or game: _____

Food Booths Chili Cook – Off, or Other food _____ (describe food to be sold)

***** Please do not write below this line ***** OFFICIAL USE ONLY *****

PAID \$ _____ check # _____ or cash [Accepted by _____ Date _____, 2009

BOOTH

CHILI COOK-OFF Rules

- WHAT? **CHILI COOK-OFF**
Sponsored by Happy Trails Horse Rental with CASH prizes
- WHO? Ranches and businesses are encouraged to enter.
Single persons or groups may also enter.
- WHEN? Sunday, October 25, 2009
Chili must be finished by 4pm for People's Choice (sell 4 – 6 pm)
Blind Taste by judges at 5 pm
- WHERE? **Halloween Children's Fun Rodeo Carnival & Chili Cook-Off**
Fund Raiser for TRVEA – Tijuana River Valley Equestrian Assn
Happy Trails Horse Rental Park
2012A Sunset Avenue (1/4 mile west of Hollister)
San Diego, CA 92154
- WHY? Prizes: People's Choice 1st Place \$150, 2nd Place \$75, 3rd Place \$25
Blind Taste by Judges: 1st Place \$150, 2nd Place \$75, 3rd Place \$25
- COST? Pre-registration - Booth Rental = \$25 + \$10 to enter for cash prize = \$35
Pre-registration Deadline Oct 22, 2009
After Oct 22, - Booth Rental = \$30 + \$15 to enter for cash prize = \$45

RULES:

1. Chili must be cooked on site
 2. Must donate 2 qts. by 5:30 for Blind Taste Contest
The 2 qt container will be provided. Bowls for selling samples will be provided.
You must provide your own spoons.
 3. May use any NON-ELECTRIC heating source as long as it is safe.
 4. No rules on ingredients, but must POST INGREDIENTS for health and safety reasons.
The formula is your secret! May have meat or no meat, optional beans/pasta
 5. May enter both People's Choice and Blind Taste by Judges
 6. May set up and begin cooking at 11 am.
 7. Bring all of your own equipment, supplies – tables, chairs, shade, etc
 8. Make a BANNER with the **name of your group** and **CHILI COOK-OFF**
Banner may be paper or cloth or plastic or any other light weight material and affixed to 2 8' poles which will be 10' apart. You will need to bring string to tie your sign up.
 9. Bring treats for kids Trick-or-Treat which begins at all booths at 6 pm (May bring Treats for horses, too)
 7. Plan on decorating your booth, wear costumes that are safe around your heat source
 8. All Decorated booths will automatically be entered in the BEST BOOTH CONTEST
- Site for all booths will be ready for set up beginning October 11, 2009. Feel free to come in, look around and decorate early to advertise the grand event!! You may pay for the booth and chili cook-off fees at Happy Trails in person or send cash or check payable to **HAPPY TRAILS HORSE RENTAL** to Happy Trails, 2012A Hollister St, CA 92154. Write Chili Cook-Off on bottom of envelope.

Schedule:

- 1:30 – 3:30 pm Halloween Children's Fun Rodeo at back ARENA
- 4 – 6 pm Activities, games, petting zoo, pony rides, fun jump, tack sale, etc.
- 5 – 6 pm Chili Cook – Off Contest, Costume Contests, any other organized event
- 6 – 7 pm Trick-or-Treat

**HALLOWEEN Carnival
& Trick-or-TREAT**



**SUNDAY
OCTOBER 25,
2009
1:30 – 7 PM
COME IN COSTUME!
@ Happy Trails
2012A Sunset Ave
SD 92154**



Happy Trails and TRVEA are presenting a HALLOWEEN CARNIVAL with Trick-or-Treat, Chili Cook-Off Competition, Activity/Game booths and Costume Contests for the Community families and their horses. (Horses are optional, if child brings a horse, it **must** be able to tie.) on Sunday, October 25th from 1:30 pm to 7 pm at Happy Trails, 2012A Sunset Ave, SD 92154. All are invited to compete for a Chili Cook-Off.

Children need not be TRVEA members or have a horse to participate.

Schedule:

- 1:30 – 3:30 Children’s Fun Rodeo & Free Costume Contest – some events don’t even need a horse!
\$5 per class
- 4 – 6 pm Activities, games, petting zoo, pony rides, fun jump, tack sale, etc
- 5 – 6 pm Chili Cook – Off Contest, Costume Contests, any other organized event
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- WHAT?** Halloween Carnival and Children’s Fun Rodeo
- WHEN?** Sunday October 25, 2009 from 1:30 to 7 pm
- WHO? OPEN to Public,** Children and their parents, open to all to attend and enjoy
- COST?** Free Admission to site and playground. Tickets for games/activities/food range from \$1 to \$5. All ticket sales will be split 50% with TRVEA for fund raiser. Tickets will be available at the ticket Booth.

WHERE? Happy Trails Horse Rental, 2012A Sunset Ave, San Diego, CA 92154

MAY MY BUSINESS or GROUP or Individual PARTICIPATE? Yes.

See trvea.org for how to become involved.

Because this is a family event, we ask that no alcohol be consumed. No dogs. No stallions. Thank you.

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YOU AND YOUR FAMILY ARE INVITED