



COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Cowboy Poetry and Music Festival
SATURDAY, MAY 6, 7 PM
CHILI AND CORNBREAD AT 6 PM
CHILI CONTEST ENTRIES DUE AT 5 PM
EMPTY SADDLE CLUB

Mayor's Breakfast Ride
SATURDAY, MAY 13, 8:30 AM
CHANDLER PARK – ERNIE
HOWLETT PARK
More information on page 3

**Portuguese Bend Pony Club
Annual Pancake Breakfast**
SATURDAY, MAY 20, 9:00 AM
PORTUGUESE BEND PONY CLUB,
2 W. POMEGRANTE RD, RPV
More information on page 4

Poker for the Ponies Casino Night
SATURDAY, MAY 20, 5–10 PM
THE TANGEN RESIDENCE
More information on page 7

Equestrian Committee Meeting
MONDAY, MAY 22, 7 – 9 PM
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26 th Annual
COWBOY MUSIC
and
POETRY FESTIVAL
With CHILI COOK OFF!
Sponsored by the Palos Verdes Peninsula Horsemen's Association
MAY 6, 2023 7 PM
EMPTY SADDLE CLUB
39 Empty Saddle Club Rd RHE CA. 90274
To SIGN UP or MORE INFO call
BRUCE 562-331-0686

All are welcome at the 26th Annual **Cowboy Music and Poetry Festival and Chili Cook-Off** this May 6th at the Empty Saddle Club! There will be a **\$5 per person** donation for the chili and cornbread dinner which will start at 6:00 PM. Please remember that because of this event, **there will be no general meeting of the PVPHA this month.** We're excited to see you there!

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PANCAKE BREAKFAST MADE BY
OUR LOCAL SCOUTS!

MAY 13, 2023
8:30 AM - 11:00AM

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CHANDLER PARK-
4045 PALOS VERDES DRIVE N.

END:
ERNIE HOWLETT PARK-
25851 HAWTHORNE BLVD.

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City of Rolling Hills Estates Mayor's Ride

Local equestrians are invited to meet at Chandler Park with their horse on Saturday, May 13, 2023 at 8:30 AM to saddle up for a tour of beautiful scenic trails! Chandler Park is located at the northwest corner of Crenshaw Boulevard and Palos Verdes Drive North, just west of Rolling Hills Estates City Hall.

The tour will conclude at Ernie Howlett Park, located at 25851 Hawthorne Boulevard, where the Scouts will be serving their traditional pancake breakfast. Tickets will be available for purchase soon.



Pony Club PORTUGUESE BEND PONY CLUB

Annual Pancake Breakfast

\$10/person

SATURDAY, MAY 20TH
9:00-11:30 am

WHERE:

THE PORTUGUESE BEND PONY CLUB
2 W. POMEGRANATE RD,
RANCHO PALOS VERDES

WHAT'S INCLUDED:

PANCAKES, BERRIES,
SAUSAGE (VEG OPTION
AVAILABLE), ORANGE JUICE,
COFFEE



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CONTACT: KELLY DELMONTE: 310 567-8026

Horseless Rally hosted by Portuguese Bend Pony Club

PB Pony Club had 2 teams- one in Gold division and one in Silver Division.

The Silver division team was paired with the Riverview Pony Club from Ojai to make a complete team. This team placed 1st in Overall and 2nd in Horse Management!



The Portuguese Bend Team #2 (Silver) from L to R- Peder Sorenson and Sol Sorenson from Portuguese Bend paired up with pony clubbers from Riverview PC in Ojai.



Sol and Peder of PBPC receiving pre-inspection instructions from their team captain.

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Another Great V6 Ranch Ride!

By Nancy Wildman

A wonderful time was had by all who attended the 2023 V6 Ranch Ride April 24-28. The weather was perfect and flowers, greenery and water were available in abundance! The ranch is always beautiful, but this year it was incredible! 28 individuals from Palos Verdes as well as out of town friends and family joined the fun. We spent our days trail riding, gathering cattle, and playing with those cattle in the sorting pen. Oh, and eating! The food is always delicious and this year was no exception.

If you'd like to join us next year, our dates are set for **April 22–26, 2024**.

For more information check out their website <https://www.v6ranch.com> or call Nancy Wildman at (310)729-3266.

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Chili Cook-Off Contest Entry Form

FIRST PRIZE: \$100 SECOND PRIZE: \$50 THIRD PRIZE: \$25

WHEN: Saturday, May 6th

WHERE: Empty Saddle Club

NAME: _____

PHONE: _____

EMAIL: _____



CONTEST RULES

1. Chili needs to be in a crock pot.
2. Chili needs to be at the Empty Saddle Club by **5:00 PM.**
3. EMAIL your entry form to Charlene O’Neil at cmoneil@aol.com with “Chili Contest” in the subject line, or TEXT Charlene at (310) 422-1212 and you will receive a number. That number will be placed with the crock pot. Judging will take place in the kitchen of the Empty Saddle Club between 5:30 and 6:00 PM.
4. Please send in your entry by Friday, May 5th, 2023
5. Winners need not be present. Winners will be announced at the Cowboy Poetry and Music Festival May 6, 2023.

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April Meeting Recap: Manes for Movement

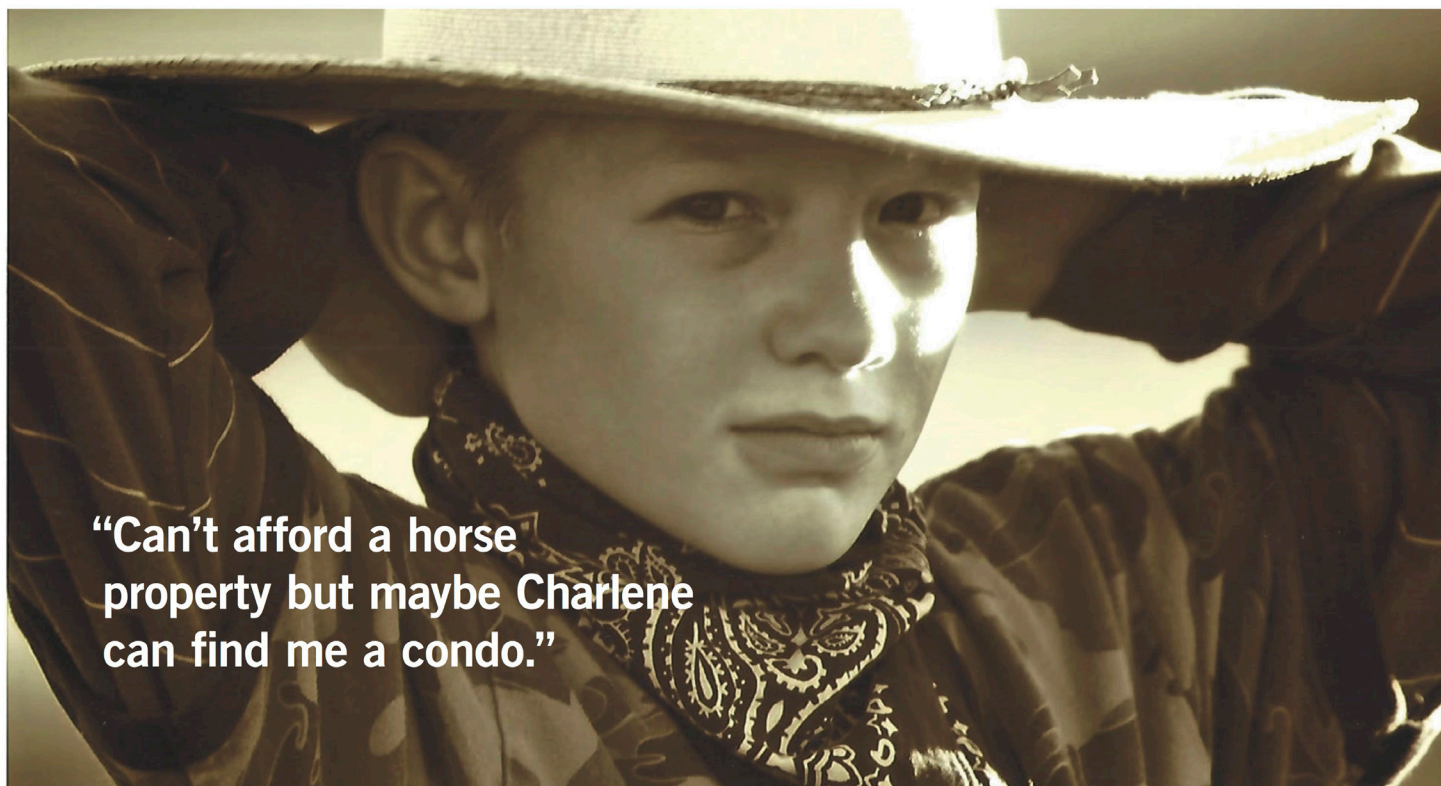
By Nancy Wildman and Erin O'Mahony

At the April PVPHA meeting Manes for Movement hosted a fun and informative equestrian trivia night. Equestrian trivia consisted of 5 different rounds of horse related questions, from information on different riding disciplines, equestrian competition, horse care, horse movies and TV, and horse related songs. Everyone who participated not only enjoyed a fun evening of friendly competition, but also learned some interesting horse knowledge along the way. The three winners of the competition each received a \$10 gift certificate

to Lomita Feed. At halftime, Manes for Movement Executive Director, Dr. Erin O'Mahony, was able to share additional information about the life-changing equine-assisted programming being offered to families with special needs and disabilities in our PV and South Bay community.

Manes for Movement's mission is to help improve daily function, and positively impact the lives of children and adults with disabilities in the South Bay and greater Los Angeles community through the use of equine (or horse) assisted therapies and recreational riding activities. Currently they offer a full continuum of services from

recreational adaptive horseback riding lessons, to medically based therapy interventions like Hippotherapy that help people achieve their functional goals, such as walking, talking, sensory processing, and more. Manes for Movement serves children as young as 18 months old through adulthood with a variety of neurodevelopmental, genetic, and psychological diagnoses. In 2022 Manes for Movement provided over 1800 hours of direct service hours to children and adults with disabilities, and is on track to deliver over 2000 hours of direct services in 2023. Not only does Manes for Movement offer life changing services, but they



“Can’t afford a horse property but maybe Charlene can find me a condo.”

also serve as a valuable avenue for teens and adults to volunteer their time to assist with their programming, inspiring them to participate in better disability inclusion and advocacy in the South Bay community.

As a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, Manes for Movement strives to make their life-changing services accessible to all who can benefit from them. They do this by offering prorated fees to all of their participants, at a fraction of the actual cost to conduct their equine facilitated services. They also offer further discounted programming to families who can demonstrate significant financial need, as well as families of active-duty military personnel and veterans. But in order for Manes for Movement to continue to do this, they rely heavily on donations and giving from the community. Manes for Movement will be hosting their inaugural Poker for the Ponies Casino Night fundraiser on May 20, 2023 in Rolling Hills Estates, and would love for everyone in the PV community to attend! For more information please visit their website at www.manesformovement.com/poker-for-the-ponies/

Portuguese Bend Pony Club

In addition to the fun horse trivia contest, we had a visit from Krishna VanBuren from the Portuguese Bend Pony Club who told us a little bit about the club and their current needs. The United States Pony Clubs, Inc., develops character, leadership, confidence and a sense of community in youth through a program that teaches the care of horses and ponies, riding and mounted sports.

Portuguese Bend Pony Club is located in Rancho Palos Verdes. This club is incredibly lucky to have a beautiful facility overlooking the Pacific Ocean, with a big jumping arena, a full-size dressage arena, a round pen, some cross-country obstacles and access to miles of spectacular trails.

Most club members either own or lease horses that live at the facility, but there are also members who live in the neighborhood and hack over for lessons and other activities. Like most Pony Clubs, there are youth members who are 25 years old and under, and a Horsemasters group made up of adult riders. The club offers weekly lessons in jumping and dressage, usually held on Saturday mornings, as well as clinics, camps, and opportunities to compete at local shows and regional Pony Club rallies.



MANES FOR MOVEMENT PRESENTS

POKER FOR THE PONIES CASINO NIGHT AND TEXAS HOLD'EM TOURNAMENT

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The Pony Club currently has stalls available and is looking for feed leases and horse sharing arrangements. There are also lots of volunteer opportunities available as well as a Pancake Breakfast coming up later this month. See the flyer located on page four for more information.

USPC Pony Clubs and Riding Centers are assigned to one of 41 geographical regions, which are administered by a volunteer *Article continued on next page* Regional

Supervisor (RS) and other appointed and elected officers. Regions offer additional activities and opportunities for members and support for the club and center leaders under their administration. Portuguese Bend Pony Club is part of the Camino Real Region. Visit the region's website for the contact information for the Regional Officers: <https://caminoreal.ponyclub.org/>

Visit the Pony Club website to learn more about the Pony Club educational program, national events, activities and opportunities for members: <https://portuguesebend.ponyclub.org/>

Junior Achievement Award

Finally, we had a junior achievement award presentation. Our worthy recipient is 15 year old Cathy Litchfield, the fourth and last Litchfield daughter to receive this award. As such, Sean Martin had to trick her with a horse demonstration ploy to get her to the Empty Saddle Club without raising suspicion about why she was going there. Cathy received a certificate and \$75 cash for her notable activity in our horse community. See photos of Cathy on the right.



Cathy Litchfield with Sean Martin after receiving the junior achievement award. Photo provided by Jenny Litchfield.

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Elections will be held in June, as per the PVPHA bylaws. The following positions are up for election:

- VP Fiscal Affairs
- VP Education
- Treasurer
- Corresponding Secretary

Those who are interested in running or nominating someone for a position on the Board of Directors should contact the Nominating Committee Chair Melody Colbert.

Nominating Committee Chair Contact:
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