

The Ranch Hand

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“Providing a safe home for youth who have experienced physical or emotional trauma, where every act is done with love to help them discover the dignity of the human person and learn the skills to manage life’s challenges.”

Spiritual Testimonial



One particular program that helps the children is the Spiritual program. Within the walls of the Holy Family Chapel, the children can be open and honest about their emotions and experiences. They know that they will not be judged, but receive support from each other and Home On The Range employees. It takes a lot of courage to share their stories in front of their peers, and to face what has happened to them. This is just a part of the healing process. The following story is a testimonial given by one of the girls during a Chapel service.

“I’m here to talk about my life and it has had many challenges so I hope you can understand. My mom gave me up when I was a year and four months old. I was placed in a home where I was sexually abused from ages 3 to 10. When it was discovered I was being sexually assaulted, somehow all the blame was put on me.

I was broken and confused and questioning a lot about life. During that time on a walk to school, a kid talked to me about God. I personally thought God was someone who answered all your prayers. I was like six and instead of prayers I called it pairs. Truth is, I had no clue how to pray or reach out to God til about 13. You may say no prayer is bad, but I would sit there and ask God for nothing but Barbie’s and a Christmas.

Anyway, when I was 13 years old, my only family, my grandma, gave me up to a foster home. This foster home was great. They taught me how to give God my trust and love. But long story short, I was kicked out of this home. Again, feeling blamed, broken and confused. After this, I was sent to my first group home. This group home is how I met my best friend. She is an amazing support for my life. I love her so much because I was really losing faith in God. Without her I am not sure I would be here today. I tried to commit suicide; three attempts in four days. My case worker sent me to a residential treatment facility. I got back on the right track and started to believe and love God again. I was there for six months and my faith was strong. I ended up going back out into the community but things got bad again.

I fell to a new low and ended up in situations that are horrible and full of hurt and pain. I blamed God for everything that has happened to me. Men, drugs, and alcohol became my counterfeit God. They did nothing but give me more and more pain. Clearly I didn’t make it and went back to placement.

I am now at Home On The Range. I am still healing from my trauma. I know that God is a God of second chances and that God has not given up on me. God has a plan for me. At HOTR, I have been going to Church, prayer group, and bible studies. I have had opportunities like this to share how God does not give up on any of us.

I am learning accountability in my decisions. Like in Romans 8:28: “for we know all things will work together for good to those who love God.”

I am learning to choose to love God in every choice. By doing this, all this bad that has happened to me can be used for good. It can redeem my life and help others.”

This young lady continues to be active in the spiritual program, engages with the youth minister to strengthen her faith, and is a role model to others.



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G.E.D. testing site



Home On The Range will soon be a private G.E.D. testing site! Our application was recently approved by the Department of Public Instruction. The testing site will only be available to the HOTR children. The HOTR and Beach School District staff will monitor the students when they are studying or taking practice tests. Staff will supervise students as they take their final exams. This is a great opportunity for our students because the testing schedule won't be required to follow the school calendar. Our staff also won't have to schedule special trips to cities such as Dickinson, Williston, Minot, etc. Another advantage is if the student(s) completed part of the exams in another school district, they can now finish their series of tests while they are at HOTR. The best part is when our children successfully complete and pass all the tests, they have a G.E.D. certificate when they apply for a secondary education or employment opportunities.

Join us for the 6th Annual
Mouse House
Saturday, December 5th 9:00am-4:00pm
Grace Church Gymnasium (1060 3rd Ave. NW-Beach)
Preschool - 8th graders can come shop for their families!
Kids pick presents from \$5.00 - \$5 tables. Presents will also be wrapped and ready to go under the tree!
We are looking for **NEW** donated items, such as candles, purses, tote bags, journal books, slippers, perfume, coffee cups, picture frames, knick knacks, hats, gloves, tools, etc. Please contact Vanessa at 701-872-3745 or vanessau@hotrnd.com if you have items to donate. Items can be dropped off at Beach City Hall or Home On The Range.
All donations would be greatly appreciated!

Next year, the rodeo arena will look a lot different! The rodeo committee has been raising money for a new arena, bucking chutes, announcer's stand and holding pens. Thanks to donations of pipe and sucker-rod from Continental Resources, WPX Energy, Sinclair and Williston Tank Rentals, the arena is coming to fruition. Major corporations and many individuals have pledged to help with this project, either through sponsorships, financial contributions, or in-kind donations of time, labor or equipment. The goal is to have the new arena ready for the 65th Anniversary of the Match on **August 7, 2021.**



64th Champions Ride Results



Long Go

Cowboy	Bronc	Score	Place
Zeke Thurston	Dirty Lizard	87	1/2
Jacob Kammerer	Straight Jacket	87	1/2
Cole Elshere	Wolf Pup	86.5	3
Lefty Holman	Maria Bartiromo	85	4/5/6
Ryder Wright	Painted Bunny	85	4/5/6
Taos Muncy	Bridal Shower	85	4/5/6
Rusty Wright	Special Time	84	7
Shorty Garrett	SS	83.5	8/8
Allen Boore	Julia	83.5	8/8

Short Go

Cowboy	Bronc	Score	Place
Shorty Garrett	Black Tie	90	1/2
Taos Muncy	Lunatic from Hell	90	1/2
Ryder Wright	Bartender	88.5	3/4
Zeke Thurston	Stacked Deck	88.5	3/4
Cole Elshere	Professional Lunatic	86.5	5
CoBurn Bradshaw	Testify	86	6/6
Allen Boore	Bubble Bath	86	6/6

*Congratulations to our 2020 Champion with
175.5 total points ZEKE THURSTON!*

On August 1, 2020, the Champions Ride Saddle Bronc Match hosted their 64th Annual fundraising event. On a beautiful sunny Saturday, more than 1,500 rodeo fans gathered on hillsides to cheer for the top PRCA cowboys. After riding two broncs, Zeke Thurston, Big Valley, AB, was crowned the 2020 Champion. He scored 87 points on J Bar J Rodeo's L74 Dirty Lizard in the long round. In the short round, Zeke scored 88.5 points on J Bar J's L02+ Stacked Deck. This was Zeke's second championship. He also won the Match in 2016.



Thank you to ALL our Champions Ride sponsors!

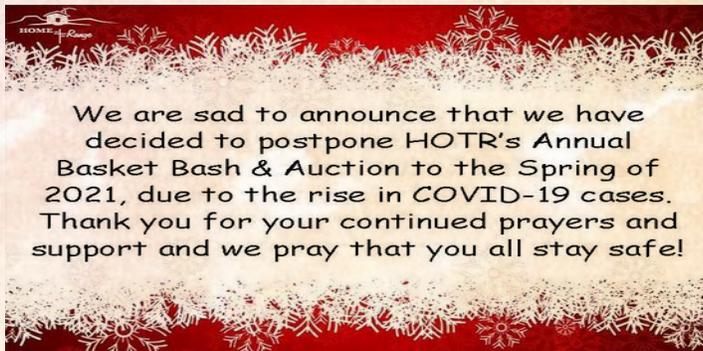


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Upcoming Events



6th Annual Mouse House
Grace Church Gymnasium
Saturday, December 5, 2020

4th Annual Dakota Scramble
Golf Tournament at Bully Pulpit Golf Course
Sunday, June 27, 2021

65th Annual Champions Ride
Saddle Bronc Match
Saturday, August 7, 2021 - 1:00pm MDT

Home On The Range is on Facebook and Instagram! Become a fan by searching for "Home On The Range" and "Home on the Range Champions Ride Match" and stay informed of our events and activities.



Our organization provides a therapeutic ranch environment for boys and girls who are disadvantaged, neglected, problematic, predelinquent and delinquent. Children of all races, creeds, and colors are served at our facility located in Sentinel Butte, North Dakota.