



# PASS IN REVIEW

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## AUCTION

The 2013 WAA Fundraising Silent Auction  
October 26th—27th  
at **Annual Show, Horsecapades**



### Auction items include:

- ☞ Signed sports memorabilia
- ☞ Gift certificates to Denver-area restaurants and spas
- ☞ Entrance passes to Colorado attractions
- ☞ Tickets to arts and entertainment events
- ☞ Artwork by talented artists (some of whom are Alumni!)
- ☞ Tack and horse supplies
- ☞ Valuable jewelry
- ☞ Gift baskets
- ☞ Much, much more!
- ☞ Would you like to donate items to this year's auction? Please contact us at [info@westernairesalumni.org](mailto:info@westernairesalumni.org)

Help the Westernaires Alumni Association to raise funds by bidding on auction items. With a cornucopia of dozens of items of varying value and description, we know there is something of interest for everyone who participates.

Amidst our gorgeous and diverse auction items, choose from items to enhance your home, gift certificates for services to refresh your spirit, lots of dining certificates to please your palate, and events that the whole family can enjoy!

With each bid, donation, or referral, you will have the pleasure and satisfaction of knowing that you have helped our fundraising efforts to support Westernaires!

Check out Page 3 for more Annual Show information



## Sponsor a Westernaire Horse

This year, the Alumni Association is teaming up with the Westernaire Wranglers to raise funds for the Sponsor a Westernaire Horse program.

The Westernaire Wranglers have made gorgeous cork horses in the likeness of the current Westernaire rental string horses, affectionately referred to as the "Herd".

Sponsor ANY Westernaire horse, in memoriam or living, rental horse or owner horse, pony or draft. All money collected from the program goes directly to an encumbered fund for the Westernaire string, helping to ensure that the rental horses will always continue to have the tack, supplements, and state-of-the-art care that they need.

Similar to other sponsorship programs, individuals can contribute on a one-time basis, or on a repeated, regular basis.

The Westernaire Alumni Association officially began the Sponsor a Horse program at the 60th Anniversary gala event in August 2009, and we're happy that the program has already been a great success.

Never fear if you see that your favorite Westernaire horse has already been sponsored by someone—horses can be sponsored by more than one person, and ANY horse can be sponsored.

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# Westernaires Recognized as Living Landmark

**Award commemorates 30 years of commitment by Glen E. Keller, Jr.**

On May 17th, the Golden Landmark Association, one of the oldest historical preservation institutions in the State of Colorado, designated the Westernaires a "Living Landmark" at an awards dinner and ceremony at Mount Vernon Country Club.

Also at that ceremony, the Westernaires Board of Directors recognized the commitment of Glen E. Keller Jr., who has served as the Director of Westernaires for the past 30 years. A copy of this recognition is now on display in the Equestrian Center at Fort Westernaire.

Mr. Elmer E. Wyland passed away on May 21st, 1983. The Westernaire Board of Directors appointed Keller as his successor the following day.

The Westernaires Board commissioned a piece of art from Westernaire alumnus Greg Whitaker (1993 graduate) as a token of their appreciation for his dedication. The picture portrays a team of horses being driven: a particularly meaningful subject matter, as Keller demonstrates his love of driving at each year's National Western Stock Show parade. Several Westernaire Board members, as well as Greg Whitaker, attended the ceremony.

**The Alumni Association congratulates Westernaires for this very honorable distinction, and congratulates Glen E. Keller, Jr. for his successes over the past 30 years.**

*On May 22, 1983, Glen E. Keller, Jr. accepted the responsibility of leading the Westernaires, following the death of the Founder, E.E. Wyland.*

*The Board of Directors of Westernaires, on behalf of the youth of Jefferson County, Colorado, the current members, and volunteers of Westernaires, recognize Glen E. Keller, Jr. for his thirty years' of service as the Director.*

*Glen E. Keller, Jr. is dedicated to Westernaires' mission of encouraging young people to learn self-respect, responsibility, and leadership through horsemanship and family participation.*

*Glen E. Keller, Jr. is determined to see Westernaire members excel in all they do, and become the leaders of tomorrow.*

*Glen E. Keller, Jr. is passionate about western history and values, and ensuring that Westernaires consistently model those values.*

*Glen E. Keller, Jr. is driven to provide the very best opportunities for Westernaires.*

*Glen E. Keller, Jr. acted on his dedication and determination to build Westernaire's training program, livery, equipment, facilities, and volunteers into a strong, lasting organization serving the youth of Jefferson County.*

*Glen E. Keller, Jr., Westernaires' Builder, provided the vision and leadership for 30 years that earned Westernaires recognition as a Golden Landmark.*



**Glen E. Keller, Jr.  
With Grateful Recognition  
1983 - Westernaire Director - 2013**

## Westernaires joins the King Soopers Neighborhood Rewards Program

### *A message from the Westernaire Wranglers*

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Alumni, friends and families: Please join us to support Westernaires. This program costs nothing but a few moments of your time. When you use your Westernaires King Soopers Reloadable Gift Card - 5% of the amount you load onto the card comes back to Westernaires thanks to the generosity of King Soopers / Kroger.

#### Here's how it works:

1. Purchase a reloadable gift card from Westernaires for \$5 - that card comes loaded with \$5 to spend on groceries, gas or pharmacy. Your card is reloadable as long as you keep a balance on the card - it can be loaded over and over again giving 5% back every time.
2. Load your card. Simply stop by the customer service desk to load your card for any amount up to \$500, which can be used indefinitely (never expires). You can also reload at the register before they ring you up. Load your card by paying cash, check or credit - use a card that pays miles/points and double dip! A great way to budget for groceries/gas/pharmacy and "give" at the same time!

3. Use your card. Once the card is loaded, it's just like cash. It's a good idea to make a photo copy of the back of your card - scratch off the tab first to reveal pin code and check your balance anytime at [www.gcbalance.com](http://www.gcbalance.com)

The balance remaining on your card is always printed on your receipt as well.

King Soopers Reloadable Gift Cards are accepted at most Kroger affiliated stores **throughout the U.S.** - including Loaf 'N Jug - which means out of town family and friends can also participate to support Westernaires.

To purchase your Westernaires King Soopers reloadable card for \$5, please

contact Gayle Hayungs ([gsuz3@comcast.net](mailto:gsuz3@comcast.net)), Cheryl Strauber ([cstrauber@comcast.net](mailto:cstrauber@comcast.net)) or Larry DeSaules ([ldesaul@comcast.net](mailto:ldesaul@comcast.net)) for cards.

Start the habit of paying for all your King Soopers purchases with your new Westernaires reloadable gift card today...  
Thank You for 5%!



# The 2013 Annual "Horsecapades" Show

Oct. 26th & 27th

Visit, mix, and mingle with other alumni at the Alumni Association booth on the midway level of the Event Center.

There are four Horsecapades shows this year. Show times are:

**Saturday, October 26, 10:00 AM**  
**Saturday, October 26, 2:00 PM**  
**Saturday, October 26, 7:00 PM**  
**Sunday, October 27, 2:00 PM**

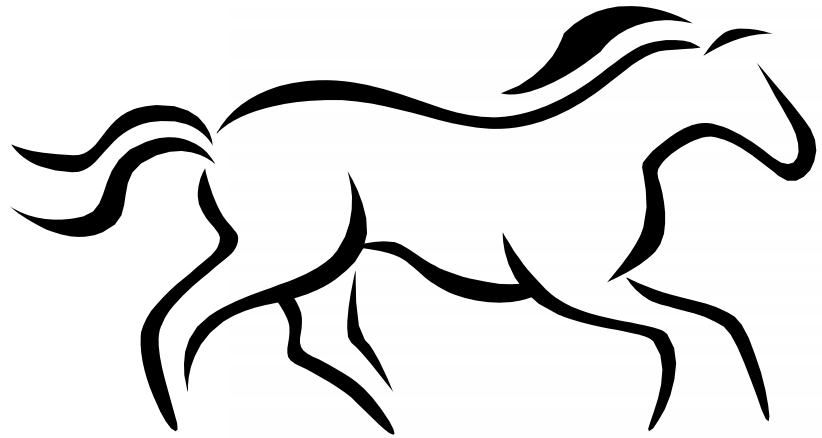
Tickets are **\$8.00** each. To purchase tickets, you may:

- ✉ Mail us a check or money order. Please include the number of tickets you wish to purchase, the show(s) you wish to attend, your mailing address, and how you wish to take delivery of the tickets. We can either send the tickets to you, or you can pick them up at the Will Call window on the day of the show.

- ✉ Purchase tickets online from our website. We take Visa, MasterCard, and Discover cards. Simply go to [www.westernairesalumni.org](http://www.westernairesalumni.org) to purchase online from our secure checkout functionality. We can either send the tickets to you, or you can pick them up at the Will Call window on the day of the show.
- ✉ Show up on the day of the show and purchase tickets at the ticket window. However, many shows sell out, so purchasing your tickets in advance is a wise decision!

**Don't plan to be in the Denver area on October 26th and 27th? Help to support the cause by purchasing donation tickets!** All donation tickets are 100% tax deductible.

The Westernaires Alumni Association will have a booth at Annual Show again this year, so please stop by and see us. We'll be performing additional fund raising, and we'll be celebrating alumni and old friends at our Homecoming show.



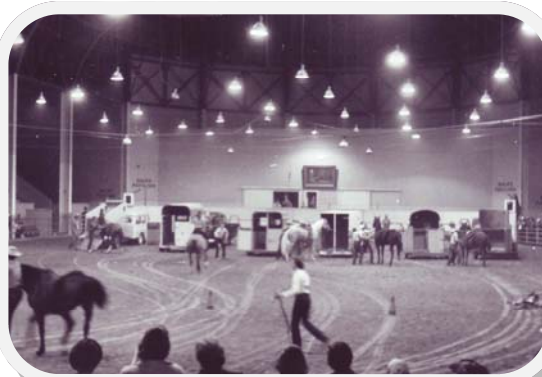
## Bringing a Horse to Annual Show?

Are you an alumnus who would like to bring your own horse to Annual Show? Upon your arrival on October 26th, please stop in at the Barn Office (it's on the northeast side of warm-up arena) and check in with Barn Superintendent Larry Britton. Please be aware that you must purchase a ticket to ride in the show.

Larry will provide you with a stall and a stall card. The stall fees have not yet been set, but will be approximately \$10.00 for the entire weekend. Please bring your own feed

and any necessary supplements and tack that you may require.

**Anyone who rents a stall will be expected to fully clean the stall upon departure on October 27th, after the show.** Many alumni, in years past, have left without cleaning their stalls. Let's be good stewards in the Westernaire community by cleaning up after ourselves!



Above: The Trailer Race at Annual Show 1955.  
Below: Grand Entry salutes at Annual Show 1991.





## Alumni Ride 2013

Hundreds of alumni came out to ride and spectate at Alumni Week this past August.

## In Memoriam

We'd like to take a moment to remember those who have recently left us.

Alan Courtwright

Chris "Gundy" Gunderson

Venerable Westernaire instructor and posseman for over 35 years

Westernaires class of 1985

We will never forget you.

### Richard "Alan" Courtwright (1928 - 2013)

#### Obituary



Survived by his daughters, Nancy Courtwright & Susan (Kevin) Snow; grandchildren, Nicholas, Annie & Adam; uncle of Jeri F. Lee, John, Jim & Jeff Fidler. He was preceded in death by his wife, Barbara Y. Courtwright & sister, Nina Fidler. Alan was involved in the non-profit organization, Westernaires, in which he enjoyed 35 years of instructing riders and watching them grow into

young adults. In lieu of flowers, donations to Westernaires, 15200 W 6th Ave Ste B, Golden, Colorado 80401.