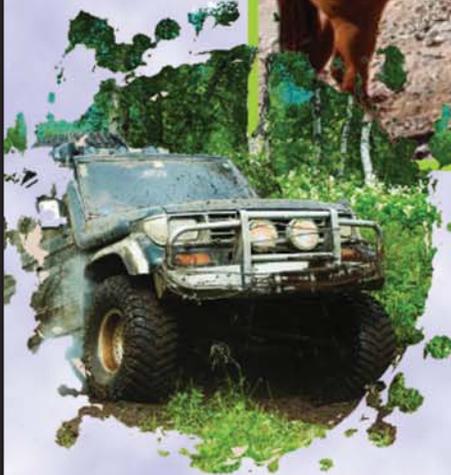


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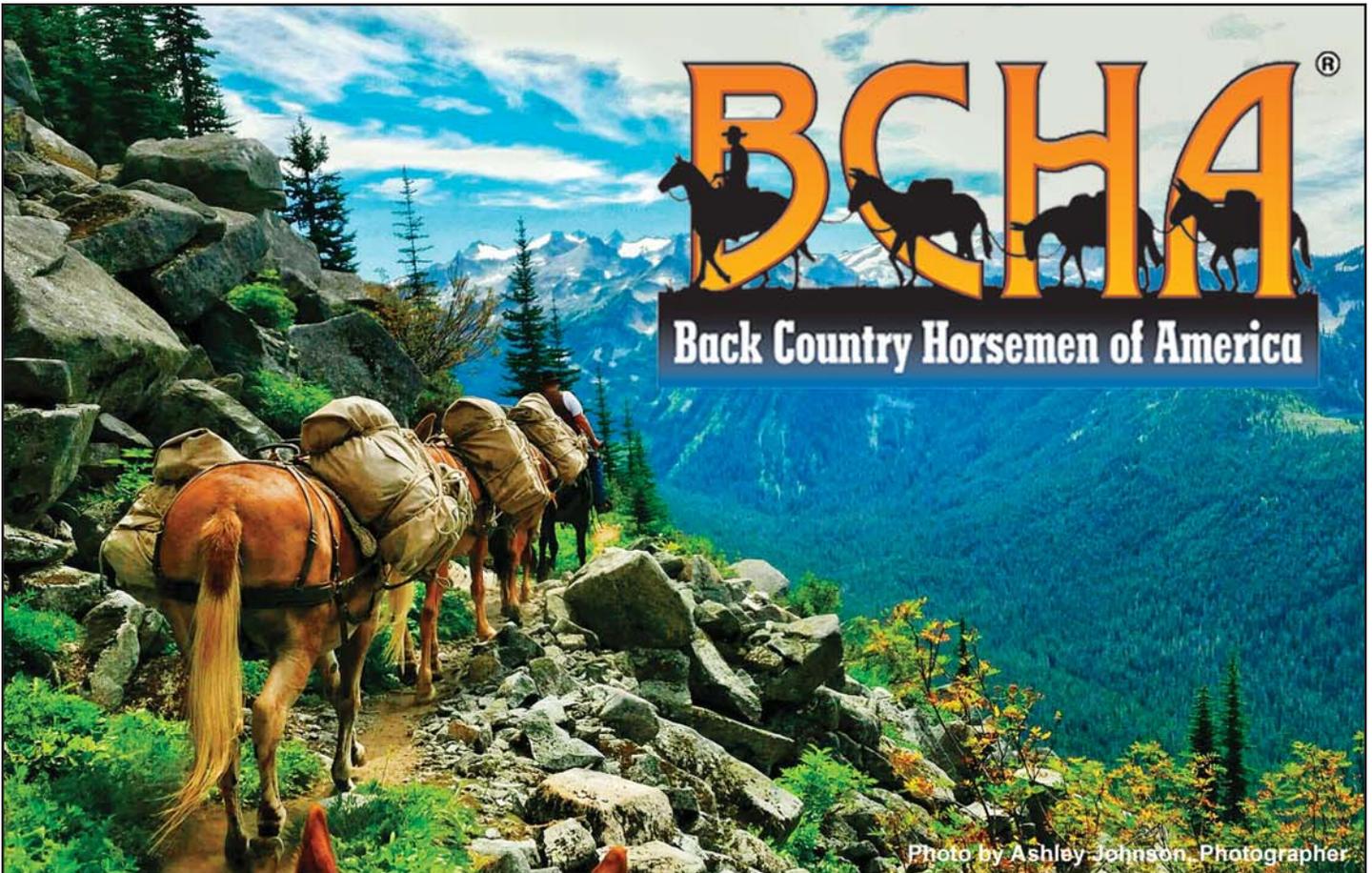
A National Symposium for All Trail Users

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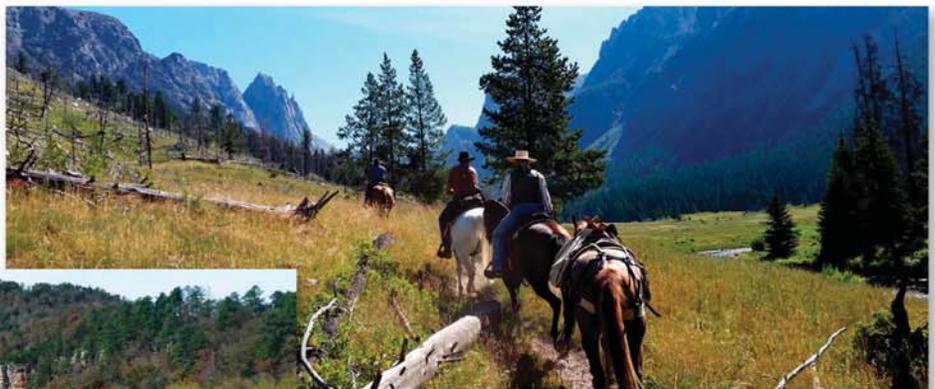


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Back Country Horsemen of America (BCHA) is a nation-wide organization that is committed to protecting the access of equestrians to public lands. We are devoted equestrians who love to ride and explore new trails. We assist with trail maintenance and improvement projects, keeping trails clear for all user groups. We welcome riders of all types, ages and interests into our chapters!



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Welcome to the Sharing the Trails Symposium

On behalf of the Arizona Horse Council and the AzHC Equine Education & Research Corporation, we welcome you to the beautiful state of Arizona. Trail usage in all forms has grown exponentially. Once quiet trails are now overpopulated. Preservation, protection and growth of the trails requires efforts from all trail user groups, working together and cooperating to share the trails.

The Sharing The Trails symposium is designed to foster connections between diverse trail user groups while learning from a wide variety of speakers who represent a vast knowledge of trail issues. The program is designed to help you and your organizations grow and succeed, while building connections that will further enhance your organization's ability to lead the way to better enjoyment of the beauty of the outdoors.

We have an information-packed program that covers everything from working with legislators to subjects of interest to various trail users. We want to encourage all users to work towards the common goal of keeping the trails open for everyone to enjoy.

The purpose of the symposium is to combine the knowledge of the speakers with the thoughts, ideas, and questions of the attendees in order to develop a body of knowledge that is greater than any one person started with—a body of knowledge that all can take back to their respective organizations that can be implemented to grow and enhance the organization and its membership. Participate, ask questions, discuss ideas, and make the most of this unique experience.

Friday Schedule

10:00 - 12:00

Registration

12:00 - 12:50

Discuss restrictions and requirements they must meet and stay within when addressing activities, existing trails, ad hoc trails, trail improvements, trail movements, and or new trails.

Greg Schuster, Recreation Program Manager, Tonto National Forest, U.S. Forest Service

1:00 - 1:50

Connecting Communities: Integrating Transportation and Recreation Networks

Christopher Douwes, Community Planner with the Federal Highway Administration

2:00 - 2:50

Trail Communities—the ACE Approach to Training Trail Stewards

Jordan Rolfe, Director, American Conservation Experience (ACE) of Arizona

Mark Loseth, National Trails Director, American Conservation Experience (ACE)

3:00 - 3:50

Trail Planning and How Various User Groups Can Work Together

Patrick Kell, Southwest Region Director, International Mountain Biking Association (IMBA)

4:00 - 6:00

Since the hotel is located across the street from one of the City of Phoenix Desert and Mountain Parks and Preserves, North Mountain Park, and is used by many hikers, bikers, as well as equestrians, we will have the opportunity to see the trails of one of the Phoenix Mountain Preserves that are throughout the valley. We will also have the opportunity to observe a sunset over Phoenix and the Valley of the Sun.

A reception will be provided at the North Mountain Visitor Center area. The center is within a short walking distance from the hotel with an under-the-road tunnel to keep you off the road. Take the tunnel beside the tennis courts to the North Mountain Visitor Center.

Saturday Schedule

Track A

Track B

8:00 - 8:50

Land managers will discuss restrictions and requirements that they must meet and stay within when addressing recreational activities, existing trails, trail improvements, trail movement and or new trails.

Lisa Adkins, Commissioner, Arizona State Land Dept.
Rem Hawes, Field Manager, Bureau of Land Mgmt

Dealing with Drones on the Trail
Claire Miller, Phoenix Parks and Recreation

9:00 - 9:50

How to Share Trails When Equestrians are Included
Gwen and Bud Wills, Trail Stewardship Program,
Pennsylvania Horse Council

Development of Programs to Assist Law Rnforcement:
A Case Study
Daniel Rosenfield, Vice President, Arizona Horse Council
Saebra Pipoly, Owner/Founder of Hoof Falls &
Footfalls, LLC

10:00 - 10:50

Benefits of Equine Assisted Therapy and the Support
Necessary for Such Programs

Lisa Péwé, Board President/Executive Director,
Envision Therapeutic Horsemanship

11:00 - 12:30 Lunch and Speaker Dr. Temple Grandin

1:00 - 1:50

Trail Stewardship Programs and Working Together for Trails
Claire Miller, Phoenix Parks and Recreation
Matt Nelson, Executive Director, Arizona Trail Assoc.
John Rose, Trail Manager, Maricopa County Parks &
Recreation

Rattlesnakes! Fact & Fiction. Learn to stay safe in the out-
doors, what to do if you see a rattlesnake and what not to do.
Live rattlesnakes, gila monsters from all around Arizona will be
on display (safely behind locked glass!).
Bryan Hughes, Owner, Rattlesnake Solutions

2:00 - 2:50

National Scenic Trails to Include the Arizona Trail
Ellen Shopes and Larry Simkins

Secrets for a Successful Grant Application and Where to
Look for Grant Funding
Mickey Rogers, Chief of Grants and Trails,
Arizona State Parks and Trails
Jennie Miller, JAM Nonprofit Consulting LLC

3:00 - 3:50

Looking Forward for National and State issues.
Back Country Horsemen of America
American Horse Council
Arizona Horse Council
Arizona Trail Association

Dealing with Opposition to Trails, Trail Development, and
Trail Usage. This will provide you with strategies and tactics
to minimize opposition and to successfully work through
these sometimes heated meetings and oppositions.
Mark Flint, Southwest Trails Solutions

4:00 - 4:50

Prison Mustang Training Program
Randy Helm, Program Supervisor, Arizona Wild Horse
Inmate Program

Bikepacking as a Rapidly-Growing User Group. It has
unique trail needs and connecting people with landscapes
and adventure.
Kurt Refsnider and Kaitlyn Boyle, Founders,
Bikepacking Roots

5:00 - 5:50

Making Legislation Work for You and Communicating with
Legislators. How to address legislation, Bill, proposals, new
rules or laws before National, State, or Local Governments.
Thomas Rosenfield, President, HillStaffer
Chip Wilson, President, Arizona Horse Council

U.S. Forest Service and their Problems and Issues with
Wild Horses. What they are doing and how they are
addressing this problem.
Dr. Tolani Francisco, Wild Horse and Burro Coordinator,
Southwestern Region, U.S. Forest Service

6:30 - 7:30 Dinner

7:30 - 10:00 Western Swing Band

Sunday Schedule

8:30 - 9:20

Mustang and Burro Problem on BLM Lands and What is Being Attempted to Address These Problems
John Hall, Wild Horse and Burro Lead, Bureau of Land Management (BLM)

9:30 - 10:20

Organize Competition Events as a Means to Promote and Engage New Users and Involvement in Trail User Groups
Mary Sutherland and Holly Carson, Equine Trail Sports Leaders

10:30 - 11:20

Final Conclusion on Encouraging Partnerships Between State Governments and Recreational Industry
Luis Benitez, Director, Colorado Outdoor Recreation Industry Office

11:30 - 2:00

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Dr. Temple Grandin



Dr. Temple Grandin is a professor of animal science at Colorado State University and has been a pioneer in improving the handling and welfare of farm animals.

Temple was born in Boston, Massachusetts. Her achievements are remarkable because she was an autistic child. At age 2 she had no speech and all the signs of severe autism. Many hours of speech therapy and intensive teaching enabled Temple to learn speech. As a teenager, life was hard with constant teasing. Mentoring by her high school science teacher and her aunt on her ranch in Arizona motivated Temple to study and pursue a career as a scientist and livestock equipment designer.

Dr. Temple Grandin obtained her B.A. at Franklin Pierce College in 1970. In 1974, she was employed as Livestock Editor for the *Arizona Farmer Ranchman* and also worked for Corral Industries on equipment design. In 1975, she earned her M.S. in Animal Science at Arizona State University for her work on the behavior of cattle in different squeeze chutes. Dr. Grandin was awarded her Ph.D in Animal Science from the University of Illinois in 1989.

She has done extensive work on the design of handling facilities. Half the cattle in the U.S. and Canada are handled in equipment she has designed for meat plants. Other professional activities include developing animal welfare guidelines for the meat industry and consulting with companies on animal welfare.

Following her Ph.D. research on the effect of environmental enrichment on the behavior of pigs, she has published several hundred industry publications, book chapters and technical papers on animal handling plus 73 refereed journal articles in addition to 12 books. She currently is a professor of animal sciences at Colorado State University where she continues her research while teaching courses on livestock handling and facility design. Her book, *Animals in Translation*, was a New York Times best seller and her book, *Livestock Handling and Transport*, now has a fourth edition which was published in 2014. Other popular books authored by Dr. Grandin are *Thinking in Pictures*, *Emergence Labeled Autistic*, *Animals Make us Human*, *Improving Animal Welfare: A Practical Approach*, *The Way I See It*, and *The Autistic Brain*. She also has a popular TED Talk.

Dr. Grandin has received numerous awards including the Meritorious Achievement Award from the Livestock Conservation Institute. She was named a Distinguished Alumni at Franklin Pierce College and received an honorary doctorate from McGill University, University of Illinois, Texas A&M, Carnegie Mellon University, and Duke University. She has also won prestigious industry awards including the Richard L. Knowlton Award from Meat Marketing and Technology Magazine, the Industry Advancement Award from the American Meat Institute and the Beef Top 40 industry leaders, and the Lifetime Achievement Award from The National Cattlemen's Beef Association. In 2011, Dr. Grandin was inducted into the Cowgirl Hall of Fame. In 2015, she was given the Distinguished Service Award by the American Farm Bureau Federation and Meritorious Award from the OIE. HBO has premiered a movie about Temple's early life and career with the livestock industry. The movie received seven Emmy awards, a Golden Globe, and a Peabody Award. In 2016, Temple was inducted into the American Academy of Arts and Sciences.

Dr. Grandin is a past member of the board of directors of the Autism Society of America. She lectures to parents and teachers throughout the U.S. on her experiences with autism. Articles and interviews have appeared in the New York Times, People, Time, National Public Radio, 20/20, The View, and the BBC. She was also honored in Time Magazine's 2010 "The 100 Most Influential People in the World." Dr. Grandin now resides in Fort Collins, Colorado.



Speaker Bios

Lisa Adkins

Commissioner, Arizona State Land Department

Luis Benitez

Director, Colorado Outdoor Recreation Industry Office

Kaitlyn Boyle

(Prescott, AZ/Driggs, ID) Kaitlyn loves wild places and believes the opportunity to travel, experience, and connect to landscapes is critical in inspiring a conservation ethos. She has been a professional adventurer and educator for a decade, teaching Adventure Education for Prescott College, NOLS and Outward Bound. Since adding the mountain bike to her repertoire of avenues for exploration, Kaitlyn has bikepacked extensively in the western U.S. and abroad. Kaitlyn recently completed a masters degree in Environmental Education that explored the development of an adventure-inspired landscape conservation mentality in students.

Holly Carson

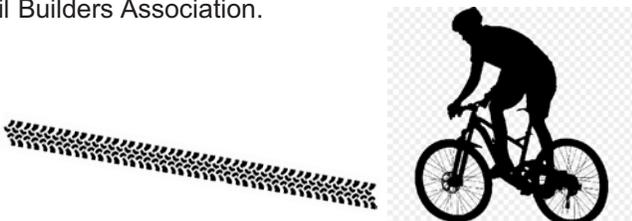
Equine Trail Sports Leader

Christopher Douwes

Christopher Douwes is a Community Planner with the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) in Washington DC. He has managed the Recreational Trails Program (RTP) since 1992, Transportation Enhancement activities since 2003, Transportation Alternatives since 2012, and has assisted with Bicycle and Pedestrian Activities since 1992. He manages contracts for research, technology development, technical assistance, and training for trail and bicycle and pedestrian-related activities. Christopher received his Masters of Science in Transportation from Northwestern University in 1990.

Mark Flint

Mark Flint has been involved in trail design, maintenance and construction for more than 25 years. He is the author of a manual published by Arizona State Parks on sustainable trail design and construction for desert landscapes. He has designed more than 250 miles of trail in Arizona, Nevada, Oregon and Vermont. As a part-time trails program coordinator for Pima County, he has worked on all aspects of trail planning, including community involvement. He has presented workshops and sessions for the American Trails International Trails Symposium, Arizona Trail Association, Arizona State Parks and the Professional Trail Builders Association.



Dr. Tolani Francisco

Dr. Francisco is the Wild Horse and Burro Coordinator for the Southwestern Region of the US Forest Service. She is a 1990 graduate of Kansas State University's College of Veterinary Medicine. Upon graduation, she worked in a mixed animal practice in Reno, NV where she was one of the veterinarians who worked on horses for Velma Johnson aka "Wild Horse Annie." In 1993, she joined the USDA Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service and moved to Helena, MT to work as a Veterinary Medical Officer to begin a career in "regulatory medicine." In 1994, she was transferred to Albuquerque and was responsible for the western half of New Mexico and worked very closely with all 26 tribes in New Mexico. In 2000, she took a transfer and went to Trinidad, Bolivia for 2.5 yrs to develop the Foot and Mouth Disease Eradication Vaccination program for the Departments of Beni and Pando. She joined the U.S. Air Force in 2002 and while on active duty obtained her Master of Public Health Degree and served as a Public Health Officer until 2007. She then returned to work for the USDA in Denver, CO as the Epidemiologist for the state. After 13.5 yrs in the Denver metro area, she moved in January 2017 back to New Mexico to work for the Forest Service. She and her husband Jason have a small alfalfa farm in Bosque Farms. They have cattle with the Sedillo Cattle Association on the Pueblo of Laguna reservation and she provides no cost or low cost veterinary care to the residents of the reservation for both large and small animals. One day she hopes to be able to pass "her baton of passion" for being a veterinarian to another native to continue the work she loves so much.

John Hall

John Hall was born and raised in Yuma, Arizona and has lived in Arizona his entire life. He attended the University of Arizona where he received a degree in Natural Resources with a focus on Rangeland Management. John started his career in Yuma, AZ as the Wild Horse and Burro/Rangeland Management Specialist just 3 days after graduating college in May of 2009. He now works as the Bureau of Land Management Wild Horse and Burro State Lead and Florence Wild Horse and Burro Training and Holding Facility Manager.



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Rem Hawes

Since 2012, Rem Hawes has served as the Hassayampa Field Manager for the BLM's Phoenix District, and is responsible for managing one million acres of public land in the BLM's Hassayampa Field area and the staff of 20 permanent natural resource specialists and numerous interns and seasonal staff. Before that, Rem served as the BLM's Agua Fria National Monument Manager. Prior to returning to Arizona in 2006, Rem served in the BLM Washington Office as the budget analyst for lands and realty programs. In 2003-2004, Rem served in a Congressional fellowship as legislative assistant for Natural Resources and Indian Affairs for Senator Orrin Hatch (UT) and also served as coordinator of the bipartisan Western Senate Coalition. From 1999-2002, Rem worked in the BLM's Public Affairs office in Washington and served as the acting Public Affairs Manager and as the Legislative Affairs Deputy Manager. From 1996-1999, Rem was the public affairs specialist in the BLM's New Mexico State Office. He began his career with the BLM in Arizona in 1992 as an outreach coordinator and also worked as a wildland firefighter. He has a Bachelors degree in Communications, English and Humanities from the University of Colorado and a certificate in Wilderness Management from Colorado State University. Rem and his wife Tina, along with their two daughters Morgan and Xan, are lifelong athletes and continue to care for the environment and enjoy outdoor activities including mountain biking, hiking, camping, skiing, and sailing.

Randy Helm

Randy Helm is a certified Lyons Legacy (John and Josh Lyons) horse trainer and has been training wild horses for over 30 years. He is the supervisor of the Wild Horse Inmate Program at Florence State Prison in Florence Arizona. The prison has over 700 horses and burros and provides trained horses for the U.S. Border Patrol, ranches, individuals and law enforcement agencies. In addition to training horses and inmates, Randy conducts horsemanship clinics for the U.S. Border Patrol, Department of Corrections staff, Equine Expos and various events. His training program for inmates and horses has been featured in local, national and international news and documentaries including ABC, CBS, NBC, Fox News, USA Today and Animal Planet.

Bryan Hughes

Bryan Hughes is a herpetologist, photographer and a regular speaker in Arizona. He is the owner of Rattlesnake Solutions in Phoenix, Arizona, a business dedicated to the conservation and understanding of rattlesnakes in urban environments and to the safety of residents who encounter them. More information at <https://rattlesnakesolutions.com> or on Facebook at <https://facebook.com/snakeremoval>

Patrick Kell

Patrick Kell holds a Diploma in Land Administration from the University of Bedfordshire in England and a B.A. (Honors) in Geography from John Moores University in Liverpool, England. He worked from 1999-2006 for the Vermont Youth Conservation Corps as a Crew Leader, Trail Program Manager, and Grants Director. Then from 2006-2011, he worked for the Vermont Mountain Bike Association as Executive Director which involved fundraising, event planning and trail development with the USFS and the Vermont State Parks Department. He began working for the International Mountain Biking Association (IMBA) in February 2012, as Regional Director for the southwest. This position involved partnership building with the BLM, USFS and county and municipal government agencies through the region, developing urban bike parks, developing trail plans, grant writing to support our projects and developing new IMBA Chapters. Patrick is now IMBA's National Grants Manager. Patrick has been riding mountain bikes since 1992, and as much as practical, incorporates cycling into aspects of everyday life.

Mark Loseth

Mark Loseth, National Trails Director for ACE. Mark has over 11 years of trail experience. Mark learned the intricacies of trail work while working for the USFS Lake Tahoe Basin Management Unit, Grand Teton National Park, and Saguaro National Park. Mark went from a crew member to a youth corps leader to a crew leader, learning the art of trail maintenance, construction, and design. During this time, Mark also learned the importance of effective communication, teaching and training volunteers the importance of outdoor recreation. In 2011, Mark became the Trails Trainer and Coordinator for ACE Arizona, where he continued to teach trail work and stewardship to young people. During this time, he also co-taught a university class at Northern Arizona University (NAU) titled "PRM299: Sustainable Trail Construction and Design." Mark is a certified Trail Assessment Process Coordinator through American Trails and has conducted trail assessments for Saguaro and Grand Teton National Parks. He has also attended CA State Parks trainings; Trail Management Principles and Advanced Rigging Techniques. Mark continues to work as the National Trail Coordinator for ACE managing projects and teaching sustainable trail skills throughout the country.



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Claire Miller

Claire Miller started her Natural Resource Management career in the City of Phoenix in 1987 as Park Ranger – one of the first mounted patrol rangers in a newly developed program for the City of Phoenix mountain parks and preserves. She is a nationally certified mounted officer. In 1999, she left the City of Phoenix to become the first Preserve Manager for the City of Scottsdale, Arizona's McDowell Sonoran Preserve. In the Scottsdale manager position, she was integral in the development of several trailhead facilities and a network of approximately 200 miles of natural surface trails. She returned to the City of Phoenix in 2014, as a manager (and now Supervisor) for the 21,000-acre Phoenix Sonoran Preserve system. Miller received her B.A. in Outdoor Recreation from the University of New Mexico in 1983 and attended graduate school at Arizona State University in Natural Resource Management. Throughout her career, she has served on many boards, including the Arizona State Committee on Trails (ASCOT), and the Arizona Parks and Recreation Association.

Jennie Miller, GPC

Jennie Miller has been working in the nonprofit sector for more than 20 years. Locally, Jennie worked as the Associate Vice President of Grants and Contracts at HonorHealth and Grants and Research Manager at the John C. Lincoln Health Foundation where she helped raise a combined \$10 million in grant funding for healthcare and human services programs. Prior to relocating to Arizona in 2011, Jennie managed and fundraised for arts organizations in New York City. Currently, her consulting firm, JAM Nonprofit Consulting LLC, helps nonprofits build their capacity through grant writing, program development, and strategic planning. Jennie is President of the Arizona Founding Chapter of the Grant Professionals Association and has been Grant Professional Certified (GPC) since 2012. She has a BA in Communication from the University of California San Diego and an MA in Performing Arts Administration from New York University.

Matt Nelson

Matthew J. Nelson is the Executive Director of the Arizona Trail Association (ATA). Among his contributions to the Arizona National Scenic Trail (AZT) over the past 20 years are trail design, archaeological surveys, trail construction, and explorations of the AZT on foot, mountain bike and horseback. Matthew has worked as an outdoor educator, Grand Canyon backpacking guide, archaeologist, Native American tribal liaison, editor, and freelance photojournalist. He has more than 500 published articles to his credit and is the primary author of *Your Complete Guide to the Arizona National Scenic Trail* and the *Arizona Trail Junior Explorer Handbook*. He lives in the Sierrita Mountains southwest of Tucson with his daughter, Mariposa.

Lisa Péwé

Lisa Péwé is a professional life coach, equine specialist and support group facilitator. She holds certifications as a therapeutic riding instructor and as an equine specialist in mental health. Lisa has a degree in Psychology and a minor in Business Administration from Grand Canyon University. Lisa has been a professional equestrian for over 30 years, training, showing and coaching hundreds of horses and riders to regional and national awards. Lisa started her first business when she was 28 years old and set industry standards with her full service equestrian academy. Since then, she has been actively involved with several business start-ups and "turnarounds". Her experience with non-profit organizations started when she was asked to turnaround a premier therapeutic riding center. As the equine director and later the program director of that organization, she rebuilt and managed the equine volunteer training program for over 50 volunteers, as well as the equine care, selection and training, and developed innovative fundraising and cost-cutting practices. Additionally she developed the Equine Assisted Psychotherapy and Equine Assisted Personal growth and life skills programs. Lisa has been an organizational contributor and active participant in two other non-profit organizations: StreetLightPhx, Peoria, AZ; a specialized safe-house and recovery program for children and teens rescued from child sex slavery, and Mending the Soul, which supplies training and material to equip other non-profits, civic leaders, pastors and youth workers with tools and instruction on how to effectively work with, protect, and rehabilitate traumatized and abused children, teens and adults.

Saebra Pipoly

Saebra Pipoly comes from a long line of cowboys. In addition to her lifelong interactions with horses as a trail rider, competitive rider, and instructor, she has spent the last decade immersed in the Equine Assisted Activities and Therapies (EAAT) field where she has finally found her calling and is able to combine her love of horses and passion for helping others. Saebra is a PATH (Professional Association of Therapeutic Horsemanship) Intl. Advanced Therapeutic Riding Instructor and Equine Specialist in Mental Health and Learning in addition to several other certifications in the traditional and adaptive riding industry. She is the incoming PATH Intl. Region 10 Representative (AZ, NM, CO, WY, UT) beginning in January 2019. Saebra enjoys providing community education on the EAAT field to bring a better understanding of the various recreational and therapy services that incorporate horses. She worked at a PATH Intl. Premier Accredited center for almost 10 years but has since resigned to stay home with her two young children. In an effort to stay connected to the field and her passion for EAATs, she launched her business, Hoof Falls & Footfalls in 2018 which provides educational materials to equine instructors, instructor development clinics, and EAAT industry consulting.

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Kurt Refsnider

Kurt Refsnider (Prescott, AZ) is a professor of geology at Prescott College and the founding Executive Director of the Bikepacking Roots non-profit. He has a long-standing passion for linking together remote places while traveling by bike and despite having embarked on bikepacking expeditions on six continents, Kurt feels most rooted in the wild and remote country of the American West. In 2017, he co-founded Bikepacking Roots to support the rapidly growing bikepacking community, to develop long-distance routes, and to advocate for continued access to our public lands.

Mickey Rogers

Mickey has worked 42 years for Maine State Parks constructing, maintaining, and providing funding for both motorized and non-motorized trails. He moved to Arizona in 2014 where he was hired as Chief of Grants and Trails for Arizona State Parks and Trails. Mickey administers the Land and Water Conservation Fund Program, the Recreational Trails Program and the Off-Highway Vehicle Program. In less than 2 years, Mickey and his team have transformed the grant program from a 100% paper-based program to a 100% web-based program. The Arizona State Parks and Trails Grants team was recently awarded outstanding use of recreational trails funds for the State Trails Program by the Coalition of Recreational Trails and National Association of State Park Directors at a ceremony in Washington DC.

Jordan Rolfe

Director, American Conservation Experience of Arizona

John Rose

John Rose, Trail Manager, Maricopa County Parks & Recreation

Daniel Rosenfield

Mr. Rosenfield has a lengthy history in the equine world, currently serving his fourth term on the Board of the Arizona Horse Council as Vice President and continues to serve as one of the core instructors for the Equine Abuse & Neglect Rescue Training for Law Enforcement program provided through the Arizona State Law Enforcement Officer Training Program (POST). Mr. Rosenfield also served as the first chair of the Arizona Horse Council's Unwanted Horse Section, was the author of the popular column, *From The Horse's Mouth*, and has served as a Ground Official for the U.S. Eventing Association. Mr. Rosenfield also practices law, primarily in the business, equine and ranch areas. Mr. Rosenfield also has extensive experience in law enforcement training and special operations. Mr. Rosenfield enjoys exploring the wilderness via horseback, with his wife and family, as well as embarrassing his cow horse, while moving cattle hither and yon.

Thomas Rosenfield

Thomas Rosenfield serves as President of HillStaffer. Mr. Rosenfield has extensive experience leading a variety of national initiatives for large organizations including grassroots, coalition building, Capitol Hill advocacy, and fly-ins. He currently Chairs the Government Relations Council at the American Society for Association Executives (ASAE), is the past Chair of ASAE's Government Relations Symposium, and as a Member of ASAE's Public Policy Committee. He helps train all members on federal advocacy issues and for the group's annual fly-in. Mr. Rosenfield has also served as a national Executive Committee member with the American Israeli Public Affairs Committee (AIPAC), recognized as one of the nation's most effective advocacy groups, and was Co-Chair of AIPAC's Policy Conference – an annual fly-in with over 5,000 participants and one of Washington, DC's premier advocacy events. Mr. Rosenfield is known for his strong advocacy, team building, and leadership skills with a history of producing consensus among diverse stakeholders. He has led multiple initiatives for stakeholders from the public and private sectors, including highly diverse constituencies of Democrat and Republican caucuses. Through Mr. Rosenfield's leadership, HillStaffer has established expertise in key sectors including healthcare, financial services, chemicals, education, and foreign operations. Prior to HillStaffer Mr. Rosenfield held a variety of executive positions within the financial services and real estate industries. Mr. Rosenfield began his career with Cantor Fitzgerald, working in both the firm's New York and Los Angeles offices and ultimately directing investment activities for public-sector clients including state treasuries, state retirement systems, and municipalities. Mr. Rosenfield earned his B.A. in economics from Haverford College, including a concentration in finance at the Wharton School at University of Pennsylvania, and J.D. from Tulane University School of Law.

Ellen Shopes

Ellen Shopes has hiked the Arizona Trail three times. Other adventures include the Pacific Crest Trail, John Muir Trail, Colorado Trail, and New Mexico's Continental Divide Trail. Ellen loves to share their love of the scenic diversity Arizona has to offer. Come share their adventure with them!

Greg Shuster

Greg Shuster is the Recreation Program Manager for the Tonto National Forest and oversees the developed and dispersed recreation programs for the Forest including campgrounds, picnic sites, trails, Wild and Scenic Rivers and Wilderness. He has a keen interest in collaborative recreation planning, finding solutions to recreational use conflicts and developing shared passion for public lands through exploring shared values and working together. One of Greg's more recent accomplishments is the establishment of Rim Country Trails, a trails planning collaborative in Payson and surrounding communities. Greg is from

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North Carolina where he spent years developing shared use trail cooperation between the North Carolina Horse Council and the local mountain biking clubs resulting in shared-use trail jamborees and joint trail work days. He has a Bachelors in Geology from the University of North Carolina, Wilmington and a Masters of Natural Resource Management through the Department of Parks Recreation and Tourism Management at North Carolina State University. Greg has worked on the Tonto since 2010 and prior to his current position has served the Tonto's Recreation Planner and Partnership Coordinator.

Larry Simkins

Larry Simkins has hiked the Arizona Trail three times. Other adventures include the Pacific Crest Trail, John Muir Trail, Colorado Trail, and New Mexico's Continental Divide Trail. Larry strives to capture, through his photography, the beauty of the landscapes they explore. He was the official photographer of the first through-ride of the Arizona Trail.

Mary Sutherland

Equine Trail Sports Leader

Gwen & Bud Wills

Gwen & Bud Wills, Trail Stewardship Program, Pennsylvania Equine Council. Both Gwen and Bud grew up riding horses and enjoying the outdoors. Becoming concerned about the loss of access to public lands for equine use across the country, Gwen and Bud got involved with the Pennsylvania Equine Council (PEC), a grass roots volunteer organization that represents the equine owners in Pennsylvania. They developed and conduct 3-day and 1-day Trail Stewardship Workshops to prepare volunteers interested in preserving shared-use non-motorized trails. The workshops also instruct volunteers and agency personnel how to work together to maintain sustainable trails

and to possibly lay out and construct reroutes or connectors, if needed, to bypass unsustainable portions of the trails. 2-Day Packing Clinics are also offered for a more "land friendly" approach for packing gravel, tools and materials for trail work. Other educational programs from 1 hour to 1 day have also been developed regarding "Ride Smart/Leave No Trace" to educate non-motorized trail users about appropriate behavior and shared use ethics while enjoying our great outdoors. The overall goal of the PEC Trail Committee is to prepare and preserve Pennsylvania's trails for the benefit and cooperative use of hikers, bikers, and equestrians. Gwen is also a member of the American Horse Council's Recreation Committee, the Pennsylvania Trails Advisory Committee, and the Allegheny National Forest Resource Advisory Committee. Bud is the PEC's Acting President and has served as Trail Chair for many years. He also is a member of the DCNR State Forest's Recreational Advisory Committee.

Chip Wilson

President, Arizona Horse Council

Chip Wilson is a retired Air Force Veteran that moved to Arizona in 1990 with his wife and two boys. His wife acquired a horse and he decided to join her and acquired his horse in 1992. He became very involved with protection of equine rights and privileges. He later joined the Arizona Horse Council and became their leader. He also became involved with local politics and decided that he needed to sit on the local city council. He was elected in 2007 and is now the Vice Mayor of Apache Junction. He has become the Arizona Horse Council's lobbyist to Arizona legislators and has represented the equine community at the state capital. He is also currently sitting on the animal advisory board to the Arizona Department of Agriculture representing the equine industry.

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The Coalition of State Horse Councils (CSHC) is comprised of the individual State Horse Councils (SHCs) that are member organizations of the American Horse Council (AHC).

The CSHC is a long-standing committee and like other AHC committees makes recommendations to the AHC regarding the position of the SHCs on pending federal legislation/regulations.

The CSHC also keeps the AHC informed about state, local and other issues affecting SHCs and their members.

The CSHC also helps involve the SHCs in the work of the AHC, provides national leadership for the SHCs as well as a networking forum and center for information dissemination for horse councils in the various states. The CSHC is an initiator and conduit for strong, effective grassroots activism on issues of importance to the larger horse community and to the well-being of the horse.

The CSHC meets in Washington D.C. during the AHC annual June meeting. The CSHC also holds a second meeting in the fall that has historically been focused on issues of specific importance to SHCs.

Chair: Jean Ligon, Michigan Horse Council

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For information about the CSHCs or about joining the AHC and CSHC contact info@horsecouncil.org

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The Arizona Horse Council (AzHC) is the only state horse council that has a registered lobbyist who reviews each piece of new legislation for its impact on equestrians, schedule meetings with the House and Senate Natural Resources Committees to present the impact of the Horse Industry in Arizona and introduces the Arizona Horse Council and the horse world to key political decision makers to educate them about us.

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