



# MARCH NEWSLETTER



March may be associated with "the luck of the Irish" but this month reminds us how lucky we are to share meaningful experiences with our participants, families, volunteers, and supporters. Thank you for being part of what we do - where everyone belongs and every day brings something to smile about. Wishing you a day filled with joy, connection, and a little bit of luck!

## Here's what's happening on the ranch!

Meet & Greet  
Saturday, March 14th - 12 p.m.

Super Stem Saturday UC San Marcos  
Saturday, March 14th - 10 a.m.

Summer Concert Series  
Begins Saturday, March 14th

Volunteer Orientation  
Saturday, May 2nd - 1p.m.

Be on the lookout for additional information.  
We cant wait to share what's ahead!

### Stories that Shine

This month, we're proud to introduce Ryder and highlight part of his journey and the impact Ivey Ranch has had on his experiences - and the impact he has had on ours.

Ryder has been part of the Ivey Ranch community since 2008. He came to Ivey Ranch for our School-Age Program and enjoyed a level of care and support that many programs are not equipped to provide.

As Ryder grew older, his family faced the difficult transition from school-age services into adult care. His parents worked hard to find a program that would truly fit Ryder's needs, but quickly learned how limited those options were. They were looking for more than supervision. They needed a place that understood Ryder, supported his growth, and could meet him where he was - just like the Ivey Ranch School-Age Program. This is where Ryder's parents got creative. They appealed to Christina, our Care Programs Manager, and asked - "Can Ivey Ranch create an Adult Day Program?"

Recognizing the need for Ryder, and several of her other school-age participants, Christina dug in and worked wonders for over a year to bring to life the program that now facilitates over 16 adults every day. Ryder was the first to transition into our Adult Day Program. A program where the consistency, individualized care, and compassionate support allow him to continue thriving. The program not only supports Ryder, but also his family by providing stability, trust, and peace of mind - just like they had know in the School-Age Program.

By expanding our programs and facilities, Ivey Ranch can support more individuals like Ryder and more families facing uncertain transitions. Each expansion means more opportunities, more stability, and more success stories.

Tap for Orientation

Tap for Meet & Greet

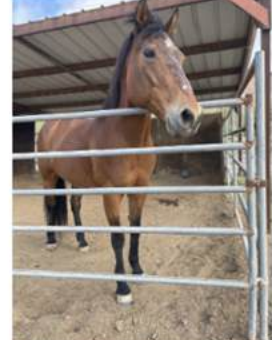
### Our Lucking Pair

#### AMY



You can find Amy at the ranch on Saturday mornings, ready to help with any task that needs completing, from mucking stalls, leading and side walking in lessons, mentoring new volunteers, and even demonstrating an emergency dismount when needed. A volunteer since 2016, Amy has completed almost 300 hours of service and even sponsors her mane man, Smartee. As much as she loves snuggling with Smartee, she is looking forward to challenging herself by riding Tia in her own lessons. When asked what her favorite part of volunteering is and what keeps her coming back to the ranch, Amy shared, "I love Ivey. I love the horses. I love the people. I love the horses. I love Ivey's mission. Did I mention that I love the horses?" We love you just as much, Amy!

#### TIA



Tia joined the herd in 2020, and the 6 years since then have contained countless therapeutic and able bodied lessons, horse shows, summer camps, Girl Scout groups, horse tours, and more. Tia is an easy choice for any task, and while she may not always be on board for hugs and kisses, she shares her affection by taking care of each of her riders. Tia is an Azteca, a unique breed of horse native to Mexico and known for their versatility and athleticism. She was a long distance trail horse before joining the ranch, and her endurance and work ethic shines through each and every day.

### Program Spotlight: Working Intern Program



We're proud to highlight the incredible work of our Working Interns at Ivey Ranch. Their hard work, dedication, and willingness to learn new skills play an important role in helping the ranch grow and improve every day.

### Be Scooter's Lucky Charm!



Scooter is one special horse at Ivey Ranch, and we're looking for a sponsor to support him! Your sponsorship helps provide the care, feed, and attention that keeps Scooter happy and healthy. If you'd like to be part of Scooter's story, we'd love to hear from you.

Full Sponsorship - \$3,500  
Co-Sponsorship - \$1,750  
Supporting Sponsorship - \$1,000

Please call Tonya at, (760) 722-4839 for more information

### The Luck of Ivey!



Our community's stories are what make Ivey Ranch so special, and we would be honored if you would share yours. If Ivey Ranch has made a difference in your life or your family's journey, please consider leaving a review on Great Nonprofits.

Your words help others learn about the impact of our programs and give Ivey Ranch the recognition it truly deserves.

Personal stories, heartfelt experiences, and meaningful moments all help bring attention to the difference being made here every day.

Tap the link below to leave your review and help us continue spreading the word, love, and the mission.

Thank you for taking the time to catch up with us. We appreciate you being a part of who we are and what we do and look forward to sharing what's to come at Ivey Ranch!



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