

The Los Pinos Ranch News May 2020

Greetings from all of us at Los Pinos Ranch,

It is our hope that this letter will find you all safe and healthy. While these past few months have been difficult for everyone, it can be reassuring to observe nature carrying on as usual, beginning its emergence into summer. Aspen leaves are just beginning to appear, hummingbirds are frequenting the feeders, and a variety of birds and squirrels are busy building nests. There was a good snow pack on the high peaks of the Sangre de Cristos this past winter, so the Pecos River is running full as the snow melts.

During the 2019 season, we enjoyed visits from many return guests, some of whom are able to visit every year. And, as always, we were delighted to welcome new visitors to Los Pinos. There were festive dinner parties, family gatherings, some quiet times with puzzles or reading and some less quiet times with board games on the porch.

It was a particular pleasure to introduce several children to horseback riding last summer. They did exceptionally well and were fun to be with. One family of riders impressed us with their interest in and knowledge of nature. Another family chose to backpack to Stewart Lake with three young children, a great adventure and accomplishment for the whole family. Fishing and birding held their usual appeal whether by those accomplished in the activity or those enjoying a guide.

Now, we have some exciting family news to share with you. Bill and Jane are grandparents, and Alice a great aunt, to Astrid Jean McSweeney and Elizabeth Grace Rambow. It is time to brush up on Winnie the Pooh, the Tale of Tom Kitten, The Wind in the Willows, and all of our favorite childhood stories.

While busily preparing the ranch for summer, we look forward to welcoming you back to Los Pinos “where the road ends and the trails begin.”

With kind regards,

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