

CAL FARLEY'S BOYS RANCH ALUMNI ASSN.

2020 ANNUAL REPORT

"CARRYING ON HIS WORK"

.The 2019-20 year for Cal Farley's Boys Ranch Alumni Association has certainly been the most extraordinary of the past 10. Talk about a season of change. The thing is, it looks like 20-21 will even be more unusual as the first year without an annual reunion since we started having annual reunions.

While the way we have done things has been upended, the work continues to get done. This association does not exist to be a social club for members or simply to keep in touch. There is nothing wrong with those and we need to do that, but CFBRAA is much more. Indeed the focus of the club includes social and communications, but these are secondary to the primary objectives. We CFBRAA was chartered back in 1972, the purposes stated were (and still are):

- (a) To supply aid and assistance in promoting the growth of Cal Farley's Boys Ranch and the accomplishment of its objectives as set out in its Articles of Incorporation
- (b) To create and promote a closer relationship between its former students and facilitate a quicker and easier adjustment for its graduates and other former students to community life.
- (c) To do any and all acts deemed by its Board of Directors to be necessary or expedient for the furtherance of its general purposes as herein specified.

We have a number of projects and activities as an association in 19-20. We have raised funds and disbursed funds. How have we done relative to our purpose for being? The purpose of this report is to reflect on how we have addressed our objectives and to consider what we might do different or better.

I. Promoting the work of Cal Farley's

This is the first purpose of the CFBRAA. There are some who would want the association to distance itself from Cal Farley's and support only the "survivors" of our home. That is not our reason for being. We who were once residents of either Boys Ranch or Girlstown are associated first to support Cal Farley's Inc.

Before reflecting on what the CFBRAA has done, we need to recognize the work Cal Farley's does for the former residents of BR / GT. Many years ago, the exclusive focus of Cal Farley's was giving young troubled boys the upbringing and education needed to be personally successful in life. The focus was on getting them through high school, or at least equipped with a vocational skill. After that, the former residents were pretty much on their own. That was a very long time ago. Cal Farley's does not see the work done when the student graduates or leaves. The Ranch has set up a complete department just focused on helping alumni. This was most vividly demonstrated in the

erection and maintaining of the Alumni Support Center, next to the Town Office. But the assistance extends far beyond a place to stay. Cal Farley's actively works with employers to help alumni get good jobs. They offer courses on interviewing, budgeting, and adjusting to the "free world," which the student's learn is a completely inappropriate term.

Cal Farley's actively supports the work of the CFBRAA, treating the Association as partners in "carrying on his work." The Veterans Memorial and Boys Ranch cemetery are tributes provided primarily by Cal Farley's for alumni. Cal Farley's opens its doors for alumni to "come home" for visits, or meals or just to fish. [That is, inasmuch as safety of the residents from COVID 19 allows.]. Cal Farley's is the primary keeper of the alumni database which is essential for us to stay in touch with each other. The Ranch compiles, prints, publishes and mails the quarterly newsletter to alumni all over the world. For the past 10 plus years, the Ranch has underwritten the cost for the CFBRAA to have an Executive Director. We certainly could not have achieved all that we have without the strong support of our former home.

It is quite clear that our first objective as an association is warranted, and indeed critical to the CFBRAA achieving our objectives. So what have we done in the past year in relationship to our charter objectives?

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- (a) While Cal Farley's continues to print, publish and mail the quarterly Alumni Newsletters, the association has taken more responsibility for this project. First, the CFBRAA has made a contribution to the Ranch of \$2,000 a year a part of our annual budget. Secondly, the CFBRAA has taken on responsibility of emailing out the newsletter to over 900 alumni, all for whom we have an email address. This has significantly cut the cost to the Ranch of both printing and mailing.
- (b) We continue to contribute to the Veterans Memorial and BR Cemetery to help cover the maintenance costs. During the 19-20 year the Association gave \$4,055 to Cal Farley's for this purpose.
- (c) For many years the Association has given awards to the BR homes who win the Christmas Light Judging contest. Alumni go out to the Ranch and do the judging. Then the Association gives \$500 in prizes to the first, second and third place homes.
- (d) Also at Christmas the Association gives \$500 to Cal Farley's to spend on gifts and expenses for Christmas for the Support Center residents.
- (e) The Association continues to set back \$750 a year to replace the commercial washers and dryers in the Support Center. Presently the Association has \$6,000 in the fund.
- (f) This year the CFBRAA committed to contributing \$10,000 to Cal Farley's for the building of a new Ag Barn. We will be giving \$2,000 a year for five years, the first

of those checks having been sent last spring.

II. Provide Assistance to Alumni Families

The second charter objective of the Association is “To create and promote a closer relationship between its former students and facilitate a quicker and easier adjustment for its graduates and other former students to community life.” What are we doing, and have done in the past year, related to achieving this objective?

- (a) A couple of the projects related to this objective also support the work of Cal Farley’s. The Association has begun going to the Alumni Support Center and providing a meal for the residents. This is done 3 or 4 times a year. Sometimes it involves a gathering. Sometimes it’s just pizza pickup. Building relationships and showing concern opens doors for the CFBRAA to help the new alumni.
- (b) In addition, the Association works with Cal Farley’s in providing Crisis Support sometimes, sending Cal Farley’s the money to help the former resident. Cal Farley’s is frequently much more capable of meeting crisis needs and we just help them do it.
- (c) For the past few years the Association has been giving Kohl’s gift cards to the graduating seniors, either in May or at mid term. These help new alumni purchase things the Ranch has been providing; sheets, towels, toothpaste, etc. They can use the cards for what they want and Kohl’s adds 20% to their value. This past year the Association spent over \$5,000 on these gift cards.
- (d) Another way we help alumni is being family to them; family they didn’t have before going to BR/GT, and which they can’t take with them when they leave. This service of the Association is three-fold.
 - a. Build and Maintain relationships with one another: BR/GT residents come from all over the country. When we leave, we frequently scatter. The Association help alumni stay in touch. It is very interesting how related we feel to each other when we may have lived at BR 30 years apart. We come from the same home. Providing a means of staying in touch and getting together is an important function of the CFBRAA. Personally, my last time to eat out at a restaurant with friends, indoors, was at the Houston gathering of alumni in March. We promote and hold Annual Reunions and regional gatherings and we are the source for alumni to get in touch with each other. The gatherings and even reunion, have been suspended for a while, but we try to stay in touch. We maintain a website and a Facebook page as tools to help communicate with each other.
 - b. Crisis Support: One thing families do for each other is help in times of crisis. Many of us have no other family that our BR/GT brothers and sisters. We are family to one another in times of crisis. Abiding by some specific rules in order to maintain our non-profit status, the Association

responds quickly and helps deliberately when a former resident comes to us in a crisis situation. This past year the Association provided over \$7,000 in crisis support.

- c. Scholarships: It is generally easier to send your grandchildren to college than your own children. But former residents of BR/GT don't always have parents involved in their lives, hence their children don't have the support of grandparents. Again, the Association steps in to help alumni send their family members to college or to get other forms of higher education or certifications. In 19-20 the Association contributed \$16,750 to helping family members attend schools.

When it comes to staying on target, being focused on our objectives and positively achieving those objectives, the CFBRAA has been very effective in the past year, in spite of the chaos that has surrounded us.

LET THE RECORDS SHOW

The annual records for the CFBRAA are a reflection of our success, or lack thereof, in achieving our purposes. These are some of the facts and figures for the 2019-20 fiscal year of Cal Farley's Boys Ranch Alumni Association.

Income

Scholarship Revenue	\$21,375
Crisis Support revenue (including auction)	8,173
Alumni Support Center Revenue	1,855
Designated Cal Farley's Support Revenue	4,005
Gun Raffle (net income)	28,676
Other Income (dues, donations, events, etc.)	2,225

Expenses

Scholarships	\$16,750
Crisis Support	7,258
Other Alumni Support	1,235
Alumni Support Center	1,093
Cal Farley's Support (includes gift cards for seniors)	14,125
Operating Expenses	11,476

Note: The Expense and Income shows the "net" of events: revenue less expenses

Direct Support

Scholarships	10
Crisis Support Families	12
Seniors	39

CFBRAA Membership	
Regular Members	181
Lifetime Members	58
Honorary Members	14

Cal Farley's Boys Ranch Alumni Assn 2020-21 Budget

ASSOCIATION REVENUE

Total Member Revenue	4,650
Total Public Revenue	2,100
Scholarship Fundraiser	18,000
Gun Raffle Revenue	60,000
Dallas Gathering Revenue	2,465
Total Other Revenue	1,250

TOTAL ASSN REVENUE	87,215
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ASSOCIATION EXPENSE

Alumni Support Expense	
Crisis Supt Exp	6,000
Scholarship Exp	18,000
Other Alumni Supt Exp	1,000
Total Alumni Support Exp	25,000
Total Cal Farley Support Exp	12,250
Scholarship Fundraiser Exp	3,700
Total Regional Gathering Exp	1,500
Total Gun Raffle Expense	33,500
Operating Expense -	
Total Admin Expense	3,950
Total Communications Exp	2,850
Total Purchasing Exp	2,400
Total Misc. Operating Exp	1,024
Total Operating Expense	10,224

TOTAL ASSOCIATION EXPENSE	86,174
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