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## Second Place

With the help of many volunteers, instructors, staff, and participating youth and their families, the Joey's parade float earned the Second Place slot of the "Tax Exempt" Division of the 2012 Sheridan WYO Rodeo Parade: "Clowning Around at the Sheridan WYO Rodeo".



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## An Adrenaline Rush

Tom Balding, Mario Aldreti, Joey, and a pack of eager and advanced students gathered their warmer clothes and overnight gear and ventured deeper into the woods than ever before.

The Adrenaline camps; one of the long awaited exciting new mentoring camps, not only challenged strengths, abilities and patience but helped students conquer a new personal adventure.

After traveling to Mirror Lake in the Cloud Peak Wilderness and setting up at their rugged camping site, the group hiked up the mountain to their beautiful and remote fishing location.

*The trout didn't have a chance.  
And everyone made it down the mountain in one piece.  
We thank our volunteers and parents for all the contributions that made this special camp happen.*

## New Friends

Through our new All Girls Programs we have the pleasure of introducing our young ladies to some of the great lady fly fisherwomen of the area.

For our first ever girl's camp we invited an amazing set of women to join Joey's girls for a fun day on the water. These volunteers shared their talents, made great impressions and became wonderful new friends.

We thank our guests for their sharing their valuable time and talents. We also thank the Padlock Ranch for allowing us to utilize their beautiful water.



## Thank you for your contributions

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*And the many other gracious contributors that we may have missed or that have asked to remain confidential.*



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## A Mother's Point of View

I'm Kim Yellowtail-Albea. I've had two sons reap the benefits of Joey's Flyfishing through the last few summers and being a parent advocate is one way I can show my appreciation.

I strongly believe in the need for guidance and positive outdoor learning activities for the children of our community. I'm looking forward to getting to know other parents and would like to hear any opinions, or suggestions they would have so that we can work together with the Board to make it an even greater program.

My boys are 11 and 14 and started fly fishing through Joey's. They have taken that base knowledge to subsequent Joey's summer camps and have even built their own rods in the Rod Building clinics. They now know enough that they can take their rods and go off fishing on their own safely and successfully without mom having to worry much. The youngest has even taken on a role as being my personal guide. The best part of their newfound love for fishing is that it is an activity that our entire family can take part in together.

I grew up spending summers on my family's ranch on Lodge Grass Creek near Wyola, Montana at the northern foot of the Bighorn Mountains, where I learned my respect for nature. I have a background of working with at-risk youth in a residential wilderness program called Vision Quest in Texas and southern Arizona. Currently I work as a Budget Officer for the Bighorn National Forest. While the desk work doesn't allow me to get to the mountains much, it lets me continue to be a part of caring for our country's natural resources.

Aside from work and playing at the ranch, I am also on the board of the Sheridan Cowgirls Association. In the past I volunteered for the CHAPS Equine-Assisted therapy program.

## Our New Board Members

Joey's Foundation is fortunate to have an outstanding Board of Directors. The guidance and support of these individuals has helped the Foundation become what it is today. Please help us welcome the newest members of the Joey's Foundation Board of Directors.

**Dr. Colin Hardy   Kim Yellowtail-Albea  
JT Craft   Peter R. Widener**

## Meet our summer instructors

Mike Malone and Kristina Krueger teamed up to become our two summer instructors for our four summer camps. Each brought their friendship, skills, concern for youth and love for fly fishing and made this season a summer to remember.

Both have volunteered on many levels for the fall and spring rod classes and will once again grace our class rooms with their talents and appreciation for youth this upcoming season.

## Joey's is Showcased for a Second Season on the Sportsman's Channel



Orion Multimedia joined Joey's for a second season to tape an upcoming episode for the Sportsman's Channel's series, *Wyoming's Call of the Wild*.

This visit showcased Raelynn Hardy, a young lady coming to Wyoming from Las Vegas, NV. Raelynn's adventure included hands on fly fishing instruction by Joey and youth mentor Marisa Aldrete with a special visit with Cheryl Harrelson of Steady Stream Hydrology.

Obviously quiet in nature, Raelynn after a little encouragement found her comfort in her new craft and successfully caught her first Trout in Wyoming.

Little did she know but Mike Malone, one of Joey's summer instructors had created a beautiful purple rod for Raelynn to have for her very own. This rod was presented to Raelynn during the taping and she was able to use it for the remainder of the shoot.

We thank The Padlock Ranch for sharing their beautiful ranch and joining us once again for this taping.

To learn more about *Wyoming's Call of the Wild* go to [callofthewildtv.com](http://callofthewildtv.com). Watch us on Facebook for when the episode will air!

## Joey's Third Annual Fishathon is a Huge Success



Over 15 students and their families joined Joey's to earn funds for program scholarships.

The beautiful Bear Lodge was the base camp for this year's Fishathon.

Unfortunately not all participants were available for this photograph.

Winners this year are as follows: 1st Place – Christopher Aldrete,

2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Nate Brown, 3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Jasper Jones, Most Fish – Nate Haworth

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## What's New?

Through the Foundation's mentoring programs Joey's strives to provide angling classes that offer students a well-rounded fishing background.



This fall the new Spin Rods Program will be launched allowing students to create their own 7' spin rod. Each rod will be personally and creatively handcrafted from quality components and will last for all years to come.

## Please consider

*Joey's attending and referred youth most often come from very modest families and unfortunately do not have the means to provide for their own scholarships. Referring schools and agencies have not been able to financially support the youth they ask us to serve.*

*We hope you will consider hosting a youth today. Your contribution will help a student attend a program at Joey's.*

*Please remember your donations are tax deductible.*

## Volunteers for 2012

Mario Aldrete, Tom Balding, Ken Carioch, Tracy Dearinger, Joel Elliot, Sean Gee, Rhonda Gould, Colin Harding, David Horney, Allen Jones, Curtis Jorgenson, Tina Krueger, Bob Krumm, Aaron Linden, Alex Lee, Larry Longland, Mike Malone, Sam Mavarakis, Darrell Neiman, Molly Nickelison, Aaron Odell, Ann Phister, Staci Ross, Erika Sanders, Savannah Schaffer, Nate Statevent, Brian Sutton, Jon Sweet, Tony Wendland, Peter Widener  
Members of the 2012 Sheridan WYO Rodeo Queen Royalty  
Fishermen: Carol Mavarakis, Barb Sweet, Teri Stoltz, Carrie Kimmel

## Youth Volunteers for 2012

Christopher and Marisa Aldrete, Chester Balding, Sierra Costas, Ben Romanjenko, Savannah Schaffer, Willi Truax, Brandon Wadlow, Taylor Wendland

**Thank you for helping us "Cast for a Better Future"**  
Big Horn Elementary, Coffeen, Highland, Sage Brush, and Woodland Park Elementary Schools, Sheridan Jr. High, Northern Wyoming Mental Health, Sheridan & Buffalo Branches



## Joey's Receives Grant for Summer Programs

Joey's Foundation was recently awarded a \$5,000 grant from the S.K. Johnston Family Fund of the Wyoming Community Foundation (WYCF). These funds were given to support the Foundation's Summer Youth Mentoring Programs.

This support through the Wyoming Community Foundation was able to help over 100 youth that attend one of four summer camps; Little Camps for Little Fisherman, Four Day Camps, the exciting Adrenaline Camps and the new All-Girls Camp. Youth ages 5-18 were able to participate in the mentoring camps provided by the Foundation. Each camp is designed for the age and skills of the campers and includes personal and hands on instruction from trained staff and volunteers from the community, field visits to some of the most beautiful private and public locations in Wyoming and giving opportunities through community service activities. Youth participating in the new Adrenaline camps learn advanced techniques, travel deeper into the wilderness and have to work on a one day community service event. Little Camps are specifically designed for the younger student and are a great introduction to the programs offered at Joey's. The newest camp, the All-Girls Camp puts a new twist on this amazing fun sport just for the girls.

Executive Director Sheila Blackburn stated, "We know we are one of many organizations seeking assistance and we appreciate the Wyoming Community Foundation's continued interest in our programs and participating youth."

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