

Broken Arrow Youth Ranch

Helping youth love God, love themselves and love others. Helping families heal and grow.

2021 Spring/Summer Newsletter

OUR LOG HOME RETREAT CENTRE SEEING MANY VISITORS!

June 16 – July 1, 2021

Emmy Grywachski arrived at Broken Arrow June 16th to relax, retreat and to serve. What a blessing Emmy was during her two week stay. She washed windows, helped in the garden, bottle-fed our calves, and joined our Broken Arrow Youth Ranch family for two wonderful weeks. Emmy had this to say about Broken Arrow, ***"This has been an amazing holiday and retreat for me. Thank you for this special time at the ranch! God Bless you!"*** – Emmy (Kamloops, B. C.)



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A MESSAGE FROM OUR CEO, TODD MOROZ

Wow! We are already into the Dog Days of Summer! It seems we were just looking forward to longer days as we were doing night checks during calving, only to find ourselves already experiencing a little less daylight each day.

God has been so gracious this year! 100% calf crop and a couple "bottle-feeders" due to the generosity of two supporting ranch families. We are happy to announce that the ministry is now debt free and gaining ground financially! We are grateful to our Lord for His miraculous provision and for each of you. We now have the equivalent of 317, \$25/month donors. Our golf tournament event on Father's Day weekend was a great help. We are trusting God for rain for our Bushels for Broken Arrow farms, for our ranchers who donate feed, for our own crop and those of our friends and neighbours in western Canada.

Though we are between students right now the ranch has been active with many visitors. We are so glad that people are choosing to retreat here. We've recently had a dear lady Emmy, stay for a couple weeks and she has been a true source of help and encouragement. We are also so grateful for your response to our wish list from our last newsletter. We have grain bins on the way, a cattle squeeze chute promised and some of our tile and backsplash donated and installed. We have a goal of completing the exterior projects on our Family Renewal Centre (fire escapes, retaining walls, decks and cement

pads) before freeze up. If you can help through materials, resources or skilled labour please contact me.

At Broken Arrow we know that only God can truly transform and heal us from the inside out. I've been able to catch up with three of our former graduates from the program in recent weeks. Though life continues to present challenges I was thrilled to witness Jaiden graduate from high school, to hear of some of the exciting things Judah has been experiencing with his church in Saskatoon, and to see Thomas' interview on 100 Huntley Street for National Indigenous People's Day. God is so faithful. May we each continue to trust in Him with all of our hearts.

Another organization that recognizes God's power to change and transform us is Athletes in Action. Jared Lacoste is a long-time friend of Broken Arrow and is also the chaplain for the Saskatchewan Roughriders. He recently contacted us about an exciting opportunity. **On July 28th we will be joining Athletes in Action for an event to hear of Christ's transforming power in the life of DeQuin Evans, a professional football player. We will be hosting a coffee house here at Broken Arrow and joining the live Zoom broadcast. We hope that many of you will join us here or via Zoom for HOPE RESTORED.**

No matter what you are facing this summer, be it sunshine, storms or drought, may you be reminded and inspired to fix your eyes upon Jesus (Hebrews 12:2). In Christ,

Todd Moroz



Administrative Director, Lara Moroz

There is a saying that "Time flies by," and I sure agree with this! I am not sure where the time has gone! It is now summer and it feels like yesterday it was just winter. Our garden is in and growing and our rye and turnips have been planted. All 32 calves have arrived! This year we ended up with 24 bull calves and only 8 heifer calves. We are also thankful for the two donated bottle-fed calves we received. Thanks again to Caroncrest Farms for the donation of our milk replacement powder. I so enjoy giving the bottles to "Bambi" and "Audrey." Feeding calves is a highlight for all our guests. We have had visitors use our log house retreat. If you are interested in a getaway please give us a call or email us to book your time. I just want to give another reminder that if your address changes to please let me know so I can update my files. Enjoy your summer.

2021 Charity Golf Classic a Great Success!!

Bush Wackers



Skinny's



Super Daddios



Green Tees



On Eagle's Wings, Estevan, SK

CONGRATULATIONS PRIZE WINNERS!

Team who raised the most \$\$Dollars in pledges:

Green Tees

The Best-dressed Team:

Super Daddios

Highest Team Score:

Green Tees

Lowest Team Score:

Skinny's

Most Creative Team Name:

Bush Wackers

Oldest golfer

Ed Moroz

Youngest Golfer:

Emily Stewart

Longest Drive,

Men – **Des Mollison**

Ladies – **Jennifer Fuessel**

Longest Putt: **Denise Skinner**

Golfer who raised most \$\$

Connie Moffatt



Ranchers in the Rough



Winnie and the Pooh Bears, Winnipeg, MB

**THANK YOU!
TO EACH AND EVERY
ONE WHO GOLFED,
SPONSORED,
DONATED AND
SUPPORTED OUR
CHARITY AUCTION.
YOU MADE THIS OUR
BEST CHARITY GOLF
CLASSIC YET
RAISING
\$20,550**

Catching up with a Former Student

“The staff at Broken Arrow taught me to love people where they are at.” - JW



The Apology Process *

1. Express Regret
“I am sorry for ____.”
2. Accept Responsibility
“I was wrong.”
3. Make things right
“How can I make it up to you?”
4. Genuinely Repent
“I will not do that again.”
5. Ask for forgiveness
“Will you please forgive me.”

* *The Five Languages of Apology*,
By Gary Chapman & Jennifer Thomas

Recently our Program Director, Gina Stewart (GS) was able to have a FaceTime conversation with our former student, Judah Wardrope (JW). It was good to see his happy countenance, and hear how God is continuing to work in his life. Judah is currently living in Saskatoon, SK. GS: Last time I spoke to you, you were just getting ready for team worship at your church! Are you still serving with the worship team? **JW: Yeah, it's been good really.** GS: How are you enjoying life in Saskatoon? **JW: Well, it's not been all “sunshine and rainbows” but, it's good. I've been, ‘Trusting in the Lord.’** GS: Todd tells us you are involved in a ministry with Mark Blaine, called Step One Ministries, tell me about that? **JW: Yeah, that's been really good. Their vision is to be able to bring together those who have faced addictions and life challenges – to bring about healing to them. Every Friday night they meet at the church – to share testimonies and what God is doing in their lives. It has been a really good to be a part of.** GS: Sounds great. Think back to your time at Broken Arrow, what has been a tool that continues to help you navigate life? **JW: Lots of things! One thing that comes to mind is the apology process. Even as I have been a part of the Step One Ministries, I have had opportunity to use the Apology Process in working through things. Another thing was learning routine. I was not used to following routine. Life is not always full of what we ‘want to be doing’ there are those necessary things that need to be done, even in going to regular bible study – like when I don't feel like going!! But, I'm thankful I learned that I need to do things that take effort.** GS: That is a great lesson for all of us. As you think about your relationships, what is a lesson learned from Broken Arrow that has helped you? **JW: Loving people where they are at. I learned that not just from you all at Broken Arrow; but, the church family too. I seen you all really loved people where they were at – that is one thing that I am trying to do; but, it's not easy!** GS: What does the future look like for you? Plans for college? Work? Ministry? **JW: That is actually something I've been praying for. Possibly going to bible college. I have some ideas that the LORD is putting on my heart – but, first things first – I need to get my student loan paid off – still looking for a job. Have looked many places for a job; but, it's not a good time to find one due to COVID. But, because I don't have a job, I've really been getting in the word, and drawing near to the LORD. I may not be where I want to be – but, I have hopes and I have dreams – I realize the LORD has a plan for me, and not just a plan – but a good plan. I am really taking this time to press into the LORD.** GS: That is so good to hear. Is there anything we can continue to pray for you in this season of your life? **JW: Yeah – I'm feeling much better with my throat, but, please be praying for that. The struggles I've had in the past with feeling depressed when I'm alone - I can be feeling really lonely – and that loneliness can be a real temptation for me.** GS: We will continue to pray for you Judah. To encourage you, draw near to God, He is always with you, He never leaves you! Tell me about what's happening with your music these days? **JW: I've started writing again. I kept hearing melodies and songs in my head. Just weeks ago, a man, David, spoke at our church. He prayed for my injured leg, then asked, “Do you write songs and sing? The LORD is showing me that your leg will be healed. I also see in your future, travelling and bringing joy to people through music.” Then, he invited me to a song-writing workshop. So, I am spending time writing, and asking God, Lord, what do you want me to write.** GS: Sounds exciting! One last question, if there is a message you would like to share with your peers, what would it be? **JW: Don't be too hard on yourself! One thing I've learned – you will never be able to please everyone! If you are being hard on yourself and putting yourself down, that is a big obstacle. There is going to be times when you get knocked down – that's life. As long as you get back up, and keep pressing into God!** GS: That is some great advice for all of us! It's been great talking with you! . Please come and visit us at the ranch this summer; and, be encouraged Judah! Keep pressing into God and trusting in Him to direct your path. ✨



Our greatest commandment is to LOVE. “Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and love your neighbour as yourself.” Luke 10:27

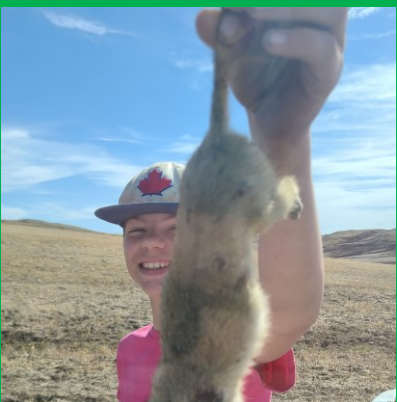
Judah often joined us in spending time with so many of our neighbours: branding calves, moving cattle, fencing, and helping each other when in need. Meet our closest neighbours, The Walburgers, Ross, Brooke & Hazel! Did you know God commanded us to not only know our neighbors, but to love them! Neighbors are important to God and, they are important to us! Thank you to all our friends and neighbors who are helping us shine the love of God to those we minister to.

**June 21st
National
Indigenous
Peoples Day**

Tarrant Cross Child, Todd & Lara's brother-in-law visited Broken Arrow with his family and friend, Crystal Lavelle of 100 Huntley Street early this Spring. Crystal was working on a story for National Indigenous Peoples Day. While visiting Broken Arrow, she had the opportunity to speak with one of our former students, Thomas Kuksuk. You can watch the full episode that aired June 21st on 100 Huntley Street, on their website.



CONGRATULATIONS JAIDEN
Our former student graduated in the Class of 2021! May God continue to bless and guide your future endeavours!



**GOPHERS
BE GONE!**

Message from the Board Chair



If you have been following the weather reports for South West Saskatchewan, you will know that the area where Broken Arrow is situated is in a very serious drought. I have lived in this general area for most of my life and have seen a few times of drought, this one being among the worst.

When this happens, people have no other place to go than to fall on their knees and ask our Heavenly Father to send relief in the form of rain.

One thing I know – God's plan is that none should perish. That means that He wants everyone to enjoy the place He is preparing for eternity. When we take that piece of truth, we can see how God can use things like a drought to draw people to Him. His ways are not our ways!

Those of us living on the land are very affected by the weather, especially lack of rain and drought. But, I think droughts, or "dry times" are present in everyone's life. People sometimes, through no fault of their own, find themselves in 'dry times.' That is why Broken Arrow exists – to be here for people when the dry times come. Even Broken Arrow as a ministry has experienced "dry times."

The Board of Broken Arrow wishes to extend a "Thank you" to all our supporters of this ministry. It is through your generosity that Broken Arrow is able to function. The last couple months we have not had any full-time clients enrolled at Broken Arrow. The Board views this as a chance for our staff to recharge, and prepare for the next student or family that needs a place to heal and grow.

Many individuals and families are in a drought. As a Board, we know that our staff will love, and prepare the families and young people that come to Broken Arrow to experience the love of God and equip them with tools to prepare them for life's challenges.

Broken Arrow's mandate is to "Help families heal and grow." Thank you for partnering with us. Respectfully yours,

Mark E. Elford



**HOPE
RESTORED**

Featuring:
former NFL & CFL player
DeQuin Evans

JOIN US
Wednesday
July 28
6:30pm - 8pm

Register at:
<https://aia.sh/d>



Presented by **ATHLETES IN ACTION** | **BROKEN ARROW YOUTH RANCH**
Solid Rock Ministries

Coming Events

HOPE RESTORED

Wednesday, July 28th

Athletes in Action is teaming up with Broken Arrow Youth Ranch to bring a message of hope. CFL Defensive Lineman, DeQuin Evans, of the BC Lions, will share his story and journey to find hope. Join us on-site at our Family Renewal Centre, Wednesday, July 28 at 6 o'clock. Fellowship and refreshments to follow. This event is being offered free-of-charge to all.

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