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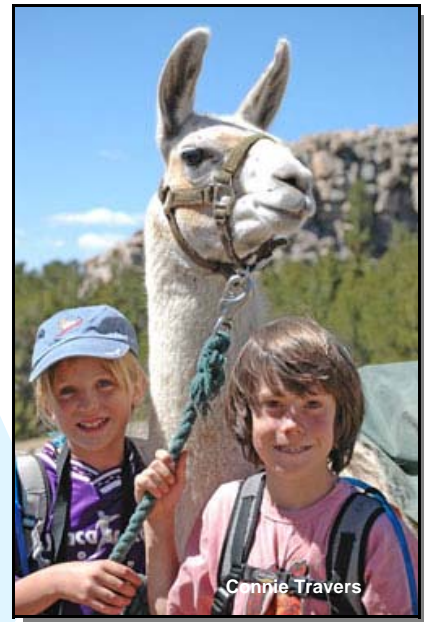
LLAMEROS NEWSLETTER

At Fifty, one in 300 million Scott Woodruff

Fifty. That's how many years I've lived in America. Most of those years I have been using the great outdoors in our free Union of 50 States. And I thank God for that freedom every day. Three hundred million. That's how many people we have in America today. It is important, more than ever, to continue to protect and conserve land, while wisely using our sustainable renewable resources.

I think all of us eventually, as we get older, step back and ask ourselves "What are the most important things in our lives and how can we make a difference?" Well the first part is pretty easy for me, and I suspect unanimously by many, that family and friends are the most important. And this in most lives is intertwined with faith. One thing that most certainly is important in my life is the refreshing of my soul and faith each and every time I step foot in the great outdoors. I still get that same exhilaration and soul-jolting by visiting a mountain top, or walking in an open field, today at a "half century old" as I did when I was 6 years old. Same exact feeling. Why is that? I think, for most of us, it's deeply rooted in our genetic make up to look at the landscape with awe and anticipation for what it has to offer us to explore. Great vistas in open fields, mountain ranges, lakes, forests, prairies, oceans, deserts, and even municipal parks.

They give us the ultimate freedom to explore and a sense of unobtrusive human restrictions, with seemingly endless boundaries.



Cornie Travers

The problem is, will generations to come get to exercise those same precious freedoms? Not if we don't do all that we can do, both legislatively and personally. We need to take on the tasks to preserve these freedoms. I'm not talking about preserving every piece of private land, but I want to make sure that we have enough land that leaves open the possibilities for future generations. Much of the public lands in many states have not reduced in size in my lifetime, thanks to the

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Con't...300 million

foresight and wisdom of politicians like Theodore Roosevelt. Theodore Roosevelt set aside huge tracts of land for generations to come for enjoyment and use. I'm sure he would be delighted to see that some of the same Wyoming land in the west he used to vacation and hunt on, for the most part, remains exactly the same. Yes, the trees have life cycled and most wildlife has fluctuated and/or maintained populations, but in some cases wildlife is healthier than ever before, thanks to modern wildlife management and preservation of habitat. Yes, the exhilaration and soul-jolting are the same too. The simple point is that what Theodore Roosevelt enjoyed over 100 years ago is what we can enjoy today. He was a brilliant visionary. This was a "big new idea" of his time. Just imagine the scope of that legislation today.



Future llama wrangler

Many of us can remember escaping to explore and hike in our backyards when we were kids. The fields and woods I played in to pick flowers, catch bugs, and watch wildlife are long gone now. It has since been developed to accommodate our 300 million people. This duplicate story resonates in every state of the Union. I guess it's the sacrifice for a free market, and certainly we need precious space to live and build houses and businesses to fuel our economy. But let's do it wisely. Let's be creative and work together on "big new ideas". Individually and legislatively to maintain what we have. To allow our children to at least have the opportunity to smell the flowers, catch the bugs, enjoy the wildlife, top the mountain, and refresh their souls hopefully with their families. This is really important to me....at fifty!

Scott Woodruff

LLC Llama Facts

Did you know?

--LLC's crias, (baby llamas) are all named with the 1st or 2nd initial of its Mom and named after something found in the mountains nearby? (Aspen, Alpine, Pinnacle, Pylon, Dundee, Dubois)

--LLC's 69+ llamas eat only 6 bales of hay per day in the winter months?

--LLC is one of the oldest commercial llama trekking operations in the U.S.?

--Female llama gestation is 11 ½ months?

--LLC's llamas are registered and blood typed for gene purity?

--LLC has one of the largest trained llama pack strings in the U.S.?

Who did you have?

Malcomb, Toby, Brighton, Cream Soda, Thunder, Buck, Mocha, Buffalo Bill, Arty, Dawson, Waylon, Journey, White Lightning, Big Sandy, Stough, Dandy, Arter, Arrowhead, Dundee, Sheep, Pinnacle, Pylon, Alpine, Malone, Piedmont, Popo, Aspen, Papy, Dubois, Beavis (Bonneville), Shady, Sonny, Atlantic, Kutz, America, Paint Brush, Shoshone, Ambush, Stoney, Teton, Rocky, Josh, Chico, Rapid Fire + 6 crias not named yet....and that's just the boys.



Future packer

MEMOIRS OF A LLAMA WRANGER, Riley Hopeman

Six seasons. That's how long I've been with L.L.C. I still vividly remember my first day on the ranch. Scott sat against the buck and pole fence, smiling from ear to ear, as he watched me creep towards Chaz, aiming to halter my first llama.

Since that day I've haltered countless numbers of llamas and bucked more bales of hay than I care to remember. As each of my undergraduate years passed, I always looked forward to returning to L.L.C. and my backyard, the Wind River Range.

Unfortunately, my undergraduate career ended this spring and the job hunt began. In early September, I signed on as a Marketing Representative for the National Outdoor Leadership School (NOLS). My position is a bit different from the norm however. I spread

awareness about NOLS by traveling the country in a 36-foot bus powered by recycled vegetable oil and solar power. I've already met up with some L.L.C. clients during a visit to our nation's capital. I could be coming to a town near you, visit www.nols.edu to find out.

Six months. That's how long we all have until L.L.C.'s 2007 season begins. I'm counting the days, are you?

Riley Hopeman



Shirts, Hats, and Mugs For Sale

LLC now has full color logo T-shirts, embroidered baseball caps, and traveler coffee mugs! These products are of high quality and make excellent unique gifts. The products are fully viewable on line and can be ordered on our secure web pages quickly and easily at www.LanderLlama.com under ["For Sale"](#) OR you may call 800-582-5262 to place an order.



"If you are a do-it-your-selfer then you'll want to look into the Lander Llama Company's llama lease program."



We thank all of you for a wonderful llama packing season and truly appreciate your business. We wish all of you the very best this new year!

Scott, Therese and Skyler

Special Thank You's

Thank you for a wonderful week in The Bunk House. As you can see from the kid's pictures we will have lasting memories of your wonderful animals and your exceptionally gracious hospitality....We hope to return someday...keep in touch! "

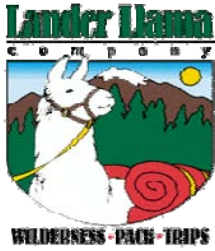
The Nortier Family.

"Hi Scott and Therese, I just wanted to send you a big thank you for the llama rental last week. We had an absolutely terrific time. The children all fell in love with the llamas. Here's a photo of the crew the last morning near Twin Lakes. We'd love to come see you and the llamas again."

Connie and Rich



Connie Travers



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WoodysFlyShop.com and store at Lander Llama Company. Soon visitors will be able to purchase dry flies from our neck of the woods in Wyoming either on-line or at our store. The shop will also feature tee shirts, mugs, hats, and other various goodies to purchase! You'll also be able to freshen up before and after your llama trip in the new restroom.

Llama Podcasts. Yep, soon you will be able to listen and look at messages from Lander Llama Company and RSS them to your news or front page browser and iPods. You'll get audio news on the forest conditions, fly fishing, trip availability, and more! How cool is that? Watch for our RSS link SOON!



Spring Skiing-LLC Style, Shad Hamilton

I guided some great Llama trips this year. We climbed Wind River Peak, Gannett Peak and toured a independent film crew around one of my favorite canyons producing "Llamas @ Latitudes" to be aired on RSN (ESPN) in 2007/08. My favorite trip of all though, was with my family in early July.

We picked out some veteran ski packers (Pylon and Atlantic), loaded up skis and gear enough for two of us and our four month year old daughter, then headed up Silas Canyon for a few days of corn and couloir skiing. That was the ticket! There was no way we would have been able to pack all of that gear, and the little one, miles into the wilderness without the Llamas. I was able to score first descents on two couloirs. Mandy, my wife, got

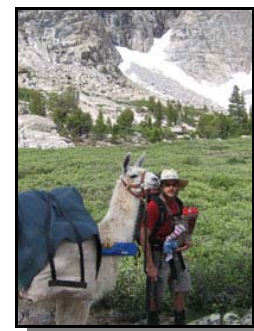
some great low angle corn skiing in. Tallulah, our daughter had a ball hanging out in the tent. She also enjoyed sitting outside with dad, on the tundra, under her bug net- watching mom carve up the corn! A memorable outing indeed!



If you'd like to learn more about my unique backcountry travels, feel free to check the trip reports I post on my blog landerbackcountry.blogspot.com

If you're an experienced skier, and you'd like to sample some truly pristine Wind River corn, I'm your guide! Tell Scott you're interested and I'll see you June or July. First descents are literally around every corner!

Happy Holidays, Trails and Turns! **Shad Hamilton**



Pylon, Shad, and Tally for the ride!