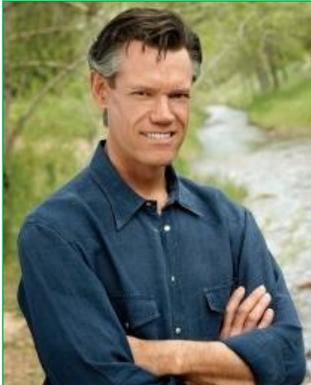




### **Randy Travis & K.D. Lang love this music – so will you on March 24**

Music stars Randy Travis and K.D. Lang know a good song when they hear one. That’s why they’ve recorded works by a singer/songwriter who’s headlining the HwH “Have a Heart” benefit concert on Saturday, March 24 in Prescott.



*Randy Travis (left) and K.D. Lang are just two of the music stars who have recorded songs by Stewart MacDougall, headlining in Prescott this month at a Horses with Heart benefit concert.*

Stewart MacDougall is into his fifth decade as a professional musician and songwriter, and the Canadian native will share his artistry beginning at 5:30 p.m. at the Adult Center of Prescott (1280 East Rosser St.) MacDougall was such a hit at last year’s concert that he’s returning, along with Nancy Elliott, whose “Southwestern Americana” style has been delighting music lovers for years.

Tickets are \$15 in advance (\$20 at the door); \$12.50 for veterans, and free for children under 10. The concert runs from 5:30-7:30 p.m., and offers snacks and door prizes, along with great music. **Plus: HwH will draw the winning raffle ticket for the “Home Wrecker” bronze sculpture, valued at \$3,000.** All proceeds benefit HwH programs. Get your concert tickets at the HwH office, or at [brownpapertickets.com](http://brownpapertickets.com).

**What a knock-down success! See Bowl-A-Thon wrap-up on p. 3.**



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### **Calendar of Events**

**March 3-May 26** ~ Special Olympics Spring Season.  
**March 5-April 13** ~ Session 1, Therapeutic Riding Lessons.

**March 24** ~ Have a Heart Benefit Concert, 5:30 pm, Adult Center, Rosser St., Prescott. (See article at left).

**March 25** ~ Prescott Valley Chamber of Commerce mixer: Northern Arizona Suns game at PV Event Center. Open to all at HwH; \$25 ticket includes dinner and the game. Contact Pam Berry for more info. Reservations due by 3/7/18.

**April 22-28** ~ CHA IRD Clinic, HwH. Volunteers needed for support for horses and classes. For more information, to Audit or to volunteer, contact Jan Grise: 928-308-1353; [ridingdir@hwhonline.org](mailto:ridingdir@hwhonline.org).

**May 12** ~ HwH Special Olympics Team will be competing at the Western Dressage Assn. Show, Santori Ranch, Chino Valley. Details to follow soon.

**June 9** ~ Fun Bucks Auction and Special Olympics Team Beach Party, HwH.

### **Volunteer of the Month: DEBI**

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**Reasons selected:** Debi’s technology skills are a boon to HwH: from tracking reports to database improvements, Bowl-A-Thon set-ups to funds processing, she’s a one-woman tech department. “Commuting” between California and Chino Valley, Debi and her husband will retire to Chino in the near future. No one is more

thrilled at the prospect than HwH Treasurer Helen Collins – Debi’s Mom.

#### **Q & A with our Volunteer of the Month:**

**Q: How long have you been with HwH?**

**A:** Since last January, I’ve helped with rodeos and Bowl-A-Thons, database work and tech issues.

**Q: Why do you volunteer at HwH?**

**A:** Not long after my Dad passed away, my Mom, Helen Collins, started volunteering. Everyone at HwH kept her busy and moving forward in life – I can’t express how much that means to me and the rest of  
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the family. Volunteering here is a way for me to become involved in what will eventually be my community.

**Q: What is your favorite memory or moment at HwH?**

**A:** The loving arms that were opened to my Mom when she was in need.

**Q: If you could share one thing with new volunteers, what would that be?**

**A:** Jump in and do it!

## **Money Matters: the AZ Tax Credit**

*By Richard Joliet, CPA, MBA*

*This month, we launch a new feature examining how donations to HwH can benefit you. Here, Richard Joliet, CPA, looks at the Arizona Tax Credit Program.*

One of the great things about living in Arizona is the Arizona Charitable Tax Credit Program – but even some longtime residents are unaware of its benefits. In brief, you can donate to a qualifying charity – like Horses with Heart – and get a dollar-for-dollar state tax credit, from \$400 for someone filing as single, up to \$800 for a married couple filing jointly.



In my 12 years as a CPA in Arizona, I have often used this program for clients new to the state. If someone owes, for example, \$400 to Arizona, I show them a list of

qualifying organizations, and say, “Would you like to contribute right now to one of these charities?” In some cases, this can entirely wipe out the state tax liability. What’s more, you can make the contribution up until the time you file your taxes (or April 17, whichever is earlier; if you extend, you still must make the donation by April 17). And, the following year, you can itemize this deduction on your federal tax return.

The Arizona Charitable Tax Credit Program is a win-win for taxpayers and for organizations like HwH. To give, email or call Pam Berry: [execdir@hwhonline.org](mailto:execdir@hwhonline.org); 928-899-4759. Or, mail your check, payable to Horses with Heart, to P.O. Box 2427, Chino Valley, AZ 86323.

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**Help Needed:** Horse Supplement Coordinator & Marvelous Mini Transportation. If interested in helping

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with either of these important tasks, please contact Jan Grise for more details.

## **Safety Tip of the Month**

Though it can be tempting – especially for visitors and families – NEVER hand-feed any of our HwH horses. This can lead to “bite-y” behavior when hands reach up to pet a muzzle. Healthy treats may be deposited into horses’ feed bins, but only with prior permission from an Instructor or Staff Member.

## **Why HwH is here: our programs**

What exactly does Horses with Heart do? The better question is, what *doesn't* HwH do? Here’s a quick look at the varied programs conducted at the ranch:



### **Therapeutic Riding (TR)**

**Lessons:** For riders with special needs, ages 4 to 80+. One-hour TR lessons are given Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays from 9:00 am-4:30 pm in four 6-week sessions per year. One-hour group and private lessons, at a minimal cost, are offered by certified instructors. For more info, contact Riding Director Jan

Grise: [ridingdir@gmail.com](mailto:ridingdir@gmail.com) or 928-308-1353.

**Heroes and Horses (H&H):** For veterans and military service personnel, ages 18-80+. One-hour group and private lessons are offered on Tuesdays by a specially-certified instructor in four 6-week sessions per year. There is no cost to the riders. For more info, contact Riding Director Jan Grise.

**Special Olympics (SO) Equestrian Team:** For riders with intellectual disabilities, ages 8-70+. Three 90-minute sessions are held each Saturday of our riding season; there are two sessions per year, each 10-12 weeks long. Head Coach is Pam Berry, assisted by Karen Richert, Asst. Head Coach & additional coaches. The cost is covered by fundraising projects. For more info, contact Pam: [execdir@hwhonline.org](mailto:execdir@hwhonline.org) or 928-899-4759.

**Silver Saddle (SS):** For anyone age 55+. One-hour group lessons, at a minimal cost, are offered by certified instructors in four 6-week sessions per year. For more info, contact Jan Grise.



### ***Bowl-A-Thon rolls all strikes; numbers soar for participants, funds raised***

While the pins fell at Antelope Lanes on Feb. 10, so did any modest expectations for our 15<sup>th</sup> annual Benefit Bowl-A-Thon. Thanks to donor and sponsor pledges and prizes, and the bowlers themselves, the event brought in over \$12,000. All proceeds go towards HwH riding programs for the special needs community and Veterans.

A bustling line-up of over 131 bowlers turned out for the event, which for the first time in years required an afternoon session to accommodate all the teams. Door prizes were given throughout the day, plus raffle drawings for a smart TV, gift certificates, gift baskets and more. In addition, bowlers received prizes for pledge totals collected, high and low scores, most strikes, most spares and most gutter balls.

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