



2016 NEWSLETTER

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PHILLIPS COUNTY PROUD CELEBRATION September 17, 2016

Ranchers Stewardship Alliance, Inc. members and leadership were excited to welcome almost 250 people from Phillips County and neighboring communities to sit down together, dance together and share memories about the pioneers of Phillips County. A fantastic slide presentation was put together by committee members which highlighted the lifestyle of the businesses, organizations, and families who have been in the community for at least 100 years. The sentiments and fellowship shared allowed open hearts to donate over \$500 to the mission of Ranchers Stewardship Alliance, Inc. This will allow us to continue to encourage ranch stewardship and ongoing conservation practices. We can also host a variety of educational workshops beneficial to agriculture producers.



www.ranchstewards.org



Over the past year, Sheila Walsh and Perri Jacobs worked diligently with Montana Graftix to provide a more comprehensive web site expressing the mission and vision of RSA. Updated photos, explanations of current partnerships and information on board members are a few of the innovations made. Stroll through the history of RSA and see what inspires current board members to continue to create workshops with meaning and substance. Go to the donor page and review ways in which you can move the vision forward.



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RSA PARTNERSHIPS

World Wildlife Fund created opportunities through their grant program for RSA to increase their services by providing \$5,000 in funding for the construction of the new RSA website. We were also able to purchase marketing materials for handouts at the next Phillips County Proud Celebration and yearly workshops.

United States Fish and Wildlife Services is proud to send representatives to the RSA meetings to keep the organization knowledgeable about working partnerships in conservation. Efforts include sage grouse and grasslands conservation through Candidate Conservation Agreements with Assurances.

The Nature Conservancy continues its stewardship of the Matador Ranch working with Phillips County Ranching families to monitor grassland usage.



RSA Workshops 2017

RSA's vision of providing education to ranching families and residents of Phillips County will include:

**February 27, 2017 – 1:00 pm – 5:00 pm – Malta Business Center
Rangeland Monitoring, Grass Growth and Response to Grazing,
Grazing Systems – Rick Caquelin, NRCS Range Management
Specialist and Emily Standley, Montana Rangelands Partnership
Range Technician.**