

## 2022 Trails4Transplants Group Journal

5/27/2022: Day started a little earlier because it was going to get hot, today we had 24 riders. Miss V not herself so left her with Randy and rode his horse. We were privileged to ride the Ted Turner ranch – thank you sir. It was 11.6 miles but it was either straight up or straight down. Good workout for flatlander ponies.

At the beginning of the ride after prayers we rode down to see where the Indians camped. Ben sang a song to the ancestors—beautiful.

Got to 86 degrees – bless the breeze. Half way through the ride the Lions Club supplied lunch – sloppy joes – thank you.

Evening meal supplied by Sally and Jake. Couldn't ask for better people.

Happy birthday was sung to Sally and Me. Great Day 2. Jane Ecklund

Day 3 – Beautiful start to the morning, sunny and hot out. Today was our shortest ride. We enjoyed playing with the cows as we climbed upwards again. Every direction you looked was hills and valleys as far as you could see. My little gelding had a tough start to the week but after having a minor heart attack over a horse eating mine he settled into the nice little trail horse that he usually is for me.

Visited a cemetery which housed much history and ended the ride coming through town, over the bridge back into the fairgrounds. It's such a pleasure to ride with such great people, hoping to join again in 2023. Thank you for the ride. Randi Golden

Day 3 – May 28 evening – The evening event this day consisted for a meal provided by the Ft. Pierre Chamber of Commerce, a silent auction and fellowship, all in the large room under the fairground bleachers. The meal was delicious, and the fellowship was memorable and heart touching as participants told their story of waiting for a donor and others expressing deep thanks to those donors that gave them life in their passing...stories from their hearts. This was year 10 with \$350,000 raised. There are preliminary plans for a 2023 ride near Minot, ND. I am honored to have ridden with this group and for this cause, and look forward to sharing the trail...the riding trail and life's trail with the and for the Trails4Transplants mission. Thanks be to God for his guidance. Roger