

ROSEWOOD SERVICES



20 YEARS OF RUNNING STRONG!

2018 ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION



Live life like the gate is open...

20 Year Time-Line

Rosewood Locations and Achievements

Rosewood's beginning - May 4th, 1998

Rosewood's main administration office located on 384 N. Washington St., Great Bend was remodeled from a traditional home to meet the office needs for Administration employees. An additional 10 offices were added in 2006.

May 1998 – Rosewood Roots & Wings Foundation formed as a 501(c)(3) organization to help provide funding to advance the physical and mental needs of disabled individuals in central Kansas.



Outback - 1999

The Outback building was Rosewood's first day site, located directly behind the administration building. The beginning job opportunities included raising rabbits, building mats, and lawn maintenance. As we've grown, the Outback became the transportation hub to mobilize employment work crews and residential lawn care. This location also facilitates transportation for client work locations, community appointments and social outings.

NextDoor - 2000

Seeing the need to offer more specialized services for our elderly and to those with more complex disabilities, the NextDoor facility was developed utilizing another traditional home next door to the main campus.

Rosewood Ranch - 2002

The Ranch was built to provide equine therapy services to Rosewood's consumers and to provide job opportunity to folks who wanted to learn skills needed to work on a ranch. Beginning with 2 therapy horses and 1 instructor, the therapy program has grown to include 7 therapy horses and 3 PATH certified instructors.

As a full working Ranch, clients have many work opportunities from cleaning horse stables, working cattle, and mending fences, to harvesting honey from honey hives, picking fruits from the orchard, and gathering eggs from the chicken coop. The Ranch offers many special events throughout the year:



Rosewood Rodeo - Participants work weekly to perfect their riding skills in preparation for the Rosewood Rodeo, held each year in October. The Rodeo is a wonderful time to celebrate achievement in various events as it showcases the remarkable strides each person has made throughout the year.

Show Days - Every quarter, the Ranch hosts Show Days for all the riders in the therapy program, where they show their skills and earn points for each event. Show Day points are tallied and ribbons awarded at the annual Rosewood Rodeo held in October.

Kids Day - The Ranch also is the site of Kids Day every June for the children in the riding program, along with employees' families.

Home for the Holiday's Parade - A fun community event happens each year as Great Bend kicks off the Christmas Holiday Season on the Saturday after Thanksgiving with the local Christmas Parade and many downtown activities. Santa and Mrs Claus travel the parade route each year in the elegant Rosewood Ranch horse-drawn carriage. Many clients and employees assist in helping with the parade and providing carriage and wagon rides for the community during the evening festivities following the parade.

Rosewood Furniture Gallery - 2002

The Rosewood Gallery provides a unique work opportunity for clients as they sand, finish and assemble solid wood furniture for sale in the retail gallery. The Gallery also serves as a supply source for handcrafted wooden trunks and crates for the Wine Cellar.



Rosewood Furniture Gallery Activity Center - 2003

The Activity Center hosts the Rosewood Miracle Workers AKTION Club, a self-advocate group for people with disabilities, empowering members by "giving back" to their community through volunteer work and public awareness. The group builds lasting friendships and self-worth while advocating for basic rights of all people.

Santas Around the World - 2008

Santas Around the World were donated to the Rosewood Foundation for safe keeping. The multi-cultural Santas are a collection that span five years of work and artistry by Great Bend artist Loretta Miller. The life-sized Santas represent countries and regions from around the world and are displayed in a winter wonderland of lighted trees and festive holiday décor. Open during the holidays, visitors can learn and experience Santa traditions from across the globe by touring the Santa exhibit at 1223 Main Street.

Rosewood Gardens and Greenhouse - 2009

Growing fresh tomatoes year round was the focus for the development of the Rosewood Greenhouse. Rosewood clients acquire skills necessary for tending to tomatoes and jalapeños. Rosewood tomatoes were sold at the Rosewood Gallery and local restaurants until the opening of the Rosewood Kitchen. Because of high demand, now all Rosewood tomatoes and jalapeños are utilized by our Gourmet Kitchen for products to be sold at the Rosewood Wine Cellar.

Soap and Pottery Production - 2011

Soap and horse hair pottery production was created to offer opportunity for the inner artistic abilities of clients to develop. In the beginning, soap production took place at the Outback and pottery firing took place inside the red barn beside the Outback. As soap and horse hair pottery production grew, it became necessary to open a single location geared toward creating quality pottery and bath and body products.



Rosewood Studio and Kitchen - 2012

Developed to accommodate the growing needs of the soap and pottery production, the Studio and Gourmet Kitchen also created the opportunity to make salsas, jellies, candies and many more food products. It is a learning environment for consumers to fine tune skills and abilities from measuring ingredients to packaging product. In this location quality is key and our employees and consumers take great pride in making sure high quality standards are met.

Rosewood Winery - 2012

Searching for a method to train individuals in our field of services to gain skills necessary for community employment, the Winery was developed and built. Winery workers are held to the same expectations as they would be in a community job – these positions are applied for, and they must agree to all rules and procedures outlined in the Winery handbook. Our Winery is unique, being the first winery in the nation geared toward employing people with development disabilities. As with all things at Rosewood, quality is key and our wine is no exception! By 2013, our Exotic Fruits Zinfandel and our signature Blackberry Cabernet both earned top-3 medals in state-wide competition against other Kansas wineries.



Memorial Garden - May 27th, 2011

The Memorial Garden was created as a way to remember consumers who passed away from our Rosewood family. At the Memorial Garden, you will find beautiful granite stones with the engraved names of those who have passed. The Memorial Garden provides a peaceful place for clients and loved ones to reflect upon special memories.

Rosewood Wine Cellar - 2013

The Wine Cellar is our showcase and retail outlet for the products our clients take part in creating from the heart. The Wine Cellar quickly became a popular shopping spot for the community, offering custom gift baskets, unique homemade products and quality gifts for both men and women. As customer demand increases, so does our production demand for our employment locations. We always have something new to roll out at the Wine Cellar!



Employment Network Office - 2014

Because there was such a need for Community Employment for people with disabilities, the Employment Network Office was developed. The Employment Network program provides employment training, job search and on-the-job support through the "Ticket To Work Program" and Vocational Rehabilitation.

E & E Glass Business Acquisition - 2015

With popularity and subsequent growth of the Wine Cellar, Rosewood began to feel the growing pains of continued product roll-out and the needs required for new products. The location and space that E & E Glass offered was a good fit for our continued growth and need for marketing our Rosewood products and events. Currently, this location serves as the headquarters for our label design and printing production. Plans are underway for the future development of this building.

Property Appearance Team (PAT) - 2016

As our day sites continued to grow, so did our residential locations. PAT crews were developed to take the lead on yard maintenance at all Rosewood residential properties. Being a part of this crew is no easy task, but a very important one! PAT crew workers work diligently on making sure lawns are mowed and watered through the summer months and take care of debris and limbs that may clutter up the yard. Currently PAT crew teams maintain more than 35 Residential properties.

Rosewood Bargain Barn & The Roots and Wings Foundation Office - 2016

Although, the Roots and Wings Foundation was founded in 1998 – it never had a home office until the remodeling of the building at 1215 Main took place. The Bargain Barn was created to be a service to the community by taking in quality donated items to be resold at reduced prices. These funds help pay for Rosewood consumers' needs that Medicaid dollars don't fund. Donors potentially receive a tax write-off in return for their donation. The Bargain Barn also houses the production of our new brand, Saturdays T-shirts.



Saturdays T-shirt Shop - 2017

Housed in the back of the Bargain Barn, Saturdays offers a wide variety of humorous t-shirts as well as designer blouses. All tops are hand-designed and pressed by Bargain Barn employees. Work opportunities for consumers are packaging of the shirts and helping with other retail duties. Saturdays offers great fundraising opportunities for groups of all sizes nationwide. Groups have the flexibility to sell shirts designated in the Saturdays catalog, sign-up for in-store promotions, and on-line sales.

Rosewood Maintenance Building - 2018

The Maintenance building provides the opportunity for vehicle and general repairs to be completed in-house by Rosewood's skilled employees. The maintenance building is also home to PAT crews. Plans are underway for the development of new work and training opportunities such as: electronic recycling, car detailing and window washing.



Special Honors and Awards

Rosewood Horse Riders Show Well in Kansas KQHA/SCSHA Competitions - 2005

Rosewood riders have proven their skills over the years in Showmanship, Horsemanship and Trail Pattern Riding participating in competitions with Kansas Quarter Horse Association and then with South Central Stock Horse Association. During a nearly 10-year span of KQHA/SCSHA competition, Rosewood horse riders produced 167 Champions, 450 Top-3 Finishers, and 5 KQHA/SCSHA High-Point Horse Show Awards.

ANCOR Direct Support Professional (DSP) of the Year in Kansas - 2010

ANCOR, a National advocacy organization awarded Eric Hammond of Rosewood Ranch the Direct Professional award in Kansas, during the National Conference in Washington D.C.

Rosewood, Sandy Smith Earns 'Governor's Award' - 2010

Rosewood Services and Sandy Smith, manager of Rosewood Gallery, received "Excellence Awards" in Topeka from Kansas Gov. Mark Parkinson. Rosewood was nominated for "demonstrating a strong ability to assist individuals to remain in their homes and communities and to achieve self-sufficiency through individualized employment and independent living skills." Smith was nominated for "demonstrating extraordinary commitment to the provision of high-quality person-centered services."



Rosewood Ranch is Featured on PBS National Television Series "America's Heartland" - 2011

Rosewood Ranch was featured in a nationally syndicated television show, appearing in episode 722 of America's Heartland.

Rosewood Competes in the NSBA National Horse Show in Tulsa Oklahoma - August, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014

Riders bring home : 2 World Champions,
3 Reserve Champions, 13 Top-3 Placings,
43 Top-10 Medalists.

Rosewood Drill Team Debuts - 2013

The talented Drill Team debuted at the Rosewood Annual Rodeo for their first appearance. The crowd was treated to an inspiring horse-riding performance by the Rosewood Drill Team riders, the only drill team in the State of Kansas featuring riders with developmental disabilities.



Rosewood Services is Honored Alongside Kansas State Representative Bob Bethell during a Bill Signing Ceremony - 2012

Rosewood Winery along with Representative Bethell were instrumental in liberalization of Kansas Wine Law Requirements for Grapes Grown in Kansas. The new law supports a free market and will promote the Kansas wine industry, and was a necessary step to provide client employment opportunities.

Rosewood Services Received The Great Bend Chamber “Business of the Year” Award - 2012

The Business of the year award is an annual award presented by the Great Bend Chamber of Commerce to showcase companies that demonstrate excellence in customer service, growth, and response in positive ways to adversity. Businesses must also show community involvement and demonstrate innovative business practices by improving products, services and programs.

Rosewood Services Wins ‘American Business Award’ - 2013

During a Chicago event, Rosewood was named a Silver Award recipient as “Company of the Year” at the 11 Annual American Business Awards in the category of Diversified Services.

Rosewood Wines Golden in State Tasting Competition - 2013, 2014

For two consecutive years, Rosewood Winery came home a multiple winner from the Kansas Grape Growers and Winemakers Association Conference. Rosewood Winery came away with a total of three gold medals, a silver and a bronze for its wines. Rosewood signature wine “Boots Made For Walking” Blackberry Cabernet took home gold, as did Rosewood’s Peach Apricot Chardonnay and Raspberry Dragonfruit White Shiraz.

Rosewood Services Receives the “Mid America Ag Accolade Award” - 2015

Presented by Mid America Ag Network, Rosewood was featured on a half-hour show titled “Mid America Ag Accolades,” which originally aired on 1480-KQAM. The show was subsequently aired on more than a dozen other Mid America Ag Network stations throughout Kansas and Oklahoma.



Featured Publications

Rosewood Services featured on the High Plains Journal cover - 2015

Rosewood Services featured on the Font Cover of the High Plains Journal and a two page article featuring Rosewood Ranch and Winery. The High Plains Journal has grown into one of the most successful agriculture publishers of today.



Rosewood Wine Cellar Makes Kansas Magazine List - November 2015

In the winter issue 2015 of Kansas Magazine, Rosewood Wine Cellar made the top-10 list of "Reasons We Love Kansas," coming in at No. 8 on the list in the magazine's 70th Anniversary Edition.



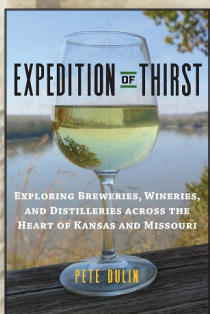
William Dubois' blog "Plane Tales" - 2016

William Dubois is a writer of aviation articles for magazines circulated nationally and internationally. He also writes a weekly blog, which he shares with his readers around the world. William Dubois wrote three separate articles about his trips to Great Bend from his home in New Mexico, as he discovered Rosewood Wine.



MotorHome Magazine features Rosewood Services - 2016

MotorHome magazine provides readers with the latest news about living the RV lifestyle. Rosewood locations were given high marks as one of the best places to visit when traveling in an article written by one of its editors who spent several days enjoying the Great Bend area.



"Expedition of Thirst" - 2017

Rosewood Winery featured in the Expedition of Thirst publication. The book maps routes that crisscross eastern Kansas and western Missouri, with stops at some 150 breweries, wineries, and distilleries along the way. Pete Dulin, a seasoned writer on the subject, explains how and why these businesses produce beer, wine, and spirits tied to regional terroir and represent the flavors of the Midwest from the Flint Hills to the Ozarks.

"Embracing Inclusion" People with Disabilities Enriching the Workforce - 2017



Rosewood Winery worker, Jimmy Wonsetler is featured within this wonderful masterpiece. Marc Goldman, Founder of Damon Brooks and Associates (DBA) released his latest publication with hopes of breaking down stereotypes and open employment opportunities for those with a disability. Embracing Inclusion: People With Disabilities Enriching the Workforce features over 100 profiles and photographs demonstrating ability and not disability in the work place.

