

MEET THESE KEY FOLKS



JOHN

John Schauble is one of our Dining Room Managers. John is unmistakable as the jovial guy with the New Jersey accent! He has been in the restaurant business for 21 years, and has spent 15 of those years here at the White Fence Farm.

John is a great encourager, and employees appreciate his calm approach to every situation. He says he learned from his father, also a business manager, to treat every guest like they are a guest in your home, and to treat your employees like family. What a great lesson to pass along!

Like many of us here at the Farm, John has a second job. He is a 5th grade teacher in the Denver Public School system. He says he loves teaching, but it can be a bit stressful. Working at the restaurant helps to relieve the occasional stress of classroom teaching. Says John, "It's like helping throw a party every night", and "the staff here is great!"

Working at the White Fence Farm is a family affair for the Schaubles. John's son, Jonathan, worked here for seven years and is currently in college in New Mexico. John met his wife, Dora, while working here. Even though she didn't speak much English at the time, it was love at first sight. They discovered they had a lot in common, because Dora had been a teacher in Peru. She is still in the profession, currently as a para-professional in the classroom.

John and Dora enjoy traveling to visit family in both Peru and New Jersey; they enjoy going to movies, and have even learned salsa dancing. Asked what he wants most to accomplish in life, John says he wants to be a good husband, a good father, and a good teacher.



MICHAEL

Michael has held several positions at White Fence Farm in the 26 years he has been here. Currently he works behind the scenes to bake the delicious pies and cakes our customers enjoy so much. He also supervises the daytime preparation crew.

Michael's early years were spent on his grandparents' farm in the San Luis Valley while his mother attended college nearby. It was there that he came to appreciate the simple things in life: family, good food, country living, and an intense love of the outdoors. He says that in his view, the ideal life is one in which he could see the sunrise and sunset each day, and spend the rest of his time either fishing or cooking.

While still a youngster, Michael's family moved to Denver. He began working at White Fence Farm as a busser when he was 14 years old. He graduated from Green Mountain High School in 1987, and from Metro State College in 1992 with a business degree focusing on advertising and industrial psychology.

Michael has many fond memories of how "The Farm" has changed over the years, especially before the Harvest and Heritage rooms were added. The old Take Out area was where the Harvest room is now. He found it amusing that one of the managers was often seen chasing mischievous little white goats around the grounds. He remembers one humid and easy Mother's Day before the ban and gazebo were completed. The waiting area was filled to capacity, so some of the overflow of customers waited in the kitchen amid the bustle and bustle of employees on the busiest day of the year.

As for future plans, Michael says he can't imagine doing anything different, "I love what I do for a living!" He particularly enjoys taking raw ingredients that have their own "vibes" and putting them together in creative ways to come up with something delicious. This applies to his daily preparation of our standard menu items, as well as the special monthly Sunday lunches and desserts he makes for our staff. Believe me, we sincerely enjoy his efforts! Keep up the delicious work, Michael. We're glad you're here!



JACKIE

Jackie's is the happy voice people hear on the other end of the phone when they call the White Fence Farm office. She has been in the hospitality industry for 34 years, in total. The last 24 she has spent working here with us in various jobs including server, hostess, and dining room manager; then in 1998 she was asked to be the office manager. Jackie says what keeps her going strong all these years is her husband, who is her best friend and greatest source of support. As with many folks here, whose children or other family members have followed them into employment at "the farm", two of Jackie's children also worked here for several years. The wholesome, welcoming environment draws entire families to want to become part of this place.

Jackie was born in Indiana, but has made Colorado her home since she was just a toddler. Her father still lives in the family's Westminster home, as he has since 1956.

She and her family enjoy barbecuing, long walks, and warm weather vacations and cruises. Jackie has a good sense of humor and laughs easily, especially when remembering fun times had with other employees. She remembers that on one of the employee vacations one January many years ago, Charlie Wilson dressed up and sang as Elvis during a talent contest. (Don't laugh Mike Wozniak, she said you dressed up as a construction worker and sang the Y-M-C-A song in the same competition!) Jackie remembers that one particular Halloween when she was working in the dining room, she dressed up as a policewoman. She walked up to a customer, and received quite a startled, if not alarmed, reaction from the customer who didn't realize that she was merely dressed in costume!

Jackie Garcia's wonderful smile and bubbly personality are blessings she shares with customers and employees alike. We are so fortunate to have her in our farm family!

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HOOTIN HOLLERIN AND STOMPIN

While known for its great food and country atmosphere, the White Fence Farm is also a special place for music and dancing. Located in our wonderful, 45 foot high timber-built Americana Barn, our "Front Porch" provides the perfect spot for musicians to lead music to your ears. Each night we have live music and entertainment for your enjoyment, and it's always complimentary for our dining room guests.

Every Tuesday evening the Farm is proud to host a square dance night in the Americana Barn. Guests are always welcome to watch, or for a small cover charge, anyone is more than welcome to join in the toe-tapping fun as well! And for those who think that square dancing only takes place to old country-western tunes, they'll be delighted to hear that our square dancing is called to a variety of music. One noticeable tune the square dancers seem to enjoy dancing to is Frosty the Snowman. Don't believe it? Then come and check it out!

Every Wednesday and Thursday we are pleased to host Country and Bluegrass Jam sessions. This means that anyone who would like to play is more



than welcome to come with their instrument and jam out with some of our talented musicians. If you have never been to one of these jam sessions, consider stopping by for a wonderful experience that'll make your toes tap and your ears tingle with delight!

In addition to our square dancing and jam sessions Tuesday thru Thursday, White Fence Farm has live music on the weekends as well. A number of popular local groups play on our "Front Porch" every Friday, Saturday, and Sunday night. Most of these groups only play once or twice a month since it's such a popular venue. Stop by the Americana Barn or check out whitefencefarm-co.com for a schedule of bands. Then come and hear some of your favorite classic bluegrass and country music being played 'down on the Farm.'

Be sure to "sit a spell" and enjoy the nostalgic music and ambience in the Americana Barn. While you're at it, go ahead and indulge in a delicious homemade dessert or a bit of Granny's fabulous "farm-made" fudge. What a great way to spend an evening!

CHESTER'S PUZZLE PAGE

SCAVENGER HUNT

Hey, Kids! Want to learn some fun things about the White Fence Farm and earn a Free "kiddie sundae?" Just fill in the correct answers, and let your server or the folks at Granny's validate it to redeem your Free sundae. (Valid on this visit or next, children 12 and under.)

What is the name of our cow? _____

What is the name of our donkey? _____

How many peacocks live in the aviary? _____

How many sheep statues are in front of the restaurant on the grassy area? _____

What color is the door to the Carry-Out area? _____ **OINK!**

How many people can the restaurant seat? _____

What is the name of our pig? _____

What is the statue of Thomas Jefferson holding? _____

What is the name of the two story slide? _____

How many rocking chairs are on the porch of the Americana Barn? _____

What is the name of the Arcade room in the Americana Barn? _____

Serving Our Community

The Adoption Exchange - Folks at the Farm realize how important family is. Some children merely dream of having a family. We at the White Fence Farm partner with The Adoption Exchange to help make that dream a reality. Once a year we host an adoption party and luncheon for approximately 200 prospective parents and adoptive children.

Everyone seems to have a wonderful time in the relaxed atmosphere that includes games and fun activities on our grounds. On the 2nd floor of the Americana Barn is an album of photos of children awaiting adoption that customers can browse, and perhaps find a place in their hearts and homes for these beautiful children. We're pleased to report that a number of children have found a home and loving parents through these yearly events.

Church Appreciation Program - Recognizing that churches play a major role in the stability and moral balance of our community, we at White Fence Farm want to show our appreciation. Groups of 15 or more making a reservation in their church's name will have 10% of their total bill tithed back to their church. In addition, we will give an additional 10% of the total bill in Donation Dollars to be used by church administration in any way they see fit.

Community School Program - At the White Fence Farm, we feel deeply that children and their education are important to our community and to our nation. With that in mind, we have developed our Community School Program. Academic or sports-related groups of 15 or more making a reservation in their school's name will receive 10% of their total bill donated back to their school in Donation Dollars. These can be given to teachers, coaches, volunteers, etc. Additionally, White Fence Farm will waive its private room fee for any school group.

Denver Rescue Mission - Unfortunately, not everyone in Denver has a place they can call home. The Denver Rescue Mission provides a great service to our community by helping to feed and shelter people who need help. Additionally, the Rescue Mission works to get folks "back on their feet" and be self-sufficient. As our way of saying "Thanks" to the Denver Rescue Mission for what they do, we provide them with an open invitation to The Farm. The staff at the Mission use these monthly complimentary dinners as a way to reward people who have been able to transition back to self-sufficiency, thank voluntary staff for their efforts, and show full time staff how much they are appreciated.

Food Works Ministries - As you stroll around the grounds, you may notice a bronze sculptured pig standing in front of the Country Cottage. He's more than just a pretty face! He's really a giant piggy bank. Coins customers drop in the piggy bank, together with those from fountains in the lobby and gazebo, are donated to Food Works Ministries to assist in feeding needy families and individuals in the Denver metro area. Your pocket change might not seem like much, but it really adds up and provides canned goods or a hot meal for many hungry folks.

Donation Dollars - Almost every school or non-profit organization has some type of fund-raising event. As part of our commitment to be a help to our surrounding community we are happy to make donations to these fund-raising events. In fact we've even printed a special type of currency to help with this. They are called "Donation Dollars", and we provide them to help organizations raise funds by using them for door prizes, silent auctions and other similar usages. Donation Dollars can be used as cash for food, beverages in the dining rooms and the Carry-Out.

Family Fun Night - This is a great "school spirit" fund-raising event with 15% of dinner sales donated to your school's PTA or other committee when students, their families and friends join us for dinner on a night the school selects. If your school is looking for an easy and great way to raise money you should schedule a Family Fun Night. We'll provide many of the tools necessary to make this one of the best fund raisers you've ever had - and it's fun!

ROOTIN' TOOTIN' FARM BARGAINS

Here at the Farm, we feel we serve the best tasting food, and lots of it, at the most reasonable prices around. Plus, who can match the atmosphere and good times that make coming to the White Fence Farm a real treat for the whole family? As if that weren't enough, we offer several promotions and special offers throughout the year to provide even greater value.

Teachers

We have always appreciated the hard work and dedication of our public school teachers. To show our thanks for your hard work, we are happy to offer all current public school teachers 50% off of their meal as our way of thanking you for the wonderful work you've done. Just tell your server that you're a teacher and give them the name of your public school. Thank you again teachers!

99¢ BEER AND WINE EVERY FRIDAY!

After a long week at work, sometimes you just need to cool off with a tasty refreshment. Here at White Fence Farm we are happy to serve 99¢ glasses of beer and wine to our dining room customers, limit 2 per person on Fridays. Come visit us to unwind and relax on Fridays and enjoy some good, old fashioned country food!

Holiday Gift Cards

During the Holidays, we offer a special Gift Card promotion. For each \$50 Gift Card purchased, you will receive back an additional \$10 gift certificate to use yourself or give away. Think of it as a gift that gives back the moment you purchase it.

Good Grades A+

Kids, it pays to get good grades! Make your parent(s) proud and also make it easier for them to bring you to White Fence Farm. We offer a free child's chicken dinner to children bringing in a report card with all A's. A report card with all A's and B's will earn students a free dessert.

Birthdays

Getting older may not always be easy, but it certainly makes dining at White Fence Farm a special treat! Those who have reached the age of 80 years or more can come in on their birthday and receive their age a percentage off their meal! For example, a person who comes in on their 82nd birthday will receive 82% off their entrée! You can't beat a deal like that.

Anniversaries

We want you to know that we are especially proud of folks who have persevered to make their marriages last. Any couple celebrating 40 years of marriage or more will receive that percentage off their two dinners when they dine with us on their anniversary date. (As an example, if you are celebrating your 56th anniversary with us, both of you will receive 56% off your entrees.) What better way to celebrate?

We enjoy doing what we can to provide you with the ultimate dining experience! We sincerely appreciate your business and hope these special offers will help make your dining experience with us even more enjoyable.

GENTLE GIANT WILL BE MISSED BY MANY

He was called "Sampson," given this name due to his tremendous size. He was nearly 2400 pounds and within a couple inches of the Guinness record for his Belgian breed. He stood 19.1 hands at his withers, nearly 6 1/2 feet! His appearance was simply stunning, blond in color with white mane and tail. Most people would just stop in awe and stare at the magnificent stature of Sampson. But this is not the only reason he was so popular. You see this gentle giant had a disposition that was unique. In my 23 years in the business I have never experienced another like him. "One in a thousand," I was told by most in the draft horse community. Levi Hostetler, an Amish horse trainer, stated Sampson was "unbegriffich" (pronounced: une-be-graf-ich) in his native Dutch, meaning an indescribably tame horse.



1994 **SAMPSON** 2010

Sampson would spend his summers at White Fence Farm. I think he could sense people with special needs, or the elderly. His gentle disposition would manage hundreds of riders without incident. Sampson would tour the restaurant grounds for all to see the acres of manicured lawns and flower gardens, which sit adjacent to Sanderson Creek. The sound of steel horse shoes on the carriage trail would dominate the calls of peacocks hollering and nearby spring lambs "bah-ing" for mom as you passed the corral. The babbling creek along the way completed the experience. All this was a popular and welcome refuge for thousands of 'city slickers' during different seasons at the Farm. Thank you Sampson!

I think in my heart he liked his job, seemingly eager to meet you at the pasture gate. While being harnessed he'd always lower his head, from almost 8 feet up, to help the carriage driver put the horse collar on. Then when he was hitched, a simple voice command and gentle signal with one of the lines set him off to meet his many fans and guests.

As Fall turned to Winter, Sampson would return to the ranch in Morrison. After a couple Holiday bookings and lots of rest, it was time for the National Western Stock Show. This is where Sampson would have his 15 minutes of fame each year. He was always in the newspaper or on TV, and more popular than most of the other exhibits.

During the Stock Show hundreds of kids would experience a joy and thrill as they mounted this enormous horse for a photo. At times, 4-5 kids would line up on his back, giggling and smiling ear to ear with excitement. Some families would come every year to have their kids photographed with Sampson. This magnificent horse was so gentle and docile he would also accommodate the physically challenged. It always would pull on your heart-strings to see them, seemingly without their disability, even if it was just for a few minutes. Their smile would say it all. Thank you again Sampson!

Sadly, after years of providing so much joy to so many people, Sampson passed away in 2010. He died unexpectedly and suddenly of an aneurysm at only 16 years old. We were stunned and shocked. Draft horses usually live well into their twenties. I decided that he would be buried on the ranch. It seemed like only the

right thing to do with such a Legend of a Horse. The horseshoer removed his huge steel shoes as keepsakes before we winched him into his final resting place, near the north pasture. As this great horse's journey came to an end, the ranch hands tried to "cowboy-up", while tears rolled down their cheeks. The sun set over the foothills, offering glimmering hues of red and orange, as this sad day came to a close. I'll have to admit that it even brought a tear to this ol' cowboy... "We'll miss you Sammy".

Tribute written by Mark Richardson - Owner of Bear Creek Ranch

Freshly Baked

At the White Fence Farm, we like to offer a variety of desserts at different times of the year. Many people have their Farm Favorites and we are often asked, "when will you have my favorite, Peach Cobbler?" Here is a list of our Seasonal Recipes, and the exact months they are available.



Seasonal Bakery Selections

February and March
Cherry Cobbler and Coconut Cream Pie

April and May
Mixed Berry Cobbler and Chocolate Toffee Pie

June and July
Peach Cobbler and Sour Cream Cherry Pie

August and September
Blueberry Cobbler and Chocolate Silk Pie

October and November
Apple Cobbler and Pumpkin Pie

December
Cherry Cobbler and Raisin Spice Pie

The White Fence Farm : Then and Now



Original Building Entrance 1973

The questions we are most often asked here at White Fence Farm center around our building and its history. We love to share the story of how it all came about. It goes something like this...

... Shortly after World War II, Lucas Wilson purchased an 80 acre parcel of land with several purposes in mind, one of which was to be able to build his own home, and homes for his three married children, far from the city noise. Jewell was a gravel country road back in 1948, and only a few cars a day could be seen passing by!

Lucas' son Stan had a dream of operating a country restaurant. So in 1953 the beginnings of the existing building were brought into place. An old farm building was moved off of the Fred Harvey Farm (now Harvey Park) and placed where the restaurant now sits. Lucas then had rooms added to both sides of the original farm structure. However, this is as far as it went, and the interior of the building was never completed. The Wilsons became involved in another family business, and Stan and Martha were soon raising four young children. For nearly 20 years the shell of a building was used only for storage. Meanwhile cattle grazed on the surrounding acreage, and the family was content to be able to look in every direction and see open fields. Of course, that gradually changed as Southwest Denver grew. But it wasn't until Stan's son, Charles graduated

from D.U.'s Hotel and Restaurant Management School in 1972 that the building began to be revived. Charles and his parents along with now grown sisters Cindy, Kathy, and Debbie, went to work scraping and painting, removing overgrown shrubbery, digging a pond and stream, and working out the myriad details that would make the old place come alive. Interior walls and floors were finally put in place, and finished in the colonial style. With flowers planted, curtains hung, and their first smiling staff hired, the Wilson family opened the doors of their dreams reality on July 17, 1973. Wilson's Good Eating was soon established as a wonderful colonial style restaurant. As Charles recalls, "There were no other restaurants to the south or west of us when we opened. Things have sure changed since then"

After eight busy years of operation, changes were considered that would allow the Wilsons to concentrate



The White Fence Farm Today, has grown to over 12 acres of beautifully landscaped grounds, complete with Shopping, Entertainment, and a small Petting Zoo for children of all ages.

again on family life. Charles and Stan reached an agreement with the White Fence Farm Restaurant in Joliet, IL. They would exchange ideas and duplicate (to an extent) the popular chicken house's menu and concept. This would allow them to serve dinners only, with a moderately priced menu. With adjustments made the doors were reopened in March of 1981, and business grew rapidly.

In 1983, the exterior patio was enclosed for year-round use. It is now the Garden Room. Then in 1994 a major expansion took place. It included the main entry, the Harvest and Heritage Rooms, and the Library, as well as a remodel of, and addition to, the kitchen area. When completed, the additions added an additional 240 seats bringing the total dining room capacity to 600 people.

Business continued to grow and in 1999 the Wilsons began construction on a project that had long been a dream of theirs-the Americana Barn and Carriage House. Completed in the fall of 2000, this addition added a whole new dimension of fun and excitement to White Fence Farm. Inside you will find live entertainment, a children's play area and video arcade, and unique shopping areas, along with beverage service, snacks, and homemade fudge.

Finally in 2002, the old farmhouse that had been a part of the countryside for over 70 years was moved onto the restaurant property to compliment and complete the beautiful buildings and grounds of the restaurant. In fact, the restaurant has been added onto so many times that the only original part of the structure still visible is the Green Room facing the ponds.

Says Charles, "Thanks to wonderful friends, customers, and employees, as well as hard work, we have seen the original building more than triple in size. Additionally we have had the joy of seeing our children and our original staff's children become involved in the business operation. We have served as many as 3,000 meals in one day, yet still enjoy time for family life."

POWER UP!

When you bite into that delicious piece of Farm Fried Chicken or enjoy the taste of any number

matter what might happen. Recently, our spare boiler quit working after many years of trusty

of our cooked items, from pie fillings to soup, gravy and mashed potatoes, you probably never give it much thought about what made it possible for the 'cooking' to get done. Around here things get hot and tasty thanks to our big steam boiler. Though we only really need one main boiler, we have a second one for times when we've needed a 'back-up' boiler. We want to make certain you're assured of a delicious and hot dinner when you arrive, no

service so we had to move it out and make room for a new 'back-up' boiler. Because it was so heavy, a 'boom' truck unloaded the boiler when it was delivered. Then it had to be moved into position on rollers, set in place, and completely re-piped into our steam system. All in all it was quite a project for something that's only used for 'stand-by'. The cost of the full project was about \$XXXXX, but we'll breathe easier knowing we're ready to serve you, even if our main boiler shuts down for some reason.



Spare Boiler is lifted from the delivery truck into our building

PHOTO FACTS



Recently we had a contest to name our donkey. Many names were suggested. We chose the name "BANJO," submitted by 6 year-old, Deltaia Perez! CONGRATULATIONS!

We're more than happy to accommodate service dogs. This service dog was the spilling image of our own friend who greets all patrons.

We're proud to host many Denver area clubs and can make arrangements for private parking areas.

The Peacocks in our aviary put on a fantastic display of color. The male peacocks are "showiest" in May through June.

Pig Milan is a favorite attraction in the OK Corral for children and adults of all ages.

giggle blossom cottage

While it sounds like it could be a fairy tale house in a magical forest, Giggle Blossom Cottage is really a boutique clothing and art shop housed in our farm house just a few steps east of the Americana Barn. Designer and creator, Stephanie Mains, sews adorable clothing and accessories for children, but recently has included clothing for ladies from the "Down East Basics" line. The simple styles in the Giggle Blossom Cottage are timeless and offer a bold vintage look that won't go out of style. Stephanie's business partner, Jennifer Winslow, hand paints children's furniture,



wall murals, sews custom made bedding, tutu's, hats and headbands. These imaginative ladies are stay-at-home moms whose creativity knows no bounds. They have sold their products at open-air markets for several years, and were looking for store space when this location became available. Whether you're looking for a whimsical tutu, a sun dress for the little princess in your life, an apron for cooking a family dinner, or a hand-painted toy chest with frogs or butterflies, you've come to the right place! We hope you'll agree the Giggle Blossom is a happy addition to our Farm Family.

Enjoy a HOT Bowl of Soup... On us!

NEW! Our Creamy Chicken Noodle Soup
"a bowl of down-home goodness
Grandma would be proud of"



"It's good for what ails you." Remember when our grandmothers used to say that about a bowl of hot chicken noodle soup? Not only is it a great source of comfort in cold weather, research shows that it actually can inhibit the symptoms of the common cold! Our recipe, developed in Martha Wilson's kitchen, is a variation of an old family recipe handed down through the generations. Its creamy, delicious broth is full of noodles and generous pieces of chicken. It has been a crowd pleaser since we first featured it last year. We serve it seasonally from

October through April.

*Coupon valid October through April. Limit One complimentary bowl of soup per party in our Dining Room only.