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## **Sky Ranch Foundation Donates to Colorado Equine Therapy Program Harry Wiles Memorial Funds Support the HopeFoil Project™**

**December 16, 2011 – Bethesda, MD** –Sky Ranch Foundation and the Medicine Horse Program (MHP) have announced a \$20,000 donation to MHP's HopeFoil™ Project in memory of Harry Wiles, American Beverage Licensees' former Executive Director. This award-winning program partners rescued foals with depressed and anxious teens in the community of Boulder, Colorado. The teens work with trained therapists and horse handlers to help gentle the foals.

This donation comes from funds contributed to Sky Ranch Foundation in memory of Harry G. Wiles (1945-2010) by his friends, ABL members and the hospitality industry. A native of Boulder, Colorado, Wiles knew how horses can help kids, and was an avid supporter of the western lifestyle and horseback riding.

"ABL is so pleased that the Sky Ranch Foundation leadership put so much time and effort into identifying and supporting the Medicine Horse Program, with which Harry would have been proud to be associated," said John Bodnovich, ABL's Executive Director. "The program has an important mission and we are grateful that these funds raised in Harry's name are going to such a good cause."

For over 11 years, non-profit organization Medicine Horse Program has been dedicated to enhancing the quality of life of adolescents, families, and adults through unique equine-assisted experiences. MHP and the HopeFoil™ Project provide group and individual therapy sessions that focus on healing.

"We are thrilled to have the financial support from the Sky Ranch Foundation," says Kathy Johnson, Executive Director of Medicine Horse Program. "We have more children in need than ever before." Noting the increased cost of expenses, Ms. Johnson noted, "We need these generous donations to provide the quality of services for which we are nationally renowned."

To learn more about the Medicine Horse Program and the HopeFoil™ Project, visit their website at [www.medicinehorse.org](http://www.medicinehorse.org).

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