Happy 2022, PrideRock family! Did you know that 2022 is the Chinese zodiac year of the Tiger? The animal, one of a dozen in the Chinese zodiac, is considered a positive sign. The tiger embodies courage and bravery, which we hope brings strength and resilience after the last two difficult years we all have experienced with the pandemic.

We’ve been keeping over busy here (per usual) and in the last few months, welcomed our newest bobcat resident, Bruce! We have also been working with the community on exciting opportunities for PrideRock, all in which you can learn more about in this newsletter. So, grab a cup of coffee, kick back and see what we have been up to since last fall!
Late last year we had the privilege of working with Randy Haney, a retired art/graphic design teacher for Glen Rose High School in Glen Rose, Texas. For those who don’t know, Glen Rose ISD mascot is a tiger, and they were looking to incorporate one of our tigers as a focal point of their school’s main entrance.

We’re excited to share with you how the project turned out below. Kyndl’s purrfect face is now debuted on both Glen Rose High School and Glen Rose Junior High’s main entrances and the students were very interested to learn about him.

We love working with our surrounding communities and are always happy to have our cats represent local schools. If your school has a cat or bear mascot and are looking for real life representation, contact us today!
It’s no secret that PrideRock has become a safe haven for bobcats. In November 2021, Bruce came to us after being passed along to several different owners who weren’t able to care for a wild animal. Bruce is both neutered and declawed, so unfortunately, releasing him into the wild was not an option.

We estimate that he was somewhere around 6-8 months when he came to us. He is absolutely adorable and has a rambunctious personality. Bruce has already adapted well to his new surroundings and neighbors, Kenna and Babu.

Thanks to the generosity of our donors on this past NTGD, our new enclosures are almost complete. We’re still currently working on filling the new spaces with enrichment activities such as large toys, pools, hammocks, etc.

We appreciate any and all support to help us with these last few measures to make these enclosures complete. Before you know it, they will be filled with animals in great need of a forever home.
PrideRock Wildlife Refuge provides permanent sanctuary and shelter for mistreated and unwanted wild animals, primarily lions, tigers, bobcats, bears and wolves. It takes a village to keep our residents healthy and happy!

We at PrideRock work tirelessly to provide a safe environment for our rescue animals to live out their lives in peace and comfort. In addition to our staff of four, volunteers and interns show up every day to keep our animals fed, clean, enriched, and content. PrideRock residents come to us from a variety of sources, some retired from entertainment, from other refuges, and some from former breeding facilities or private owners.

**Board Member Needs:**

PrideRock Wildlife Refuge is looking for 1 new board member that is passionate about our mission. Potential board members must have a love for wild animals and a drive to help abused wild animals find a safe haven to call their forever home.

**Requirements:**

- The board meets once annually, but interaction is appreciated during fundraisers and PrideRock events.
- Member terms are 12 months.
- No financial or time requirements.

If you are interested in serving on this board, please send your resume and information to Kayla McCain at Kayla@priderock.org.
ANIMAL CARETAKER

Our Animal Care Volunteers MUST BE dedicated, able to follow directions, self-starter, reliable, and willing to get dirty. We clean many enclosures, water troughs, feeding barns, and much more. Learn how to run a wildlife sanctuary. Volunteering for PrideRock is fun and rewarding but a lot of hard work. You must be able to work in extreme weather conditions and be dependable. A love of animals is a plus!

Interested? Contact PrideRock operations manager, Corey Allison - coreyafeline@gmail.com.

PHOTOGRAPHER / SOCIAL MEDIA

PrideRock is known for sharing beautiful photos of our animals online. We’re currently in need of someone who can come out to the property quarterly for batch photography sessions for our social media pages. You’d be shooting photos (if possible video) of tigers, lions, bears, bobcats, and wolf-hybrids in their enclosures.

This is a great opportunity for anyone looking to build their portfolio with wildlife and outdoor photography. Experience in photography for social media purposes is a plus. Interested? Contact PrideRock Marketing Director, Kayla McCain – Kayla@priderock.org.

We earned our 2022 GuideStar Platinum Seal!

Our organization earned a 2022 Platinum Seal of Transparency! If you’re curious to dig deeper into PrideRock, GuideStar will let you dive in and see our strategy, metrics, and achievements.
Our PrideRock paintings continue to be a great hit with our fans and donors. If you have been following us for a while, you know that enrichment is important at PrideRock, and our animals LOVE to get their paws dirty. When creating their works of art, they all have their own unique style. Some like to get messy and others like to just paint with their whiskers, but the end result is always a masterpiece!

All of that said, we will be hosting our Spring PrideRock Painting Online Auction this coming March! To bid on our animal’s artwork, join us for our online auction starting **March 16th through March 20th.**

All of the proceeds that are raised from our upcoming online auction will go straight to the care and well-being of our residents. Plus, not many can say that they have a piece of art that was paw-painted by a tiger! Be sure to follow us on Facebook for more updates!