

LET THE RIDING BEGIN!

The 2008 spring riding session will begin May 12 and we will be in full swing by June 1st. Riding will be held Mondays from 1:00 pm - 8:00 pm and on Tuesdays 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm. Beauty, Keebler, Iggy, Molly and Goldie are all waiting for the arrival of the warm weather and the return of all the riders. They enjoy taking everyone for rides and the treats they get afterwards.

Volunteers are always needed. If you have some spare time to donate there are lots of opportunities to lead or side walk. We are in need of large, strong young men to help side walk with riders.

HIGH TECH NEWSLETTER

If you would like to receive our newsletters via email please send your request and e-mail address to: Health Directed Riding, Inc. P.O. Box 335 Grandy, MN 55029-0335 or go to <u>www.healthdirectedriding.org</u> and e-mail us with your request.





Spring Celebration!

May 3rd there will be a spring clean up and volunteer training at Pinesong Farm. We will be getting together at 1:00 pm to clean tack and the shed, do some painting, minor yard work and the barn needs a mild scrubbing too.

Everyone is welcome, bring a friend to volunteer, too!

Rhonda's Musings

It is hard to believe how quick the summer goes, but here we are quickly approaching spring. The Christmas season has come and gone just as quickly. I want to take the time to say thank you to all of our riders, volunteers and their families for a wonderful riding season. It is such a joy to look back upon this past riding season and see all that was accomplished, the new friends we made and the friendships that continue to grow. Although it seems that frequently we had to cancel a session due to the extreme heat or what seemed like never ending rain (which, as hard as it is to believe, was no more than previous years), everyone had a great time and we are left with memories to cherish. Thank you all for your continued support of Health Directed Riding, as well as your support of me. This past year, as many of you know, was a very challenging year for me personally and I want you to know how blessed I am to be doing what I'm doing with this wonderful group of people and that each of you has a very special place in my heart. God bless you during the wonderful change of seasons and I look forward to us all getting together again for the 2008 riding season. Rhonda



Health Directed Riding is listed as a United Way Agency. You can contribute to Health Directed Riding through supporting the United Way. This can be done through work place campaign. Check with your employer to see if they are participating. If you would like to contribute to the United Way you can direct your funds where you chose. Check out their web site. www.unitedway.org Saturday, September 6, 2008 Ride-A-Thon You can start collecting pledges soon and challenge that friend, family member, co-worker, club, etc. to see who can collect the most pledges. You will then be entered into a drawing (based on the amount of your pledges, with a minimum of \$150) where you will have a chance to win a wonderful prize. You will have a chance to win door prizes with a minimum pledge of \$25.

Saturday, October 4, 2008 Fall Fest Pot luck lunch at 11:30, raffle drawing and barrel racing to follow.

Looking for a meaningful gift? If you have to find a gift for that "hard to buy for" someone, consider a donation to Health Directed Riding in their name. You will receive a Certificate of Giving honoring your special someone. See back donation page for details.

The drawing for the raffle this year will be on October 4th, at the Fall Fest, before the barrel racing events begin. The 1st place prize will be a framed drawing from a local artist. Other prizes are two halves of a hog with processing donated by the Braham Food Locker Service and a digital picture frame. Tickets will be available soon to purchase or to sell.



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