

Health Directed Riding, Inc.

“Where Rehab Reins”

March 2009

Just as we thought spring would never get here it is starting to hopefully warm up, the sun is shining and the days are longer. Easter is just around the corner. The signs of spring we all look forward to tell us that the riding season will soon be getting under way.

I want to take the time to welcome all of our returning and new riders, volunteers and their families as we prepare and get ready for a wonderful riding season. It is such a joy to look forward to this upcoming riding season knowing that so much will be accomplished, "for I know the plans I have for you" Jeremiah 29:11. It is a blessing to be doing what I'm doing with this wonderful group of people for 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 soon for the 2009 riding season.

Rhonda

Let the Riding Season Begin!

The spring riding session will begin Monday, May 18, 2009. Beauty, Keebler, Iggy and all the other farm friends are anxiously awaiting warm weather and the return of all the old and new riders and volunteers. See you soon!

Available Soon!

Raffle tickets will soon be available for you to purchase or sell. This year's prizes are a work of original art by Pat, two halves of a hog and an MP3 player. This is a great way to support the program. Drawing to be held October 3, 2009.

Clean-up Day at Pinesong Farm



We are looking for volunteers who can help spruce up the farm. Clean-up day is scheduled for Saturday, May 2, 2009 at 10:00 AM. Please bring "pruners", if you have some, a cordless screwdriver and willing and able hands to help do odd jobs. Donuts and beverages will be served. Bring a friend or two, many hands make light work!

Volunteer Training Session

Do you know anyone who has time to spare, would like to experience the joy volunteering, is able to handle horses and/or is willing to learn? A volunteer training session will also be held on May 2, 2009 at approximately 10:00 AM. (This runs in conjunction with clean-up day). If you know someone who may be interested in volunteering please contact Pat at 320-396-3506 or Rhonda at 612-247-9582

HIGH TECH NEWSLETTER

You will find the latest newsletter by visiting www.healthdirectedriding.org. If you would like to receive your newsletter via email, send your request to:

Health Directed Riding, Inc.
P.O. Box 335

Grandy, MN 55029-0335

You can also visit our website and email your request.

Health Directed Riding Has Merchandise Available:

T-Shirts:

Youth.....\$10.00

Adult.....\$15.00

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Denim Shirts...\$35.00

Hoodies.....\$35.00

Hats.....\$10.00

Lunch cooler....\$5.00

Water bottle....\$2.50

Key chains.....\$2.50

All profits from merchandise sold go directly back into the program.

With Sympathy,

We wish to extend our deepest sympathy to the family of Craig Mattson (father of Crystal Mattson) and the family of Mary Johnson (mother of Jan Dahl). Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time.



Reflecting back over the past seasons it was with both joy and sadness that we recall the wonderful equine friends we said good bye to last year. There are not many out there that can compare to Molly, Goldie, Murdock and Pride. God has blessed us in the past with gentle horses that seem to understand what we ask of them when we put our precious riders on their back. We believe that He will continue

that blessing going forward for many years to come.

Come Join Us...

September 12, 2009 is the annual Ride-A-Thon to be held at Wild River State Park. Start collecting pledges now for a chance to win a Wii Game System (minimum of \$350.00 in pledges for entry of the Wii). For every \$100.00 in additional pledges, you will have additional chances to win the Wii.

Collect a minimum of \$50.00 in pledges to have your name entered for prize drawings. Registration fee is \$5.00 in advance or \$10.00 at the door. You may walk, roll or ride on this fun filled day. There are many great trails to enjoy. Registration begins at 9:30 a.m. and we'll set out on the trails at 10:30 a.m. Enjoy a meal at the trail center at approximately 1:00 p.m. For information regarding the Ride-A-Thon contact Rhonda at 612-247-9582 or Wendy at 320-224-6935.

Mark your calendars for Saturday, October 3, 2009 for the Fall Fest at Pinesong Farm. A potluck lunch will start at noon with the raffle drawing following shortly after. The riders will show off their skills in the arena in the early afternoon. This is a great opportunity to support our riders, families and volunteers. See you in the fall!

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