# Health Directed Riding, Inc.



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## Rhonda's Ramblings

As I sat down to write this, I was reminded that last year at this time the ground was covered with snow and it felt as though spring would never get here. What a difference from this spring! We were blessed to have such a mild winter that the trees are already budding and I noticed this morning that the bulbs I look forward to blooming in the spring are well on their way. I am looking forward to the upcoming riding season and the chance to yet again spend time with all of our riders and volunteers. I hope that you are as ready to get going as I am and to discover what will be accomplished during this riding season.

"For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also." Matthew 6:21

Rhonda

Shilo and Amigo will be in the lineup again this summer, thank you boys!!!!

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#### **ELECTRONIC NEWSLETTER**

Our website has gone through some changes and email addresses have been lost. We're looking into how best to address this issue. For now, you will find the latest newsletter by visiting www.healthdirectedriding.org

# Let the Riding Season Begin!

The projected 2012 spring riding session will run May 14th – June 29th (there will be no riding 5/28 or 5/29); summer session runs July 9th – August 31st; fall session runs September 10th – October 26th. Riding will be held Mondays from 1:00 - 8:00 PM and Tuesdays from 6:00 – 8:00 PM. If you know someone who would benefit from therapeutic horseback riding, please call Rhonda at 612-247-9582.

## **RAFFLE TICKETS:**

Raffle Tickets are now available for purchase. Prizes include original art work from a local artist, two halves of hog with processing, and an E-Reader. Contact Pat at 320-396-3506 for more information.



Won't you please help me clean up the mess we made over the winter?

## Spring Clean-up/Volunteer Training Day

Saturday, April 28, 2012 has been set for our spring clean up and volunteer training day. We will meet at Pine Song Farm at 10:00 AM and get to work. Rhonda will train new volunteers.

There are lots of tasks to do; cobwebs need to be swept in the barn, toys need to be cleaned and the arena can be spruced up. Bring a friend with you to help, many hands make light work! Introduce them to our wonderful program.

If you know of anyone who may be interested in volunteering in any way, please contact Rhonda at 612-247-9582. We are always in need of people who can assist our riders in many different ways.

## 15th Annual Ride-a-Thon

In riding a horse we borrow freedom.

The annual Ride-A-Thon is set for Saturday, September 8, 2012 at Wild River State Park. Start collecting pledges now for a chance to win a Kindle Fire \_(minimum of \$350.00 in pledges for entry into the drawing of the Kindle Fire). For every \$100.00 in additional pledges, you will have additional chances to win the Kindle Fire.

Helen Thomson

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.

### Mama Jean's Golf Tournament

Join Jean Jenner on Friday, July 6, 2012 at the Sanbrook Golf Course in Isanti, MN for a day full of good fun and good friends, both old and new. Tee off is at noon. This is a fundraiser where the event's profits are split between Health Directed Riding and Freedom Farm, which is also a therapeutic riding program. Mama Jean's Golf Tournament is held in conjunction with the Isanti County Firefighters' Rodeo. For further information please contact Jean Jenner at 612-940-4233.



## Isanti County Firefighters' PRCA Rodeo

The 36th Annual Isanti County Firefighters' PRCA Rodeo, will be held Friday, July 6th & Saturday, July 7th, 2012 in Isanti, MN. Pre-rodeo activities begin at 6:00 PM with the PRCA Rodeo Performance beginning at 6:30 PM each night. Many other fun activities are held in and around the area throughout the day. Be sure to stop and say hi to us at our Health Directed Riding Booth at the rodeo.



For more information regarding all the events surrounding the rodeo log onto <a href="www.isantichamber.com">www.isantichamber.com</a> or contact the Isanti County Chamber of Commerce at 763-444-8515.

## Pine City PRCA Championship Rodeo

The Pine City Championship PRCA Rodeo, will be held Saturday, September 1st and Sunday, September 2nd, 2012 at Heidelberger's Farm Equipment located at 3923 State Hwy 70, Pine City, MN 55063.

The PRCA Rodeo begins at 6:00 PM each night including live entertainment and dancing each night following the performance.

For more information regarding the rodeo log onto <a href="https://www.pinecityrodeo.com">www.pinecityrodeo.com</a> or contact Heidelberger Farm Equipment at 320-629-1122.

A horse gallops with its lungs, perseveres with its heart, and wins with its character.

**Tessio** 

# North Country Hillbilly's Car & Truck Show

Unable to make it to the Ride-a-Thon? Another great activity in our local area on Saturday, September 8, 2012 is the North Country Hillbillys Car & Truck Show. The car show begins at 11:00 AM and is held in conjunction with Braham Fest at the Braham Covenant Church located off Hwy 107 & County Rd 4 in Braham. Expect to see a variety of custom/classic cars & trucks while listening to live bluegrass and gospel music. Also, from late afternoon into the evening Braham Fest hosts live Christian rock bands.

- Contact Les Orvis at 320-492-4579 for further details and information regarding the car show or visit www.theNCH.com
- Contact Pastor Steve Jennisch at 320-396-2334 for further details and information regarding Braham Fest & Gospel Fest.



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#### Merchandise Available For Purchase:

T-Shirts:

Youth\$10.00	Hats\$10.00
Adult\$15.00	Hoodies\$35.00
Sweatshirts:	Water Bottle\$3.00
Youth\$15.00	Key Chains\$3.00
Adult\$25.00	Etched Coffee Mugs\$10.00
Denim Shirts\$35.00	Lunch Cooler\$5.00

Buy \$50.00 worth of merchandise and receive a free water bottle.

# Congratulations

Congratulations to Tracy & John on their engagement. Tracy & John volunteer with the program.



## 2012 Fall Fest

Mark your calendars for Saturday, October 6, 2012 and join us at the Fall Fest at Pinesong Farm. Our day starts at 11:30 AM with a kids activity followed by a potluck lunch at noon. The raffle drawing will be held after lunch. 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 this fall!



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