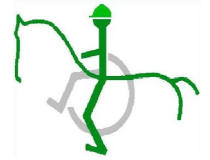




FREDERICK COUNTY 4H THERAPEUTIC RIDING PROGRAM Horse Discovery Center



“All we need is a helping hand...”

Spring

DONOR NEWLETTER

2023

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



WELCOME to Spring 2023

Our TRP family Horse Buddy's group is busy shedding and grooming our equine heroes. Other people are bringing the horses and ponies back into the ring – riding, leading, and lunging.



We began our lesson scheduling with 51 possible riders for the 2023 spring session. I wish we could bring another 9 new riders into the TRP family so that we could again have 60.

Currently, we have 21 individuals on our *Waiting List* who could benefit greatly from our services. This might be spring talking, but I envision a time in the next few years when someone from Frederick County “needs” equine assistance, whether mentally, physically, or emotionally, and we would be able to fulfill that need immediately, not two years later!

Horses are compassionate friends. They listen to you; they feel your pain, tension, and sorrow. They can help you calm down, relax, and take a breath. Sometimes they even motivate you.

Anyway, I appreciate everything that you do for Frederick County 4H Therapeutic Riding Program and its Horse Discovery Center.

If you need our services or can help complete our mission, come visit.

Debbie

SPRING FUN HORSE SHOW — IT'S WESTERN DAY

Our Spring Fun Western Horse Show and Open House is scheduled for Saturday, June 10, from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m.

All 12 of our classes will be showing that day. Riders will visit different *Western Themed* stations, such as roping a steer and flag race. Students will be showcasing their riding skills learned during the spring session.



Parents and volunteers will be busy rustling up a lunchtime feed while sizzling hamburgers and hot dogs on the grill.

There will be plenty of cowboy boots and cowboy/cowgirl hats on display.

Come watch our riders' smiles and enjoy the day.

**WE LOOK FORWARD
TO SEEING YOU ON JUNE 10TH!**

CUPCAKE

“CAN’T WAIT TO SEE CUPCAKE!” WAS SHOUTED FROM THE BLEACHERS.

Cupcake, who is almost 20 years old, was donated to our program in 2019 by Covered Bridge Farm. Almost from the beginning, Cupcake was indispensable. Although she wasn’t crazy about basketballs, she quickly learned to adapt.



In her younger days, Cupcake was fox hunted and then became a *party pony*. Children visited her home farm for parties. Sometimes, she would travel to different venues for birthdays. Now, at Therapeutic Riding, she walks either slow or fast depending on the rider’s needs.

Cupcake isn’t permitted to eat grass, because of her metabolism and the chances of *founder* (a painful hoof condition.) She lives with Hilde, Bambi, and Crispy and eats hay all day long. Cupcake is the boss of the field, and she lets her girlfriends know *she* is in charge.



2022 was an extremely busy year for Cupcake as she showed her versatility.

In the spring, Frederick County children were invited to the farm to paint Cupcake and enjoy pony rides.

During the summer, Cupcake and Bambi visited the residents of Country Meadows. The residents talked about her visit for many weeks following and want her to return. Then she was back in the home ring teaching riders how to steer and to ask whoa and walk on. Cupcake worked every Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday.

Once fall classes were completed, Cupcake traveled to Le Petite Academy and visited with all the school children. The students fed her carrots and apples and loved on her. Cupcake didn’t want to leave; she was in heaven.

Throughout the year, Cupcake was up to every challenge and never faltered.

ROTARY CLUB OF CARROLL CREEK

The Rotary Club of Carroll Creek awarded “Therapeutic Riding” with a grant of \$2000 to assist with the costs of veterinarian and farrier care for our horses and ponies. Horse hooves grow like our fingernails and need trimming every 6 to 9 weeks by a farrier. As horses carry 60% of their weight on their front end, some horses require front shoes to help with that support, so as not to chip their hooves or become lame.

Each year in the early spring and fall, our barn veterinarian provides bi-annual vaccinations to all of our horses for Eastern and Western Encephalitis, Flu, Potomac Horse Fever, West Nile Virus, and Rabies. When the veterinarian visits the farm, they also check the horse’s teeth and ensure that the grinding services of their teeth are level, so that the horses’ can chew their grain and hay adequately.

The Rotary Club of Carroll Creek also invited program volunteers to a meeting so that we could showcase our program to all of their members. One of our long-time volunteers, Lee Sayrs, provided Rotary members with brochures and a short video of our program.

We appreciate all that the Rotary Club of Carroll Creek has done for our program and Frederick County.



Our farrier, Sean, trimming Bambi.

2023 DATES

SPRING

VOLUNTEER TRAINING APRIL 15 9 TO NOON

CLASSES:

SATURDAY

APRIL 22, 29; MAY 6, 13, 20, 27; JUNE 3
9 A.M., 10 A.M., 11 A.M., 12 P.M., 1 P.M., AND 2 P.M.

TUESDAY

APRIL 25; MAY 2, 9, 16, 23, 30; JUNE 6
5 P.M., 6 P.M., 7 P.M.

THURSDAY

APRIL 27; MAY 4, 11, 18, 25; JUNE 1, 8
5 P.M., 6 P.M., 7 P.M.

SPRING FUN SHOW JUNE 10 — ALL CLASSES

MAKE-UP DAYS JUNE 13, 15, AND 17

FALL

VOLUNTEER TRAINING AUGUST 26 9 TO NOON

CLASSES:

TUESDAY

SEPT 5, 12, 19, 26; OCT 3, 10, 17
5 P.M., 6 P.M., 7 P.M.

THURSDAY

SEPT 7, 14, 21, 28; OCT 5, 12, 19
5 P.M., 6 P.M., 7 P.M.

SATURDAY

SEPT 9, 16, 23, 30; OCT 7, 14, 21
9 A.M., 10 A.M., 11 A.M., 12 P.M., 1 P.M., AND 2 P.M.

MAKE-UP DAYS OCT 31; NOV 2 AND 4

SILENT AUCTION/ SPAGHETTI DINNER OCTOBER 28

THE MONOCACY FOUNDATION

The Monocacy Foundation, founded in 1995, provides grants for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities in our community. These grants help enable these individuals to receive social and recreational opportunities.

Over the past few years, Frederick County 4H Therapeutic Riding Program has benefited from these generous grants allowing us to purchase riding helmets, communication devices, special saddles, and gait trainers.

This year 12 of our riders applied for and received The Monocacy Foundation grants enabling them to receive equine-assisted learning at Silverado Stables and have loads of fun.

8 Ways Your Horse Says "I Love You"

- #1 - Whinnying when they see you.
- #2 - Nuzzling you as if to say, "I'm here for you."
- #3 - Horse hugs.
- #4 - Resting their head on your chest as if to say, "I'm glad you're here."
- #5 - Kisses.
- #6 - Trusting you to get them across obstacles.
- #7 - Running to you when you call their name.
- #8 - Watching at the gate as you leave - they'll always be there, waiting for you.

WISH LIST



Paper Towels
Bottled Water
#10 Envelopes
Copier Paper
Fly Spray
Leather cleaner for tack
Leather conditioner for tack
Apples and Carrots for horses
Individually wrapped snacks for volunteers

**Donated items can be dropped off
or
shipped to the farm anytime.**



FUN AT SILVERADO STABLES



BAREBACK
EQUINE
FARM
FEED
FOAL
FODDER
GAIT
GALLOP
GROOM
HALTER
HARNESS
HOOF
MANE
MARE
NECK
NEIGH
NOSE
PACER
PASTURE
RACE
RIDER
ROPES
SADDLE

HORSES

WORD SEARCH PUZZLE

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The words appear UP, DOWN, BACKWARDS, and DIAGONALLY.
Find and circle each word.



DONATIONS 2023

PLATINUM AWARD —UP TO \$10,000

GOLD AWARD UP TO \$5000

SILVER AWARD UP TO \$2500

Donation in Honor of our Wonderful Volunteers
Michael King

COPPER AWARD UP TO \$1000

GRANTS

Funds from the Frederick County 4H Therapeutic Riding Program Fund
held at the Community Foundation of Frederick County:
Donation made by Andrea Myers Mannix
The Rotary Club of Carroll Creek (ROCC) Grant



DONATIONS 2022

PLATINUM AWARD –UP TO \$10,000

BIMBO Bakeries
William E. Cross Foundation
Ron and Sandy Zobrist

GOLD AWARD UP TO \$5000

Jane Wood
Nissley Family
Rose Bartz
Chestnut Hill & Market Lamb Buyers
Frederick Fair Youth Livestock Donors
The Joseph D. Baker Fund

SILVER AWARD UP TO \$2500

In Honor of Kathie Brockhouse
Michael King
Prince George's Racing Ventures LLC
Jim Sayrs
Butch Powell
Pamela and John F. Anderschat MD
Kurt Schaeffer

COPPER AWARD UP TO \$1000

Karen and Joe Ashwal
Julienne Biglin
Diane Bill
Mr and Mrs David Bivans
in honor Karen King
Carol and Norman Birzer
Jan Boden
Jone L Bowman Family Foundation
in honor of Linda Johnson
Dee Carr
Catocin High School LEO Club
Martha Chitwood
Clune Family
Barbara Colletti
Jennifer David
Dominion Energy
Lisa Duckson
Bonnie Elliott in memory
of Matthew Schaffert
Michael Eissenstat in memory of
Chris Eissenstat
Jan and Bill Flynn
Frederick Area Dressage Members
Maxine Fritz
Tiziana Gardner
Kitty Gialanella in honor of
Cyrus Steelman
and Mason Mathews

Toby Gibbon
Janet Glazier
Golden Gears Car Club
Ashley Goldsborough
Judy and David Hechinger
Bryan Haines
Robin and Allen Haines
Howard Harary and Wendy Weisbard
Joan and Tim Horman
Robert Kazdin
Joe Kee in memory of Matthew Schaffert
Sue and Larry Ketron
Keri Kiefer
Edwatd King
Kiwanis Club of Frederick
Truby LaGarde in honor Bobbie Denn
Aleta Embrey and William Larne
Devon Lawrence
Lewistown District Volunteer Fire Department
Lewistown Ruritan Club
Melinda Lukhard
Linda MacDermid in honor
Karen King
Helena Madison in memory
John Madison
Maryland Farriers Association
David Marwick
Sabrina Massett

Cheryl and Tom Monroe
Connie and Lyman Myers
Mt. Airy Mattress
Patricia Neidig
Darlene Nicholson
Andrew Nitz
Old Towne Restaurant
Sandra Padgett in memory of
Joan Kruk
Janet and George Palko
Sandra Powell
St Paul's Lutheran Church
Kurt Schaeffer
Larry Schaffert in memory
of Matthew and
in honor of TRP Volunteers
Carol and Bob Sharpe
Joyce Shry
Rosemary Stubbs
Thurmont Lions Club
Jackie and Dan Thomas
Georgia Zirkle
Honor of Our Wonderful Volunteers

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Funds from the C. Rodman Myers and M. Jean Ogle Myers Fund
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Funds from the Frederick County 4H Therapeutic Riding Program Fund
held at the Community Foundation of Frederick County.
Donations made by:
Susan Compofelice
Andrea Myers Mannix
Funds from the Kiwanis Club of Frederick Fund
held at The Community Foundation of Frederick County.
Walmart Foundation Grant for fall supplies.

*Through your generosity, we are able
to enhance the lives of so many children and
adults in our community.*

*From corporations to teachers
to volunteers, it takes each and every one
of you to make
Frederick County 4H
Therapeutic Riding Program
a success.*

Our success is your success.

Thank you for your support.

CIRCLE OF SPONSORS

If you own a business in Frederick County, please consider becoming a member of our *Circle of Sponsors*. Your contribution will help support the Frederick County 4H Therapeutic Riding Program and will be an opportunity to reach a large number of potential customers that participate in the Program as clients, family members, program volunteers, and horse boarders.

For a donation of \$300, a circle membership includes the following:

- ◆ A 2 feet tall X 3 feet wide, full-color banner placed in the riding ring for two years.
- ◆ The cost of the banner with your logo and information that you want to include.
- ◆ Visibility of your message to several hundred visitors each week.
- ◆ Your banner and name will be placed on the TRP web site.

Thank you for
your patronage.

