

R•E•A•C•H Therapeutic Riding Center



Summer 2012

Summer at the Center

Summer is underway and the temperatures are on the rise. And so is our ridership! Even though we are only open in the mornings, we have an all-time high of 43 riders this semester! In addition to new riders, we welcome two new Occupational Therapists from HOPE Therapy - Brooks Grigsby and Holly Montgomery. Welcome to the barn,

This summer brings the first Saddle Up! Summer Camp for local school children. The fees from the campers will go to our disabled rider programs. Camps were run for the first two weeks of the summer session with five campers in each camp.

REACH could never have achieved what we have so far without the volunteers who continue to graciously donate their time and talents. Thanks to Kristin Volcik who tirelessly leads our volunteer team and the volunteers who are the foundation of each and every ride.

Take care and see you at the barn.

Barbara Epps Program Director



Second Annual Horses for Healing Dinner – A Huge Success!

Held in April, our Second Annual Horses for Healing Dinner and fund-raiser raised more than twice the amount as our inaugural event in 2011! With more than 150 people in attendance, the highlights of the night were the live and reverse horse auctions, which auctioned off the care of our therapy horses, an extensive silent auction, and program by guest M.C. Kris Radcliffe of local TV station KCEN.

Thank you to Volunteer Director Kristin Volcik for spearheading the entire event. Kudos to Diane McEachern and Candace Harrison for once again heading up the sponsorship committee. Shelley Nors did an amazing job coordinating and collecting the silent auction items. Thank you to Mitchell & Steve Spooner for manning the Pony Club booth. Auctioneers Mike and Ross Dennis kept the auctions lively. And a final huge thank you to all the volunteers who helped set up, greet and check in guests, park the cars, give barn tours, collect the silent auction bids and clean up afterwards!

See everyone next year!



Volunteers Mikaela Spooner and Kristin Petree show off replicas of REACH horses, painted by Mikaela, which were given to high bidders in the live auction.





Program Director Barbara Epps leads Chex as guest

M.C. Kris Radcliffe of KCEN TV describes his care.





Guests peruse the silent auction items and enjoy an entertaining evening at the barn.

The use of the riding facility is made possible through the generosity of Gary and Diane Heavin. www.REACHtrc.org • Ride@REACHtrc.org • www.Facebook.com/REACHtrc • 254-848-7888

Spring Horse Show Brings Lots of Smiles and Ribbons

The rain put us off for a couple of weeks, but it didn't dampen the spirits of our riders when they saddled up for the Spring Horse

Show. Riders took the reins in rail and trail classes and showed off to family and friends their expert horsemanship.



































Saddle Up! Summer Camp Raises Funds for Disabled Programs

This summer REACH offered two week-long summer riding camps

for local school children. Campers got a hands-on learning experi-



ence in all aspects of horsemanship. They learned safety, health, nutrition, grooming, saddling and, of course, riding.





It's not too late! Join the 2012 **REACH Pony Club Today!**

Don't miss your opportunity to sport the new iPod Pony t-shirt designed exclusively for Pony Club members, and support the programs of REACH!

Sign-up online at www.REACHtrc.org or forms are available in the volunteer room and front office. And remember, volunteers and rider families join for half-price!

Mark Your Calendar

Fall 2012 Session Dates Sept. 11 - Dec. 8

No Classes: Nov. 20-24

(Thanksgiving Break)