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Please Join Us for the 15th Annual Derby Dash Bash

Our largest fundraiser the **15th Annual Derby Dash Bash** will be held on Saturday **May 5th, 2018** concurrent with the running of the Kentucky Derby. It will begin at 4:00 p.m. and will be held at the Rock Springs Center, 4025 Hwy 43 North, Greenville, NC 27834.

Those attending the **Derby Dash Bash** will enjoy appetizers, drinks, dinner, dessert, live music, Derby race raffle, ladies Derby hat contest, games, silent and live auctions and viewing of the Kentucky Derby.

Weather permitting, some of our program horses will join the party, and attendees will have a chance to meet them and to bid on a year's sponsorship for each one during the live auction.

The cost is \$85/ticket. Tickets can be reserved by calling the barn office at 752-0153 or can be purchased at the door on the day of the event.

This is our major annual fundraiser for the program - find details on our website or call the barn office at 752-0153.

We need your help to make this event a success!!!

UPCOMING DATES

• Family observation week for the spring lesson session will be held on the last week of lessons, April 23-27, during your regularly scheduled lesson time. Come out and see what our participants have accomplished this spring!

• **Rocking Horse Ranch t-shirts** are available to order this spring. Please see the last page for an order form and place your order before April 6th. All orders will be ready for pick up the last week of classes April 23-27.

• Sign-up for **summer lessons** is now underway. Lessons will start the week of May 21 and run through the end of July. There is a 6 week session and a 4 week session. Call the barn at 752-0153 for more information.



AND OUR 2018 SPONSORS PROUDLY INVITE YOU TO THE 15th Derby Dash Bash Celebrating over 25 Years

Saturday, May 5th at 4:00 pm Inside Rock Springs Center Greenville, NC

cktails.Dinner.Games.Live Entertainment Silent Auction.Live Auction Ladies Derby Hat Contest As well as the viewing of the 144th Kentucky Derby

Tickets: \$85 per person Please reply before April 20th. (252) 752-0153 / derby@rhrnc.com Tickets will be held at the door.

For more information or registration visit: www.rhrnc.com

"In riding a horse, we borrow freedom". ~ Helen Thompson

Want to have family-friendly fun and raise funds for Rocking Horse Ranch?

Please Attend our Hats Off to Horses Social



Sunday, April 15th from 2:00-5:00 pm The Plantation at Greenville Country Club | 216 Country Club Dr. \$25 per Adult | \$15 per Child | Register at www.rhrnc.com

We have expanded this event to complement the Derby Dash Bash, and we hope to see you and your family at Greenville Country Club.

Invitation Details: *Hats Off to Horses* Social Date: Sunday April 15, 2018 Time: 2-5pm Ticket Price: \$25 per individual/ \$15 for under 18 years old Refreshments: Rep Express @ the Plantation Greenville Country Club Food Stations & Tea included

MEET OUR DERBY INTERN

Emily Downs is doing an internship with RHR through the EC Scholars Program and ECU's Honors College, though her home departments are Public Health Studies and Psychology. She is focusing her 60 hours on assisting with Derby Dash Bash, putting out requests for auction items and more. She's looking forward to understanding more about large event planning and nonprofit leadership, but overall just wants to help make the event a huge success in any ways she can! Thanks!

Welcome our Spring 2018 Lesson Interns!



My name's **Abbey Vann**, and I'm a current senior at ECU. My major is Child Development and my internship consists of 352 hours. I am super excited that I get to do my internship here! I look forward to expanding my knowledge about horses but also learning how to better interact with people with special needs. I am thinking about possibly becoming a PATH instructor so I am interested in learning skills that will help me achieve that but also the process you have to go through to be certified. I am looking forward to a great semester working with you all ©



My name's **Miranda Howell**, and I'm a senior at East Carolina University majoring in Rehabilitation Services with a minor in Drug and Alcohol Studies and Psychology. My major requires 450 hours of internship experience prior to graduation in May of 2018. After graduation I plan to further my education at Winston-Salem State University or East Carolina University. I am from Lexington, North Carolina, which is a small town close to Charlotte. I've enjoyed my first few weeks at Rocking Horse Ranch. The staff and other interns I'm working with have been extremely helpful to my learning experience. I'm eager to learn more about my assigned students and the different techniques used by the instructors.



Hi, my name's **Emily McNeill**, and I'm from Charlotte, NC. I'm a Senior at East Carolina University majoring in Exercise Physiology, and I have a passion for working with the special needs population. As part of my curriculum I am required to complete a 480-hour internship, I heard about Rocking Horse Ranch through one of my professors, and she felt that Rocking Horse Ranch would be an awesome place to complete my internship. I'm looking forward to working with several students this semester as I watch them achieve their goals as well as learning from each instructor about therapeutic riding.

We're very grateful for our interns!

Congratulations to our winner for the 2017 PATH International Awards

Charles Finney won the 2017 PATH International Youth Equestrian Award



We're proud of all of our horses, instructors & staff, volunteers, supporters, riders and participants!

Rocking Horse Ranch Therapeutic Riding Program is a not-for-profit organization founded by Eileen Van Houten in 1991 that provides equine assisted activities and equine assisted therapy (HPOT) to children and adults with a variety of physical, cognitive, and psychological disabilities. Students who participate in the program come from Pitt County as well as 13 surrounding counties in eastern North Carolina.

The ultimate goal of the program is to improve each rider's quality of life so that they can become more independent, productive and active members of the community. We are a member organization of the Professional Association of Therapeutic Horsemanship International (PATH Intl).





Photo of Sammy, one of the *Minis on the Move*, visiting a friend at Vidant



Please meet Ollie and Elliot, our two new lesson program horses. Welcome to the Herd!



CARE WEAR ORDER FORM



For a limited time, orders are being taken for shirts and sweatshirts with the RHR logo screened on the front. Orders must be placed by April 6, 2018 and can be picked up at the barn during the last week of lessons, April 23-27.

Long Sleeve T-Shirts available in Garnet, Purple, Carolina Blue, and Forest Green Adult sizes Small, Medium, Large, Xlarge.....\$17 Youth sizes Small, Medium, Large.....\$15

Short Sleeve T-Shirts available in Blackberry, Neon Blue, Kiwi, and Sunset Adult sizes Small, Medium, Large, Xlarge.....\$12 Youth sizes Small, Medium, Large.....\$10

Women's Tank Tops available in Mint, Light Orange, Dark Gray, and Royal Adult sizes Small, Medium, Large, Xlarge......\$12

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CHECKS ONLY - PAYABLE TO ROCKING HORSE RANCH PLEASE PRINT ALL INFORMATION CLEARLY

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