



"How wonderful it is that nobody need wait a single moment before starting to improve the world." ~Anne Frank~



STAR VOLUNTEER E-NEWS

Hello STAR Friends!!



Spring is officially here!! The horses are enjoying the green grass that's coming up in the fields. It is so nice to have some warmer temperatures! The Spring Session is off to a great start!! We have over 200 volunteers each week helping this session!! Woo Hoo!!!!

Barn Crew Stickers

STAR will begin adding "Barn" stickers to the name tags of those volunteers who attend or have previously attended our Barn Helpers Clinic. This is to identify officially trained volunteers and/or those volunteers who are able to independently facilitate the process of bring-in and turn-out.

Thanks, STAR Guild!

We would like to send out a special "Thank You" to all of the STAR Guild Members who helped make our Vaulting Workshop & Certification a huge success. The Guild provided meals, snacks, drinks, etc. for all of those in attendance. Not only did they provide the food, but some came out to set up the kitchen and even helped serve the meals. It was a huge help to the staff and we are so thankful!!! Great job!!



Horse Highlights

Kandy and Dakota are doing fantastic!! They have adjusted well and are already working in our classes!! We have had many questions about Kandy's leg. It is a 'several year-old scar' that she scratches and reopens. It looks worse than it is and under Jennifer's dedicated care, it is getting better every day. Kandy got her introduction to vaulting at the workshop and took to it right away. Gilbert and Breeze have left STAR, but we know that they will be very happy! Breeze went back to her owner and Gilbert went to Shadow Mountain Farm Girls Camp (owned by STAR Instructor, Betsey Knight) to be pampered, played with and ridden every day! Our rotation has switched and the horses are enjoying their nights out in the fields. Please use caution at the gates; the horses have been frisky with the change in their routine.

Vaulting Workshop Vols

A huge thank you to the following vols who helped with the Vaulting Workshop & Certification this past weekend: **Annie Bailes, Anna & Sarah Johnson, Olivia Knight, Samantha Monnig, Natalie Sellars, and Breanna & Joshua Wigle.**

IN THE SPOTLIGHT!



Mr. Michael Croyle has been volunteering at STAR for almost 10 years and has done so in a wide range of capacities. He is an active Lesson Volunteer and assists with our Alternative School classes. Mike has served on our Board of Directors and is also a member of our Facility Committee. He has played an instrumental role in helping with the construction and continued maintenance of our facility. Mike is always willing to help in any way needed and has such a positive and upbeat attitude whenever he is here!! It is obvious that he loves being a part of STAR and working with our riders. We are so grateful for his dedication and commitment to ensuring that STAR is the best it can be!



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Training And Session Information

- No class on Easter Sunday, April 4th.
- Volunteer Appreciation Week: April 5-April 11.
- Barn Helpers Clinic is Friday, April 9, 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
- Bridles & Blue Jeans is Saturday, April 24th. No classes that day!
- Horse Leaders Workshop: Saturday, May 1st from 2p-4p.
- Rider's Ride-A-Thon, May 1st — May 7th.

Volunteer Tips!

- Shedding season is here! Only volunteers are to use the shedding blades. Help to keep the barn clean by picking the horse hair up off the floor and throw it away in the trash can.
- Fly season is fast approaching and we will begin using fly spray. **Only** volunteers are to apply the spray. It will be located on the top of the brush bucket shelf in the barn.
- If you help with feeding, watch for changes in grain and hay amounts. Adjustments will be made as the grass grows. Check the boards frequently. Thanks!