



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



STAR VOLUNTEER E-NEWS

Warm Welcome!!

STAR would like to extend a grateful welcome to all of our new volunteers!!! We had a wonderful turn-out at our Lesson Volunteer Training over Memorial Day Weekend!! We also had a huge turn-out at our Junior Vol Training!! We are so thankful that you all have chosen to spend part of your summer here at STAR!!

Going on Vacation?

It's summer and that means vacation!! Well, for some of us!! If you plan to miss your scheduled class, please remember to find a sub. The Sub-Lists are available in the barn, through email, and you can join our Yahoo Group 'starsublist'. It is extremely important that you find someone to take your place; it can determine whether or not your rider can participate in their class!! Check the schedule in the barn to find volunteers who come in before or after you and ask them to sub. Also, you can start at the back of the Sub-List as these volunteers are contacted less frequently. Thanks for your help!!



Horse Highlights

STAR has welcomed in two new horses!! Toby is a Pinto gelding, 14 years old, and is 15.2 hands. Tilly is a 16 hand Clydesdale cross mare and is really big!! It will take some time for both horses to acclimate to their new surroundings. Please avoid hanging around their stalls as we do not want to overwhelm them. We will give them time to settle in and then they will begin training. All new horses come to STAR on a 2 month trial period. This allows them ample time to adjust to the herd and learn about their new jobs. Rivet will be moving to a new home where she will be able to excel as an off-lead horse. This will allow her "free-spirit" to shine and we know that she will be very happy.

Special Thank You!

STAR would like to offer a special "Thank You" to Nancy Young, PT, C.O.M.T. Nancy has been volunteering her time and expertise as a Certified Equine/Canine Adjuster to help our equine partners. We have seen significant improvements in our horses and are grateful to Nancy for her dedication!! If you have a horse in need of chiropractic adjustment, give Nancy a call at 865-223-3181. She is great!!!!



Horses For Heroes Coming To STAR!

STAR is venturing into a new program to provide therapeutic riding for "Wounded Warriors" and we are extremely excited! The Horses For Heroes program is nationally based through NARHA of which STAR is a Premier Accredited Center. We are in the beginning phases of this program but things are moving along nicely. Our goal is to provide a "comrade to comrade" experience with the help of past and current military personnel as volunteers. If you are currently in the military or are a veteran and are interested in volunteering, please feel free to contact STAR. Also, if you know of a "Wounded Warrior" that might benefit from this program, please let us know!!

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Important Dates!

- Farragut 4th of July Parade is Saturday, July 3rd.
- Barn Helpers Clinic is Friday, July 9th from 5:30p to 7:30p.
- Open House is Thursday, July 22nd from 6p to 8p.
- Horse Leaders Workshop is Saturday, August 7th from 1p to 3p.
- Summer Session ends, Friday, August 13th.
- State Horse Show at STAR is Saturday, August 14th. We will need lots of help, so look for the sign-ups!!!
- Lesson Volunteer Training is Saturday, August 21st from 9a to 1p.
- Junior Volunteer Training is Monday, August 23rd from 5p to 7p.

Volunteer Tips!

- Please make sure to close all gates. If you have trouble with any gates closing properly and it is after hours, contact a staff member from our emergency numbers next to the phones in the barn.
- Junior Vols—make sure to use the "white" sign-in/sign-out sheets in the barn. Don't use the colored sheets please!!