

Ride With Pride

2017 Fall Issue

Volume 12, Issue 3

a newsletter for friends of GMTRC

Fall, Fun, Friends, and Fundraising:

From Knights to Nights!

"Making friends for the world to see; Let the people know you got what you need With a friend at hand you will see the light; If your friends are there, then everything's all right"

The lyrics of Elton John's "Friends" came to mind when Lancaster Mounted Police horse Charlie feared crossing the tiny castle bridge in our Greystone Manor Knights Horse Show's lunchtime riding demo. After Officer Greg Barry's many tries to convince 18-hand-tall Charlie that he could tackle the challenge before him, Officer Eric Lukacs

and his mount Liam led the way over the bridge, and Charlie followed his buddy easily.



At GMTRC, we invite friends old and new to help our team cross a few financial bridges, so we can continue to provide high-quality, professional therapeutic riding lessons to our students with special needs.

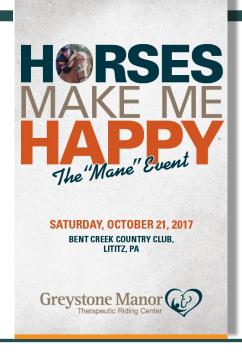
September's Horse Show highlighted the magical bond between our horses and riders, successfully kicking off our fall fundraising efforts. Look for show photos and results on pages 3 and 4.



Join us!

The "Mane" Event Gala, "Horses Make Me Happy," and the Extraordinary Give will bring additional opportunities to enjoy a night out with friends of GMTRC and support our 37th year of therapeutic horseback riding in Lancaster County. Read on to learn how you can lend a hand!

Visit our <u>website</u> to see a selection of items to be offered in our live and silent auctions. The list will be updated frequently so visit often!



In this issue:

- Program News-Karen
- Important Program Dates: Session 6, Clinics, Celebrate
- 2017 "Greystone Manor Knights" - Horse Show highlights
- Volunteer Coordinators: Stephanie and Bobbi
- From the Barn: Lisa
- Community Outreach: Heather
- Reflections from the President—Tom O'Brien

Lead Instructor: Karen Weber-Zug

Greystone Manor Knights!!! GMTRC's Annual Horse Show proved to be our most successful show to date.

Eight classes of our riders demonstrated their growing horsemanship skills in the saddle. Tremendous balance, coordination, stability and strength were displayed for the crowd as each rider worked through a fun medieval-themed pattern before moving to the equitation portion of their classes. Here the riders showed continuously smooth skills as they controlled their horses at the walk, trot and halt, while following the judges' instructions and all the while attending to safe arena spacing. Congratulations!!

Weekly lessons continue in the crisp fall air. Keep in mind the dropping evening temperatures when dressing for the barn. It's a beautiful time of year for practicing riding skills outdoors!

Mark your calendar! Be sure to contact Karen, 717-615-9222 or lead.instructor.gmtrc@gmail.com, with inquiries or to RSVP.

Adult Horsemanship Clinic -1 to 3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 14

Children's Horsemanship Clinic — 1 to 2:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 21

Session 5 ends Saturday, Oct. 14. Make-up classes will be held the week of Oct. 16.

Session 6 begins Monday, Oct. 23, and runs through Saturday, Dec. 2. Make-up for Thanksgiving will be Dec. 7.

From the Barn: Lisa Carvell



Makeda and Bailey will benefit from Joel's shed in the pony paddock "C"

Eagle Scout project!

Joel Knepper's run-in shed

H

Karen and Michelle help Harry become desensitized to lesson props



Boy Scout Troop #83 presenting the colors at the Horse Show



New additions Makeda and Harry being groomed for mock lessons

... and Makeda shows her curiosity about our maracas!



2017 Horse Show—"Greystone Manor Knights" Riders

1 - Walk only (9:00)

Rider	Horse	Number
Amy S.	Lucy	101
Katie T.	Lily	114
Brooke L.	Wiz	127
Tracy W.	Cassie	133
Mary N.	Nando	142
Sophia C.	Makeda	150
Noah M.	Lacey	174

2 - Walk, trot opt (9:45)

Isabelle M.	Lily	103
Lori R.	Bailey	116
Susan S.	Sampson	120
Roberto K.	Neptune	131

3 - Walk/trot (10:30)

Cordell H.	Lucy	104
Anne W.	Cassie	110
Carolyn T.	Bailey	128
Patti G.	Nando	132
Mark P.	Sampson	145
Emma D.	Wiz	151

4 - Walk/trot, off-lead opt (11:15)

Liz N.	Sampson	105
Lyndsi B.	Lucy	112
Camryn M.	Wiz	126
Jennifer S.	Bailey	137
Audra M.	Nando	148
Alejo B.	Lily	154
Roxanna H.	Neptune	167



Turn the page for a sampling of smiling faces at the Horse Show. We are all proud of you.



5 - Walk only (12:30)

Rider	Horse	Number
Tom H.	Cassie	106
Nadia W.	Lacey	117
David D.	Nando	118
RJ S.	Neptune	153
Charlotte Z.	Wiz	163

6 - Walk/ trot opt (1:15)

Nancy S.	Sampson	107
Max F.	Lily	119
Andrew S.	Bailey	121
Owen D.	Wiz	136
Jack D.	Neptune	144
Allegra E.	Lacey	162

7 - Walk/ trot (2:00)

Wil S.	Nando	102
Nathan B.	Sampson	123
Heidi N.	Bailey	140
Jayleen Q.	Lily	158
Alle S.	Lucy	165
Jada J.	Lacey	175

8 - Walk/trot, off-lead opt (2:45)

Emma Z.	Nando	113
Jon S.	Sampson	122
Ethan P.	Lucy	141
Sierra H.	Lily	155
Max G.	Bailey	160

Meet our Equine Team—We ♥ our Horses!



Bailey



Peppy



Cassie



Nando



Sampson



Neptune



Makeda



Lucy



Lily



Lacey



Harry



Wiz

3 Fall 2017 Ride With Pride

A sampling of smiles from the Horse Show



4 Fall 2017 Ride With Pride

Volunteer Coordinators: Bobbi and Stephanie

We want to thank everyone who volunteered their time and talent to help make the 2017 Greystone Manor Knights Horse Show a huge success. You scrubbed, swept, weeded, cleaned tack and grooming boxes, removed cobwebs and made all the windows squeaky clean. The day before the show, all the horses were bathed and manes braided, and each corner of the facility was set up and decorated. The BIG DAY came. Scrumptious treats filled the food tent. Everything was in place, and the show ran smoothly, thanks to YOU! We can't thank you enough for the time and talent you continue to offer GMTRC.

GMTRC welcomed 30 volunteers of all ages from Hempfield United Methodist Church for the United Way Day of Caring Saturday, Sept. 9. This amazing crew donated four hours of their time to help GMTRC clean and beautify our grounds for the horse show. THANK YOU, United Way and HUMC!!

Please join us for New Volunteer Orientations or Volunteer Training! Visit our website for dates, times and forms, and to RSVP, or contact Steph at 717-203-7288 or vol.coordinator.gmtrc@gmail.com







Volunteers helped GMTRC plan and execute our annual Horse Show. Special thanks to Kathy and Bobbi, who coordinated the delicious food tent treats!

Save the Date!

December 3rd from 2-4 pm

Details soon!

CELEBRATE GMTRC is our annual party for riders, volunteers, their families and friends. Please join us Sunday, December 3rd for treats, awards, a basket auction, games and a fun, social afternoon.

Community Outreach: Heather Mitterer

SHARE YOUR CONNECTIONS! You are enthusiastically invited to help extend GMTRC's mission within the community. Do you belong to a community group that might like to learn more about GMTRC's mission and programs? Do you work at a local university or college whose students are looking for local service projects? Will your employer match donations to GMTRC? Do you have a friend who might like to adopt a GMTRC horse for a special occasion? If you can help our GMTRC community grow in Lancaster and beyond, please contact Heather at

community.outreach.gmtrc@gmail.com.

Have you liked us on Facebook?
Are you following GMTRC on Twitter or Instagram?



5 Fall 2017 Ride With Pride



BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Thomas G. O'Brien, president
Elizabeth A. Newell, vice president
Drew Hostetter, treasurer
Mary Beth Schweigert, secretary
Tracy Becker
Eric Robert Lukacs
Lauren Maxwell
Beth Meiklejohn
Randy Metz
Alisa L. Pitt
Linda Leiden, special advisor

MAILING ADDRESS:

PO Box 10724 Lancaster, PA 17605-0724

Ph: (717) 615-9222

Please send newsletter comments to: general.info.gmtrc@gmail.com

Greystone Manor Therapeutic Riding Center is a non-profit organization with 501(c)(3) status

The Extraordinary Give is coming to Lancaster County Nov. 17, and GMTRC is once again participating!

Organized by the Lancaster County Community Foundation, the EOG is a 24-hour period of generous giving to local service organizations. Be sure to check out the donation schedule to max your giving dollars to GMTRC. Let's make this our best EOG to date!!

Visit www.greystonemanortrc.org to learn more about GMTRC and get in step with our updated Adopt-A-Horse program. Harry and Makeda, GMTRC's newest herd additions, are available for adoption! View their photos and bios under the "Our Horses" tab of our updated website.

Continue to watch Facebook for updates and announcements. Please share our page with friends and family!

From the Board of Directors: President Tom O'Brien

Take a walk with me. Imagine a stroll around GMTRC's property, a visit to our annual Horse Show or simply observing a riding lesson. What do you notice in your mind's eye? Consider our organizational structure, the herd, our bucolic equine facility, lesson plans, student goals achieved, special programs, our adaptive tack and lift, arena footing, paddock fencing and sheds, instructor professionalism, volunteer training, fundraising efforts and community outreach. Whether you are a new or senior friend to our 37-year-old therapeutic riding program, I bet you recognize the effort toward positive change and growth.

I'd like to thank our Board of Directors, program staff and a few other special friends for their synergistic efforts toward creating our nearly complete 2018-2023 Strategic Plan. This newest plan has been nearly a year in the making. Strategic planning is how we align our organizational process. Together we carefully consider our mission, long-term goals for the future and short-term goals to realistically and successfully achieve our financial and program objectives.

I am excited to announce more details regarding our Strategic Plan at The "Mane" Event Gala, followed up with an announcement on our website. To make sure the plan is moving forward, we will need the help of additional friends from GMTRC and the community.

I would love to welcome you to our team. Will you help? Contact me with questions or for more details, **tobrien2013@gmail.com.**

Happy trails toward a bright future, / om







