

Participants of SDTRHR's 11th Annual Beach Ride Raise \$15,330

Southern Delaware Therapeutic and Recreational Horseback Riding, Inc. (SDTRHR) would like to thank everyone who participated and volunteered in our 11th Annual Spring Beach Ride & Walk held at Cape Henlopen State Park on March 29, 2008. Thanks to everyone's effort we had an amazingly successful fund raiser! This year, 187 horseback riders from Delaware, Maryland, Pennsylvania and New Jersey came out to support SDTRHR on this beautiful spring day. There were even participants that traveled over 400 miles to support this beneficial cause. The grand total raised was \$15,330! Wow - a record year! The top fundraiser was Debbie Smith-\$1,289; second highest fund raiser was Jeri Berc-\$505. SDTRHR participants excelled in fundraising this year! Aly Fisher raised \$1,900, McKenzie Sanford raised \$1,400, Alex Layton raised \$500 and Olivia Davidson raised \$483.

All proceeds directly benefit SDTRHR, which provides equine-assisted activities to adults and children with physical, emotional and mental needs in Sussex County. The money raised from this year's ride will go towards horse care for the program's four-legged therapists and rider scholarships which enable riders to participate regardless of financial ability.

SDTRHR would like to give a special thank you to the following sponsors, contributors and volunteers – we couldn't have done it without you!

Thank you to the following sponsors: County Bank; Portraits in the Sand; Rehoboth Beach Elementary School; Delmarva Equine Clinic; Dynamic Mortgage; Community Counseling Associates, Inc.; Tidewater Physical Therapy; Carpet Daddy's; Rusty Rudder; Russ Palmer Builders; Connie Burroughs of Waterford Wedgewood; John Maklin & Son, Inc.; Bill & Connie Fisher; Brandy & Ray Jones; Donut Connection and Pepsi.

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A big thank you to the Howard T. Ennis students of the Indian River Eagle Company for a great job on our commemorative t-shirts! We loved them!

Thank you to the following volunteers: Elaine & Jennifer Sanford; Lorrie & Ken Stroup; Lacie; Karen, Bob, Noah, Nicole & Sarah Ritter; Anthony Popajonas; Hugh & Hillary Earls; Pam Pierce; Sharon Ferguson; Susanna Holdeman; Dorothy Dayton; July Briscoe; Tonia VonRitchie; Mike Toohey.

SDTRHR is very appreciative of the riders, walkers and volunteers that continue to support this spring fundraiser year after year. We would also like to thank Cape Henlopen State Park for the continued use of the beautiful landscape and facility for this fundraiser. Your on going support enables SDTRHR to continue improving lives one stride at a time! Thank you and look forward to seeing you at our Fall Redden Ride! - SDTRHR