

## Participants of SDTRHR's 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Beach Ride Raise \$11,600

Southern Delaware Therapeutic and Recreational Horseback Riding, Inc. (SDTRHR) would like to thank all of the dedicated participants and volunteers who attended our 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Spring Beach Ride & Walk held at Cape Henlopen State Park on March 28, 2009. The wind and rain didn't stop this committed group of individuals from making this year's spring fundraiser a huge success! There were 100 devoted horseback riders from Delaware, Maryland, Pennsylvania and New Jersey who came out to support SDTRHR. There were even participants who traveled 380 miles to support this beneficial cause! The grand total raised was \$11,600. The top fundraiser was Debbie Smith-\$670 and the second highest fund raiser was Jim Nafzinger-\$600. SDTRHR participants excelled in fundraising this year! Aly Fisher raised \$1,300, McKenzie Sanford raised \$750, Alex Layton raised \$375; Olivia Davidson raised \$260 and Sarah Ritter raised \$85?

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!

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Thank you to Mike Toohey, Tony Rodriguez & Mike Miller for the delicious hoagies! Many thanks to the Ritter Family for the tasty variety of sandwiches. The yummy deserts were thanks to Debbie Layton, Pat Romaine, Bridgette Perrotta, Elaine Sandford , Carol and Lorrie Stroup.

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Thank you to the following volunteers: Elaine & Jennifer Sanford; Carol and Felicia; Anna & Ken Stroup; Karen, Bob, Noah, Nicole & Sarah Ritter; Hugh & Hilary Earls; Dorothy Dayton; Mike Toohey; Bridgette Perrotta; Pat Romaine, Melissa; Bobbi Chandler; Ann and Brianna Granger; Donnel Bailey; Sasha Hudson; Kristi Black and Gail Pyle.

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