



HORSEPOWER Volunteer E-News Letter

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Dear Volunteers & Supporters,

You truly are the backbone of our programs and services and you allow us to meet the needs of some pretty terrific people. We would like to ask for your help once again but in very different way. You have the capacity to expand your influence while impacting HORSEPOWER'S ability to survive these challenging times. How? Making sure your workplace, family and friends hear about your volunteer service. As we write grants and approach church groups and corporations they always ask "are any of our employees involved with HORSEPOWER"? They are much more likely to help us if they know an employee or friend is connected to our non-profit. Your sharing opens the door for others to seek volunteering opportunities or it may lead to a "yes" to our requests for a grant. It can also lead to a doubling effect of your donation if by chance your company has a Matching Gifts program. You already do so much for us and I hope you know you are appreciated! We would love to know of any business, civic group or church affiliation you might have that could broaden our reach into the community. Thanks for being part of our HORSEPOWER family!

~Tim

Help Needed

HORSEPOWER is going to be in the Greensboro Parade on December 5th. If you are interested in walking in the parade with us please call the office or email Jess or Jan.

THANKS!

Holiday Celebration

Mark your calendars for:

December 12th 1-3pm

Join us in the club house for foods and crafts then take a walk around the barn and see the horses. Please bring your family!



Be a Great Sidewalker!

Did you know that as a sidewalker you can have a huge impact on the progress of your rider? There is so much more to your role than just making sure your rider doesn't fall off the horse. To help your rider have a beneficial experience, first, encourage your rider to sit correctly, with ears, hips and heels lined up. Make sure that your rider is holding the reins correctly and provide quiet reminders to help him/her. Be your rider's ears, explaining again what the instructor asked for. But allow time for your rider to process the instructions before you repeat it. Encourage accurate steering and use of corners. Have your riders keep their hands low. Try to avoid talking to the horse leader or other sidewalker, about things that do not pertain to the class, during the lesson. A great sidewalker is committed to supporting the instructor and their rider and is an invaluable partner throughout the less and the session. Enjoy your riders and take pride in their accomplishments!

Upcoming Events

Nov. 7th AQHA novice show

Nov. 7th Belk Charity Sale

Nov. 20th Ten Thousand Villages sale day

Dec. 12th Holiday Celebration

Dec. 17th-18th Splurges Boutique Trunk show

Feb. 6th New volunteer orientation and sidewalker training

Feb. 13th Gala and Silent Auction

Feb. 15th -March 26th Spring I session

March 13th New volunteer orientation and sidewalker training

April 5th-May 14th Spring II Session

