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STABLE TALK

Fall 2015

CHRISTMAS OPEN HOUSE SUNDAY, DECEMBER 20TH, 2015 12:00PM-3:00PM

We hope you will join us to celebrate the Holiday Season with our favourite four legged friends!



Pony Rides, crafts, food & warm drinks, music and the jolly guy himself are only some of the special holiday treats!

Not sure what to get that special horse-loving friend in the family?

Calendars, t-shirts, baseball hats, decorations and much more will be available for purchase!

Monthly Giving Moves Us Forward! Did you know...

\$4,200 (\$350 per month)

• Sponsors one horse for a full year

\$420 (\$35 per month)

• Sponsors one rider for a full session

\$1,200 (\$100 per month)

• Maintains one paddock for one year

\$900 (\$75 per month)

• Maintains one stall for a full year

\$120 (\$10 per month)

- Buys 40 Bales of hay
- Buys one safety helmet
- Buys 6 bags of grain for our horses

Join our easy and convenient monthly giving program. Please call Heather at 519-653-4686 for details or visit www.pridestables.com.

Trouble's Tidbits



I might be young, but I see a lot around the barn that I would like to share with you. Welcome to "Trouble's Tidbits"

Horses are herbivores. This means they only eat vegetation. Typically, horses eat grass, but domesticated horses are often fed fortified grains and hay, as well. A well-fed horse eats 1 to 2 percent of its body weight in roughage, such as grass or hay, every day. Domesticated horses are also given blocks of salt and mineral blocks to lick. This is to supplement the nutrition that the horses get from their food.

Horses only have one stomach, unlike cows, and it is small. So to get enough food, a horse must graze throughout the day.



Did you know...

Horses have been domesticated for over 5000 years.

Super Fun Family Day!



September 12th marked an exciting day at Pride, as we held our first Super Fun Family Day, sponsored by Desjardins Financial Security.

As the cars rolled in excitement filled the property with visitors of all ages enjoy a day of great food, pony rides, scavenger hunts, games and raffles.

We would like to say thank you all of our wonderful and enthusiastic volunteers who came to spend the day with us, Waterloo Regional Police who let all of the kids check out the police car, Brandon Weirmier, who kept spirits high with great music, our fabulous clown from Party Quackers and to Desjardins who helped us raise \$5,000.







Deer Ridge Golf Tournament a Great Success!

September brought great golf weather, especially for the Deer Ridge Golf Tournament held at the Deer Ridge Golf Course! This exciting tournament raised \$82,500 for 5 local charities in Waterloo Region with Pride Stables receiving over \$16,500! We would like to say a huge thank you to Deer Ridge Golf Course for organizing this wonderful event as well as all of the players and donors who took part in this day!

Inspiring Youth in Our Community



Hard work paid off for Jacqueline Cole & Paula Vilcu who won the Youth and Philanthropy Initiative grant through the Toskan Casale Foundation. Their project on Pride Stables won \$5000 going to sponsor Pepper. We are very grateful for all of their hard work!

Congratulations Rachel!

We would like to say a very big congratulations to Rachel Baker, a Pride Stables volunteer, who was chosen as the recipient of the 2014 France-Anne Sweeny "Making a Difference" Award. Recipients of this award are individuals who most closely mirror the achievement and exemplary citizenship values inspired by France-Anne Sweeny. In May 2009, France-Anne Sweeny tragically lost her life in a horse back riding incident, it was her love of life and ability to touch so many lives that inspired the creation of the "Making a Difference" award so her passion and enthusiasm will live on through the recipients of local youth.

HORSE HAPPENINGS



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Percy

This Fall we said good-bye to some long-time friends, and also had some new friends join us.

Bud is a 19year old paint gelding. He is a former show horse with lots left to give! Bud has added some colour to our fields and become fast friends with Lyonel.

Fritz is a 22 year old Quarter horse gelding that has retired from an impressive reining career. He has been reunited with his former stable buddy, Cody. He is easy to pick out in the field with his unique dorsal strip.

The smallest of our new friends is Percy. He is a 15 year old pony who has done a bit of everything. He has participated in many pony club events, Prince Philip Games, loves to jump and he is also broke to drive.



Fritz

Giving Our Riders A Voice - What Does Riding Mean to You?

Would you like to share what riding means to you? Send us your story!

To me, riding means complete peace, comfort, and relaxation. My disabilities can cause me so much stress at times and I strongly believe that riding a wonderful horse like Pepper is in instant stress reducer. I love going to lessons because I know I'm going to have a wonderful night riding my horse, Pepper, who is an absolute angel. I find that riding gives me a reason to believe in myself and my abilities. It also makes me happy knowing that Pepper believes in me and is willing to work together with me. She's my baby girl and always will be.

-Christina Pinke



Christina riding Pepper



Sponsor-A-Rider

Are you looking for other ways to help? For \$35/month, you can give a child the chance to receive the benefits of therapeutic riding. Each week, that rider will not only have the chance to ride, but the opportunity to interact with others, play games, laugh and have fun in a group environment. All this while receiving a stimulating therapy.

\$420 (\$35/month) allows a rider to receive the benefits of therapeutic riding for one full year.

296 riders are currently waiting for sponsorship.
Call the office at 519-653-4686 to find out how you can get involved!

Sponsorship Opportunities

Adopt-A-Horse Maintain-A-Stall Sponsor-A-Paddock Sponsor-A-Rider \$4,200 (\$350 per month) \$900 (\$75 per month) \$1,200 (\$100 per month) \$420 (\$35 per month) 12 Horses are hoping for sponsorship 6 Horses stalls are available for sponsorship Paddocks available for sponsorship 296 Riders are hoping for your sponsorship

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Horse	Horse Sponsors	Stall Sponsors	Paddock Sponsors
Angel	Desjardins Financial Security	Cambridge Highland Lions	Cambridge Shrine Club Daisy Fresh Cleaning Service
Awesome		No Stars Baseball Team	
Billy	Waterloo Roadbreakers		
Bud			
Chopper		Rorabeck-Maricic Family	Rider Sponsors
Cody		Optimist Club of Twin Cities	Kitchener Sports Association
Cookie	Kitchener Panthers	Steele Family Foundation Ready Rivet & Fastener Ltd	Ready Rivet & Fastener Ltd
Danny	Rotary Club of Kitchener- Grand River	Bobbi-Jo Bradley & Lockdoor Canada Ltd.	Optimist Club of Petersburg Kitchener Pioneer Lions Club
Fritz		Culleen & Donald Kurt Foundation	
Hercules	Peter Etril & Marilyn Snyder	Robert Cassidy	Kinsmen Club of Kitchener- Waterloo Waterloo County Shriners Westvale Optimist Club Martin Mills Inc. Kitchener Waterloo Civitan Club George Chris Leonard & Mary Friesen Linda & Cecil Rorabeck Kim & Eric Biddiscombe Jacqueline Sturm & Bradley Murray Marion Jean Wellwood Kitchener Panthers City of Kitchener
Норе		Optimist Club of Twin Cities	
Lyonel		The Elcome Family	
Molly	Barzotti Woodworking Ltd.	The Adam Family	
Mya		Ken & Gail	
Nahauni		Kiwanis Club of Elmira	
Peggy	Waterloo Knights of Columbus	Family of Mel & Peggy Hunt	
Pepper	Jacqueline Cole & Paula Vilcu	Ken & Gail	
Percy		City of Kitchener City of Cambridge City of Waterloo	
Pipper	Steele Family Foundation	In Memory of Sandra Chris	Region of Waterloo Deer Ridge Golf Tournament
Prince	Marion Jean Wellwood	The Elcome Family	
Queen	Rick and Norma Brock	Daisy Chris	
Raz		Fred & Mary	
Remington	George Chris		
Rosie		Westfall and Hill Family	
Tiki	Pape Company Transportation Inc.	David & Brenda Walden	



Food Truck Dinner Series

Every Tuesday night this summer, the smell of great food filled the air at Pride Stables as Food Trucks rolled in. We would like to say a big thank you to the many delicious food trucks for donating over \$1300 to our program.

We look forward to next year's culinary adventures!

Putting our Hooves together for the Waterloo Knights of Columbus Golf Tournament

Thanks to the many great supporters of the Waterloo Knights of Columbus Golf Tournament. Pride Stables was delighted to be chosen as their charity of choice this year. Thanks to our

long time volunteer Tom, for bringing Martin out to present a cheque for \$4000 and meet Peggy.



Kitchener Panthers

It was another great baseball season at Jack Couch Park. Pride Stables teamed up for the third year with the Kitchener Panthers during their home games to run the concession stand. All proceeds from the concession were used to support our program. After a great season of baseball, we raised over \$10,000!

Congratulations to the Panthers on an awesome

season and thank you to all of our volunteers who came out to help run the concession, we couldn't have done it without you!



Golden Triangle Corvette Club GM Car Show

The 2nd annual Golden Triangle Corvette Club GM Car Show was held September 13,2015 at Steve Scherer's Fairway Auto Mall, where Corvette and GM lovers come together for a great day of food and prizes. For the second year they picked local charities to receive the proceeds from this day and Pride Stables was picked by two of our dedicated volunteers Craig Yeaman and Barbara Williams. Thank you Gold Triangle Corvette Club for letting us share our passion with yours!



Nothing Like A Helping Hand





It was a chilly day, but it didn't keep Deliotte's volunteer group away! We were greeted with smiling faces and coffees in hand as a

few extra layers of clothing were put on before doing one last property clean up for fall. October 2nd also marked an extra special day for one Deliotte volunteer Fatima, who's brother Haroon had passed away in 2001. Haroon rode in our program many years ago with Park Manor Public School. With our program having deep meaning in their hearts Fatima and her

family asked if they could plant a tree on the property in his memory. The perfect spot was found just outside the grass ring!

Thank you to everyone at Deliotte for a wonderful day, we can't wait to see you again next year!





Every Little Bit Helps

Hay Hay Cubes-Timothy/Alfalfa Mix **Fence Boards & Posts Shavings** Lg. Salt Blocks-Blue & Brown Wintec Saddles **Covered Stirrups**

Corn brooms Shovels **Canadian Tire Money** Copy Paper Cat Food

Toilet paper **Paper Towels**

A charitable tax receipt may be issued for some donations

VOLUNTEERS WE NEED YOU!

WINTER AND SPRING SESSION TRAINING DATES

Winter Session Training 2016

Tuesday, December 29th, 2015 12-2pm Wednesday, January 6th, 2016

12-2pm & 6-8pm 12-2pm

Saturday, January 9th, 2016

Registration is required for training

**Please call the office 519-653-4686 in the event of bad winter weather to check on any cancellations

Spring Session Training 2016

Wednesday, February 17th 6-8pm Wednesday, March 9th 12-2pm & 6-8pm Wednesday, February 24th Thursday, March 10th 12-2pm & 6-8pm 6-8pm Wednesday, March 2nd 12-2pm & 6-8pm Monday, March 14th 12-2pm & 6-8pm Saturday, March 5th 12-2pm Wednesday, March 16th 12-2pm & 6-8pm Tuesday, March 8th 12-2pm & 6-8pm

Volunteers MUST be 15 or older for regular program and 14 or older for Camp

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