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# **E-Mail Newsletter**

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# Greetings...

Well, 2021 is here and we are looking forward to a great year!! I hope this newsletter finds everyone healthy and in good spirits. Before you know it Spring time will be here and we can put the shovels away ©

## **PROGRAM NEWS:**

We've been able to keep the riding program going through the winter with flexibility required by Mother Nature © But it's been great spending time with our riders and families.

We are seeking a second riding instructor (PATH certified). Feel free to spread the word.

#### Adaptive/Therapeutic Riding Lesson Program: Here is the *tentative* 2021 season:

April 26-May 29 (5wks) June 7-July 10 (5wks) July 19-Aug 21 (5wks) Aug 30-Oct 1 (5wks) Oct 10-Nov 13 (5wks) Nov 22-Dec 18 (4wks) There will be a week off in between sessions

Riders can sign up for multiple sessions

The fee is unchanged @ \$55/lesson Please let me know if you will be returning for the 2021 season

### The Alfred Z. Solomon Veterans Program:

This 8 week program offers horsemanship through driving instruction, free of charge to the veteran. We are partnered with Saratoga Peer to Peer Connection. Lessons are weekly and provided on a one to one basis. Veterans can bring a loved one to share in the experience. Please ask David if you have questions or know a veteran who may be interested.

#### Horsemanship 101 Program: \*New Program\*

This introductory 4 week program is designed to provide a strong foundation for first time horse owners, people who want to be more comfortable with horses or for those who have always just wanted to learn more about horses. All activities are based in a safety first mindset! There are no riding components in this program. Program fee is \$120.

#### Please let me know if you are interested in this program and please share information with friends! THANK YOU VOLUNTEER NEWS:

We can't **THANK** our volunteers enough for the dedication and generosity that you continually give to the program. We've said it a hundred times... *without volunteers... there would be no program.* 

We anticipate volunteer trainings to begin in March (exact days/time to be determined). Please let me know if you plan on returning  $\odot$ . We look forward to seeing everyone again !!!



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#### **Mission Statement**

Promote the benefits of Equine Assisted Activities & Therapies(EAAT) Provide the facility, equipment, horses & support personnel required to perform EAAT Provide assistance for retraining of abused/neglected horses and integrate into the EAAT whenever possible.

#### **FUNdraising:**

**Amazon Smile:** We are a registered non-profit 501 c 3 to receive a % of your purchases (at no cost to you).

**Virtual Basket Party**...We are planning a 20 basket virtual party. The exact format is still in the planning stage as 2021 continues to have the 2020 challenges. We have received many thoughtful and generous donations for the basket party and look forward to sharing them with you soon.

Please contact Roxanne Peck @ <u>roxanne\_peck@yahoo.com</u> or 518-642-9453 If you have ideas to share or want to help in organizing an event.

#### HORSE FUN FACTS: Did you know?

Horses have the largest eye of any land mammal.

Their eyes are off-set on the head which allows them to have large peripheral vision.



Looking forward to seeing you soon,

# Cathy and Davíd

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