

Summer 2008

Steppin' Up with Stable Hands

A Message from Your Executive Director

In watching our riders, our volunteers, our staff and Board of Directors, it seems everyone is stepping up in new ways in 2008. Our program has doubled in size in the last 3 years. More riders are stepping up to their personal challenges, 52 trained volunteers have stepped up to the challenge of managing their time, their gas budget, and the needs of our clients. Our Board of Directors and Staff continue to step up to challenges in time, finances, and the future of our growing program. And certainly our horses...our heroes, have stepped up to the new riders who need them and to the returning riders who love them.



Jane Hendricks, Snoopy, and Brittany Huff

Stable Hands is very proud to announce a huge step for us in the hiring of two new therapeutic riding instructor trainees. Jane Hendricks and Brittany Huff (pictured) have been selected to begin the process of becoming NARHA (North

American Riding for the Handicapped) certified instructors to meet the needs of Stable Hands expanding program. Both Jane and Brittany have been volunteers in our program for years. We are proud to have them on board and know they will bring new ideas and insight to everyone. The hiring and training of these women was made possible by a new grant from Pacificorp Foundation, and the Mildred Thumm Memorial Fund. Our deepest gratitude to these contributors for helping us serve our riders, their families, and the community more effectively.

We are asking you, our family of supporters, to step up with us in 2008. You can do that by attending our Gala Dinner and Auction on July 12th. If you haven't made reservations, it's not too late! If you didn't receive an invitation, please call 530-842-3082. If you received an invitation and aren't able to attend please pass it on to someone who might be

able to come. It truly is a fantastic evening and our biggest fundraiser of the year. We hope to see everyone there. Thank-you all for your past support and for standing by us step by step. Happy Summer! Cathy Fitzpatrick