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CIRT NEWS

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Take Note:

- **Horse Clinic**
Saturday April 13th
CIRT
Please call and a reserve a spot by April 10th.
- **CIRT Horse Show**
NEW Day!
Saturday, May 11th
Heart of Illinois Arena
Peoria
See Show Bill on page 3.
- **Sporting Clay Shoot**
Saturday, June 22nd
Call 699-3710 to register
See adjoining flier



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Horse Clinic

April 13, 2013 at Central Illinois Riding Therapy

Presented by

Michael J. Boero, DVM, MS, DACVS and Steve Sermersheim, Middle Fork Forge

Registration: 9 am

Lectures and Discussions: 10 am—Noon

Overview of Therapies for Lameness (includes shockwave, therapeutic laser, PRP, IRAP, Stem Cell)
Back Problems in Horses

Lunch: Noon –1 pm

Demonstrations: 1 pm –3 pm

Acupuncture Demonstration
Chiropractic Demonstration
Questions from audience are welcome

Cost per Person (Includes Lunch)

. All Day—\$30

. 1/2 Day—\$20

. 4-H/FFA Members \$25

Michael J. Boero DVM, MS, DACVS

Dr. Boero graduated from Washington State University Veterinary College in 1974. To follow his interest in equine surgery, he completed an Equine Surgery Residency and MS Degree at Kansas State University. He was an Equine Surgeon at the University of Illinois for 10 years where his interests were lameness, orthopedic and general surgery. He completed the specialty board certification in surgery in 1991. After leaving the university, Dr. Boero started a traveling surgical referral practice servicing several clinics in Illinois, Iowa, Wisconsin, Indiana, and Missouri as well as providing field surgery where a clinic wasn't available. Over the past 10 years Dr. Boero's practice has evolved into a clinic based practice specializing in performance medicine and surgery. He belongs to the American College of Veterinary Surgeons, American Association of Equine Practitioners, International Society for the Study of Locomotor Pathology, American Academy of Veterinary Acupuncture, American Veterinary Medical Association and the Illinois State Veterinary Medical Association. Information Provide by Dr. Boero

Steve Sermersheim

Steve Sermersheim is the owner of Middle Fork Forge, a multifarrier shoeing service throughout central and west central Illinois. Steve is a staff farrier at the University of Illinois as well as the lead farrier for Dr. Thomas Monfort, DVM, Farmer City, Illinois. He is an approved tester for the American Farriers Association and an Associate of the Worshipful Company of Farriers. He is also a certified Journeyman Farrier with the American Farriers Associations. Information Provide by Steve Sermersheim

Clinic is Hosted by Central Illinois Riding Therapy

Proceeds to Benefit Central Illinois Riding Therapy, celebrating 30 years of equine-assisted therapeutic riding for individuals with disabilities.

Contact Jenna
at CIRT
309.699.3710
jenna@cirt.info

**Please call and
Reserve your Seat
By April 10th.**

CIRT Show Sponsorships Available Now

CIRT's 25th Annual Horse Show will be held on Saturday, May 11, 2013, at the Heart of Illinois Arena, Route 29, Peoria (see Show Bill on facing page).

Both Show Sponsorships and Class Sponsorships are now available.

Be a Show Sponsor or sponsor a class in memory of a loved one or in honor of someone special.

Class Sponsorships are \$25 and will be announced at the beginning of the class.

Complete and mail the form found on page 5.

Tootsie Roll Drive Benefits CIRT

A group from CIRT recently attended the East Peoria Knights of Columbus Fish Fry where CIRT accepted a \$388.60 check for CIRT.

Those attending were: CIRT rider Erika Burdette, Erika's mother Anita and grandmother Dorothy Oliver, and Kathy Griffin.

Thank you!

ALTERNATIVE CHRISTMAS MARKET

CIRT participated in the Alternative Christmas Market hosted by the Wesley United Methodist Church in Bloomington. It was a festive shopping event that offered an alternative to the commercialization of Christmas by giving gifts that offered hope and help to local organizations. Monetary gifts to CIRT were \$1081.00

Thank you!

YCHS CHOOSES CIRT

Our thanks to the Youth Charity Horse Show Committee for choosing CIRT to be the beneficiary of their 2013 Show to be held October 11, 12, & 13 in Springfield, IL. CIRT was also the beneficiary for 2012 and received \$3000.

Sporting Clay Shoot to Benefit CIRT

- Where: Oak Ridge Sportsman's Club, 1301 Weishaaupt Road, Mackinaw, IL
- When: June 22, 2013
- Time: Registration 8-9 am
- Shoot to start at 9 am
- Please Preregister by June 20, 2012 (but may sign-up thru June 22)
- Cost: \$75.00 per person (You must supply your own shells) includes 100 clay pigeons and Lunch.

CIRT is raffling off a gun or \$500 in conjunction with the Sporting Clay Shoot that will be held on June 22. You don't have to have a FOID card to purchase tickets so contact CIRT today for *your* tickets.

Tickets are

\$5 each, 3 for \$10, or 10 for \$20

Call CIRT (309-699-3710) or mail in the form on page 5.

Volunteers are the *heart* of our program



Prizes Awarded to Winners

Central Illinois Riding Therapy 25th ANNUAL BENEFIT HORSE SHOW

*****Heart of Illinois Arena, Rt. 29, Peoria, IL *****

Saturday, May 11, 2013

ENTRY FEE: \$5.00 PER

\$10 Grounds fee per horse or \$20 Stall Fee per horse plus sawdust (\$TBA per Bag)

JUDGE: Morgan Gadd

CLASS RAIN OR SHINE

OFFICE FEE: \$2.00 HORSE-RIDER COMBINATION

SHOW STARTS AT 9:00 AM

HIGH POINT AWARD - \$1 PER HORSE-RIDER COMBINATION

1. CIRT Class
2. CIRT Class
3. CIRT Class

The following Classes will not start before 10 AM

4. Open English Halter (Thoroughbred, Arabian, Saddlebred, Morgan, etc.)
5. Color Breed Halter (Palomino, Paint, Appaloosa, etc.)
6. Open Western Halter (Stock Type)
7. Open Pony Halter
8. Showmanship-Handler 13 and under
9. Showmanship-Handler 14 to 18
10. Open Showmanship-Handler Any Age, \$50 ADDED MONEY
11. Stick Horse-rider 6 and under
12. Lead Line-rider 6 and under (optional tack)

Lunch (Afternoon classes will start at noon or 30 minutes from when morning classes end)

13. Trail Class
14. Open Saddle Seat Pleasure-Rider any age
15. Horsemanship/Equitation-Rider 13 and under
16. Horsemanship/Equitation- Rider 14 to 18
17. Open Horsemanship/Equitation- Rider Any Age
18. Huntseat English Pleasure-Rider 13 and under
19. Huntseat English Pleasure-Rider 14-18
20. Open Huntseat English Pleasure-Rider any age, \$50 ADDED MONEY
21. Horse/Pony Walk Trot-Rider any age - Optional Tack (*horse/rider combination can NOT ride in canter classes)
22. Open Walk Trot - Rider any age - Optional Tack, \$50 ADDED MONEY
23. Trot Barrels-Rider any age (*Horse/Rider Combination can NOT ride in Open Barrels)
24. Open Barrels-Rider any age (*Horse/Rider Combination can NOT ride in Trot Barrels)
25. Open Color Breed Western Pleasure (Palomino, Paint, Appaloosa, etc.)
26. Pony Pleasure-Optional Tack
27. Western Pleasure-Rider 13 and under
28. Western Pleasure-Rider 14-18
29. Open Western Pleasure-Rider any age, \$50 ADDED MONEY
30. Open Society Breed Western Pleasure (Arabian, Morgan, Saddlebred, etc.)
31. Open Surprise Class

HIGH POINT AWARDS- 13 & under, 14-18, and 19 & older
STALLS AVAILABLE \$20.00 (No Sawdust)
SAWDUST AVAILABLE \$7 PER BAG
CAMPING AVAILABLE \$15.00 PER DAY

PONIES UNDER 56 INCHES
ALL DOGS ARE TO BE LEASHED
SHOW SPONSOR - \$50
BE A CLASS TROPHY SPONSOR - \$25

Cash, Checks and All Major Credit Cards Accepted Showbill Subject to Change

Questions Please Call CIRT 309.699.3710, or Jenna Walker 309.253.8826 or visit the our website cirt.info or email cirt@cirt.info

Thank you to our SHOW Sponsor:

Midwest Horseshoeing School, Knotta Farm, Fort's Toyota of Pekin,
J.A. Fritch & Sons, Bernez Farm



CIRT HORSE SHOWS & EVENTS

CHRISTMAS PARTY 2012



Good food!

Good company!



Lots of fun!

2013 EVENTS

April 13—**Horse Clinic**
CIRT Barn, East Peoria

May 11—**CIRT Horse Show**
Heart of Illinois Arena, Peoria

June 22—**Sporting Clay Shoot**

Oak Ridge Sportsman's Club, Mackinaw

July 26—**State 4-H Show CIRT Classes**
Illinois State Fairgrounds, Springfield

July 29 - **Tazewell County 4-H Horse Show**
Livestock Review Bldg, Pekin

August 17 - **Polo on the Green & Blue Jean Ball**
Weaver Farm, Peoria

October 11, 12, 13—**Youth Charity Horse Show**
Illinois State Fairgrounds, Springfield

December 6 - **CIRT Christmas Party**

2013 RIDER SESSIONS

1st Session:

APR 1—MAY 3

2nd Session:

MAY 6—MAY 31 (*No classes 5/27*)

3rd Session:

JUN 3—JUN 28

4th Session:

JUL 1—AUG 2 (*No classes 7/4, 7/26, 7/29*)

5th Session:

AUG 5—AUG 30 (*No classes 8/12-16*)

6th Session:

SEP 2—SEPT 27 (*No classes 9/2*)

7th Session:

SEPT 30—NOV 1 (*No classes 10/11*)

8th Session:

NOV 4—NOV 29 (*No classes 11/28-29*)

9th Session:

DEC 2—DEC 20 (*No classes 12/6*)



Judy Kruse Retirement...The CIRT Christmas party was also the recognition of Judy's retirement as Executive Director of CIRT. Judy and Ron were active in CIRT since the Program began 30 years ago. Their many years and hard work have helped make CIRT the successful program it is today. A lovely bronze statue was presented to Judy. We're sure to see them still involved as Judy will be an advisory board member and part-time instructor. When CIRT needs help-they'll be there.



MAIL THIS FORM AND YOUR CHECK TO:

Central IL Riding Therapy
305 Neumann Dr
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I AM ENCLOSING A CHECK FOR \$_____

_____ Donation

_____ Horse Clinic Registration All Day \$30

_____ Horse Clinic Registration 1/2 Day \$20

_____ Horse Clinic Registration All Day 4-H/FFA Members \$25

_____ Sporting Clay Shoot Registration \$75

_____ Sporting Clay Shoot Sponsorship \$25

_____ Gun Raffle tickets Circle or specify # of tickets : 1-\$5 3-\$10 10-\$20

Please include phone number for tickets: _____

_____ CIRT Horse Show Sponsor

_____ CIRT Horse Show Class Sponsorship \$25 Circle One: In Honor Of In Memory Of

Message: _____

_____ Polo on the Green Sponsor

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____ (Optional)

Thank you for your support

THANKS A BUNCH ...FOR ALL YOUR DONATIONS TO CIRT

CIRT's doors are open because of the many generous individuals, organizations, corporations, bequests, and gifts in kind. We thank you and look forward to our partnership in the future.

Thank you for your donations

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 Tazewell County Council UFW, Inc.
 Youth Charity Horse Show



Thank you to all who have brought cookies, brownies, & snacks to CIRT this winter!

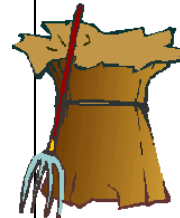
Thank you to our volunteer Spur Sponsors:
Sopie Lee, Ronald Wright & Dave Straubaugh

Old Chicago Fundraiser
\$200.00
Hickory River Fundraiser
\$150.00

For the many items

Gift Cards
 Bob, Kate & Erin Hefner
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 Vicki, Christy & Ashley Stauthammer

Office Supplies
 Tom & Agneta Stanesa
 Lisa Reed & Family
 Mike & Katie Powers



For the donation of hay.....
 Morris Wildermuth
 Kay Bishop
 Perry Martin
 Neal Shelabarger

Classes start April 1st!
 If you haven't signed up yet make sure you do so soon as classes are filling up quickly.

Rider Scholarship

Diane Pflederer

In Memory of Christy Kay Spencer

Gerald & Nancy Nannen

In Memory of Willard Shanklin

Donald & Frances Cihak

In Honor of Christmas Jeff & Debbie Becker & Paul & Dorine Cihak

Donald & Frances Cihak



Thank you to the East Peoria Knights of Columbus #7580
 For their donation of \$388.60

Save the Date!
August 17, 2013
Polo on the Green
Weaver Farm
Peoria, IL

Thank you to the East Peoria Fondulac Park District for their continued support!

***In Honor of
Judy Kruse Retirement***

James & Laura Sniff & Family
Fannie McCoy
Ty Sanders

***In Memory of
Jay's Lucky Hank "Hank"***

Andrea Suk

***In Honor of 90th Birthday
&
in Memory of
Jean Riggins***

Pat & Harold Haller



***A Special Thanks to ...Jared Sutter
for Filling in for Santa at CIRT's
Christmas Party.***

Drake Taylor...

CIRT friends were saddened by the sudden death of Drake a former student of many years. Drake was so lively, he lit up the room when he arrived, a joy to all who knew him. He was so involved in many groups and activities. He wanted to "do it all" and he did! We all have fond memories of Drake on Lightning.



Pie Auction... April 6, 3012 at the Heart of Illinois Arena. If you would like to make pies, cakes or bars, please let CIRT know and bring them to the barn by April 5 at noon. A huge Thanks to Gary Wesels, Gloria Overturf and Dennis & Cheryl Perry and all who helped and baked at the last Pie Auction we raised \$1075.00.

In Honor of Christmas

Robert & Radine Riffe & Family
Karla & Lawrence Kane & Family
George & Holly Voorhees
Sandy Ochs
Kay Bishop & Donald Dawson
Elaine Kasky
Donald & Ruth Ann Hampton
John & Darnell Garber & Family
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Anonymous cash donation
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Laura Kosko



Happy Feet Thanks to... the
McNot Again Trail Race for
Donating \$593.16 of their
proceeds to CIRT.

CIRT HORSE-N-AROUND PROGRAM

A chance to learn about horses. Cost \$100 and will include a T-shirt.
Youth ages 7—13, 10 am to Noon
Youth ages 14—20, 1 pm to 3 pm
June 10, 11, 13, and 14
July 8, 9, 11, and 12
Please call CIRT for more details.



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WISH LIST: We are always in need of white copy paper, printer inkjet cartridges HP 28/57, HP 27/56, Canon 50 and Canon 51, envelopes 6 x9, Oust air sanitizer, paper towels, microwavable paper plates, napkins, Clorox wipes, Windex, bleach, liquid laundry detergent, vinegar, Swifter refills, Gift Cards for BIG R, TSC, Farm and Fleet, . Muck Buckets, Salt & Mineral Blocks, Monetary Donation

WHY DONATE: Invest in people, not things • to be a part of something bigger than yourself • Give back to the community • Tax Benefits • CIRT can't do it without you!



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**Seventh Annual Polo on the Green
 and Blue Jean Ball**

Saturday, August 17, 2013

3 pm to Midnight @ Weaver Farm

~ Festival of Horses ~ Polo Match ~ Dinner ~ Live Auction ~ Silent Auction ~
 ~ Music ~ Dancing ~

Save the Date