

Special Troopers Adaptive Riding School 33148 K-22 Sioux City, IA 51108

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We would like to take a look back at what a great year 2017 was for STARS. In 2017 we saw a lot of change and growth as well as an overwhelming support from the community. Our program continues to operate and change lives daily with the help of all the great people we call the STARS family. With the help of our great list of volunteers, staff and donors, we continue to see the overwhelming impact in the lives of people we serve. With heartfelt appreciation we would like to say Thank You to everyone that made 2017 a great success.

Interbake Foods Fundraiser

We are very excited to share that Interbake Foods selected STARS to be the recipient of their yearly fundraiser! The official kick off to start the fundraiser was October 1st 2017. Employees participated in contests, games and even sold their PTO days to raise funds for STARS. Interbake Foods Corporate office, Weston Foods, matched the amount that the local Interbake plant raised. We received a check from Interbake Foods and Weston Foods in the amount of \$30,026.

These funds are specifically going to be used for the youth that participate in the STARS Program. This is huge and very exciting for our program! We strive to meet the needs of all youth riders regardless of financial status. Hundreds of clients have experienced the benefit of therapeutic riding and experienced significant physical, emotional and cognitive breakthroughs. With this donation we can continue to facilitate long-lasting and powerful change in our community!

Thank you Interbake Foods, Weston Foods, and all of the employees for this generous donation!



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Please join us for a fun filled evening to raise support for STARS animal assisted therapies. The evening will include one of a kind silent and live auction items as well as a delicious meal and entertainment.

Saturday, February 10, 2018 Doors open at 5:30 PM Sioux City Country Club 4001 Jackson St. Sioux City, Iowa

Reaching Beyond the Ordinary Every Day!

www.scstars.org-Phone: 712.239.5042-Email: brooke@scstars.org

You can RSVP on our website at scstars.org

Please contact Brooke McBride with any questions. brooke@scstars.org



Plant Manager: John Sample

Back row: Greg Gass, Julie Dorn, Brooke McBride, Jose Hernandez

Front row: Jean Montagne, Kim Adamiak, Dora Hernandez

Not pictured: Vonnie Langel, Kim Larson, Maria Polanco

Board Update



New Member: **Taylor Keller**

Taylor is originally from Sioux City and is currently working as a sales agent for IBC Insurance. She and her husband celebrated their one year anniversary last fall and enjoy being out in the community, watching movies and making sure their two cats get along.

As a new board member, it didn't take her long to see the importance of this organization and the impact it's had on so many lives. Her

goal is to help spread the word and to share that passion behind STARS with those she has met and those she will meet along the way.

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with adults who may be experiencing a wide array of concerns; including, depression, anxiety, trauma, grief and loss, addiction, relationship concerns and life transitions. Her training in Equine

New Member:

Jackie Paulson

Certified Facilitator and

Jackie Paulson is a Licensed Mental Health

Counselor, Eagala

Registered 500Hour

Yoga Instructor. She

helping field and offers

holistic therapies that

combine Mindfulness

and other Evidenced

Based Practices. Jackie

specializes in working

has 10+ years of

experience in the

Assisted Psychotherapy or bringing horses into the healing process is a primary tool that she offers, alongside of mindfulness based stress reduction, somatic work and existential theory and depth psychology.



Volunteer **Orientation! COMING UP IN March!** Tuesday, March 6th, 2018 at 6:00pm. **Orientation will be** held at the riding center. This is a great opportunity for NEW volunteers to come learn about STARS **Please contact Volunteer Coordinator Jerusha with** any questions. Ph# 712-239-5042 **Or email** jerusha@scstars.org



The 2018 STARS **Therapy Horse Calendar** is still **Available!**



2018 Riding Schedule

Session 1 January 29th to March 5th (6 weeks) March 12th & 13th Rider Registration/ Parent Orientation at 6 PM

Session 2 March 26th to May 14th (8 weeks)

Session 3 June 4th to July 16th (6 weeks)

(No Class the week of July 4th) June 24 Roger Peters Memorial Horse Show

Session 4 September 10th to October 15th (6 weeks)

Session 5 November 5th to December 10th (6 weeks)

No Class Wednesday and Thursday the week of Thanksgiving

For more information, please call the STARS riding center at 712-239-5042 or email Julie at julie@scstars.org





As we move into 2018 we are cleaning up our mailing list.

If you would like to be removed from our mailing list please let us know by checking the box on the back of the newsletter and sending it back to us.

Thank You!

Wish List (Items needed at the Barn)

- Postage stamps
- **Copy Paper**
- Lysol spray, toilet bowl cleaner. cleaning supplies
- Horse Hay

- Septic system safe toilet paper
- Large Shop-Vac
- Bomgaars Gift Card



Wish List Link: http://a.co/5fIpTm1