



From the Barn

4-H Therapeutic Riding Program of Carroll County

Feb 2008

News of Note

Happy February Birthday



Happy birthday to **Billy Hopwood, Andy Lentino, Shawna Trageser, Wendy Dunstan, Louise Fisher, Maggie Langdon, Ellen Martin, Brett Morgan, Katie Pontuti.**

Volunteer's Thoughts



During my Service-Learning project, I saw that the Therapeutic Riding Program is a fantastic opportunity for the riders and their families to come together and to see they are not alone. I believe I was able to make a real contribution to this program."

"Nursing 211 Student" From the Service Learning page of Carroll Community College. Thank you to this volunteer for her service and for sharing her thoughts.



30th Birthday Party

April 6th from 2 - 6 at Gamber Fire Hall is the place to be to celebrate TRP's 30th birthday!

A fun celebration is being planned and ALL current and former riders, volunteers, families and supporters are

invited to attend. A buffet dinner, memory sharing & dancing will make this a party not to miss!

If you have pictures from the past that we can add to our electronic scrapbook, please contact Peggie. (They will be scanned & returned to you.) Watch your email or snail mail boxes after Feb 22 for your reservation form. Pass the word to others!

The planning committee is really looking forward to seeing everyone at the party!

Spring Registration

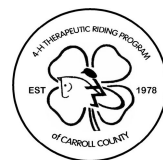


It's almost time to see our favorite volunteers: Baby, Handsom, Achilles & friends ... spring classes will begin the week of March 31!

Registration forms for riders and volunteers will be sent next week and

due back by March 6.

You'll also receive order forms for the NEW shirts for shows — lighter green with updated logo.



Respite Registry



Information received from a local organization: We are pleased to announce that Caring Communities just received our first grant to allow

families to participate FREE in the Caring Network Registry: the first online and searchable respite provider registry in the Region.

Carroll County families: Sign up by going to <http://www.caringcommunities.org/> and click on the Caring Network graphic on the left. Register completely, but do not press the "Pay Now" button. Call Caring Communities (410-549-5707) for an access code.

World of Possibilities EXPO

The World of Possibilities Expo in Maryland is increasing in popularity and rapidly becoming the Region's major forum for disability-related resources: over 4000 attendees last May! The Expo has something for everyone: children and adults with disabilities, their families and caregivers, the senior community, baby-boomers, healthcare providers, educators and other service providers.



The Expos focus on Abilities, Healthy Aging, and Independent Living and are dedicated to improving the lives of children and adults. Bring your resume for the "Hire Disability Solutions Career Fair" at the Expo. More fun has been added to the Expo for the whole family to enjoy: crafts show, food and entertainment. Explore a vast array of products and services such as: **FREE WHEELCHAIR REPAIR**, assistive and adaptive technology, durable medical equipment, computer software, mobility products, living aids and more, all conveniently displayed to see, touch, and compare in a "one-stop

shopping" experience. This will give individuals who do not typically have easy access to comparison-shopping a hands-on opportunity to try devices and speak directly to equipment representatives about the products, services and resources

May 2-3, 10 am - 5 pm,
Montgomery County Fairgrounds,
Gaithersburg. More info & free pass at: <http://expo.caringcommunities.org/> **To attend, call** 866-227-4644 or email Mona@caringcommunities.org

THANK YOU to our own Cari



Watrous, Access MD Program Administrator / Fiscal Officer in the Maryland Department of Disabilities, for making sure we have the latest information about what's going on around the state. If you'd like more information on services and programs, go to <http://www.mdod.state.md.us/aboutmdod.aspx?id=501>

TRP Basics

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Photos:

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