



LifeHorse at Grand Review Farm

Welcome Hemingway

Darin and Stacy welcomed baby Hemingway Derold to the world on Sept. 7, 2011. Hemingway was 7 lbs. 1 ounce and was 19.5 inches long. They would all like to thank everyone for their congratulations, gifts, and caring around the birth! Also, a special thank you to everyone for understanding the temporary closure. We are pleased to report that mom, dad, and baby Hemingway are all doing great. Many of the students have begun to return, and the barn will be re-opened at full capacity by November 1.



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Winter Riding Rules

As much as we do not want to think about the cold winter, it is fast approaching. Please note lessons will be canceled if the temp falls below 20 degrees, or if we are under a severe weather advisory. Also, if we get more than 6" of snow over night, please call to make sure the driveway has been plowed out! We are hoping we will not have to think about any of these things until after the first of the year, but just in

case it happens, at least we are prepared!



FaceBook

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Name:
LifeHorse Grf
Email:
None
Status:
We have a new
sponsor program
starting January...

If you haven't already, please join us on Facebook! The e-mail address to add is pres@lifehorse.org We are using the Facebook to post new videos, exclusive photographs, and updates! Come watch the other kids ride, and share videos with your friends! Once you have been added as a friends, please also join our **FAN PAGE!!!**

Who do you GoodSearch for?

I hope you said LifeHorse! Talk about an EASY way to raise money! All you need to do is set your default on your Internet Explorer or Firefox to www.goodsearch.com then enter LifeHorse into the bar that asks who you GoodSearch for! You can also download the GoodShop tool bar and earn money for LifeHorse every time you shop online! It's EASY, it's free, and best of all—we earn cash!!!

GoodSearch YOU SEARCH, WE GIVE

Winter Schedule & Lessons

As the students are beginning to come back for winter, please remember to dress your child appropriately for the outdoors. Just because we are inside does not mean it is warm — toes and fingers need to be covered and ear bands work best under helmets, not hats. Also, please do not put your children in snowmobile suits or slippery snow pants, it will make it too hard for them to grip the saddle and make it unsafe for them.

If you are still in need of a lesson spot, please let Stacy know and we will find a place for you in the schedule. As many of you are aware, Trooper is no longer with us (he went home with his owner), so there is a lot of demand for Mike. While we know Mike loves the kids and they love Mike, he is on limited usage because of his age and may not be available to your child. Please be assured that whatever horse your child has been asked to work with will be safe and be appropriate, but may not be able to do the things Mike does with them (like the Hula Hoop game). Mike is a very special horse who is overly tolerant of everything he sees and meets, and love him for that, but it is not typical! However, each new horse will help your child become a stronger rider and expose them to new things! We have plenty of horses to accommodate everyone and will do our best to find a horse that will work with your child in a positive way! On a positive note, Domi is back at full strength and Hajji has started giving light lessons again — he is feeling much better but has still not gained all of the weight back from his illness in June. He should be at full strength by spring!

**The barn will be closed
on Thanksgiving Day!**

We also have a new instructor who joined us late summer. If you have not met Amanda (yes, a third Amanda), please make her eel welcome. She joins us from Las Vegas, Nevada and will be here through the winter and spring! Amanda has many years experience and is very patient and caring! The addition of Amanda allows us to continue to double lessons and keep the waiting list short!

For the holidays, we will be closed on Thanksgiving day! Also, with the new schedule, we will continue to be closed on Tuesdays (all day) and on Sunday mornings.

When we closed for the birth of Hemingway, Stacy should have told you how many lessons, if any, you had remaining on your tab. If you were not given a number, then you will owe a session fee when you return. Please make sure you pay your bill at your first session so we can keep track of lessons and pay our own bills!

Finally, now that LifeHorse has the full facility, we do have boarders — please do NOT allow your child to touch horses they do not know, and do not feed ANY horse with out asking. We have several horses on restricted diets (our own and boarders) and feeding ANY horse without permission can be dangerous! We know the kids love to bring treats, but please ask first.



Amanda and her purebred Andalusian mare, Bonita III

Let's go Krogering....

We are now a member of the Kroger Community Rewards Program. It will be active within 24-48 hours. You simply need to get your Kroger Card, go to krogercommunityrewards.com then click Michigan, then click Enroll, type in your organization number: **82921** and click search.. when it is active it will bring up LifeHorse - save us as your charity and every time you shop at Kroger, we will earn \$\$\$!!! We got our first check in August \$171!!!!

Grant Assistance

Do you belong to a service group like the Lions Club of Kiwanis? If you do, does your group allow speakers? If you answered yes, please let us know and we can send someone out to talk to your group about LifeHorse — this can be an excellent source of funding for us! Also, we are working on several grants that we could use assistance with. If you are able to help, please let us know and we will let you know

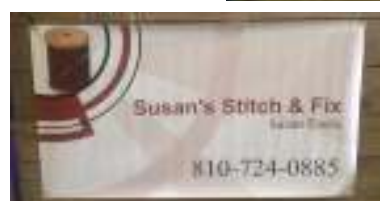
LifeHorse Merchandise Reminder

A big thank you to everyone who ordered LifeHorse merchandise for their children! You can order things at any time by visiting: <http://www.cafepress.com/lifehorsegrf>

We will also have custom embroidered materials available soon! If you have an idea you want to see brought to life, please let us know and we can work with our artist to make it happen!

Banners

Have you seen all of the beautiful banners?? Make sure you use the banner sales form and get your banners sold! We need every kid to sell banners!!! The banners are in the newsletter, on the FaceBook fan page (over 800 fans), and in the barn! There is literature to use to help you sell them, and sales forms — even DVDs — just tell Stacy what you need and she will get them to you!!



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Where Hope and Dreams Abound!



Surgeons General Warning:
Horses are expensive, addictive, and may impair the ability to use common sense

All I Need to Know in Life I Learned From My Horse

1. When in doubt, run far, far away.
2. You can never have too many treats.
3. Passing gas in public is nothing to be ashamed of.
4. New shoes are an absolute necessity every 6 weeks.
5. Ignore cues. They're just a prompt to do more work.
6. Everyone loves a good, wet, slobbery kiss.
7. Never run when you can jog. Never jog when you can walk. And never walk when you can stand still.
8. Heaven is eating for at least 10 hours a day... and then sleeping the rest.
10. Eat plenty of roughage.
11. Great legs and a nice rear will get you anywhere. Big, brown eyes help too.
12. When you want your way, stomp hard on the nearest foot.
13. In times of crisis, take a poop.
14. Act dumb when faced with a task you don't want to do.
15. Follow the herd. That way, you can't be singled out to take the blame.
16. A swift kick in the butt will get anyone's attention.
17. Love those who love you back, especially if they have something good to eat.

LifeHorse at Grand Review Farm was founded in April, 2002 and was based on an article found in Horse Illustrated about a LifeHorse program at Covenant Farm in Maryland. The program is new and exciting and brings hope to children who might not otherwise have much. LifeHorse is a specially designed therapeutic horseback riding program for terminally and chronically ill children to ride and be around horses.

Children aged 3-21 are accepted into the program and are allowed to participate to their full ability. While some of the children are too sick to actually ride a horse, they find hope and joy in brushing or feeding or even just sitting on a bale of hay and talking to a horse. Those children who are strong enough to ride are allowed to progress at their own speed and level. This may mean a child on a horse with someone leading him and a side walker on each side, or it may mean a child having a private lesson on a horse who they are riding all by themselves. Some of the children choose not to ride at all, they prefer to ride in a carriage and learn to drive the horses.

Regardless of the child's individual capabilities, they are allowed to explore, learn and find what makes them happy in the barn, even if that means bonding with a cat who happens to wander by. After all, LifeHorse is about finding something to LIVE for, not just about a horse. The support of individuals and corporations make the program possible, it is through donations, child sponsorships, horse sponsorships and grants that the program exists.

Fun Pictures





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Banner Sponsor Form:

Have your name and phone number &/or website hanging in our barn on a banner:
Banners are white with green writing and can include three lines of text including your name, phone number and/or website.

Fees: New banner: \$150

Banner renewal: \$100

Banners will remain up for one year from the time we put them up.

You also will be put on our sponsor page on our website and will notified when the banner is hung.

To order a banner, please send the following form to LifeHorse 74280 N. Fulton, Armada, MI 48005

For our contact purposes only

Your name: _____

Personal Phone Number: _____

Address: _____

Banner Information

Business Name (as you wish for it to appear on the banner):

Phone Number: _____

Website: _____

Payment type (choose one):

Paid in Full 1/2 down and \$15 per month until paid in full

\$25 per month until paid in full

Thank you for supporting LifeHorse

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