



CENTRAL KENTUCKY RIDING FOR HOPE

ANNUAL REPORT
2007

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Central Kentucky Riding for Hope
Mission Statement
January 2007

Central Kentucky Riding for Hope is dedicated to enriching the community by improving the quality of life and the health of children and adults with special physical, cognitive, emotional and social needs through therapeutic activities using the horse.

Values

- Offer equine assisted activities in a manner that challenges individuals with disabilities to achieve their maximum potential.
- Maintain excellence in the care and management of our therapeutic horse herd.
- Value our donors by the work we produce.
- Recognize that our volunteers are our most important resource.
- Provide a safe environment for all.
- Encourage diversity in all aspects of our program.

Therapeutic Riding and Hippotherapy provide services to children and adults that have been diagnosed with the following:

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| • ADD | • Mental Retardation |
| • ADHD | • Multiple Sclerosis |
| • Autism | • Muscular Dystrophy |
| • Cerebral Palsy | • Paralysis |
| • Development Delay | • Speech Impairment |
| • Down Syndrome | • Spina Bifida |
| • Emotional/Behavioral
special needs | • Stroke/CVA |
| • Head Trauma/Brain Injury | • Visual Impairment |
| • Hearing Impairments | |
| • Learning Disabilities | |

Central Kentucky Riding for Hope Year in Review 2007

The Board of Directors had a few changes this year. Member Jeff Merriss relinquished his board position due to his job relocation. David Goodnight's term was completed; he will still help with the Finance Committee and NIGHT OF THE STARS '08. In November, Robert Blitch and James Hargan were voted onto the Board and will begin their terms in January 2008. Board Officers for 2007 were Jeanne Cox-Owens-President, Martha Jane Mulholland and David Mullins- Vice-Presidents, David Beck-Treasurer and David Goodnight served as Secretary. Dana Waldroup was voted on to replace David Goodnight as secretary for 2008; all other officers will remain the same.

Staff changes in 2007 included the hiring of Beth Godbey as full-time Volunteer Coordinator in February. Beth resigned her position in December but will remain at CKRH as an Instructor and Volunteer. Pat Kline remains Executive Director, Denise Spittler continues as Program Director and Kim (Shafer) Noreikis is Lead Instructor. Vickie Parker remains Administrative Assistance, Jeannie Brewer serves as Resource Coordinator and Jerry Guinn continues as Barn and Facilities Helper.

The year began with Kim Noreikis leading a series of Instructor Workshops held on Saturdays in January, February and March. The workshops included such topics as Disabilities and Therapeutic Riding Goals, Horse and Tack Consideration for Therapeutic Riding, Behavior Management and Sensory Integration and Managing the Ring/Problem Solving.

CKRH once again thanks Shelly Stanley for her role as chairperson for the Paul Frazer Memorial Combined Test and Dressage Horse Show which was held on March 31st. The program acts as organizer of this show held in the KHP which has both open and adapted classes. This year CKRH had four riders participating.

On June 19th, CKRH held the fourth annual NIGHT OF THE STARS '07 benefit. The event took place at the Keeneland Entertainment Center and consisted of dinner, dancing and a Live and Silent Auction. Nine of the CKRH horses (two minis) were costumed along with their CKRH participant to fit the theme of the evening, "The Wizard of Oz". The horses were auctioned off as a sponsorship opportunity. The evening was again very successful grossing \$196,200 and increasing the net profit. Pat Kline serves as chairperson for this event which continues to boost the program financially and promote community awareness.

The Under-Cover Campaign has made significant strides this year in raising funds for the new indoor therapeutic riding center. Eighty-nine donors contributed over \$227,460 toward the effort with major gifts from Hagyard Equine Medical Institute, Blue Grass Charity Ball and Graviss McDonald's Restaurant.

We are especially grateful to Tom Creech of Charles T. Creech, Inc. for the purchase and installation of a hay storage shed which stands adjacent to the new facility. Nearly \$17,000 of the above mentioned funds came from a spring appeal to 3,400 program supporters across Kentucky who responded with generosity and enthusiasm.

As we go to press, we are pleased to say the exterior framing is finished, all roofing is complete and the facility secured with windows and doors.

The summer of 2007 had a number of new programming opportunities that were offered as pilot programs. CKRH joined with Fayette County Parks and Recreation to conduct a series of day retreats for those with disabilities. These non-mounted experiences were enjoyed by a total of 32 participants. A second pilot program with Hospice of the Bluegrass Bereavement was offered as a one day retreat for children who had experienced the loss of someone close to them. The counselors from Hospice provided the therapeutic aspect and CKRH provided horses, trained NARHA certified personnel and volunteers to assist. NARHA Certified Driving Instructor, Maggie Garrison, made it possible for CKRH to once again offer driving instruction. Maggie brought her driving horse, Lightning, her cart, harness and talents to open up this opportunity. Kim Noreikis started an Equine-Assisted Preschool Pilot Program that provided pre-school aged children with disabilities the opportunity to work on individual goals. Some of the skills included fine motor development, vocabulary related to the equines and basic horse skills such as grooming and leading. The program had an academic focus and with the help of the minis proved to be a great success. The CKRH Mini's On the Move Program has involved various demonstrations at public events and elementary schools. There are plans to continue all pilot programs offered this year in 2008.

Participants served in the year of 2007 totaled 279; which was quite an increase from the total of 119 in the 2006 Annual Report. Please see section titled Year at a Glance included in this report for specific component numbers. Special thanks should go to Denise Spittler for her leadership and direction in Program Management.

Under the care of our Volunteer Coordinator, Beth Godbey, 170 new lesson volunteers were trained. Throughout the year, CKRH is blessed with strong support from community service groups at schools, worship centers and civic organizations. Resource Coordinator, Jeannie Brewer made sure that 2007 was no exception as we welcomed representatives from The Lexington School, University of Kentucky (FIJI fraternity and FUSION project), Fayette County Amateur Radio Emergency Service Club, Kentucky Wing Civil Air Patrol, XL Insurance and several equine programs at local colleges. We also thank the

many individuals who joined us throughout the year for workdays to maintain our barn, paddocks and facilities in general. Another acknowledgement goes to those who were kind enough to donate their time to staffing special events where CKRH was a proceeds beneficiary such as ROLEX Kentucky Three Day Event, the High Hope Steeplechase, the Kentucky Walking Horse Association's Spring Jubilee and Derby Classic.

On Sunday, October 7th, nine CKRH participants competed for honors at Special Olympics Kentucky. Many of our riders demonstrated how they have progressed in their riding skills by riding in the independent classes and in the walk-trot classes, something that they had never tried before. No doubt, all of our participants will be setting even higher goals for next year!

On Saturday, November 3rd, CKRH hosted the Harvest Trail Ride and Tack Sale. Two tremendous volunteers, Judy Donahoe and Laura Whyne chaired this fun/fundraising event. Wonderful weather helped to make this day very popular. There were 174 riders on the trail and the Tack Sale had over 50 saddles to offer. Increased attendance, quality inventory at the sale,

increased sponsorship and ideal weather conditions made this event very successful and increased the CKRH coffers by approximately \$25,000.

The year ended with the CKRH Holiday Party, which was held at the Griffin Gate Clubhouse on December 11th. The party was moved to that location due to the road construction projects and the rerouting of Southern Lights. It proved to be a great party with well over 150 people attending. Thanks to the talents of Ben Godbey and the wonderful Jack Pattie playing Santa Claus; it was a great note to end a wonderful year on.

With the continued support from The Kentucky Horse Park, Charles T. Creech, High Hope Steeplechase, the Colostrum Bank, Hagyard Equine Medical Institute, Thoroughbred Charities of America, Sallee Horse Vans, Rolex, KWHHA and Brocato Farrier Services we are able to provide for a major portion of our budget. These efforts along with the contributions of students, families, volunteers and numerous friends and patrons led by our Board of Directors allow us to continue at CKRH. Without the support of the community both with in-kind and regular donations, we could not offer this wonderful, growing program to participants with disabilities in the Central Kentucky Region.

2007 At A Glance

Number of individuals served	279
Months direct services provided	February through November
Number of instructors	10
Number of instructors in training	4
Number of weekly volunteers	229
Program revenue	\$29,142
Number of educational sessions hosted	27
Number of equine	20 horses 4 miniatures
Number of canceled sessions	Over 43

Services Provided

Therapeutic Riding

TR served 98 participants during the 2007 year, an increase of 19 participants. Sessions offered increased to 518, an increase of 33% over the previous year. Staff provided 105 private sessions to individuals who were not appropriate for group sessions. In previous years these individuals would not have been able to participate due to precautions outlined by NARHA.

Hippotherapy

Four therapists provided treatment with the use of a horse to 31 clients from Cardinal Hill Rehab Hospital in 2007. Clients served were adults or children with neurological or orthopedic conditions needing therapy services.

Therapeutic Driving

Three individuals had the opportunity to benefit from the driving program re-introduced in 2007. The abilities and circumstances of these individuals differed greatly, from age 14 to 67 and from severe mental retardation to complete independent living. It was a great experience to open up the therapeutic value of horses to those unable to ride due to contraindications. Maggie Garrison has kindly brought her carriage and horse to CKRH to provide services. We have one driving pony currently being evaluated for suitability and will search for a carriage to fit the appropriate horse once selected.

Single Session Therapeutic Equine Activities

CKRH partnered with Lexington Parks and Recreation Therapeutic Recreation Department to host Happy Horse Retreats. During these one-day events, 32 children were served. Ten children participated in the Healing Hooves Retreat, a partnership between CKRH and Hospice of the Bluegrass. Our Mini's On The Move Program has served approximately 100 children.

Pre-School Class

Once a week four pre-school children came to CKRH to learn phonics and other pre-reading skills as well as develop such skills as motor planning, following directions and working together in a group setting.

Supervised Volunteers / Vocational Students

CKRH has partnered with a Fayette County Public School to provide students with disabilities a place to learn vocational skills. One student has participated. Two additional individuals not involved with a school system have participated in this program.

Education Sessions

CKRH hosted the NARHA State Meeting, six instructor continuing education sessions, as well as many volunteer and equine training sessions. For the first time, CKRH partnered with KEEP to host the Kentucky Equine Assisted Therapy Summit.

VOLUNTEER SUMMARY-2007

<u>EVENT</u>	<u># OF INDIVIDUALS</u>	<u>MAN HOURS</u>
Classes	162	5,432
<p>(162 individuals filled 388 volunteer positions: Spring Session had 122 per week, Summer Session had 120 per week and Fall Session had 146.)</p>		
Hay Crew	27	3,510
High Hope	35	210
Paul Frazer	44	284
Halloween Trail Ride & Tack Sale	75	450
KWHA	15	75
Hospice	9	72
HPOT	40	500
NIGHT OF THE STARS '07	75	2,900
Rolex	61	366
Community Service	39	117
Misc.		1,000
TOTAL	582	14,916

Note: Current value of these volunteer hours by the INDEPENDENT SECTOR, Metro United Way (Louisville) is **\$279,973**. (Based on national average of \$18.77 per hour)

Although based largely on extrapolated data, every effort has been made to insure the accuracy of this information.

HERD REPORT – 2007

There are currently 23 horses on-grounds and 1 horse off-grounds.

Summary of Horses On-Grounds by Breed:

Name of Horse	Breed
All Star Annie (Star)(N)	American Paint Horse
Angel's Little Boy Blue (Blue)	Tennessee Walking Horse
Annie	Quarter Horse Cross
*Banion(N)	Thoroughbred
Bet Every Nickel (Nicki)	American Quarter Horse
Chico	Morgan Cross
Dee Dee	Quarter Horse Cross
Dixis Justin Time (Justin)	American Quarter Horse
Easys Rocket Man (Tiny)	American Quarter Horse
Happy Feet (N)	Miniature
Ingrid	Norwegian Fjord
Jewel	Thoroughbred Cross
Jubilee	Miniature
Justa Blue Girl (Cody) (N)	American Quarter Horse
Laredo	Miniature
LeSabre	Holsteiner
Merry Legs	Miniature
Messenger	New Zealand Thoroughbred
Mikey	Tennessee Walking Horse
Rocket Boy (N)	Pinto
Royal Zippo (Zippo)	American Quarter Horse
Santee Socialite (Socialite)	Pony of the Americas
Shadow Dashes (Red)	American Quarter Horse
*Sunrae (N)	Haflinger

*on trial

(N) New to program in 2007

Summary of Horses Off-Grounds by Breed:

Name of Horse	Breed
Dolly	Quarter Horse Cross

Dolly is wintered at the owner's farm.

Goofed and Paint were returned to their owners during 2007.

Churchill was euthanized in May of 2007, and Molly passed away in October of 2007.

Breakdown of Horses Used in Work Sessions in 2007

Name of Horse	Mounted Lessons	Hippotherapy	Non-mounted lessons
All Star Annie (Star)(N)	X		
Angel's Little Boy Blue (Blue)	X		X
Annie	X	X	X
*Banion(N)			
Bet Every Nickel (Nicki)	X		
Chico	X	X	X
Dee Dee	X		
Dixis Justin Time (Justin)	X	X	
Easys Rocket Man (Tiny)			X
Happy Feet (N)			
Ingrid	X		X
Jewel	X		
Jubilee			X
Justa Blue Girl (Cody) (N)	X		
Laredo			X
LeSabre	X		X
Merry Legs			X
Messenger	X	X	
Mikey	X		X
Rocket Boy (N)	X	X	
Royal Zippo (Zippo)	X		X
Santee Socialite (Socialite)	X		
Shadow Dashes (Red)	X	X	
*Sunrae (N)†			

†Under consideration for driving program.

HEALTH REPORT

All horses and ponies in our therapy herd have a negative Coggins. They are current on vaccinations and de-worming, and are serviceably sound for equine-facilitated activities.

TRAINING OF PROSPECTIVE CKRH HORSES

Staff members and potential horse donors arrange an initial site visit to the donor's home to evaluate the horse being considered for acceptance into the program. Areas considered during this initial visit are the horse's age, health and soundness, type of movement, and disposition. If deemed appropriate for the program, the horse is brought to the property to begin its ninety day trial period

The purpose of the trial period is to determine how well the horse will respond to living and working in a new environment and with a variety of handlers. During this time, horses are taken through an extensive evaluation. Horses are trained to accept items that they will see in a class setting, such as balls, toys, bubbles, and all the other bells and whistles that may be used as lesson props. Horses under consideration for driving will receive additional training related to driving instruction and will be evaluated on acceptance of driving equipment. We introduce all trial horses to our mounting ramp and mounting blocks to determine each horse's ability to stand quietly for a short period of time. The staff also provides training to accustom the equine to the various mounting procedures used in a class session.

Also during the trial period, the horse is ridden by staff members. Riding during the trial period consists of not only regular conditioning in the ring, but also having staff members ride the horse while simulating therapeutic riding class conditions. This means that the able-bodied rider rides as would a rider with a disability to gauge the horse's reaction to situations such as an unbalanced rider, a rider with leg spasticity, or a rider who might become very excited or make loud vocalizations during the ride. Mock class sessions are conducted so that the horse can be trained to accept a leader and one or two sidewalkers during a class session. Towards the end of the eight weeks, a formal vet check is performed on the horse and a determination is made whether to approve or decline the horse for the program.

For the continued safety and soundness of our therapy herd, we currently have a program in place for conditioning and schooling. It is called the Approved Rider for Conditioning and Schooling (ARCS) program. Active volunteers are eligible to participate in the program upon successful completion of a riding demonstration. Others who can participate include instructors and horse owners. Each ARCS member is briefed on program guidelines and rules. The Conditioning and Schooling book outlines each horse's goals and restrictions, if any. ARCS riders record written documentation of each horse's progress and schooling needs after their session with the horse. Schooling and training sessions may include mounted or ground activities.

FACILITIES REPORT-2007

The barn consists of:

- 13 stalls for horses
 - 1 stall that is the feed room
 - 1 stall that is the tool room (where muck carts, shavings and pitchforks are kept)
 - 1 stall that houses first aid supplies for both humans and horses
- 4 stalls that are used for storage (only 2 are utilized by CKRH)
- 3 offices
- 1 multi-purpose room
- 1 tack room
- 1 bridle/laundry room
- 1 bathroom

Surrounding Area used by CKRH:

- There are 2 riding rings
 - 1 round pen
 - 3 pastures (1 with a run-in shed)
 - 2 smaller paddocks (both with run-in sheds)
 - 1 mounting block (double)
 - 1 mounting block (simple)
 - 1 mounting ramp

Extra field temporarily being used by CKRH:

- “L” shaped field with run-in shed

The Kentucky Horse Park performs maintenance on the barn, all fencing and the roads. CKRH takes care of small repairs with the help of Jerry Guinn and a few dedicated volunteers.

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CENTRAL KY RIDING FOR HOPE
Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual
January through December 2007

	<u>Jan - Dec 07</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>\$ Over Budget</u>
Ordinary Income/Expense			
Income			
4000 · Unrestricted Donations	164,008.27	85,050.00	78,958.27
4100 · Fundraising	228,527.44	228,400.00	127.44
4200 · Restriced Donations	37,500.00	3,750.00	33,750.00
4300 · Program Revenue	31,106.65	25,000.00	6,106.65
4400 · KY State NARHA Meeting	1,170.00	0.00	1,170.00
4500 · In Kind Donations	<u>107,383.00</u>	<u>82,852.00</u>	<u>24,531.00</u>
Total Income	<u>569,695.36</u>	<u>425,052.00</u>	<u>144,643.36</u>
Expense			
5100 · Horse Care	22,005.59	19,800.00	2,205.59
5200 · Fundraising Expenses	85,045.27	91,310.00	-6,264.73
5228 · 2008 NOS Expenses	1,829.32	0.00	1,829.32
5300 · Equip/Maint/Construction	13,360.29	3,180.00	10,180.29
5400 · Office Expenses	23,143.98	23,544.00	-400.02
5500 · Personnel Expenses	241,971.62	235,054.47	6,917.15
5700 · Program Expense	15,955.27	17,940.00	-1,984.73
5800 · In Kind Expenses	107,383.00	82,852.00	24,531.00
5900 · Other Expense	<u>19,268.07</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>19,268.07</u>
Total Expense	<u>529,962.41</u>	<u>473,680.47</u>	<u>56,281.94</u>
Net Ordinary Income	39,732.95	-48,628.47	88,361.42
Other Income/Expense			
Other Income			
6001 · Other Income	19,557.64	2.00	19,555.64
6002 · Gain(loss)-Asset Disposals	-612.50	0.00	-612.50
6003 · Unrealized Gain(loss)	878.40	0.00	878.40
6004 · Interest Income	6,539.08	5,971.40	567.68
6005 · Capital Campaign-Under Cover	<u>295,414.46</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>295,414.46</u>
Total Other Income	<u>321,777.08</u>	<u>5,973.40</u>	<u>315,803.68</u>
Other Expense			
7000 · Capital Campaign Expenses	<u>3,666.49</u>	<u>12,782.12</u>	<u>-9,115.63</u>
Total Other Expense	<u>3,666.49</u>	<u>12,782.12</u>	<u>-9,115.63</u>
Net Other Income	<u>318,110.59</u>	<u>-6,808.72</u>	<u>324,919.31</u>
Net Income	<u><u>357,843.54</u></u>	<u><u>-55,437.19</u></u>	<u><u>413,280.73</u></u>

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CENTRAL KY RIDING FOR HOPE
Balance Sheet
As of December 31, 2007

ASSETS

Current Assets

Checking/Savings

1000 · Reg Checking-Chase 263113967	71,163.13
1002 · Office Petty Cash	100.00
1004 · Petty Cash-Chase 626477970	236.56
1005 · Savings-Chase 1580958435	185,848.89
1007 · Cap-BusSweepCk-NC 984769284	77,708.26
1010 · Cap-Smith Barney Account	
1010a · Smith Barney A/C	283,094.42
1010b · Interest Income	6,542.81
Total 1010 · Cap-Smith Barney Account	289,637.23

Total Checking/Savings 624,694.07

Accounts Receivable

1201 · Toyota Gift-Restricted	100,000.00
1204 · Bizsantz Charitable Foundation	25,000.00
1205 · National City Bank - NOS	5,000.00
1208 · UPHA	12,500.00
1211 · William T. Young, Jr.	3,000.00
1212 · Frank & Diane Minnifield	500.00
1213 · Michaela L. Stanley	50.00
1215 · Warren W. Rosenthal	10,000.00
1216 · Jacob and Glenna Graves	1,000.00
1218 · KTFMC	10,000.00
1219 · The Oxley Foundation	60,000.00
1221 · Goodman	50,000.00
1223 · K Courtelis	2,500.00
1250 · Bayer Donation to HDM Pharmacy	174.79

Total Accounts Receivable 279,724.79

Other Current Assets

1225 · Unconditional Promise-Land	8,629,330.00
1226 · Discount- Uncond. Promise-Land	-7,907,488.00
1227 · Discount- Promises To Give	-21,436.00
1301 · Prepaid Expenses	1,327.00

Total Other Current Assets 701,733.00

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Fixed Assets

1600 · Horses	41,700.00
1602 · Office Equipment	20,898.80
1603 · Program Equipment-Non Tack	21,456.00
1604 · Program Equipment-tack	15,333.85
1605 · New Arena Costs	1,578,859.15
1606 · Accumulated Depreciation	-56,374.16

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CENTRAL KY RIDING FOR HOPE
Balance Sheet
As of December 31, 2007

Total Fixed Assets	<u>1,621,873.64</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>3,228,025.50</u>
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Other Current Liabilities	
2002 · FWT/fICA Payable	4,938.00
2004 · KY Tax Payable	1,026.11
2006 · Lex Tax Payable	436.53
2008 · School Tax Payable	125.49
2014 · KY Unemployment Ins Payable	<u>4,082.92</u>
Total Other Current Liabilities	<u>10,609.05</u>
Total Current Liabilities	<u>10,609.05</u>
Total Liabilities	10,609.05
Equity	
3900 · Retained Earnings	2,871,077.00
Net Income	<u>346,339.45</u>
Total Equity	<u>3,217,416.45</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	<u>3,228,025.50</u>

In-Kind Donations for 2007
Emp. ID # 31-1024505

Kentucky Horse Park

Water and Electric	919
Office Rent	11,898
Horse Stalls	7,800
Pasture Board	34,350
Donated Areas for Shows/Events	3,780
TOTAL	\$58,747

Other In-Kind Donations

Accuprint	1,159
Action Graphics	282
Brocato Farrier Services	1,260
Charles T. Creech, Inc. (Hay)	10,664
Commonwealth Communications	298
Ft. Dodge Animal Health	1,677
Greystone Paddock Vac	3,994
Hagyard Equine Medical	5,725
Highbridge Springs	275
Jon Jazdzewski (Dentistry)	565
Jumps Unlimited	1,735
Little Pegasus Pastures	530
Mediport, LLC	842
Pfizer Animal Health	175
Sallee Horse Vans	1,515
David Schneider	200
Tack Sale Donations	20,523
The Blood-Horse	788
Thoroughbred Times	423
TOTAL	\$52,630
TOTAL IN-KIND FOR 2007	\$111,377

CKRH STAFF
2007

FULL TIME:

Pat Kline –Executive Director

Pat Kline came to CKRH as the interim Development Coordinator in December of 2003. Pat has a B.S. in Education and has worked as a Title 1 and regular classroom teacher for 9 years in both New Jersey and Ohio. Pat has an M.S. +30 in Personnel Services specializing in child guidance. Pat taught at The Lexington School for seven years. She has served as President of the Parents' Association at TLS, and was a member of their Executive Committee for 3 years. She has chaired the annual Fall Festival twice and served as a Live Auction Chair at CELEBRATION. She served on the Board of Directors at TLS. The position of Development Coordinator was made a permanent position in February of 2004. In December of 2004, Pat was offered the position of Executive Director.

Denise Spittler– Program Director

Denise has a Bachelor of Social Work degree as well as a Master of Business Administration degree. She is certified by North American Riding for the Handicapped (NARHA) as a registered level instructor and Certified Horsemanship Association as a level two instructor. She worked as a senior systems administrator for the Mississippi Auditors' Office, office manager for a downtown Nashville, TN law firm (Hollins & Associates, PLLC) and most recently as the full-time lead instructor for a therapeutic riding center in Franklin, TN (Saddle Up!). Denise participates in NARHA as a certified associate site visitor and has assisted in the organization of regional conferences. During her three and half year tenure with Saddle Up! Denise worked with the Board of Directors, Program Director and instructors to develop from a seasonal program to a year around therapeutic riding center. She taught approximately 30 participants a week, oversaw nine part-time NARHA instructors, organized annual horse shows with over seventy five participants, administered volunteer training sessions and equine training and conditioning. Denise has variety of experiences in the thoroughbred racing and breeding industry and is experienced in the day to day operations of an equine facility. She joined CKRH in May of 2005.

Kim Noreikis– Lead Instructor

In June of 2006, Kim joined the CKRH staff as the full-time Lead Instructor. Kim came to CKRH as a lesson volunteer and haycrew member in the summer of 2001. After several sessions of volunteering and assisting with lessons, she decided to pursue instructor certification. She earned her Registered Level certification at High Hopes Therapeutic Riding Center in Old Lyme, CT, in December of 2003. Since then, she has been teaching the Saturday morning Horsemasters program, coaching riders in Kentucky Special Olympics, and assisting instructors in training. Kim's experience in therapeutic riding began in the mid 90s when she volunteered at Equest in Wylie, Texas. Before her career change brought her to CKRH full time, Kim taught kindergarten for 12 years. She worked in a bilingual kindergarten program for six years in Farmers Branch, Texas, then as a Spanish kindergarten teacher at Maxwell Escuela de Inmersión en Español in Lexington from 2000 - 2004, followed by teaching two years at Harrison Elementary, a Title I school in downtown Lexington. In August of 2006, she earned her Masters Degree in Special Education from Georgetown College. Her combined horse experience and education background will be beneficial as CKRH begins to expand its programs to service school groups in equine-assisted learning activities.

Beth Godbey-Volunteer Coordinator

Beth first became involved in therapeutic riding as a volunteer at Hearts and Horses Therapeutic Riding Center in Loveland, Colorado. While volunteering she experienced the benefits that horses can provide for people with disabilities and from then on knew that she wanted to be involved with therapeutic riding as a career. By combining her love of horses and desire to help people, Beth is passionate about equine-assisted activities and the programs at CKRH. Beth grew up with horses in Colorado and started showing horses and running barrels in rodeos when she was seven years old. She has worked with horses on ranches in Colorado, Wyoming and Hawaii and competed on the Colorado State University Equestrian Team. She also worked in the therapeutic recreation department at Lexington Parks and Recreation adapting activities for people with disabilities. While working for parks and recreation she was the director of a therapeutic recreation day camp for children with disabilities in the summers of 2005 and 2006. After moving to Kentucky in 2005, Beth became a volunteer at CKRH and a NARHA registered instructor in the summer of 2005. Beth has a B.A. in technical journalism from Colorado State University and completed an M.S. degree in therapeutic recreation in December, 2006. Beth is currently

finishing her second masters in Mental Health Counseling. Beth joined CKRH as the volunteer coordinator in March, 2007.

PART-TIME

Vickie Parker - Office Assistance

Vickie has a B.S. in Mathematics with a minor in Business Administration from Eastern Kentucky University. She worked as a computer programmer/systems analyst for the Kentucky Revenue Cabinet and the University of Kentucky. She was also a database analyst for the University of Kentucky. She has been at Central Kentucky Riding for Hope since January of 2004.

Jeannie Brewer-Volunteer Coordinator/Capital Campaign Coordinator

Jeannie holds a B.A. in English from Hollins University and is a practicing consultant in the field of non-profits. She has previously worked as senior fundraising and management staff for local United Way offices throughout the US, and in 1995 co-founded a women's economic development program for Kentucky's Appalachian region. She has served on multiple boards including HEAD Community Loan Fund, FEMA Local Emergency Fund, Equestrian Events, Lexington Orphan's Society and the McDowell-Breckenridge Foundation. Jeannie came to CKRH in 2004 as a hay crew volunteer, and spent a good deal of her childhood on horseback at Pony Club events, foxhunts and lower-level horse shows.

Jerry Guinn – Facility and Horse Care

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