

### Wish to be a SPONSOR?

- Horse Sponsor: 1 month - \$250, 3 months - \$750, six months - \$1500, 1 year - \$3000
- Rider Sponsor: 1 session - \$250, 2 sessions - \$500, 3 sessions - \$750, 1 year - \$875

Enclosed is my donation of: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Please make checks payable to Riders Unlimited.

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Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Donations and sponsorships may be sent to: Riders Unlimited, P.O. Box 135, Fremont, OH 43420  
**Riders Unlimited is an IRS 501(c)(3) charitable organization. ALL DONATIONS ARE TAX DEDUCTIBLE.**

### -CLASSIFIEDS-

#### Help Wanted

**Volunteer Coordinator:** a volunteer to help with training new volunteers and staffing volunteers for lessons and special events. Contact Rebekah @ 419-332-6900.

**Board Members:** looking for individual's interested in continuing the growth of the program. Contact Maureen @ 419-344-3950

**Building & Grounds Committee Members:** individuals interested in maintaining our facility. Contact Rebekah @ 419-332-6900

#### Seeking

**Office Supplies:** Scotch laminating sheets, Dell Series 7 Ink cartridges (black or color), stamps, mailing envelopes, mailing labels  
**Other:**  
**Proof of Purchase labels** off of Nutrena, Tribute, and Triple Crown feed bags.

**Equine Supplies:** Dressage Saddles, Dressage Saddle Pads, English Girths, All Purpose English Saddles

**Barn Supplies:** 2 locking lid 50 gallon garbage cans, utility/garden wagon, 8' & 12' gates, 50 gallon garbage bags, tools, 7' ladder, extension ladder

**Office Materials:** cleaning supplies, 8 gallons Refresh satin paint (Rocky River), 18 gallons Refresh satin paint (Trail Blazer), 1 gallon Refresh satin paint (Whipped White), towels, cloths, kitchenware  
**Thank You**

**Monetary Donors:** Sandusky County Board of Developmental Disabilities

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**Mission Statement**  
"Harnessing the unique qualities of the horse, Riders Unlimited utilizes the strengths of each individual to promote physical, mental and emotional well-being."

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### '11 CHEVY CRUZE, '11 CHRYSLER 200 OR '11 HYUNDAI ELANTRA?

Which one of those cars would you or your friends, family, and co-workers want? Here is the chance to win one. We have been chosen again as one of the participating charities in the Baumann Big Car Raffle. This gives us the opportunity to raise a lot of money by simply selling raffle tickets. We receive 100% of the money from all tickets we sell and a percentage of the tickets sold by all the Baumann Auto Group dealerships. Tickets are \$5 each with fifty finalists drawn on September 17<sup>th</sup> and the winner drawn on September 24<sup>th</sup>. Contact Rebekah to get tickets @ 419-332-6900. **The more we sell, the more money we get.**

### MEMORINAVILLE ... HERE WE COME

Before you know it, summer will be over, BUT before that happens, we have a blast at Jimmy Bukkett's Memorinaville. We spend Labor Day weekend at Memory Marina on County Road 198 just north of Fremont (and around the corner from Eagle Isle). We raise money for the program through bartending tips, 50/50 tickets, sale of RU items, and part of the liquor sales. To get ready for this wild and wonderful weekend, we need your help. Parents and volunteers, you can sign up now to get the best time spots to be bartenders or help at the booth answering questions, selling t-shirts/raffle tickets, and clearing tables. There is a sign-up chart at the barn or you may contact us @ 419-332-6900.

### Horse Show Sponsors Needed

The 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Challenged Equestrian Invitational Horse Show is coming up quickly. We will be hosting the show at OUR new facilities on Saturday, September 24<sup>th</sup>. The show will be open to area NARHA and Special Olympics programs. To make this show a success, we need area companies, organizations and individuals to be sponsors. Here are the sponsorship categories:

Gold Medal:	\$1,000.00 +
Silver Medal:	\$500.00 - \$999.00
Bronze Medal:	\$101.00 - \$499.00
Horse Sponsor:	\$100.00
Trophy Sponsor:	\$50.00
Rider Sponsor:	\$25.00



If interested in being a sponsor, please contact us at 419-332-6900 or email us at

[ridersunlimited@gmail.com](mailto:ridersunlimited@gmail.com). All sponsors will receive recognition at the horse show, in our future newsletters, and in the show program. A certificate will be delivered to you after the show.

### Other Upcoming Fundraising Events

Please make note of the following events. Put them on your calendar. If you can help in any way, please let us know. More details will be coming.

October 15<sup>th</sup>: Chili Cookoff @ the Fremont Eagles

October 22<sup>nd</sup>: 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Runners for Riders 5k/10k, White Star Park, Gibsonburg

## We Have Our Own Home

It has been Riders Unlimited's goal to own our own facility. As we celebrate our 15<sup>th</sup> year of operations, we have made this dream a reality. Riders Unlimited, Inc. is now the proud owner of a 9.87 acre facility north of Oak Harbor. This property has a 23 stall barn with a 60' X 120' indoor arena, outdoor grass arena, acres of green pastures, a pond, a storage barn and house connected to the barn that will serve as our offices, entertaining and activities areas, lounge, and meeting space. This facility was once a wonderful showplace and can be once again. With some hard work, a little elbow grease and support of everyone and the community, we will make this a great farm with a superb atmosphere to serve all of us in developing our physical, mental and emotional well-being.

Official closing on the property was May 3<sup>rd</sup>. We negotiated time to work on the barn on Tuesdays and Thursday from 9 AM to 3 PM in May. With the unrewardable help of several people, we were able to get the barn ready for move-in by May 27<sup>th</sup> in just a total of 48 hours. The horses and everything from the old barn (excluding the shed) were moved and we were ready for operations in 36 hours. Equine conditioning, Spring make-up lessons, volunteer training, and the Summer Session all went off as scheduled without missing a beat. The horses have peacefully settled in and are enjoying the grass. The move and transition could NOT have gone smoother. Our next steps are to get the grounds cleaned up, cleared, and maintained; clean, sanitize and make the house part of operations; and begin a new day program with Riverview Industries.

To help us continue in our endeavors, we need participation in **"Sponsor the Dream"**. We have made sure there is a way for EVERYONE to be an integral part of this opportunity. Sponsorships can be from individuals, families, organizations, companies, and groups. They can also be purchased in honor or in memory of someone. All sponsors will be recognized in our newsletter and posted on our website. We will also host a special "Sponsors Reception" to be held at the facility where you will receive a tour of the farm, meet our horses, and watch our riders' abilities.

We look forward to your participation. We guarantee you will put smiles on many faces and help us to continue our mission. If you wish to make a sponsorship commitment, please call our Program Director at 419-332-6900 to make arrangements. You may also sponsor using your credit card through PayPal by going to the Home page of our website.

Current sponsors totaling almost \$20,000 are:

**Arena:** Anonymous

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**Stall:** The Collins Family & The Stricker Family

**Half Stall:** Gary & Gini Greunke, Hank & Bobbe Povolny

**Office:** FirstEnergy Foundation, Doug Hartman, Magruder Hospital, The Scott Wise Family, Amy Wobser

**Fence:** Stan Fingerhut, Michael & Viki Hill, Materion Brush, Larry & Karen Schanke, The Stricker Family (2)

**Square Foot:** Baker-Bonnigson Realty & Auctioneers, Lee & Teresa Harvey, Josh & Amanda Rayl, Olivia Salzwedel, Tailgator's Restaurant, Wendy's (2), Mary Wonderly MD

**General:** Paul Kaple, Jeff & Sue Tate, Cody Zoller

**Materials:** Beckie Held, Evelyn Knipp, James & Carol Parker, The Zoller Family, Riverfront Marina folks

We couldn't have done what we have so far without the following families and individuals:

**Facility Labor:** Sheryl Babione, Juanita Dayringer, Michelle Engelhart, Christy Fitzpatrick, Richard Harder, Beckie Held, Evelyn Knipp, Bill Lamalie, Joe Mange, Donna Moore, Ernie Mullins, Bobbe Povolny, Rebecca & Lydia Rich, Bob Roth, The VanDerLaar Family, Fred & Pam Wolff, The Zoller Family

**Moving Help:** Becky & Sara Buffington, The Collins Family, Mick & Viki Hill, Sue Hoffman, Maureen Mullins, Bobbe Povolny, Al & Marla Sidell, Sean & Gwen Soule, Traci Zoller

**Barn Watch:** The Chambers Family, Jane Chimahusky, Michelle Engelhart, Stan & Carol Fingerhut, Christy Fitzpatrick, Sonya Gower, Doug Hartman, Evelyn Knipp, Joe Mange, Kim McGilton, The Mullins Family, Carol Parker, Bobbe Povolny, Josh Recker, June & Rebecca Rich, Deb Riffle, Terry Rodriguez, Bob Roth, Karen Schanke, The Stricker Family, Sue Tate & Olivia Salzwedel, The Zoller Family

**Program Operational Hours** – subject to change as we transition to the new facility.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Office	11:00 PM – 1:00 PM	9:00AM – 11:00 AM	8:00 AM – 12:00 PM		
Barn	8:00 AM - 10:00 AM		3:30 PM - 8:30 PM		8:30 AM - 4:00 PM
	3:30 PM- 8:30 PM				
Lessons	6:00 PM- 8:15 PM		6:00 PM- 8:15 PM	6:00 PM - 8:15 PM	10:00 - 11:30 AM

**NARHA Has New Name:** after more than a year of research, NARHA has finally reached a decision on a new name for the organization. It is now PATH International. PATH stands for Professional Association of Therapeutic Horsemanship. This name now reflects all the aspects of equine assisted activities and therapies, the growth of them worldwide, and with a focus on positive terminology. Their new website is: [www.pathintl.org](http://www.pathintl.org).

### Seeking New Horses

With our programs growing and new programs being started, we are looking for new horses. We are seeking donations of horses 10 – 20 years old, 14.0 – 16.2 hands tall, sound for walk/trot/canter, broke to ride and possibly drive, with a gentle and forgiving temperament. Ideally we are looking for solid Quarter Horse type, small drafts, draft ponies or draft crosses. If interested, please go to the "Horses" page of our website ([www.ridersunlimited.org](http://www.ridersunlimited.org)) to download the donation requirements and procedures along with the Equine Profile form that needs to be submitted to us. Once we receive and review the Equine Profile, the owner will be contacted regarding a site visit.

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY to our Riders and Volunteers

July	August	September
2: Kendra Gahler (V)	3: Kelsey Jimison (V)	1: Lisa Arp (V)
11: Sharon Krecic (V)	8: Doug Hartman (V)	6: Amber Shaffer (V)
12: Whitney Petersen (V)	9: Missy Mullins (R)	9: Lyle Overmyer (R)
15: Stephanie Emerine (V)	10: Yvonne Hammer (V)	12: Chris Collins (R)
16: Alyssa Peto (V)	19: Amber Peto (V) & Sherri Alliman (V)	21: Becky Buffington (V)
27: Quinton VanDerLaar (R) Carol Parker (V)	21: Brendan Orman (R) & Kim McGilton (V)	25: Jessica Long (V)

### Ongoing Fundraising Opportunities

**Shop at Kroger : If you're not enrolled, it's not too late to do so.**

Riders Unlimited can earn money from your purchases at Kroger. Simply register your Kroger Plus card by following these steps...

1. Go to [www.krogercommunityrewards.com](http://www.krogercommunityrewards.com)
2. Click on "Ohio" to sign up for a Kroger.com account OR
3. Click on "Already enrolled? Sign In".
4. Follow the steps provided.
7. The RU NPO is #83794.

You must have a Kroger.com online account to participate. They no longer have the bar code. Whenever you use your Kroger Plus card, Riders Unlimited will receive a percentage of the total amount you spend.



### GoodSearch/GoodShop

Help raise money for RU by doing all your internet searches and shopping through GoodSearch.com and GoodShop.com. Go to the GoodSearch.com website, sign in with Riders Unlimited and download the toolbar. We will receive money for each sale at the participating online stores (Amazon, Apple, Avon, Banana Republic, Barnes & Noble, Best Buy, Crate & Barrel, Dell, Ebay, Gap, Home Depot, HP, HSN, JCPenney, Kohls, LL Bean, Lands' End, Macy's, Microsoft, Nike, North Face, Office Depot, Old Navy, Oriental Trading Company, QVC, Ralph Lauren, Sears, Staples, Target, Toys R Us, Walgreens, Williams-Sonoma) and each online search when using the toolbar.

### Upcoming Events for 2011

July	EAAT Summer Session & Barn Watch continues 7: Board of Directors meeting, 7:30 PM, @ RUI 19 – 24: Ottawa County Fair 23: Fall Session Deposit due
August	TROT Program Begins 11: Board of Directors meeting, 7:30 PM, @ RUI 12: SANDCO DayArray Summer Session ends 18: EAAT Summer Session ends 24 – 29: Sandusky County Fair 29: EAAT Summer Session Make-up Lesson 31: Volunteer Training, 6 PM, RUI
September	2 – 5: Jimmy Bukkett's Memorinaville 7: EAAT Fall Session begins 8: Board of Directors meeting, 7:30 PM, RUI 10: Fall Session Final Payment due 15: 4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter Newsletter Deadline 23: Horse Show Prep 24: 7 <sup>th</sup> Annual Challenged Equestrian Invitational Horse Show, RUI

**For the most accurate information and dates, please refer to the Calendar on our website: [www.ridersunlimited.org](http://www.ridersunlimited.org)**