

RANCH RAMBLINS



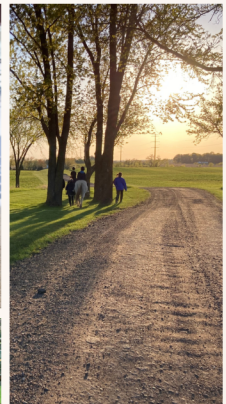
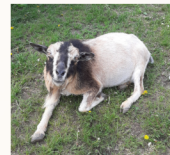
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2021



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Children's Program

Year In Review

- We began 2021 with winter classes, and the weather cooperated! We had limited cancellations due to bad weather, so we were actually able to have a seven week winter session thanks to our incredible indoor arena. The heating units were completed and we were able to warm the arena up.
- Spring session began in May for both programs, though class sizes were still limited in size and we required all riders and volunteers to wear masks. Parents, PCAs, and therapists all helped as sidewalkers, which was greatly appreciated.
- Summer session, we were able to have one last collaboration with Horse Sense psychotherapy and Paula Achenbach, which served 11 of her clients. This was our 6th and final year, and we enjoyed working with her and her people.
- We were able to have 1 in person fundraiser (our Rock N Roll Extravaganza featuring the band Power of 10) and 2 online fundraisers - Spring Forward MN and Give to the Max in November. We were able to raise over \$30,000 to help support our programs with the generous donations gifted to us.
- Fall session wrapped up the year with additional precautions (with the delta variant of COVID spiking) but we were able to finish off the season without having to close for illness. We thank everyone for making this a healthy and successful year!

Looking forward to 2022!

- 2022 will be our 25th year of serving our community! In 1997 we received our 501(c)(3) non-profit status and in 2012 we became a PATH member site. Help us celebrate our milestones by joining in when possible! We will be hosting a Mini Golf Tournament on August 19th (Friday) and we will once again participate in the Give to the Max Day in November. We may also be able to have 1 or 2 other fundraiser / celebrations throughout the year, so watch for news on our Facebook page or Website!

Majestic Hills Ranch is a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt non-profit that serves riders in the seven county region around Minneapolis & St. Paul, MN. MHR does not discriminate against anyone, rider or volunteer, due to race, religion, gender identification, disability, age, or sexual orientation. Riders need to meet program criteria and have a physician's order.

Donations to the Ranch—Photographs!



Liz on Liberty (above); Liberty working (middle); Centerpieces (top right); & Shooter eating (right)



We had several talented photographers come out to take pictures of our horses, our program, and our event! We would like to thank *Renne Walker* for the winter shots, *Katie Allen* for pasture shots, *Rachael* of *Rachael Marie Photography* for ranch and program shots, and *Carole Mannheim* for the beautiful event shots.

Thank You!

Children's & Adult's Programs

- Still adhering to our COVID-19 protocol that was developed in 2020, we were able to have restricted classes in our Winter, Spring, Summer, and Fall sessions. We limited each class to 3 riders and mostly had parents or PCAs sidewalk with riders with a few community volunteers to assist when needed.
- Liz Zelles finished her testing and became a PATH Certified Therapeutic Riding Instructor in June. She assisted with Tuesday evening classes while Laura continued teaching the Monday classes and Brenda with the Wednesday afternoon & evening advanced riders. Everyone did a fantastic job keeping the program running while still cleaning and disinfecting as needed.
- We were happy that we had a safe and healthy season at the ranch.

Heroes on Horseback 2021

- Still dealing with COVID in 2021, our Heroes on Horseback Instructor; Shanelle, did her best, utilizing therapists from the Veteran's Homes and the Adults Veteran Day Center to be the volunteer side-walkers, ensuring that all were vaccinated, leads were performed by volunteer veterans, and social distancing was maintained. Then the new variance (Delta) showed up and once again
- Shanelle not only utilized the therapists as volunteers but we were able to recruit and utilize volunteers with proof of vaccination and the show went on. A great job by everyone to get through yet another year of rules and regulations pertaining to the COVID pandemic.
- Utilization of our indoor riding arena came in handy when we were dealing with inclement weather conditions, once again utilizing the tools available to serve those who deserve the opportunity to grow and heal and live their lives to the fullest extent possible.

2021 Fundraising



A HUGE SUCCESS!!!

October 15, 2021 was a very special night to remember. We survived the pandemic in 2020, had to cancel our fundraising events in 2020, reduced our classes and volunteers in 2020 and 2021 still brought some challenges with COVID and of course, those challenges continue to persist. Holding strong and abiding by all the rules and regulations of the CDC, local, State and Federal Government along with the Department of Health and Human Services, we held a Foundation Fundraiser, "A Rock-N-Roll Extravaganza" at the Bloomington Event Center from 6:00 pm to 11:00 pm.

We hoped that our supporters and sponsors would come through for us and they truly did. Well over 100+ people showed up to enjoy a sit-down dinner, the silent auction, and the live entertainment of our band, the "POWER OF 10". It was a testament to what people were feeling, finally getting out of the house and a restricted routine, everyone was ready to see old friends, make new friends, and party the night away. From the moment the Power of 10 played its first song, people were up dancing and the fun began.

As we watched the silent auction, there were always people going up and down the silent auction isles and bidding on wonderful items donated by community individuals, companies, and organizations. We are so pleased to announce that we netted over \$22,000.00 from this event.

That evening and for approximately a week after, everyone was receiving phone calls and emails thanking us for a great time. Every person said; "loved the venue", "loved the band", "loved the food", and all enjoyed the evening.



2021 Fundraising



Helena Anderson
 Jeanine Haws
 Jeffrey Johnson
 John Shanks
 Julie Bonham
 Kris Zieska
 Michael Evers
 Roland Matter
 Sarah Karan
 Sheri A



Give to the Max Day

Thank you so much for your generosity!

Alexandra Phoenix	Diane Clouch	Jeff Johnson	Nancy Claussen	Susan Popovich
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Deb Dusterhoft	Jeanine Hohmann	Mellisa & Olivia Balfanz	Susan Karan	

Donations with Dedications:

- Deb Dusterhoft—In memory of Gary Dusterhoft
- Ray (Bud) Beers—Dedicated to In Memory of My Grandfather Stuart G. Hazard and Funquest Morgan Horse Farms
- Tom—Dedicated to All the wonderful people who keep Majestic Hills Ranch going and helping kids & veterans.



Thank You to the 2021 Volunteers!

A huge Thank You goes out to the approximately 105 volunteers that came out to help with classes—of which many were parents or PCAs of our riders. If it were not for your willingness to come help, we wouldn't have been able to open our doors this year. We also want to thank our instructors: Brenda Steinhauer, Laura Peterson, Shanelle Wendt, & Liz Zelles.

I tried to get everyone's names listed below—but if you helped out at the ranch this year and you are not on the list, it is entirely my fault and I apologize. Your help was greatly appreciated and we certainly welcomed it!

Angela Adelman	Jenene Daulton	Carrie Hustad	Vicki Newendorp	Sue Swiggum
Susan Algren	Michelle Deysach	Beth Joens	Kate Nordquist	Rebecca Tavers
Katie Allen	Bonnie Dyakin	Chris Johnson	Jennifer Paquin	Emma Tessmer
Sue Anderson	Allison Edwards	Jeff Johnson	Laura Peterson	Jordyn Trog
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Angela Ardorf	Deb Fletcher	Grace Jones	Solveig Rodlund	Anne Tuftee
Kristen Bartsch	Benito Galvan	John Kane	Jennifer Rooker	Molly Tysver
Bud Beers	Beth Grabow	Luann Kane	Ann Rouse	Gay Uttenhove
Taylor Belisle	Forrest Green	Sarah Karan	Chad Rouse	Kylee Vik
Lisa Berglund	Sherrie Greer	Kathy Kelly	Faith Sadlowski	Deann Weis
Julie Bonham	Matt Hanson	Caitlyn Keo	Mac Sather	Julie West
Rachel Cafferty	Ryan Hanson	Isabel Knier	Diane Savino	Sarah Yerke
Tim Callister	Cristina Harbaugh	Carrie Kremer	Carolyn Schindler	Allison Youtt
Mary Carter	Lesley Hauser	Jenny Krohn	Wendy Schmidt	Charlie Youtt
John Chatelaine	Jeanine Haws	Melissa Levy	Joyce Schwartz	Randi Zahratka
Sally Chatelaine	Lexie Hermoza	Samantha Littler	Joseph Selness	Liz Zelles
Alyssa Cheng	Julie Hersey	Carole Mannheim	Sarah Shanks	Rick Zieska
Allison Christenson	Janet Hillmer	Nicole Matter	Brenda Steinhauer	Lindsey Zoicher
Diane Clouch	Sheri Hoistad	Julie Miller	Kaitlin Steinhauer	
Kelly Coleman	Sana Husevold	Dawn Nakashima	Danielle Suprison	

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In Kind Donations

Espinoza, Jennifer
Gallagher, Jen
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Howard, Karen (Kim)
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Joens, Beth
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Westergren, Anna
Zieska, Kris

In Kind donations

(Silent Auction Items for our Events)

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Donations with Dedications

- Anonymous — Dedicated to Mary Beth D'Agosta
- Carol & Lonnie Berkebile — Memorial for David Allen Halvorson
- Michelle Deysach — In memory of My parents Dave & Julie Halvorson who (pre-COVID) loved coming to watch their grandson ride.
- Joe Levy — On behalf of Makayla Levy
- David Swanstrom — Memorial for Kim Howard's Brother

Statistics for 2021

Children's & Adult's Programs

- Total number of riders served by the Children's & Adult's Programs: 48
 - 13% Between ages 4 and 8 years old
 - 27% Between ages 9 and 12 years old
 - 27% Between ages 13 and 17 years old
 - 17% Between ages 18 and 21 years old
 - 12% Between ages 22 and 26 years old
 - 4% Over 27 years
- 26% were male; 22% were female
- While over 43 different diagnoses were present in our riders, below are the 6 that affected a majority of our riders.
 1. Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD)
 2. Developmental Delay (DD)
 3. Attention deficit disorder / Attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADD/ADHD)
 4. Cerebral palsy (CP)
 5. Anxiety
 6. Down Syndrome
- We offered classes to riders throughout the 7 county metro area, but 90% lived south of the Minnesota River. Most were from Dakota County (65%) with Scott County as second (21%). Of those Counties, the top 4 cities were:
 - Prior Lake (19%)
 - Lakeville (17%)
 - Apple Valley (17%)
 - Burnsville (11%)

Our Horses & Animals

MHR owns 2 draft horses, 1 pony, and 10 horses which are used in our programs. In 2021 these horses had a total of 795 hours throughout the season. We also have 1 goat, 4 barn cats, and many, many chickens.

MHR Heroes on Horseback Program

- Total number of injured military personnel, active duty and veterans in rehabilitation, that were served by the Heroes on Horseback Program: 14
- We assist all military branches, but our current riders have been in the following services:

Army	36%
Navy	29%
Marine	29%
Air Force	7%
- 100% of our veterans were male
- While multiple diagnosis were present, below are those that affected our riders participating in the Heroes on Horseback Program: (Many have multiple secondary conditions.)
 - Alzheimer's / Dementia
 - Severe Anxiety / Depression
 - PTSD (Post Traumatic Stress Disorder)
 - Diabetes
 - Paranoid Schizophrenia
 - Amputee
 - Chemical Dependency
- We worked closely with several military organizations, but most riders were referred by the following groups:
 - Adult Veteran's Day Center — Hennepin County
 - Veterans' Home of Mpls. — Hennepin County
 - Veterans' Home of Hastings — Dakota County
 - Veteran Outpatient, St. Paul — Ramsey County

Our Volunteers

We had over 105 volunteers, of which 47 were parents or PCAs helping out with our riding programs and ranch projects:

Children's Program = 2,031 hours

Projects/Events = 450 hours

Veteran's Program = 132 hours

Total Volunteer Hours = 2,613 Hours