

HORSEY HAPPENINGS

Volume 1, Issue 4
APRIL 26, 2009

PRES.-COLE BOWER
V.P.-BRYNA FERRARO
SEC.-GRACE VANDERBUR
TREAS.-NOELLE MAXWELL
LEADER-STEPANIE BOWER
LEADER-DEB RICHARDS

NOTES FROM THE LEADERS...

Hello fellow Equine Enthusiasts. I don't know about you all but I'm so looking forward to some nice weather! And arenas without puddles. And horses without hair balls.

We have some demonstrations planned for our meeting this month that I hope will be of help to those just getting started. We will have guest riders showing us some basics of the classes that will be offered at the 4-H Fair. We hope by doing this it will take a bit of the "fear of the unknown" away from participating in your first horse show.

This meeting will include hunter under saddle, hunt seat equitation, hunter hack, western pleasure, western horsemanship, and

trail. At the May meeting we will have demonstrations on halter, showmanship, driving, contest classes, reining, and western riding.

If you have anything specific you would like to go over during the next meeting, please let us know. Now is the time to get prepared for lots of time in the saddle.

We hope to see you and your family at the next meeting. Remember to invite any of your "equine type" friends. Whatever your equine interests covers, remember the most important rules:

1. BE SAFE
2. KEEP YOUR EQUINE HEALTHY
3. HAVE FUN

See you soon...Deb

COMING EVENTS:

**SUN, APRIL 26 - 4:00 P.M. DEMONSTRATIONS START 6:00
DCEE MONTHLY MEETING ALL AT BRIAR RIDGE FARM**

SUN, MAY 24 - ?? 5:00 P.M. ?? DCEE MONTHLY MEETING AT BRIAR RIDGE FARM

JUNE 6 & 7 AREA 6 HORSE & PONY SHOW, HOOSIER HORSE PARK, EDINBURGH

JUNE 9, 10, & 11 DCEE DAY CAMP AT BRIAR RIDGE FARM

SAT, JUNE 20 DCEE PONY RIDE FUNDRAISER AT REBEKAH PARK

JULY 10-17 DECATUR COUNTY 4-H FAIR

JULY 11 & 12 DECATUR COUNTY 4-H HORSE SHOW, DECATUR CO FAIR-GROUNDS

JULY 12 DECATUR COUNTY 4-H FAIR PARADE

CHECK OUT YOUR NEWSLETTER...

NOTES FROM THE LEADERS	1
COMING EVENTS	1
THINGS TO REMEMBER	1
MEET THE MEMBERS	2
CONTACT INFO	2
ADS	3
MISC	3
LITTLE TIPS AND HELPFUL HINTS	3

Things to remember...

- ♦ PICK-UP HANDBOOKS
- ♦ WRITE DOWN NEXT THE MEETING TIME
- ♦ WORK ON PARTS OF THE HORSE
- ♦ WRITE DOWN ANYTHING YOU WOULD LIKE TO LEARN OR DISCUSS IN COMING MONTHS
- ♦ PAY \$5 DUES
- ♦ NOMINATE A MASCOT
- ♦ GUESS THE MYSTERY DEMONSTRATION
- ♦ DO APRIL HORSE MAINTENANCE
- ♦ DON'T FORGET SPRING TACK CLEANING

MEET THE MEMBERS OF YOUR CLUB!!

APRIL-VICE PRESIDENT BRYNA FERRARA

Hi! I am Bryna Ferrara and I'm turning 11 on the 25th of this month. I'm in the 5th grade at Greensburg Elementary School. Some of the things I like to spend my time on are horses (bet you didn't guess that!), art, fishing in our pond, and playing with my friends.

This is my first year to be in 4-H. I have learned a lot already and am very excited to learn much more.

I have been taking lessons at Briar Ridge Farm with Katie for about 2 years. This picture is me with Peach. She is the pony I have rode since starting lessons and will be the pony I ride this year (thanks to Debbie and Katie for letting me!!!). I just fell in love with her! We bought a house in the country a year and a half ago but don't have a barn or fences yet to have a horse there. I can't wait to own my own horse soon!

I am very happy to be the Vice-President this year for our club and can't wait to get to know everyone better.



Bryna riding her "legally blind" rescue pony Peaches in the arena at Briar Ridge Farm. Bryna started riding Peaches shortly after starting lessons and look forward to many more fun hours riding. They made their public debut in last year's Fall Festival Parade.

D.C.E.E. 4-H CLUB 1st ANNUAL DAY CAMP

The D.C.E.E. 4-H Club will have a day camp during the week of June 8th for members only. Days and times are as follows: Tues, June 9th, and Wed., June 10th, from 8 A.M. to 12 Noon, and Thurs, June 11th, from 8 A.M. to 2 P.M. Members owning or leasing horses should plan on bringing their own animals to ride. Animals can stay at Briar Ridge Farm on Tuesday and Wednesday nights if arrangements are made in advance. There will be horses available to share if you do not have a ride. Horseless riders are welcome to participate and will be allowed to ride as horses are available. All riders/members must have a signed release form for Briar Ridge Farm and have Mornings will include a minimum of 1 hour ride time, 30 minutes of animal care, and 30 minutes of equipment care. We will also have a 20 minute restroom and snack break. Snacks will be provided. Members are asked to make a \$20 donation to the club to cover supplies and snacks.

OFFICERS

PRESIDENT:	COLE BOWER
V. PRESIDENT:	BRYNA FERRARA
SECRETARY:	GRACE VANDERBUR
TREASURER:	NOELLE MAXWELL

COMMITTEE CHAIRS

MEDIA CHAIR:	EMMA SPRECKLESON
EDUCATION CHAIR:	CHRISTINA
ACTIVITIES CHAIR:	OLIVIA VANDERBUR

CONTACT INFORMATION:

CO-LEADER: DEB RICHARDS
CELL: 812-593-2815
EMAIL: debrwilly@aol.com
ADDRESS: 868 SOUTH CR 60 SW
GREENSBURG, IN 4724

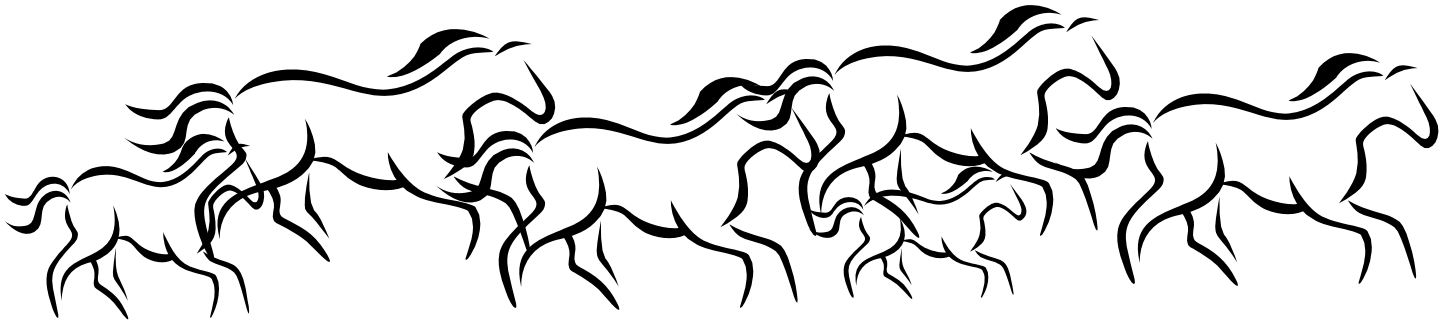
CO-LEADER: STEPHANIE BOWER

C/O DECATUR COUNTY EXTENSION OFFICE
545 SOUTH 200 WEST
GREENSBURG, IN 47240



*DECATUR CO. EQUINE ENTHUSIASTS
C/O DEB RICHARDS (CO-LEADER)
868 SOUTH CR 60 SW
GREENSBURG, IN 47240*

TO:



***ATTENTION-ATTENTION-ATTENTION
APRIL MEETING TIME CHANGE!!!***

**SUNDAY, APRIL 26TH MEETING AT BRIAR RIDGE FARM
WILL START PROMPTLY AT 4:00 WITH MULTIPLE DEMONSTRATIONS.
WE WILL BE MEETING OUTSIDE, WEATHER PERMITTING.
DIRECTIONS ARE ON THE INSIDE!
DEMONSTRATIONS WILL COVER CLASSES IN THE 4-H FAIR SHOW.**