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HORSE CHARITIES

The SFTR donates to these charities once a year. These charities are badly in need of donations. Please try to send what you can to help them. Thanks from the SFTR.

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TRAIL MANNERS

Good manners is the grease that helps people get along with each other, avoiding friction.

- **16 & UNDER MUST WEAR A HELMET.**
- Be aware of the effect **your** actions have on others, their horses and their property.
- Do not upset your co-riders' horses.
- Ride at a quiet, controlled pace.
- **NEVER PASS OTHERS AT A GALLOP.**
- Keep a safe distance… don't crowd others.
- STAY WITH A DISMOUNTED RIDER
- Respect the property of others. (ie: lawns, farm fields, crops, groves, livestock, etc.)
- Leave gates as you found them: Open gates should remain open. Closed gates should remain closed.
- **DO NOT PASS THE TRAIL BOSS or drop behind the drag rider.**
- Stay with the trail boss on the same side of the road. Do not split the road.
- Clean up after your horse. Pick up manure or spread it depending on where you are. Do not clean your trailers out when you unload.
- **NO PROFANITY AT ANY SFTR EVENTS.**

REMEMBER! If you mind your manners others won't mind when you and your horse return to ride.

2019 Dates and Places 2019

Call the Hot-line for any cancellations
(305) 4-HORSES 446-7737

Guest Passes are available for local trail rides. Each pass is $5.00 One pass per person per trailride is required for non-members. This pass is not available for any beach rides, Team Penning or Parades. **All area codes are (305) unless otherwise stated. TB=Trail Boss**

Jun 1	**Saturday - Great Birthday Ride at Tree Tops Park,** 3900 SW 100 Ave, Davie **TBs Wayne and Carrie Hershberger.** Arrive at 9am and ride out at 10am, lunchtime about noon for cold watermelon & delicious cake! Bring your own lunch, or order from Papa John's pizza.
Jun 3	**Monday - General Meeting** at Latin Mix Rest. 11368 SW 184 St. 7:00pm dinner, 8:00pm meeting. **Speaker: TBA** .
Jun 9	**Sunday –Tiki Ride & Luau !! Larry & Penny Thompson Park,** 127 Ave off Eureka Dr (184 St) arrive 9am; ride-out at 10am, for an hour and a half ride. Bring a dish that will go with honey baked ham. RSVP **TB:Michelle McDaniel** 305-562-0961
Jun 10	**Monday - SFTR Board Meeting hosted by** Sonny and Bonny George, Jr., **at 16990 SW 170th Ave.** 7pm dinner, 8pm meeting. All SFTR members are welcome to attend and present suggestions.
Jun 23	**Sunday - Ride into the Sunset at Rockin' M Ranch** 25700 SW 212 Av Arrive 4:30pm ride out at about 5:pm for around two hours returning west "into the sunset" . We will buy rotisserie chicken and make rice and beans, you bring fried plantains and desserts. Supper on our patio that faces west beautiful sunsets every day. **TBs Mike, Deda, Sam and Christina RSVP 305-331-7599.**
Jul 1	**Monday - General Meeting** at Latin Mix Rest. 11368 SW 184 St. 7:00pm dinner, 8:00pm meeting. **Speaker: TBA** .
Jul 4	**Thursday - Independence Day July 4th Parade Key Biscayne** arrive 9:am starts at 11:am **TB:Lisa Morgan**
Jul 13	**Saturday - Scavenger Hunt and OHOP Brunch Ride** arrive at **Indian Hammock Park** at 9:am ride out at 9:30 **TB Michelle Mc Daniel** RSVP 305-562-0961
Jul 20	**Saturday - Wolf Lake Salad Ride with SFTR Broward** 9:am to 2:pm at 5400 SW 76 Av. Davie, Fl. **TBs:JJ Idiaquez, Bonny George Jr. and Tina West.**
Jul 27	**Saturday - National Day of the American Cowboy. Ride and Quilt Show**. **TB: Deda & Mike Maldonado.** Ride will take place at the Fruit and Spice Park at 24801 SW 187th Ave. Meet at 9:00 AM, dress our cowboy best. No shorts, sneakers or caps. It is a celebration of **COWBOYS**. We will judge our best **cowboy**, **cowgirl** and **cowpoke** (Jr). The Cowboy Attire competition will be judged at 9:30 AM, ride out at 10:00 AM. New policy: no repeat winners, so you all have a chance. Wear your best duds. Cowboy Art Display all day in the adjacent classroom, stop in and see it. All will be welcome to join us for lunch in Mango's Cafe (bring lunch money). SFTR will provide cold drinks for this event. **Call Mike 305-331-7599.**

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hi Trail Riders,

Mike & BB

Mike Maldonado
President

Now our club starts a new year. Yes, the Banquet and elections of the new Board mark the beginning. Last year went very well.

We managed to hold the Carlos Cardenas Commemorative 20 mile rides and the most notable among those that completed it was 7 year old Henry Vasallo, obviously Augie's grandson. More of us completed the Willy Perez commemorative 500 accumulated miles, we had very successful Autism and St. Judes Rides, two very enjoyable beach rides, several great parades, brought in the colors at the Agricultural and Cattle Show, showed off our many breeds of horses and ponies at the Parade of Breeds for the Fair, sold Funnel Cakes at the Rodeo and we even had some shorter and Sunday local rides for those of us that prefer those. There's more but I can't remember right now.

Thanks to the outgoing Board for doing such a great job. I'm proud to be the President again and with the help of our new Board, with many of last years members and a few new faces, hope to keep up the good work. Welcome to our 2019-2020 representatives. We are here to make SFTR what you want, so your feedback is encouraged and appreciated.

This club stays busy and active and does a world of good in our community. Besides the above, we contribute and support horse rescues and raise good will through parades and a local Toy Drive. I am so proud to be a part of this club and hope you will participate to help keep it as great as it has always been. It's an all volunteer, non-profit organization and we count on you to help, so volunteer and get involved. I wish to see all of you at some of our rides and events, you have many to choose from.

It's your club and if you join us you will love it as much as Augie and I do.

Over the years most Presidents have closed with C'ya on the trail or Happy Trails but I want to…

C'ya at all of our SFTR rides and events,

Mike Maldonado

SUNSHINE REPORT

Hello SFTR family.
We have celebratory news and sad news, yet it is our news to share:

Our sincere condolences go out to: Nelson Rodriguez & family for the loss of his father, Juan Rodriguez- a die cast expert; to Lisa Morgan & family for the passing of her father, Ralph Morgan- a career FBI agent; and to Elisa Dean & family for the loss of her father, Jorge Garcia Rojas- kindly remembered as the best flan maker known. All great men who inspired their families to stand tall in the community and men who loved their families very much. May each remember their stories & laughter, always.

Heidi Stibitz is recovering from her multiple-fractured wrist, sustained while trailer loading after a wonderful Beach ride; and special thoughts go out to Susan Boyd, who underwent brain cancer surgery & is recuperating at Health South. We heard Tonya Alvarez is in a foot-boot? Hoping you're up & moving better soon!

We have a new equine interest locally- congratulations to Sam Torcise and family on their new farm, "Strong Current Stables" - happy riding! Great news from Becky Card Swerdloff, the efforts to have Towsen Park remain an equestrian & hiking park have been successful. The tortoises will be rehomed in phase #1 & the trail will get shade from putting hardwood trees back during the clearing phase.

Please keep me posted on your events: love, anniversaries, births, illnesses, anything you want to share here to get loving support from our SFTR family. Send Sunshine notes coming to my email: annakrides@gmail.com or via text to my cell, 786-286-0643. See you all next month. Happy trails & great rides!

~Anna Kleinholz

We have 286 family and single members that have joined or renewed for the year. Thank you very much!

Welcome New Members

MEMBER CARDS TAKE 6-8 WEEKS TO PROCESS.

Gisela and Miguel Alvarez
Miami, Fl 33142

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CAREER DAY AT NEVA KING COOPER EDUCATIONAL CENTER

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

Alberto Perez
Ariel Remos
Art Hebert
Carol Hakanson
Carrie Hershberger
Christopher Rego
Daniella Galtes
David Hames
David Masel
Debra Davis
Diana Garcia-Barratt
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SFTR BEACH RIDES 2019

SOUND THE HORNS . . . SPCA RALLY A HUGE SUCCESS!

A huge shout out of thanks to everyone donating and volunteering in this year's Raffle & Rally for the South Florida SPCA Horse Rescue ranch! Generously hosted by Robbie's Feed & Supply, Inc., and the South Florida Trail Riders, we raised $6,800 !!!!!! Woohoo! I'm so proud of each and everyone involved! We had loads of baked goods, hot dogs by Wayne & Carrie, Norbert Perets working his Snowcone stand, and over 25 SPCA volunteers who not only manned the rally, but gathered 90% of the raffle items and sold 90% of the tickets. The $500 Robbie's gift card was won by SFTR Bette Brown- who immediately donated it back to the SPCA, to help the horses. Thank you!!

Congratulations to all who made this year's event such a huge success, and the proceeds gained will go a long way to feed & care for the horses and other animals that our local SPCA ranch sustain. With your continued support, these animals are rescued, trained and re-homed...changing their lives forever.

~Ginger Krenz

THE CINCO DE MAYO RIDE – FRIENDS, FOOD & FIESTA!

As Americans, we observe and celebrate the Fourth of July as a national holiday, and commemorate the Declaration of Independence of the United States. In Mexico, Cinco de Mayo is similarly celebrated. On May 5, 1862, under the leadership of Ignacio Zaragoza, a small Mexican force triumphed over a much larger French force during the Battle of Puebla. In celebration of this day, the South Florida Trail Riders joined together to festively honor the fallen and celebrate the victory of the brave men who fought fiercely for their country. Our celebration was hosted by Martha Insignares, at her Free Spirit Ranch. My husband Sergio, and I, Trail Bossed the ride, as we lead our group of 18 riders south from Martha's at 168 St. and 205 Ave. We rode for approximately 2.5 hrs., and covered about 10 miles of trails out into the Everglades. Although it was a very hot day, it was nice to enjoy the dry-lands surrounded by an abundance of friends & laughter - we all had a very good time. Some of our riders painted their horses in honor of Cinco de Mayo, and dressed in appropriate garments befitting the Mexican culture. Our thanks to everyone for bringing delicious sides, for more SFTR who joined us for a great lunch & celebration - Sergio & I look forward to next year's ride.

~Dorys Garcia

AROUND THE PADDOCK…

Congratulations to Miriam Neville, as she proves we are never too old to recreate ourselves after the kids are gone. She just walked in the graduation ceremony for Seminole State College of Fla, to accept her B.S. In Construction degree. Years of hard work, exams and studying paid off, and we are all proud of you! We heard good news from Kelly Murphy, that she is starting a new amazing job with Tanium, in Addison ,Texas. Kuddos also to Laura Licali's son, Jonathon, won the prestigious Karl Rahner, S.J. Theology award from Belen Jes. Prep.; and to Gaby Dean & Angelina Rivera won the Fla. Farm Bureau Scholarship, and best of all...they both received the SFTR Scholarship! These fine FFA students from Varela Sr. have been volunteering with our parade team for over 3 years, and have contributed valuable community service hours to us and throughout the community. Thank you both!

Congratulations to Adrianna Rue who will be bringing her Buttermilk Buckskin colt, Oakley, home in August; and to Lynn Vina, whose mare, Ruby, gave birth to a handsome colt!

A shout out to Olga Horn for her retirement & also to Andrea Franklin. Olga was spotted at the SFTR banquet & Andrea skating the tree lined trails in Ohio (where she was passed by a cantering horse & rider!)

In the riding scene, Celine d'Arbellas took a 5th in the 1M classic at Wellington – on Jesus, the wonder horse! Locally, Sylvia Cruz-Alvarez & Eddie Garcia are counting down their last year with us, as they recently closed on a new home in Dunnellon, Fla. Sadly, we will also be losing Bill Guzman, who has accepted a job which also causes him to move on. Let's all get out and ride with these good friends before they shuffle along!

Summer is upon us, but the heat will not deter Trail Riders from enjoying their horses, family, or other sports & activities. Sharing news like this brings the SFTR together as a family, and encourages everyone to enjoy Life to the fullest!

~Bonny George, Jr.

FUTURE EVENTS

START JUNE WITH A WATERMELON BIRTHDAY RIDE!

Start your June right, with watermelon, shady trails & great friends – come to the Great Birthday Ride at Tree Tops Park, on Sat. June 1. Join Wayne & me as we celebrate with cold watermelon & delicious cake! Bring your own lunch, or order from Papa John's pizza, and enjoy a summer day.

Tree Tops Park is in Davie. Access is from Griffin Road and 100 Ave.; 3900 SW 100 Ave, Davie. Take Krome north, make a left on US-27, go north to Griffin Rd. & exit right/east. At 100 Ave make a right. Arrive at 9am and ride out at 10am as a group, or on your own if you arrive later. No worries!! It's summer, and time to relax. Arrive back at the trailers at 12:00 noon for the watermelon celebration and lunch of your own making. So even if you don't ride, come join good friends and have some summer fun!

~Carrie Hershberger

DRESS TROPICAL FOR THE TIKI RIDE & LUAU !!

Michelle McDaniel will Trail Boss an island themed ride at Larry & Penny Thompson Park, Sunday, June 9. Trailer to the mango grove in the park, 127 Ave off Eureka Dr (184 St) at 9am; ride-out at 10am, for an hour or so. This is a great trail ride for juniors, newbie horses or those wanting a shorter ride, since it is along the contained trails within the park. Some members have asked for a safe venue to ride or lead-line their horse/pony, & this is a good location to socialize your equine. The tall pines, lake, & low palmettos make a unique landscape & fun easy ride.

Provided will be: water/sodas, and honey baked ham for lunch – which should be about noon. Riders please bring a side dish to share, which would add to the Hawaiian atmosphere. Maybe a bowl of cut fruit, chips & dip, cold salads, cheeses & veggies, or any special dish or dessert to tempt the palate! Even if you don't ride, join your good friends, as we relax in the grove to share a bite to eat. So bring your horse for a leisurely local stroll...grab your Hawaiian shirt or light colored SFTR T-shirt, your chair & see you there! Please RSVP to Michelle 305-562-0961 or appyaze@aol.com , so plans can be made for the meal – see you there!

~Michelle McDaniel

BEAT THE HEAT – SCAVENGER HUNT IN THE HAMMOCK IS COMING!

Here's a ride that's good for seasoned riders looking for a cool tree-covered trail, to juniors riding solo or on lead-line...the Scavenger Hunt & OHOP Brunch ride! Handing over the TB task to Michelle McDaniel to continue this annual event, it will be on Sat. July 13, at Indian Hammocks Park, in Kendall. The park is between Kendall Dr (SW 88 St) & Sunset Dr (72 St); enter off 117 Ave. and park at the maintenance parking lot (the first parking area as you drive in off 117 Ave.)

Arrive 9am and be ready to ride 9:30. Wear your SFTR T-shirt or tank top, and let's show some club spirit for this event! Michelle will give the info about the ride & objects to find, and then the riders head out into the hammock for one hour (max). Riders meet back at the trailers, awards will be presented, and then everyone rides along 117 Ave as a group, to the OHOP near Sunset Dr. The horses will be tied to the trees out back & watched, as the riders have a great brunch (bring $) inside the OHOP. All SFTR are welcome to join us at the brunch at 11am, so come with an appetite and stories to share. Afterward, riders will mount up and ride back to the hammock to depart, or to ride the trails as they please. Water/sodas will be provided, & water for the horses (bring your own bucket!) Remember to get your SFTR T-shirts now so you'll be ready- contact Bonny George, Jr. 305-233-1897 or IdrathrBfishin6@yahoo.com. Mark your calendar for this super event, and RSVP to Michelle appydaze@aol.com or 305-562-0961 if you are coming or can help!

COME TO THE WOLF LAKE SALAD RIDE IN JULY

Each year the Dade SFTR and our sister club in Broward have a combined event, at Wolf Lake in Davie. Those who have come for the day of swimming their horse in the lake, riding the hills & shaded trails, and then feasting on salads & desserts know that summer just doesn't get much better. I have enlisted JJ Idiaquez as my co-TB this year for the south, and Tina West has graciously agreed to be our SFTR Broward TB once again (hope she brings her cream puffs!)

Mark your calendar for Sat. July 20, from about 9am-2pm. There is plenty of space for us all this year, as Tina has reserved the big pavilion with the tables/benches for us. So gather your water togs and tack, get your junior's helmet ready, and watch the next newsletter for final details. This ride & the eats are special folks – don't miss it!

~Bonny George, Jr.

NATIONAL DAY OF THE COWBOY

For years now we have been holding a ride to celebrate the National Day of the American Cowboy. It is that time again, Saturday, July 27. We'll meet at the Fruit & Spice Park at 24801 SW 187th Ave at 9:00 AM and ride at 10:00 AM.

Deda will have her Cowboy Quilt Exhibit all day in the adjacent classroom, stop in and see it.

We will judge our best cowboy, cowgirl and cowpoke (Jr). The Cowboy Attire competition will be judged at 9:30 AM, ride out at 10:00 AM.

New policy: no repeat winners so you all have a chance

Wear your best duds.

Then we will ride out for a short ride (it's hot in July). I'll have water and drinks. Many of us have lunch after the ride at Mango's Cafe. All will be welcome to join us (bring lunch money) .

Let's make a good show and dress our cowboy best. No shorts, sneakers or caps.

It is a celebration of COWBOYS.

Call 305-331-7599 for more information.

~ Mike Maldonado

SFTR EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Hello Trail Riders,

This is just a reminder that the 2019 Atlantic Hurricane Season begins on June 1 and runs through November 30. There has already been one named storm, which was called Andrea, but it had no affects on the United States. The forecast from the National Hurricane Center has not yet been released (this will come out soon), but an early season forecast from Colorado State University released in early April anticipates the following:

13 Named Storms (Tropical Storm or greater)
5 Hurricanes
2 Major Hurricanes (Category 3 or greater)
48% chance a Major Hurricane hits somewhere in the US
28% chance a Major Hurricane hits the US East Coast (this includes the Florida Peninsula)
28% chance a Major Hurricane hits the Gulf Coast (includes the Panhandle westward)

This is considered "slightly below average", but as we all know it only takes one land falling storm in Florida to make it a very active season. Please continue to update readiness plans and personal preparedness plans in advance of hurricane season. Our ability to quickly react and recover from storms is critical in our ability to providing services to our animals and our friends around us after a storm. We should all be prepared to take actions to lessen a storm's impact and what we do now to prepare will help us later if we are faced with a storm. The best way to protect your family from the effects of a disaster is to have a disaster plan and develop an emergency kit. Develop your kit and make plans now and don't wait until a storm is potentially coming our way. Have a disaster plan in place for your family, including your animals and review and update it yearly. Make sure all your horses are current on shots and Coggins, and not just the ones you ride - because if you need to evacuate, you need those Coggins documents. A good tip for what you can be doing right now when there is no threat coming our way: Prepare a waterproof emergency animal care kit with all the items you normally use, including medications, salves or ointments, Vetrap, bandages, tape, etc. Place the kit in a safe place where you can easily access it after a storm.

Its never to early to prepare! Stay safe!

~Amanda Andujar
SFTR Emergency Management

TROPICAL PARK HURRICANE STALLS

First! Reserve your stalls with Debi Cat-Priest at 305-775-1820. When a Hurricane Watch goes into effect, the barn manager, Pablo Tejeda, will attempt to reach everyone to confirm that you will take possession of your stall. If unsuccessful, he will reassign your stall for that hurricane to someone else. Do not call Pablo unless a Watch is in effect. Email Pablo at PabloT@miamidade.gov and text Debi at 305-775-1820 only if a WATCH is in effect.

Your reservation fee per stall is $28.00. This reserves a stall for the 2019 Hurricane Season.

Once a Hurricane Watch goes into effect and you take possession of your stall, **on the 25th hour you will owe Miami-Dade County an additional daily fee, plus an additional $28.00 to re-reserve your stall for the remainder of the 2019 Season.**

Upon arrival, Pablo will need to see your Coggins papers. Suggested items are flashlight, buckets with clips for water, (muck buckets work), a fly mask, your name, horse's name and phone #'s taped to your stall doors, halter, written on your horse, a bale of hay to put in the stall so the horse has something to keep him busy all the hours he is there etc.

You can't leave anything but your horse at Tropical Park.

Depending on the storm's estimated arrival, Miami-Dade County will lock the park gates.

Once the Hurricane Watch is lifted, you have 48 hours to remove your horse. All stalls must be STRIPPED before leaving or an additional charge per stall will be applied and you will be unable to reserve stalls in the future.

Due to Debi's own hurricane preparations she will not be as responsive if you wait until the last 3 days before a storm to reserve stalls. You may not get a stall if you wait until then. Please reserve now if you want a stall!

Hope to see you on the trail – not at Tropical Park!

NOTE: We will be opening online registration with in a couple of weeks.

SFSPCA Horse of the Month "Morgan"

Quarter Horse Type • Mare • Buckskin • 14 hands • 2003 est YOB

Morgan is a lovely mare, well behaved on the ground and stands for grooming, bathing and the farrier. Morgan is very quiet and willing under saddle, and would make a nice trail horse for a smaller-sized rider who is conscientious about guiding her due to her left eye blindness. Said SFSPCA founder and director of rescue operations, "She is very quiet under saddle. She prefers to walk or trot. She will make a good trail horse for an intermediate rider. She is blind in her left side. She came in that way so we don't know how it happened. I recently rode her near the street and she was not bothered by traffic or by the cow in the field."

Contact Laurie at Laurie@helpthehorses.com for adoption info. Donations can be made at www.helpthehorses.com

Update on Horse of Last Month,

"Christi"

HAS BEEN ADOPTED!

Visit our updated website

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PARADE TEAM NEWS

We have a great 2019-2020 parade season coming up. We are fortunate to have kept our seasoned members & encourage all SFTR members to join the club's parade unit...as new riders or lead-lining equines, having your juniors ride solo or on lead, & we always need side-walkers for safety, poop-scoop experts, and a truck for the parade. At this time of year we should all be thankful for our freedoms & get ready to share our passion for horses & our patriotism, as we prepare for the first event of our new season...the 4th of July Parade on Key Biscayne!

Thanks to our generous sponsors for a second year, Miami Medical Consultants, we know we'll look sharp this season & will be able to promote our club throughout the community in style. June is the month to prepare for the new ride & parade season, which means everyone should spend this time checking/cleaning their parade tack, saddle & uniform. If you need the required items, please contact me, Lisa (786-271-4933) or Bonny George, Jr. (305-233-1897) so we may get you the uniform shirt, bandana/slide, or tack needed to parade in July. For safety & due to the narrow street venue for this parade, only seasoned parade team horses/ponies will be permitted. We encourage everyone who wants to parade this season to prepare and join us on foot (or volunteer to drive your sparkling truck). Lead-line equines are welcome, and we are trying to build a larger youth group, so bring your kids/grand children out to parade with us – it's a great way to include them in our family events, and build a love of horses in another generation.

Other parade dates as of now are: Nov 11- Homestead Veteran's Day Parade, Dec. 1- Jr. Orange Bowl Parade (televised), Homestead Tree Lighting Ceremony-date TBA, Homestead Rodeo Parade. Other events (Cattle Show, Breeds event, etc) dates TBA. Since the Parade of Elves falls on the same date as the Jr. Orange Bowl, we are actively looking for other significant community parades in which to participate – please contact Lisa at 01lisamorgan@gmail.com if you have ideas!

New Parade Team applications are available, so contact me asap so you don't miss out on the excitement. July 4th morning parade directions & details will be sent out by email, so make sure you renew your SFTR membership for 2019-2020 & turn in the Parade Team application docs asap!

~Lisa Morgan
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YOUR NEW SFTR OFFICERS & BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR 2019 – 2020

Each year, at our banquet, we say thanks to our current officers and Board of the SFTR, and swear in those who the SFTR membership just voted in for the coming year. The out-going officers tried very hard to continue to streamline technology use for our club communications, information, & newsletter. We strove to offer long & short trail rides, fun themed events, lake & beach rides, camping & parades, interesting speakers for our monthly meetings, and continued our community involvement - for which the SFTR is well known.

With each year we learn from the membership how to improve our club, and what path to follow for the benefit & enjoyment of our equines & the trails we share. As the newly elected officers begin their tenure, it is hoped that they can continue the venues of the SFTR, and with the input of all our members, generate a wonderful year of activities for the new season ahead.

The officers you elected are:

President - Mike Maldonado
Vice Pres.- Jessica Winer

Board of Directors (in alphabetical order): Sylvia Cruz-Alvarez, Megan Barnes, Bonny George, Jr., Lisa Morgan, Heidi Stibitz
Alternates: Eddie Garcia and Ginger Krenz
Treasurer- Augie Saavedra excused himself from Board election, as we needed a Treasurer; and we thank him for so volunteering.

Remember your officers can not lead our club without input from the membership – so it is up to everyone to voice their interests, promote the club, come to our meetings to share pleasant conversation and ideas, and participate in our many varied activities. As always, all members are welcome to attend the Board meetings to see how their club is managed and give their valuable input. The Board meeting for these new officers will be Mon., June 10; at Bonny & Sonny George, Jr's home, off 168 St. & 170 Ave. Please RSVP to 305-233-1897 if you would like to attend the 8pm meeting, so we may provide you directions.

Thank you for voting, & let's all help these new officers guide us into a great new year!

~Bonny George, Jr.

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Deda will have her Cowboy Quilt Exhibit all day in the adjacent class-room, stop in and see it.

We will judge our best cowboy, cowgirl and cowpoke (Jr). The Cow-boy Attire competition will be judged at 9:30 AM, ride out at 10:00 AM.

New policy: no repeat winners so you all have a chance.

Wear your best duds.

Then we will ride out for a short ride (it's hot in July). I'll have water and drinks. Many of us have lunch after the ride at Mango's Cafe. All will be welcome to join us (bring lunch money) .

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