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SFTR AT 4TH OF JULY KEY BISCAYNE PARADE

UPCOMING EVENTS FOR THE TRAIL RIDERS

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Speaker: Kevin Charlton from Strictly Trailers.

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TB Megan Barnes

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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.

South Fla. SPCA
www.helpthehorses.com
P.O. Box 924088
Homestead, Fl. 33092

Horse Protection Association of Florida
www.HPAF.org
20690 NW 130 Ave.
Micanopy, Fl. 32667

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www.eiahorses.org
1840 NE 65 Ct.
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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**

Aug 5	**Monday - General Meeting** at Latin Mix Rest. 11368 SW 184 St. 7:00pm dinner, 8:00pm meeting. Speaker: Kevin Charlton from Strictly Trailers.
Aug 11	**Sunday** - We are trying to hold a ride on Sunday August 11. We still haven't planned all the details, so, **save the date, we will forward details by email and Facebook.**
Aug 12	**Monday - SFTR Board Meeting** hosted by Eddie & Sylvia 15022 SW 149 Street 7:00pm dinner, 8:00pm meeting. All SFTR members are welcome to attend and present suggestions.
Aug 24	**Saturday - SFTR at the Marlins vs Phillies**, Baseball Game! Start time 6:00pm. Contact Board or committee members for tickets or contact Mike **305-331-7599.**
Sep 2	Monday - **General Meeting** at Latin Mix Rest. 11368 SW 184 St. 7:00pm dinner, 8:00pm meeting.
Sep 7 (am)	**Saturday - Freedom Walk, Homestead VFW, TB; Manny Alvarez 305-395-9343,** Arr. 9:00am, start 10:00am. 601 NE 2nd Rd Homestead.
Sep 7 (pm)	**Saturday - SFTR Holiday Toy Drive Kick-Off Event at Keg South** 27591 South Dixie Hwy, **TB Megan Barnes** 305-304-0680, 5:00pm.
Sep 9	**Monday - SFTR Board Meeting** hosted by Megan Barnes 10460 SW 125 Av 7:00pm dinner, 8:00pm meeting. All SFTR members are welcome to attend and present suggestions.
Sep 14	**Saturday - Obstacles Challenge & Parade Practice**, **TB Sonny & Bonny George, Jr. 305-233-1897** Arr. 9:00am 16990 SW 170 Av.
Sep 28	**Saturday - SFTR Tack & Yard Sale, at Robbies's pasture** 22390 SW 177 Av, 8:00am - 2:00pm **TB Sonni Pelles 305-392-0572.**
Sep 29	**Sunday - Coggins Clinic** at Rockin M Ranch 25700 sw 212 Av. **TB Mike Maldonado.** **Dr. Diaz** will offer discounted prices for Coggins test, full shots and microchips Exact time to be announced by email. Gate open at 9:30am, Dr. Diaz will arrive at 10:30am. Call Mike 305-331-7599 or for ***MORE INFO*** ***CLICK HERE***

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!

Register online at our website SFTRDADE.ORG

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello Trail Riders,

As usual in the month of July the heat and the rain makes trail riding events almost impossible, although we manage to squeeze some in. We had a great July 4th parade, thanks to those that participated and a special thanks to Lisa, our Parade Chair. Excellent job Lisa, and thank you to Margie Brett for some beautiful photographs.

The Scavenger Hunt and OHop Ride: Great group, great brunch and a fun ride - and we beat the rain. Thank you, TB Michelle McDaniel.

Ride early mornings or late afternoons because that summer sun and rain is tough.

August seems to be a slow month, but we will have one fantastic event. We are invited to the Marlins Game on Saturday August the 24th at 6:00pm. The Marlins take on the Phillies. Thanks to Alan Alvarez, Manny's son, for the tickets. Bring the family (see Board and Committee members for tickets or call me 305-331-7599).

If you want to hold an evening ride or a non-horsey get together, let a Board member know to put you on the calendar.

Mike & BB

Mike Maldonado
President

Good stuff coming up in September.

Happy trails to you,

Mike Maldonado

SUNSHINE REPORT

Hello SFTR family.

We have celebratory news and sad news, yet it is our news to share:

Our thoughts go out to Becky Card Swerdloff's daughter, Michelle. Hoping her procedure & subsequent surgery will go well. Glad to hear Belinda Herbert is feeling better after a fall from her horse last month. Not to be deterred, she said "I'll be back!", and we hope to see her soon.

We wish Olga Horn & Mitchell a Happy 18th Anniversary; and a hearty congratulations to our friends, Ralph & Lois West, on their 39th! Congratulations also to Belinda Herbert's daughter, Brittany, for her engagement with Vito; they're already planning a Dec 2019 wedding.

Emily Morgan is a grandma...to two adorable kids (goaties). The bottle-babies were brought to the July 4th parade & Deda provided the baby-sitting help. SFTR...we work as a family! Heard that Andrea Sante has a new boxer-looking Pittie-mix pup, who came tagged as Bailey; and Anne-Marie Morgan adopted a German Shepard/Rottie/ Amer. Bulldog pup, named Trixie. Lucky dogs! Meanwhile, Tyra Phillips' horse, Zareen, has begun her nighttime strolls in the pasture. Glad to hear she is finally pulling through after months of vet care.

Flying the skies for 30 years, Cindy Proietti received her diamond wings from American Airlines. Imagine the millions of people she has helped & smiled to through those years! Last, but not least, giving thanks that our beloved members, Ben and his wife Dottie, are safe after a drunk driver plowed through their fence - miraculously missing them, & their house.

Keep me posted on your events, love, anniversaries, births, illnesses, special requests - anything you want to share here to get loving support from our SFTR family. From your Sunshine reporter, all the best & see you all next month. Please keep those Sunshine notes coming to my email: annakrides@gmail.com or text (786) 286-0643.

Happy trails & great rides!

~Anna Kleinholz

We have 296 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.

Gustavo and Katia Abaunza
Miami FL 33173

Mayra Eakes
Miami FL 38186

Marlene Hernandez
and Elizabeth Lopez
Miami, Fl 33196

Andres and Richard Lopez
Miami FL 33196

Roy Pressman
Miami, FL 33173

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Always ask Proprietor for amount of discount & availability.

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Sunset Country	16300 S.W. 296 St. Homestead	245-2935
The VetteSmith Inc. Body shop	10750 SW 188 Street. Miami	252-1256

AROUND THE PADDOCK… The Heat Rolls In & Things Slow Down

Most of us are trying to ride very early or almost dusk, to avoid the sweltering heat & humidity. Compared to earthquakes, floods & hurricanes elsewhere, we are fortunate indeed. Even so, SFTR have been out doing many interesting things...

Recalling the phrase..."Where in the World is...?" After a whirlwind Butan & European trip, Andrea Franklin was spotted in the Netherlands - speed skating with members of the Dutch Speed Skating Team!

In equine sports, the recent Paso Fino Shows have kept several of our members quite busy.

Sharon Dixon... In the Miami Summer Festival Paso Fino show in July, I showed a young pleasure mare,Betty, and did really well - 1st in the class & 1st from both judges in the Championship. Sharon showed Magnifico, splitting 1st & 2nd in Perf. geldings and in the Championship. Her trainer showed her older mare in performance and 1st/2nd split in class; 1st from both judges in Championship. The previous show was Spectrum, showed Magnifico for a 1st in the class & 2nd in the Championship. She also showed her older stallion, Retorno, in Fino & he had a great time! Lynn Stine also competed in the Spectrum, in May and took a 4th in Amat. Pleasure mares was 4th & an honorable mention in the Championship; and a 1st in both Country Pleasure & Adult Horsemanship. The next event will be the Last Chance Show in Aug. Sergio & Dorys Garcia also did well in the Performance mares, 6 yr. Old class – they placed third! Looks like these SFTR are certainly working hard!

There are local fun activities at the Homestead Rodeo arena (US1 & SW 312 St) as the Posse hosts another Fun Day on Aug. 10 (and Sept 14 & Oct 12). Barrels & poles, and fun games for riders of all ages and equines of all ability levels- no experience necessary! Juniors 18-under helmet required. Register 6pm, start 7pm. Membership is required: Limited (day only) $20, Full $30, Family $50. A portion of these funds will be donated to a local charity! Give your horse a chance to experience something different, make new friends, learn some new skills, and support our local Everglades Posse! For more info: Rutta Andris 305-588-2288 or Holly Thommes 305-338-4192.

Remember we have a night under the lights at Marlin's Stadium, Sat. Aug. 24!! Game time against Philly is 6pm. Trail Riders are not just about horses, we also meet up for assorted fun activities, so bring the entire family! The free tickets for your family members are made possible by Manny Alvarez; through the generosity of his son Alan, who works for the Marlins organization. A huge thank-you to the Marlins, Alan & Manny for providing the SFTR with such a wonderful evening out! Members can pick up tickets (6 per family, with addl. tickets available if needed) from any Board member. Contact phone numbers are inside the front cover of this newsletter, or find many of us on Facebook. Tickets will be available Tues., July 30; and at the SFTR General Meeting on Mon. Aug. 5, at the Latin Mix Restaurant. Don't miss this great event with your family & friends (do not need to be SFTR to attend – wear your yellow SFTR T-shirt and let's make some noise!

~Bonny George, Jr.

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

Al Zamora
Brielle Revuelta
Camilla Olsson
Dennys Cabrera
Diana Smith
Dianna Gordon
Donna Hakanson
Dorys Garcia-Fernandez
Eduardo Garcia
Emily Suits
Gabriella Gonzalez
Helen Demmie McKane
Jessica Lazo
Jonathan Donate
Jordan Almodovar
Jose Hernandez
Judy Arcia
Karen Mancuso
Lauren Moniz
Lola Fiorenza
Manny Alvarez Jr
Marlane Trujillo
Mayra Vasallo
Mitchell Horn
Modesta Iturrey
Norbert Perets
Patti Fehr
Philis Edelman
Ra Schooley
Ralph Gonzalez
Raven Chu
Ricardo Dorado Rodriguez
Ronald Pfau
Roy Pressman
Silvia Lopez
Tania Diaz
Terri Hutton
Travis Hartwell

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MIAMI MEDICAL CONSULTANTS

It is with great enthusiasm that we send out three-cheers for Miami Medical Consultants, who for the second year are our SFTR Parade Team sponsors! A local health care concierge which has served our community since 1948, Miami Medical Consultants is located in Coral Gables. Their mission is comprehensive medical care of adolescents and adults, through all phases of life. They deliver preventive, diagnostic, therapeutic and palliative strategies and serve as a hub for the coordination and sharing of information among the specialized medical professionals and services patients may need; and as an adviser in the course of complex health care decision making.

Headed by Dr. Robert Cava, MD, FACP, FACR, has been practicing medicine in our community since 1982 and is associated with Dr. Jacqueline Miodownik-Aisenberg, MD, who specializes in Internal Medicine since 2000. Joining Miami Medical Consultants in 2011, Gloria Nunez-Turkel, ARNP, NP-C, FNP-BC, also strives to improve patient's health and quality of life. When Patty Arosemena-Romero heard about the SFTR Parade Team and our club's vision to expand youth involvement and our club's commitment to giving back to our community, as Practice Administrator she helped make Dr. Cava's sponsorship of our Parade Team possible for yet another year.

Miami Medical Consultants has made it possible for our Parade Team to be refitted with new uniforms, refurbish our flags & banner, expand our variety of parades, provide additional safety leads & gear, and have supplies on hand for participation in themed parades throughout our county. We sincerely appreciate their sponsorship, which allows us to increase our club members' participation and continue spreading the love of equines throughout our community, promoting patriotic events, and encouraging local 4-H & FFA youths to join us in sharing our agricultural heritage. The Parade Team's goal to provide community enjoyment, appreciation, & education about equines takes another giant step forward – and for that we are proud to carry our SFTR banner, which sports their logo, in all our parade functions. Thank you all...Dr. Cava, your associates, and Patty, of Miami Medical Consultants!

~ Lisa Morgan

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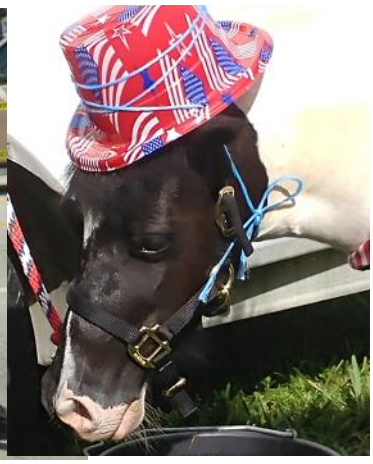

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FUTURE EVENTS

WHO'S ON FIRST?.....WHAT'S ON SECOND?

Trail riding gets tough for horses & riders alike in the heat of the summer, so come out for a night of baseball...in an air conditioned arena! Manny Alvarez has arranged for free Marlins tickets, through the generosity of Alan, his son, and the Marlins organization. Mark your calendar for Saturday, Aug. 24, and bring the **entire family** & your friends (even if not SFTR members) to see the Marlins vs Philly game – starting at 6pm!

Wear your yellow SFTR T-shirt so we can be seen, as we gather as one big group to cheer our home team, enjoy traditional foods ("305 menu" is at a discount), snacks & refreshments, see our club name on the giant billboard and have a fun night out with your whole family and great SFTR friends! So get your tickets (6 per family with more tickets available if needed), and call your SFTR friends to car-pool (to save on parking, pay for parking on-line ahead of game day!).

Tickets will be available Tues. July 30 and at the SFTR General Meeting on Mon., Aug. 5 at the Latin Mix Restaurant. After that, you'll have to contact your Board directly. Please see any Board member for the number of tickets you will use, so we may ensure you have them well ahead of time. Phone numbers for the Board are on the inside cover of this newsletter, & many of us are on Facebook. Last day to get your tickets (if any are left) is Aug. 22! Let's say thank you to the Marlins, Alan & Manny, by showing up in great numbers, wear your SFTR T-shirt, & let's show some spirit for this super family night out!

~Bonny George, Jr.

CLEAR OUT YOUR CLUTTER – SFTR YARD & TACK SALE IS COMING

It's that time again! Gather your unwanted household items and clean out those tack rooms for the SFTR Yard and Tack sale - Sept. 28, 8:00 AM - 2:00 PM. Members $5 per space, non-members $10. Held in the pasture of Robbie's Feed & Supply, 22390 SW 177 Ave, Miami. Hot dogs, drinks, and baked goods will also be available for sale.

~Sonni Peles

CLINGY VINES AND BANANA SPIDERS MADE FOR A GREAT HUNT!

The Scavenger Hunt & OHOP Brunch Ride was success - with 6 riders and 8 non-riders. Most people see Indian Hammocks as a small park, with little trail. But if you ask our fearless riders, they can tell you it was worth the drive, and that they really enjoyed a little trailblazing when they veered off the one "beaten path". In a small area, you have such lush greenery, lots of banana spiders, huge shady old oak trees, palmettos, ferns and clingy vines. Some riders brought back vines as souvenirs, as the greenery clung to their horse & tack. All the riders brought back the colorful popsicle sticks, and each took home a prize!

1st place - Henry V. 2nd place - Holly T.
3rd place - Colby S. 4th place - Renee R.
5th place - Mike M.

After the awards, we rode up to the OHOP to soak up the a/c and everyone enjoyed the delicious food. Thank you to: Augie for bringing & riding with one of our favorite juniors, all our SFTR friends who joined us for a good time at the OHOP; and a special thanks to Debi & Jessica for watching the horses!

~Michelle McDaniel

FUTURE EVENTS

SFTR GENERAL MEETINGS …
Food, Friends, and Fantastic Guest Speakers!

When was the last time you attended a SFTR General Meeting? If you don't usually come, you are really missing out on interesting & informative guest speakers. Ben Kroner, as Program Director, seeks out professionals who bring us up-to-date information relative to all equine owners, farmers, and concerned citizens!

For example, at the July meeting we began with our own SFTR Emily Morgan, who came with a wealth of information as a Purina nutrition representative. Emily has been sent all over the US to study feeds & forages, production & feeding protocols, and nutrition needs of equines and other livestock. Her familiarity with horses and goats, pigs and cows has given her a solid base from which to expand her learning & skills set – which she eloquently detailed as our guest speaker. Of great note was the concept of feed ration, type of feed and resultant body condition score; based on the age, activity, sex & health issues of the equine. Feed & forage quantities were examined, and related to the over all health of the animal; and a comparison of poor feeding protocols which ultimately cause severe health issues farther down the line. Emily also makes farm calls to assist the equine or livestock owner by analyzing their feed, supplements, & forage, specific to their equine's requirements. As the Farm Gate Customer Support for farm calls, Emily can be reached at emily.morgan@sunsetfeed.com , in person at Sunset Feed in Kendall or 786-556-0339.

Our second speaker was Sgt. Frank Farinas, from our local Miami-Dade Police Dept. Agricultural Patrol. Sgt. Farinas presented the scope of their unit's work in our area – from rescuing lost or abandoned equines & livestock, to animal cruelty cases, theft, and illegal dumping. Officer Farinas is taking our fight against equine theft & slaughter to the front lines, and also promoting community education against the consumption of horse meat. He made note of our specific needs concerning traffic/drivers during our rides, our need to safeguard our farms from equine theft, illegal road closures along our trails, and canal green-way restrictions made by property owners. The SFTR will be working cooperatively with the MDPD Ag-Patrol in the months to come on many of these issues. If you have illegal dumping to report, loose or neglected animals, call 305-252-8311.

So on Monday, Aug. 5, come to the SFTR General Meeting at the Latin Mix Restaurant. Dine at 7pm and stay for the meeting at 8pm. The Aug. guest speaker will be Kevin Charlton from Strictly Trailers. Bringing us information about trailer & electric repairs, maintenance, safety checks, structural repairs, and more - Mr. Charlton's emphasis will be on equine trailers (although he also works on boat & other trailers). Having a local trailer expert who understands our specific needs is practical & worth the time to come listen! Each meeting has a different speaker that Ben has found, providing valuable information geared to help our members. So bring the family, come hear about SFTR events, get your free Marlins-Phillys game tickets, and listen to our great guest speaker on a topic our members have requested - see you there!

~Your Board

OBSTACLES, PARADING, AND EMU HERDING!!

Each year Sonny & I host an Obstacle Challenge & Parade Practice, designed for novice & skilled riders alike. Each obstacle is designed to be done first in-hand (to test your equine's tolerance & your cues) and then can be done from the saddle. Newbie horses must adjust to the stimuli, and the activities provide a wide range of skill demands to improve even the most seasoned rider's techniques.

There will be water & rock obstacles, bridges & teeter boards, barrels, fallen logs, noodles & more. And let's not forget the emu herding and the flares & smoke. We are working on some new items too! We encourage all SFTR Parade Team members (or those wishing to join) to attend and desensitize your equine, for in-hand or mounted parading. There will be parading activities, noise, flag carrying & formations!

So mark your calendar for Saturday, Sept. 14, as we will open our gates at 9am; 16990 SW 170 Ave. Tack up, lead your horse through the course, so you learn about the different obstacles, and then ride as you please. We always welcome all juniors to come lead your pony, ride on a lead-line or ride solo – it's great fun (18-under must wear a helmet). Lunch will be at noon, and all SFTR are welcome to join us. Hope you'll come and enjoy the excitement!

~Bonny George, Jr.

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Update on Horse of Last Month,

"Nevada"

HAS NOT BEEN ADOPTED!

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http://sftrmiamidade.org/newsletter

PARADE TEAM NEWS

Thank you all to those who joined us for the July 4th parade. It was wonderful to see all of you! Fortunately, it wasn't as hot as usual. A special thank you to all the newcomers for joining the Parade Team, and I hope you had a great time. The Parade Team is a great way to introduce our club to the community, and it's awesome that we are known for what the club does. I am truly honored to be a part of the SFTR and hope that our Parade Team continues to grow. I want to thank Commissioner Daniela Cava for riding with us and hope as a SFTR member, she will ride with us again soon. Mike, our President, was carrying the American flag this year - and as always, he did us proud! Patty Perez was handed the microphone to introduce Al Capony, and the crowd cheered. For Heidi who drove her truck, for all the riders, our pony & poop crews, the many safety walkers, banner carriers and those who brought food to our lunch – your support & generosity speaks volumes about the kind of great people we have in our club!

Just a reminder, The Freedom Walk is Saturday, Sept 7th; in Homestead. As much as this is not an official parade, you can still earn credit toward your end of year gift by attending (whether you ride, walk, or lead-line). Manny Alvarez will be sending out an email closer to the time to give you the details.

For all of the people who want to join the Parade Team or who have never ridden a horse in a parade, we have something for you. Please join us for the annual Obstacle Challenge and Parade Practice held at Bonny & Sonny George, Jr.'s house - on Sat., Sept. 14th. This is a great way to get your horse ready with noise, flags and a crowd. I recommend all SFTR to try it. It is also just a lot of fun. Bring everyone and all your horses, donkeys and ponies. The activities are good for juniors, in-hand or ridden equines, & I really hope to see you there.

The next official parade is the Veteran's Day event in Homestead, on Nov. 11; and I will let you know all the details soon. If anyone needs our Parade Team uniform or tack for the parades, please don't hesitate to ask. See you soon!

~Lisa Morgan
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FUTURE EVENTS

CARIBBEAN SANTA IS COMING TO THE SFTR HOLIDAY TOY DRIVE KICK-OFF... ARE YOU ??

The SFTR Toy Drive 2019 Kickoff Party will be Saturday, September 7th, at The Keg South of Homestead (27591 S Dixie Hwy, Homestead, FL 33032). Starting at 5pm, Dougie from Thunder Country will open the event, and there will be live music and entertainment (who it will be, is TBD). There will be the ever popular 50/50 raffle, and fantastic raffle items to win. We have it from Mrs. Claus that Caribbean Santa will also be with us!

Trail Bossing this super activity will be David & Carol Ruiz,, and myself. Matt Ewing and Tiffany Miller, owners of Keg South, are graciously back on -board hosting our Toy Drive events for this coming holiday season. Each year they have generously helped us raise hundreds of dollars and toys, which we combine with our Jingle Bell Jaunt on Sat., Dec. 14 - all the toys then being donated to needy children right here in our community. Other future Toy Drive events at the Keg are in the planning stages.

We are looking for raffle donations and volunteers. Raffle items can be equine themed, business gift certificates, homemade jams, jewelry, dog/cat items, sporting goods, car care supplies, tools, camping & fishing gear, special event tickets, and we appreciate local businesses that would offer specials! Remember we really need volunteers to help with organizing, raffle tickets, collecting donations, and assisting in the toy collection process. Contact SFTRtoydrive@gmail.com , or Megan Barnes 305-304-0680. Remember the live entertainment, Santa; and the amazing food, drinks, and comradery. On behalf of the children who will have a brighter holiday through the generosity of our club & community...thank you!

~Megan Barnes

SHOW YOUR PATRIOTISM FOR CLUB & COUNTRY … COME TO THE 9-11 FREEDOM WALK!

Each year following the 9-11 attacks in N.Y. & D.C., the SFTR has participated in the Freedom Walk, as hosted by the VFW & Ladies Auxiliary at Post 4127 (601 NE 2nd Rd.) in Homestead. The first responders, military & civilians killed in the 9-11 events are, therefore, not forgotten.

On Saturday, Sept. 7 we trailer to the grass field across from the VFW approx 8am, sign-in at our SFTR table and tack up; then we must register with the VFW at 9am. The opening ceremony should start about 9:30, in which the SFTR will present the USA and other flags. Then the riders will retire to wait under the shade trees until the procession moves out at approx. 10am. The VFW will treat us to a lunch following the walk, and there is horse water & restroom facilities available.

This is a parade-like event and yet is very quiet and somber. New horses & riders to parading will find this is an excellent activity to do in preparing for more formal noisy parades. Experienced Parade Team members are requested to please attend, practice carrying a flag, and show your support. This event counts as a make-up parade event for riding or walking Parade Team members. Whether you ride, walk, roll in a wheelchair, walk tethered to your respectful pup, lead-line a newbie equine or rider, or even drive a cart...everyone is welcome!

Dress code: Long sleeved plain white shirt, blue jeans, red/white/blue bandana, straw hat or helmet, boots (if riding). Tack: Clean saddle & tack as you always use, and you may add patriotic colors in good taste. Halter/lead lines can be black, or red/white/blue colors in keeping with the event. All juniors 18-under must wear a helmet - black cover preferred.

Manny Alvarez is the Trail Boss for this event, so please RSVP directly to him at 305-395-9343 or redlandtrail@aol.com . Let him know you and your juniors will participate in this most worthy event!

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ATTENTION

It's Coggins Renewal Time for Our Up-Coming Ride Season!!

The SFTR Board tries to offer perks for our members, and one of the best deals is our Annual Coggins Event! Since a negative Coggins must be with you & your horse whenever the horse is ridden/walked/transported off your property (required by law), it makes sense to renew this valuable clearance document before our busy riding, & camping season starts.

Dr. Gerry Diaz, of Briarwood Equine, has generously agreed once again to provide vaccinations, micro-chips & Coggins testing for all SFTR, on Sunday, Sept. 29. This year Dr. Diaz will meet us at the Rockin' M Ranch, 25700 SW 212 Ave, TB Mike Maldonado Discount prices for SFTR members for the specific services your equine needs are:

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Coggins test	$ 40.00	$ 32.00
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Horses, ponies, mules, donkeys...ALL are welcome! You never know when a hurricane approaches and you must transport to a safe barn, or when a clinic, parade, or camping event arises that suits you & your equine. Bonuses: There is a no vet farm call charge! Even if your equine isn't ridden, something may happen causing you to walk them off your property or transport them – so be ready, avoid frantic appointment calls, and get your vet needs done now. Consider bringing your multiple equines or trailer-pooling so you can have all your equines covered at the same time - everything is separate, buy what you want, per horse. Dr. Diaz will be ready with supplies, you hold your haltered horse and have your form (do on site) and a check. So share a trailer ride with a fellow member, get all your horses done at one time (this event will return next year, same time!) and you won't have to worry about your Coggins all season. Win-win!

Gate open at 9:30am, Dr. Diaz will arrive at 10:30am.

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