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TB: Gina Milhet

Sept. 28 Saturday - Kids Fun Day

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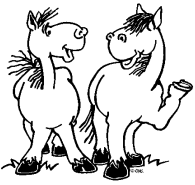
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TRAIL MANNERS

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

- **UNDER 16 MUST WEAR A HELMET.**
- Be aware of the effect **your** actions have on others, their horses and their property.
- Do not upset your co-rider's 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 ON ANY SFTR EVENTS.**

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



2013

Dates and Places

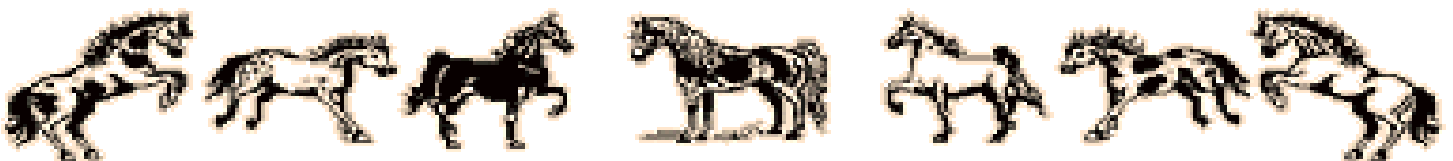
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Call the Hot-line for any cancellations
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Guest Passes are available for local trail rides. Each pass is \$5.00 One pass per person per trailride is required for non-members. This pass is not available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

- Sept. 7 Saturday - Freedom Walk & Ride.** TB: Manny Alvarez & Mike Maldonado. If you want to carry one of the flags be sure to tell Mike as soon as possible. The American Flag will be carried by J.C. Vina as he has done since the SFTR started participating in the VFW Freedom Walks. We are requesting that SFTR members wear a white shirt, blue jeans, and a red bandana or wild rag. If you are a veteran, active, reserve, ROTC, member of any military branch, or retired or active police officer or firefighter/paramedic, you can wear your uniform or fatigues. Free American flag bandanas to the first 25 SFTR members to check-in on the day of the event. Contact Mike Maldonado for additional information. 305-331-7599
- Sept. 9** Monday - General Meeting at Golden Corral.** 33525 S. Dixie Hwy. 7:00 PM dinner, 8:00 PM meeting. Meeting room is to the right when you go in. If you are eating, pay for your meal then go to the room. **SPEAKER:** Vicky Maitland with DAC minerals.
- Sept. 11** Wednesday - Board Meeting at Wendy Lewit's home.** 8:00 PM meeting. 17265 SW 299 St. Please RSVP to Wendy at 305-216-2461 or 248-4858.
- Sept. 14 Saturday - Wolf Lake Ride & Swim.** TB: Sandy & Tom Dunn. 10:00am. Bring a covered dish to share for lunch. Call Sandy with any questions. 305-613-8644. Directions: Griffin Road to 76th Avenue go south. Lake is on left side about 1/2 mile down.
- Sept. 21 Saturday - Gina's Shake & Cake Birthday Ride.** TB: Gina Milhet. We are riding to Sam & Philly's Fruit Stand. The shakes are excellent! Ride out 10:00 AM. Plenty of parking at the barn. Lunch and snacks are available to purchase or pack your own. 16451 SW 192 Ave must enter on 197 Ave / 168 St. Ride is 3 hours. Call for information and directions 786-286-0617.
- Sept. 28 Saturday - 2nd Annual Juniors Fun Day.** TB: Bonny George Jr. & Heidi Stibitz. Country Oaks Farm 14960 SW 260 St. 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM. We will have sodas & water. More info is on the next page. Call Heidi Stibitz 305-794-1257 or Bonny George, Jr. 305-233-1897.
- Oct. 7 Monday - General Meeting at Golden Corral.** 33525 S. Dixie Hwy. 7:00 PM dinner, 8:00 PM meeting. Meeting room is to the right when you go in. If you are eating, pay for your meal then go to the room.
- Oct. 18 - 20 Friday thru Sunday - Dupuis Camping.** TB: Mike Maldonado.
- Oct. 26 Saturday - Halloween Ride.**



PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

The summer is always a challenge for trail riders but we keep busy anyway. We have had two Wolfe Lakes rides in the last month, when it's too hot to ride, ride in the water.

By the time you are reading this we will have had two non horsey events, the SPCA fundraiser at Robbie's Feed and a trip to the new covered stadium to view a baseball game between the Miami Marlins and the San Francisco Giants, complimentary tickets from the Marlins.

The future hold some big events for us, beside many rides and camping trips. In November we are holding a show by Rick Smith, whose father was the author of "A land remembered", in February the annual St. Judes ride out of Robbie's Feed (thank you Robbie) and the annual Autism Ride which this year will be out of Woodrose Farm (thank you Dr Franklin) Stay tuned for more on all of these in future newsletters and our facebook page.



Don't forget that memberships are now due as of August 31st. Please send in you renewal forms. Everyone with email addresses, your form was sent by email, so please print it and mail it in. If you don't have an email, the form will be snail mailed to you.

Remember we need more rides out of your favorite barn or venue over your favorite route. If you have found something good, share it with us. You can book Sunday rides also.

C'yall on the trail,

Mike Maldonado

2ND ANNUAL JUNIOR FUN DAY IS COMING !

The SFTR cordially invites its members, friends, and our community to bring their youths 18 and under to a fun day at a local horse ranch here in the Redlands, on Sat. Sept. 28, 2013 from 10am-2pm. There will be minis to lead through an obstacle course, cart rides, pony and horse rides for older or more experienced juniors. We'll have water and noodle obstacles, cone and ribbon challenges, tractor tires and bridges, jumps, barrels, pole bending, soccer and more. No riding experience needed, so come for the fun!

Mark Sept. 28 on your calendar and bring your camera for an exciting time for the children. Activities will be free to SFTR member families, non-members are \$5 per participant (insurance). We will have sodas, water and chips. Under Fla. Law all riders 16 and under must wear a helmet for any equine related activity. Helmets will be available, but you may also bring your own for convenience. **Location: Country Oaks Farm** 14960 SW 260 St. For information call co-TB's Heidi Stibitz 305-794-1257 or Bonny George, Jr. 305-233-1897.

We have 279 family and single members that have joined or renewed for the year. Thank you very much!

Welcome New Members

Erin & Gwyn Allison
Miami, Fl. 33157

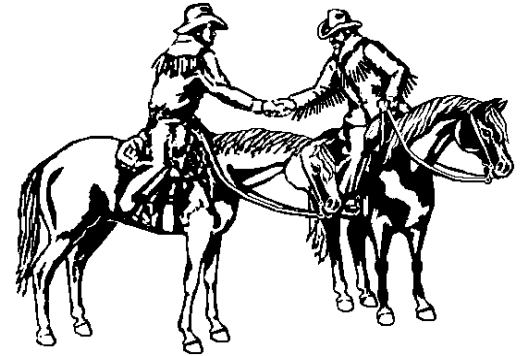
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Princeton, Fl. 33032

Kelly Cunningham
Pembroke Pines, Fl. 33025

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Todd & Chris Rogers
Davie, Fl. 33330

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VetteSmith Inc. Body shop	10750 SW 188 Street. Miami	252-1256
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"SAVE THE DATE"

The 15th Annual Maines Marathon Ride

Its that time again to ride the best inter-local trail system in the state of Florida. Join us for the 15th annual Maines Marathon Ride to benefit Peaceful Ridge Rescue, (A Home for Every Horse)

This is not a ride for the tender foot, so get your horse ready for a ride from all the way out west to east Davie. This is an 18 mile ride to celebrate the trail system that you probably never knew existed, between Southwest Ranches, Weston and Davie. Learn the trails, the connections and the trail heads of a trail system that others can only dream of.

Sunday January 5, 2014 drop your horse off at the Maines Ranch in Southwest Ranches at 8:30 A.M., then take your trailer to Bergerons Rodeo Arena in Davie and get a ride back to your horse to start the ride. Donations will be accepted for the Peaceful Ridge Rescue Ranch and sponsors for riders are encouraged. Peaceful Ridge Rescue will host a BBQ lunch at the half way point, which is Robbins Lodge. So save the date to start the new year off right on your horse, doing what we love to do. See you on the trails, *Don Maines*

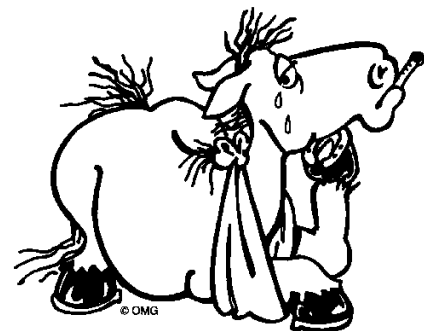
SUNSHINE REPORT

A Sympathy Card was sent to Carrie & Wayne Hershberger on the loss of their sweet little pup, Krista, due to congestive heart failure.

A Get Well card was sent to Donna Hakanson who's recovering from knee replacement, and to Joann Dunmoyer as she rests from a recent stay in the hospital.

Please know our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Sunshine Committee



TROPICAL PARK HURRICANE STALLS

Yes, Hurricane Season is almost here and following are a few things to consider. When a Hurricane Watch goes into effect, the barn manager, Pablo Tejada, 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. Please call him either way at 305-554-7334 and leave a message.

Your reservation fee per stall is \$26.00. This reserves a stall for the 2013 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 \$26.00 to re-reserve your stall for the remainder of the 2013 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, 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 cleaned before leaving or an additional charge per stall will be applied and you will be unable to reserve stalls in the future.

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

Have a great uneventful summer!

Debi Catarineau-Priest
305.274.7484



AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

Robert Averitt
Al Griffin
Roy Pressman
Sue Reamer
Jesus Gutierrez
Jorge Almeida
Diana Smith
Melanie Adams
Mayra Vasallo
Laura Farnsworth
Alfred Gonzalez
Patti Fehr

Modesta Iturrey
Ronald Pfau
Donna Hakanson
Philis Edelman
Felix Diaz
Norbert Perets
Bill Goodwin
Yanes Marcela Munera



13TH ANNUAL BREAST CANCER AWARENESS TRAIL RIDE

The Levy County Horse Club presents the 13th annual Breast Cancer Awareness Trail Ride at Tidewater Trailhead in the Goethe State Forest located at the south end of CR 337 in conjunction with Forest Awareness Month and Greenways and Trail Month. To be held on **October 19, 2013**, with registration beginning at 8:00 a.m. for a \$25 fee per rider. Starting with a poker ride at 9:00 a.m. for \$10.00 fee per hand, you'll ride at your own pace. Lunch free with registration, or available for \$6, includes choice of BBQ or Lemon Pepper Pork with green beans & potatoes, whole kernel corn, rolls, dessert and a drink. Lunch followed by fun raffles. Also, prize for best "dressed up" breast cancer themed horse and rider for those whom wish to participate.

You can come out and be part of this benefit, even if you're not bringing a horse. The GPS address for the event is at Tidewater Trail Head in the Goethe State Forest at 12550 SE 137th Street, Dunnellon, FL 34431.

Overnight primitive camping is available for those coming in on Friday or staying over till Sunday. Water for horses, and bathroom facilities available. NO Hunting weekend with trail use and camp fees waived for this benefit event. Coggins required. All donations go to benefit local breast cancer patients with one-hundred percent of the proceeds going into an account that is administered by the Shands Cancer Center. These funds are used for unreimbursed patient needs.

For your registration or more information please check our web page at www.levycountyhorseclub.com or email levy2@flahorse.com

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Come Join Us!

What: FREEDOM WALK

When: September 7, 2013

Why: To Reflect on 9/11

WHAT IS THE FREEDOM WALK?

The Freedom Walk is an approximately 2 mile walk to remember the victims of the September 11th 2001 attacks on the Pentagon, the Twin Towers and flight 93 over Pennsylvania and support the many men and women in uniform, past and present, who protect our freedom.

COME AND JOIN THE FUN!

9:00...REGISTRATION (FREE)

9:30.....REFLECTION PROGRAM

10:00.....WALK, RUN, JOG, RIDE and WHEEL

11:00.....Lunch for participants

Stick around and watch the UM/Florida Game with us!

APPLY FOR YOUR COGGIN'S CARD

Get an E-card to keep in your wallet or on your saddle. This looks like a credit card with a picture of your horse and all the coggins info. This link is the application.

<http://www.freshfromflorida.com/onestop/forms/09206.pdf>

**EQUINE LAND CONSERVATION
RESOURCE**

Horse lands are important to our American landscape. Horse lands and facilities evoke the history and culture of their particular communities and add beauty to our byways. They also have an important environmental impact, helping to protect our waterways, soil and wildlife habitat, and improve the wellbeing of our communities. Not only does the land support local tourism and recreation, it also supports a vital equine industry that contributes \$102 billion annually to our national economy.

Here are some other important facts to consider: Alarming, 6,000 acres per day, or 250 acres per hour, of open space is lost to development every day in the U.S. Furthermore, it takes 36 million acres of land just to feed our nation's current population of 9 million horses. If we continue on our current path, we will lack adequate land to support our horse population in as little as 15 years! Land loss remains the single biggest threat to all equine breeds and disciplines and the equine industry at large regardless of their geography.

The good news is that much of this land can be saved through smart land planning, land conservation and thoughtful stewardship of the horse lands we have now. What can horsemen, land owners and other concerned community members do? Understanding the facts and learning to articulate them is the first step. Organizing other equestrians, and talking to planning and other local decision makers will help make horse lands an integral part of your city, town, suburb or rural community.

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May 2014

CLASSICAL DRESSAGE CLINIC

September 11 - 15 2013

Winding Paths Equestrian is hosting a Classical Dressage Clinic. Clinician: Sarah Jane Clarke from Andalusia, Spain.

To sign up for your riding session with Sarah Jane email:

jenhallen@gmail.com or call 305 926 8239.

Sarah-Jane Clarke BIO

Sarah-Jane Clarke is an International Instructor of Classical Riding based near Jerez in Rota, Spain. From her base in Andalusia, Sarah-Jane offers courses to students on her own trained team of Purebred Spanish horses, helping students to achieve a true connection with horses through soft riding and clear communication based on Classical principles. Internationally, she is asked to provide regular instruction along similar lines in the Netherlands, Germany and Finland.

Originally from Suffolk in the United Kingdom, Sarah-Jane completed her degree in Equine Science at Aberystwyth University, Wales, while competing in dressage competitions on the UK circuit for many years. She went on to manage several dressage operations across Europe and in Spain studied at the Royal Spanish Riding School in Jerez. Sarah-Jane is the owner of Elite Andalusians, specializing in the sale and promotion of the Purebred Spanish horse. Sarah-Jane is currently offering the final segment (connecting with horses through soft-riding) of the three-part international course "The Journey into the Horse's World", alongside Piet Nibbelink of the Netherlands (a Natural Horsemanship Clinician) and Judy Cross-Strehlke of Dover-Foxcroft, Maine (a Level IV Advanced Centered Riding Clinician). For more information on the course, go to Sarah-Jane's website at www.elite-andalusians.com/a-journey-into-the-horses-world or write to her at sarahjane.clarke@yahoo.es.



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SFTR FACEBOOK PAGE

By *Manny Alvarez*

Fellow Trail Riders, August 5 was my last day as administrator of the SFTR Facebook page.

I'm also stepping down as Chairman of the Public Relations Committee.

I want to thank all the readers who helped me make it a truly informative and entertaining page. There is no other horse club with a better Facebook page and I'm proud to have nurtured it from the start.

The page is now run by Art Chiong, Andrea Sante, and SFTR President Mike Maldonado.

I will continue to work on other SFTR projects. If you need to contact me you can still do it at my personal FB page or you can e-mail me at redlandtrail@aol.com.

My best regards to all of you. Hope to see you on the trail.

NATIONAL DAY OF THE COWBOY

Our special day has always had a few obstacles. It's in the summer, heat and rain are normal and expected. To avoid these two acts of nature we start early which is a challenge in itself, get up very early to feed, plan and execute your best cowboy outfit and trailer to the venue, uhg!

To complicate matters, Deda has included her very talented quilting groups with beautiful cowboy quilts. This has added a new dimension, the last few years it's been outdoors so quilters had to be brave to expose their artwork.

Well, it all came together at the Redland Fruit and Spice Park. The weather was perfect as it could be, hot but perfect. the venue had it all; a big shady area with hitching posts for the horses, a very nice area to ride in and an air-conditioned room for the quilters, it was a fantastic venue.

A huge thank you the art quilters that not only supplied the talent but came out to set up, break down and show their enthusiasm for our celebration of the cowboy culture.

Ben Kroner demonstrated his close to 50 years of experience as a master farrier and a lifetime friend of horses and man. Thank you Ben.

Our best outfits went to Bill Guzman , Tatiana Calas, and a tie for cowpoke to Veronica and Rebecca, Jose and Maria's granddaughters. I also want to thank our very dedicated and knowledgeable judges, Ralph West and John Wilcox .

Our prizes were Gift certificates from our very generous local feed & country stores, Sunset Country and Western, Robbie's Feed and Silver Palm Feed and Supplies.

We also had a very special surprise from our friend and judge Ralph West who handcrafted a beautiful engraved silver slide as prizes to our cowboy and cowgirl. He is a true craftsman in the cowboy tradition.

This day recognizes the part that cowboys have played in our history, but more important it give us a chance to see that cowboy character, culture and tradition is still alive and well in our modern day cowboys and cowgirls and coming up in the next generation of cowpokes.

Thanks to you all for enjoying it with us, *Mike M.*



THE GOOD FOOT AT A GLANCE...

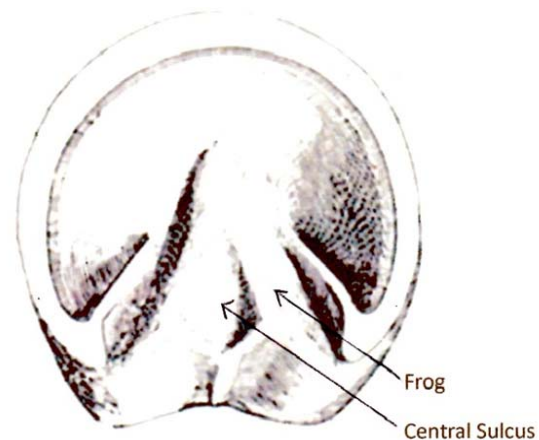
Article 4: The Frog

This is the fourth in a series of articles about the visible anatomy of the equine hoof. Each horse is unique so the descriptions will be basic and generally thought to be acceptable by veterinarians, farriers, and barefoot trimmers. This is meant to be a guideline to help you recognize a good foot or a potential problem. I am a barefoot enthusiast with nine barefoot horses and am currently enrolled in a yearlong course on applied equine podiatry. The articles are edited by Zachary Franklin, DVM.

Definition of Frog: The frog is a wedge shaped mass, a triangular pad of soft elastic horn, which occupies the area between the bars at the back of the sole. The central sulcus is the inner crease of the frog, located centrally in the back half of the frog, about the size of a tangerine segment.

The frog should be centered in the foot. A wide substantial frog is considered more suitable. When the foot is functioning properly, the frog will shed or be exfoliated evenly. The width of the frog should be at least 50 to 67% of the length of the frog. The height should not exceed ¼ inch above the live sole at the widest part of the foot. The central sulcus should be shallow with no evidence of infection. A deep central sulcus is unhealthy and is evidence of a weak frog and possibly thrush. To function properly the frog should be healthy, full and firm to the touch (not full of holes and cracks), and free of thrush. The frog should contact the ground while standing and during the weight bearing portion of the stride. The frog is one of the most important structures of the foot. A healthy frog provides the stimulus for healthy growth of the collateral cartilage, digital cushion, bars, and angle of the bars; and aids blood circulation within the hoof.

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3. J. DeLaRiva	10. D. Perets	17. D. East	24. B. Pujol
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Barn B (East Side)

25. R. Pressman	32. C. McCue	39. B. Joplin	46. K. Cunningham
26. R. Pressman	33. C. McCue	40. B. Joplin	47. K. Cunningham
27. R. Pressman	34. B. Joplin	41. B. Joplin	48.
28. R. Pressman	35. B. Joplin	42. B. Joplin	
29. R. Pressman	36. B. Joplin	43. B. Joplin	
30. C. Gonzalez	37. B. Joplin	44. D. Silva	
31. C. Gonzalez	38. B. Joplin	45. D. Silva	

Barn C (West side)

1. L. Dowd	8. N. Little	15.	22.
2. T. Hearn	9. N. Little	16.	23.
3. T. Hearn	10. N. Little	17.	24.
4. C. Furtak	11.	18.	25.
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Check your stall numbers as they might have changed since the last publication.

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9-11 BY THE NUMBERS

By Manny Alvarez

9-11 is a number that will forever be ingrained in our collective memories for the rest of our lifetime. No one can forget the terror, pain, and suffering that resulted from the cowardly attack perpetrated by the enemies of freedom and democracy. As we approach the 12th anniversary of the attack on America following are some other numbers to reflect on besides the numbers 9-11.

- 2,977- Total number of victims, including the 246 victims in the four planes.
- 343- Firefighters and paramedics killed, including one chaplain.
- 23- N.Y. Police officers killed.
- 37- N.Y. Port Authority police killed.
- 1,717- Families that did not get remains of their loved ones.
- 1,609- Lost a husband, wife, or partner.
- 3,051- Children who lost a parent.
- 125- Died in the Pentagon. Fifty five (55) of them members of the military.
- 200- Jumped to their deaths or fell from the burning Twin Towers.
- 98- Fire trucks and other rescue vehicles destroyed.
- 99- Days that the Towers continued to burn.

So please join us on September 7 for the Annual Freedom Walk in Remembrance of the victims of 9-11 and their surviving family members. The walk is a short 2 miles. Horses are welcome, SFTR riders are requested to wear blue jeans, white shirts, and red bandanas (or wild rag) or American Flag bandanas. The first 25 SFTR members to check-in will receive a free American Flag bandana.

Strollers, wheel chairs and bikes are also allowed. There will be plenty of cold drinks along the way. The event is free and includes lunch.

This event is organized every year by the Ladies Auxiliary to the Arrant- Smith Post 4127 of the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW).

Please see the flyer elsewhere in this issue for all the details including day and time. If you want to carry a flag please contact my co-Trail Boss SFTR President Mike Maldonado.



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PARADE TEAM NEWS

TO ALL SOUTH FLORIDA PARADE MEMBERS:

Thank you all who were able to attend the 4th of July Parade as it was a HOT day, but the horses did great... We had a wonderful parade as we had 9 riders, 2 members walking with the banner, 2 ground walkers & of course our wonderful pooper scoopers, John & Sonny... Cathy & Bonnie rode in the truck due to being incapacitated (We wish them a quick recovery as we missed Bonnie taking pictures & Cathy on her Black & White paint "Dakota").

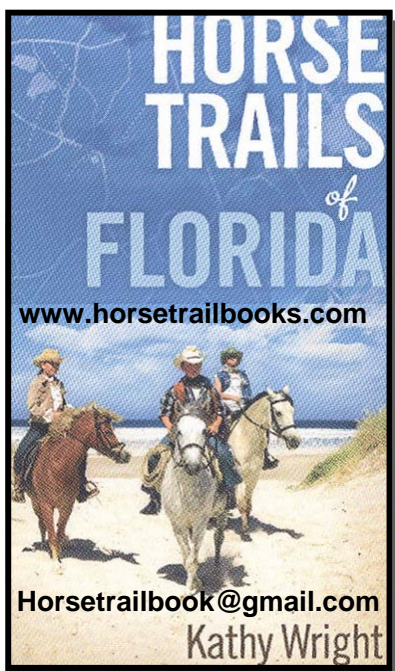
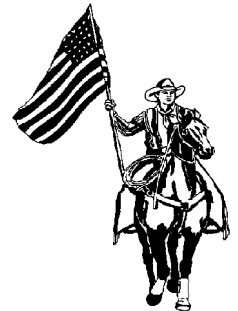
We had a new member that joined the Parade Team "Dave" & he did a great job "WELCOME DAVE" we look forward to seeing you at upcoming parades...

After the horses were cooled down & we were back to our area where all the trailers were at, we had a wonderful lunch of fried chicken & watermelon...AND a great time talking with the Parade Team...

My husband & I was asked when will the parade practice be reschedule & it will be reschedule as soon as Richard gets the release from his surgeon (as he still isn't allow on his horse as yet)...I am hoping for August or September as the next parade is the Veterans Day Parade on Monday, 11/11 & remember this will be a open parade...SFTR Parade Members are to be in full uniform & will be in the front & members not in uniforms are to be in Black Pants, white shirt, dark boots, straw hat & dark tack & will ride behind the parade team...look forward to seeing everyone...

Please any questions regarding the upcoming parades, call us or email Take Care & Thanks again!!!

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Here is your opportunity to get to know the author and his work better as Smith's son, Rick, takes the stage to delight audiences with a multimedia show about his father and the extraordinary experiences he had which enabled him to write with such authority of Florida pioneers, the Seminoles, migrant workers, “river rats” of Mississippi, the social injustices of the South and the challenges of the present.

The show first toured in Florida for 18 days in January, 2013 to packed audiences. “I honestly didn't know if anyone would come to my presentations,” Rick Smith says. “I had never done this sort of thing before and was absolutely amazed to see people pouring in the door at every single public venue. We had a full house every time and several places had to turn people away. It is a great tribute to my father, Patrick Smith, and the popularity of his books, especially A Land Remembered.”

“I describe this as a show, not a talk or a lecture,” Rick says. “The presentation consists of videos, photos, artwork, music and sound effects. I narrate it live throughout. I make it visually stimulating and throw in a joke or two for good measure. My first goal was to make it entertaining. One man in the audience said he had spent his life in media production and that this was the finest example of visual storytelling he had ever seen. That meant a lot to me.”

The SFTR will have this show on Nov. 10th Sunday at 2:00PM. South Miami / Coral Gables Elks Club. 6304 SW 78 Street. Miami, Florida



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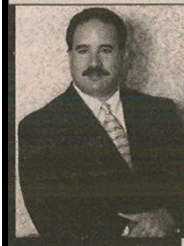
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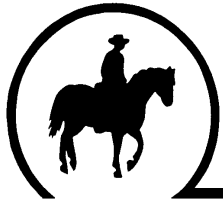
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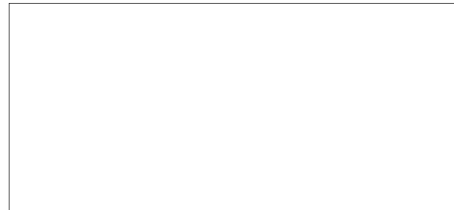
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