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Program narrative report for 2008

January, February, March

Horses spent at Purcellville, at farm of Sam and Theresa Grant, free of charge, field boarded three horses (Spirit, Infinity, Colby Dylan)

Assets from Great Falls moved to Davorka Suvak's home.

Three months spent in effort to find a space to continue program activities, administrative activities related to report (narrative and financial) about previous year 2008.

Thanks to Hedy Glen, we met CPA Mr Mike Smith who provided professional service related to IRS and financial reports

April

Moved two horses (Infinity, Colby Dylan) from Purcellville to property nearby Frying Pan Park, managed by Leslie Painter and Dan Darlimple. Spirit the mare has been moved to Becky Trisdale, farm Green Carpets, Leesburg.

Spirit Program activities started with public presentation, and continued thru the year 3-4 times a week.

May , June, July, August, September...

In May Spirit the mare had to be moved to Carina Elgrin's farm at Middleburg (free of charge).

Spirit Program started period of intensive growth and success at FPP. New riders, volunteers, instructors in training (3) came to Spirit. We had occasional help of Whitney Fitzgerald, PT, hippo

therapist, and Colleen Zanin, OT, hippo therapist. We served between 20 and 30 students a week, working in some periods up to 5 days a week.

Two articles in Fairfax Times and Fauquier Examiner (in attachment) about Spirit have been published and created very good credit in Fairfax and Herndon community.

We use to rent additional mare, Shadow, and borrowed pony Harmony in this period.

October, November, December

Spirit the mare have been moved to Louise Peterson farm at Haymarket where she spent rest of her life (until January 20th), free of charge.

Program activities slowed down. Weather condition, school schedule cut our lessons again to less than 20 riders a week. We used indoor ring, and kept program activities for less sensitive riders without longer brake.

December 20th, we did very successful public presentation in indoor facility of FPP, with almost 20 horses, (with three our – Spirit the mare, Colby Dylan and Infinity), 20 Spirit riders, and lot of guests and friends from equestrian community.

In 2008 we realized lesson 450 hours, for total 39 riders, with 50 volunteers.

Boarding cost, instructors payment, insurance, were the biggest expenses we had.

Special donors in 2008 were:

- Courtney King (in memory of Joan Z King) \$10.000,00, + \$1,250.00
- Bacas Family Foundation \$5,000.00
- Washington Forrest Foundation \$5,000.00

Detailed financial report for 2008 is provided by Mike Smith, CPA.

Davorka Suvak