Reining Horse Foundation

More Good Things Ahead

eople find meaning through involvement with the Reining Horse Foundation for different reasons. Some are drawn to the opportunity to help fellow reiners through the Dale Wilkinson Memorial Crisis Fund. Others get excited about impacting future generations through RHF scholarships and youth programs. Several hundred people have experienced the joy of receiving those scholarships or crisis fund grants. Other reiners have served in leadership roles as RHF Board members and donors. Still more help perpetuate our sport's history through the NRHA Hall of Fame. All of these are ways to find meaning through RHF.

We're hearing from more and more of you about this exciting time to support your Foundation. You're rolling up your sleeves, getting things done, and making it fun in the process. The California Reining Horse Association (CRHA) recently held a used tack sale. Reiners picked up gear at bargain prices, and CRHA donated \$2,172 to the Crisis Fund.

At press time, the Bill Bradley Reining Classic at the Kentucky Horse Park had just concluded, and the reports we received were uplifting. This reining, held July 3–7, was spearheaded by Cappy Dryden with help from Shannon Rafacz and a host of others to honor Bill, a founding RHF donor who impacted many lives. It was touching to learn that a quilt created by Robin Phillips in Bill's memory was auctioned off during the show to benefit RHF. Robin and her daughter Laura Schoeller donated the piece, Beth Himes purchased it for \$1,500, and the impact kept growing as the purchase amount was matched, and the blanket was donated to Bill's family. Stories like this one demonstrate the depth of community among our reining family.

What's next? We invite you to attend Sliders' Night Out, a fundraiser to benefit RHF, on December 4. Last year, more than 300 people from diverse sections of our sport came together for this night to celebrate the sport of reining. It's a charitable fundraiser that'll allow our impact to keep growing in coming years. While attending costs more than a casual night out, we believe the cause is worth the expense. Last year's event raised nearly \$50,000, and the RHF Board believes we can do even more this year. Thanks to John and Nancy Tague's Toyon Ranch for being the presenting donor and to many others who've already pledged their support.

To find out how you can make an impact through RHF, contact an RHF Board member or reach out to director Leslie Baker at **lbaker@nrha.com**. Together, we'll find a way for you to play a part in continuing the momentum of your growing nonprofit. The rush you get from reining multiplies through involvement in RHF! �





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