

Mane Stream eCurrent

Unbridled Possibilities for Children & Adults with Special Needs

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The Survey Says...

Para Dressage at Wellington, FL

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We're seeking tack donations

Mane Stream

Adaptive Horsemanship & Equine Assisted Therapies

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The BIGGEST Bash of the year! Boot Scootin' BBQ



Once again, Fred Whaley will be providing a sumptuous old-fashioned country-style BBQ with all the fixin's, including some new side salads and a fun station for dessert!

Add to that, rockin' music with an even BIGGER dance floor so you can get down and learn a few line dances. Of course you won't want to miss out on the diverse selection of silent auction items.

And since CORNHOLE is such a hit we will make sure to have several sets to accommodate everyone. Interested in seeing what last year's event looked like? Take a look at the BBO Gallery.

Volunteer Corner

Self Scheduling Coming SOON!

Have you ever wanted to see what volunteer slots are open?

Have you ever found yourself with a free afternoon and thought I'd like to volunteer at Mane Stream?

This technology will soon be available on Volgistics so check it out!!

Follow these Instructions

Have You

Consider a sponsorship package to reserve seating for you and your friends. Find Out How

Thanks for your feedback! Volunteer Annual Survey Results

Our Volunteer Coordinator, Emily Seguine, sent out the first Mane Stream Volunteer Feedback Survey at the beginning of the year & the results are in! The thoughtful time volunteers spent replying will help improve your volunteer experience at Mane Stream.

We are using your feedback to address four main concerns:

- 1. A list of additional barn tasks
- 2. Someone to help direct those assignments
- 3. Online viewing of volunteer session sign ups & available sub spots
- 4. Volunteer advancement/educational clinics

We also want to thank everyone who has remembered to:

- 1. **Be flexible!** It's necessary as a Mane Stream Volunteer to be flexible. Clients cancel at the last minute and we try to cancel you ASAP because we truly don't want to waste your time.
- 2. **Update your profile!** Updating the "communication options" makes it easier for us to contact you regarding cancellations and time changes.
- 3. Let us know exactly what programs you want to volunteer for!

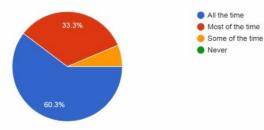
Please note that Emily will continue to communicate mostly by emails and phone calls. If you'd like to receive text messages make sure you opt in and we'll be starting this service in the next couple of months. Emily, the instructors & therapists and all the Mane Stream staff are always available if you'd like to provide feedback in person.

Thank you again for taking the time to share your thoughts! Look for the changes in 2017.

As a volunteer, did you feel you were making a worthwhile contribution to Mane Stream's program goals?

(63 responses)

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Updated Your Profile Yet?

- 1. Update your availability
 - 2. Opt in to get text messages
 - 3. Check out your total service hours
- 4. Opt in to receive General Communication & Assignment Cancellations
 - 5. Add a profile pict to help us learn your name faster!
 - 6. Add your t-shirt size!

Get started NOW and then save this link so YOU can update frequently.



Click here to log in.

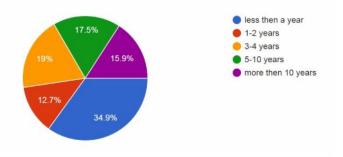
Volunteer Birthdays



Happy Birthday!

Meghan Callahan 2/10
Jim Phinney 2/10
Carol Lipman 2/12
Paige Nazzaro 2/12
Sydney Harvey 2/13
Denise Hewitt 2/13
Ashley Li Brizzi 2/14
Shannon Pyle 2/17
Joan Mruk 2/18
Lindsay Southard 2/18
Samantha Heyman 2/19
Barbara Burke 2/20
Piper Sheldon 2/26
Annie Glass 2/26

How long have you been volunteering at Mane Stream? (63 responses)



Adequan Global Dressage Festival Mane Stream Sponsors Para Dressage



Adequan Global Dressage Festival is in full swing! The first week of the Para Dressage competition ran from January 20-22 and thanks to Rowan O'Riley of Fair Sky Farm, Mane Stream is a sponsor for the second year in a row.

Once again, Equine Manager, Jen Dermody and PATH Instructor, Kelly Champion Tambasco were onsite for award ceremonies and help to spread the word about Mane Stream.

You can see photos from their visit on <u>Facebook</u> OR <u>Current Happenings</u>



PerformCare and NJ DDD Approved! Summer Day Camp



Mane Stream hosts an inclusive summer day camp for children with special needs, their siblings, and their typically developing peers where activities are tailored to each camper's individual needs while an excellent introduction to horses and riding in a safe and secure environment.

Back again this year for the horse crazy

Carly Severini 2/27

Make sure to say Happy Birthday when you see someone.

DONATE Your Sneakers



Keep the Mane Stream Herd in Shoes All Summer Long

DONATE YOUR SNEAKERS

(or any shoes really)
From now until
March 15, 2017
Mane Stream will receive
\$1.00 per pound for all
SNEAKERS collected.

(All other styles of shoes donated at this time will bring in the usual \$.50 per pound.)

Start a Shoe Drive at Your School, Church, Gym, Library, etc.

> Shoe Drive Sign and What We Accept

We need your help sorting & boxing!

Please Contact If Interested! volunteer@manestreamnj.org

Seeking Tack & More



YOUR TACK GIVES BACK!

We are accepting everything from saddles to anything

person in your family...2 weeks of HORSES, HORSES, AND MORE HORSES!

JUNE 19 - AUGUST 18, 2017

7/31 - 8/4 is FREE for children of veterans...help spread the word!

8 week-long sessions from 9AM to 2PM Monday-Friday extended hours available for a nominal fee (for children 4 years and older, each session is limited to 10 campers per week)

RECEIVE A \$25 DISCOUNT
FOR SIBLINGS, MULTIPLE WEEKS,
OPEN HOUSE ATTENDANCE OR REFERRALS

Find Out More

Looking for a Summer Internship? Summer Day Camp Needs YOU!

Mane Stream loves to work with motivated and enthusiastic teens and young adults!
CITs (14-18yrs.) & Summer Interns (19+)



We are looking for volunteer Counselors in Training and Interns to help us this summer at camp. Applicants should be flexible, self-motivated, mature, interested in horses and in working with our diverse group of campers. CITs will spend their time working directly with our campers helping to ensure that our camp program is successful. This group of leaders will collaborate with camp staff to develop activities for campers and will help organize and manage other program volunteers.

Summer interns can choose from a variety of assignments including working with Summer Camp, Therapy Services, Adaptive Riding, Farm & Equine Management, Office (Administrative/Marketing/Development), and Volunteer Management. Interns should be able to take direction and be able to work with that direction to project completion. This is a professional work environment with a light hearted culture. Those interns who are able to see a challenge or opportunity and jump in with a solution without being asked will be a huge asset to Mane Stream. We pride ourselves on team work, adaptability and "making it work" with what we have available.

Who do we accept?

For our new CIT program we are looking for 14-18 year olds. To be an intern you must be 19+ years old and can be in college, graduate school, or looking for a career change. An internship at Mane Stream provides a chance to personally develop and explore career possibilities.

What's Your Commitment?

8 week-long sessions from 8:30AM to 2:30PM Monday-Friday. Come for a couple weeks or the whole 8 weeks!

Find Out More

horse related to benefit our equine assisted therapy and adaptive riding programs.

If you have any questions, please contact holland@manestreamnj.org

Remember to ask for a form for your tax deduction.

HELP SPREAD THE WORD!

Seeking Tack Donations Flyer

Print and post at your barn, school, church, gym, etc.



An equine assisted activities program for those living with, recovering from, and living life after cancer.

Relax...strengthen...focus your mind & body (Signup before February 20th)

"Take the Reins" for Veterans

Learn new skills while you reduce stress, make friendships and help others. **Challenge yourself!** (Signup before April 10th)

Share this eNewsletter

Help us find participants who could benefit from these programs by sharing with your friends. Thank you!

