

THE SIXTH ANNUAL HEROES AND HORSES JEWELS & JEANS GALA

Sat Sept 27, 2014 * 5:00 pm Hosted Cocktails * 6:00 Dinner, Auction, Entertainment

Sponsorship Information

Through NCEFT's gates, special things happen every day. For instance when a patient, balanced on the back of a strong horse, spreads an infectious smile to every team member working in the arena. The rider is special. He is a Veteran who served our country valiantly, yet due to the effects of military service cannot walk without assistance. Or she is a child whose mobility is limited by cerebral palsy or whose ability to communicate is bounded by autism. The horse is special. He is a highly trained, patient therapy horse who innately understands that the person on his back needs and deserves extra attention. The therapists and volunteers leading the session are special. Their clinical training and skilled team approach to each session results in measureable progress with every patient, every day.

How are these special things possible?

Physicians will tell you it is the effects of brain elasticity. Therapists will say it is the carefully orchestrated use of the horse's movement in relation to the patient's body. Adaptive riding instructors will remark on the empathetic relationship between the horse and rider that overcomes so many obstacles.

We can tell you it is because every day at NCEFT we make a positive impact on the lives of those living with disabilities. For over 40 years, NCEFT has been dedicated to helping Bay Area children, adults and Veterans with disabilities reach beyond their boundaries through equine-assisted therapies, education and research.

Yet these special things are only possible with your help. We cordially invite you to the 6th Annual Heroes and Horses, Jewels & Jeans Gala on Saturday, September 27, 2014. Our Gala has become a premier, much-anticipated local event attended by several hundred of NCEFT's strongest supporters.

Please support NCEFT by becoming a Gala Sponsor or Underwriter. This is our most important fundraiser of the year, and your assistance is critical to our ongoing success. We have attached a patron form describing the different levels of sponsorship and underwriting opportunities available for this one-of-a-kind event. The Gala is an ideal place to showcase and promote your business to NCEFT's patron community as well as support a great cause.

Your patronage will underwrite our Veterans Program, support scholarships for families with limited income, and provide feed, bedding, and veterinary care for our equine healers. Your help will make a real difference in the lives of people with disabilities, and we look forward to following up with you about this request.

Be part of the very special transformations that take place through the gates of NCEFT.

Sincerely,


Casey Terribilini, Susan Lang, Dee Tolles, Larry Pelzner, Wayne Browning, Nancy Collins, Bruce Fielding, Paul Baurlich, Budd Colby, Chris Dunn, Peter Caraher, Gari Merendino
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