

Hestóvin Hoofbeats

WE BELIEVE IN THE POWER OF THE HORSE TO TEACH, INSPIRE AND HEAL.



LEAVES ARE FALLING, AUTUMN IS CALLING HAVE YOU MISSED THE HESTÓVIN HOOFBEATS?

It's been a while since you have heard from the Hestóvin Hoofbeats. We were up to our withers in planning for our first major fundraiser. Our Tólt and Sold! Auction was September 22, 2023! We worked very hard on the auction every day from January 2 right up to 5:30pm September 22, all the while still providing therapeutic riding lessons, on-ground lessons and monthly Read-to-a-Horse afternoons. October 10 marks our first anniversary of opening Hestóvin Stables Therapeutic Riding Center! Glance through the brief bullet points on the next page to see some of the things that happened over the last four months! This first year has been astonishing! I have appreciated very much your wonderfully kind and encouraging notes, texts, calls and face to face conversations!



Laura Huizenga

HORSE AND TREATS

Costumed kiddos spending a beautiful fall day with the horses, drinking cider and eating donuts - that's a fun Fall Festival!



GLÓA AND JÖRDA
Best Friends



HORSE AND TREAT
October 28,
11:00am-12:30pm



FURRY FRIENDSGIVING
November 18
10:00am-11:30am

REGISTER FOR
UPCOMING EVENTS AT
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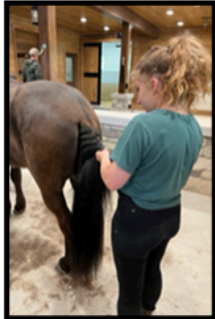
THE "WERD" FROM THE HERD

We welcomed a new Icelandic to our Hestóvin Stables! Fjördur, nicknamed Jörda, joined the herd family on July 7! Jörda is a 14 years old black and white pinto. She has adapted well to her new home and is very happy to be part of a new herd. We asked Jordan Brassier, a Natural Horsemanship Professional from Belding to come to the farm to nudged the herd to put their best hoofs forward and embrace Jörda. Jörda and Glóa are best friends! We were the Four Musketeers and now we are the Fantastical Five!



HIGHLIGHTS OF THE PAST FOUR MONTHS - MANY "FIRSTS"

Our Intern: Chloe Bartlett joined us this summer as our **first-ever** intern! Chloe is a student at Lake Erie College in Painesville, Ohio. Chloe came to work, and work she did! She brought great ideas, perspectives, and energy to the barn. Chloe was put to work in all areas of the stables: horse care, training, side walking, and riding, barn chores, barn management, administrative responsibilities, and auction planning. She wowed us all with her special gift of mane and tail braiding/weaving! We wish her all the best in her last year of school.



VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION PICNIC

We've said it before and we will say it again! And again and again! Our volunteers are an important part of the heartbeat of Hestóvin Stables. As a small token of our gratitude

we hosted our **first** Appreciation Picnic.

Volunteer



ELECTRIC FENCE

The grass is always greener on the other side of the fence, (or so thought the Icys!) until we installed an electric fence that would keep them grounded, meaning on OUR grounds! As much as our across-the-street neighbors delighted in the brief surprise of a visit or two from the horses, the electric fence put a stop to those visits and helped the horses to know our grass is just as green as the grass is on the other side of East Paris! All tongue-in-cheek reflections aside, the safety of our horses as well as the safety of our neighborhood is of the utmost importance to us. Having the electric fence that sets boundaries for our horses is one way we ensure their safety and make sure we are being good neighbors.



NEW MERCHANDISE

We have new t-shirts in fun colors: purple, teal, turquoise and more. Please stop by the office to take a look. We know that the horses love seeing our riders in Hestóvin swag!



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Have you heard of "PLALKING"? It really is a 'thing'! It means: walking while picking up trash - **PL** (Picking up Litter) + **wALKING** = plalking. We care about our environment and strive to maintain the natural beauty of our property. We do a fantastic job of picking up the 'road apples' in our pastures! But since East Paris Ave abuts our property we find many foreign items (ie: soda cans,

paper trash, plastic bags) on the property near the road. How about coming to the farm to **PLALK**? You can help Hestóvin Stables be free of litter and debris that find their way onto our property **AND** get your steps in **AND** a dose of your vitamin D!

Be a trend-setter! Be a plalker!

Please sign up for as many times as you can commit to, be it once a month, every other week, or weekly.

We will continue this process for as long as the weather allows and tentatively plan to have our last day set for November 15th.



A Cleaner Space for a Happier Place schedule:

Every Wednesday from 4-5 p.m.

October 11th, 18th, 25th

November 1st, 8th, and 15th.



TÖLT AND SOLD! AUCTION SNEAK PEEK SET UP

Photos of the event coming soon to our website and
Facebook page

