

Department Special Project

(Freedom Ride)

Can you win the “Triple Crown”?

Therapeutic riding works its magic with individuals of all ages who suffer with a variety of physical, emotional, and learning impediments. Because horseback riding gently and rhythmically moves the rider's body in a manner similar to a human gait, riders with physical disabilities often show improvement in flexibility, balance and muscle strength. Stretching and grooming exercises further increase control and range of motion. The ability to control a horse as well as one's own body inspires self-confidence, responsibility, and teamwork. Best of all, it is a thoroughly enjoyable experience, which creates a special relationship between rider and horse and promotes personal challenges.

Water Balloon Fight



A Hot Summer Day!

Bring your community together for a water balloon fight! For this simple and inexpensive fundraising idea, you just need to fill a couple hundred water balloons with water. Charge guests an entry fee to the event or per balloon. (Make sure to have adult supervision when children involved, and consent from the family)

Try setting up some competitions, too. Set different teams against one another on the field and offer a small prize for the winners, Get with a local vendor for prizes. You can also go Post against Auxiliary this is always a fun way to bring the members together and get to know each other.

Another great Fundraiser is a “Potluck”, have members make their famous recipe and bring up to the post for judging, offer up a prize to the top 3 winners, although they would receive bragging rights. Ask for an “Entry Fee” to enter the contest, and a donation from the tasters, the tasters would also be the judges. This goes along the way of a “Chili Cookoff”, but with a twist.

Shoe Drive Fundraiser



A shoe drive fundraiser is a super easy way to pull in money for Freedom Rider. Plus, all your supporters need to do is give you gently worn, used and new shoes that they want taken off their hands.

You can partner with [Funds2Orgs](#) to make your shoe drive fundraiser happen. They will help you plan your fundraiser and pick up the shoes that you've collected. Then, they'll send you a check based on the pounds of shoes you sent in.

Or you can have a hog dog and punch day for the community and ask the community to bring up shoes no longer wanted.

This is also a great way to support another program within the Auxiliary, like “Youth”. Shoes go to local families and children in need of them.

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