



SUNFLOWER FARMS

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February 1, 2008

Happy Valentine's Day! This February we welcome nine new horses to Sunflower! In G barn we welcome Aly Senatore, who trains and rides hunter/jumper. She has brought nine new horses with her: Saint, Abracadabra, Blue Chip, Gibson, Tin Tin, Zissou, Abbie, Biscotti, and Lilly. We also have a new boarder in E barn, Catherine Finger with her horse Fish. Welcome to Sunflower Farms!

You may have noticed that two large metal contraptions have appeared behind the feed shed. These are grain silos for two of our most popular feeds, Strategy and Safechoice. We now feed enough of these grains to buy them in bulk, which is more economical and more environmentally sound than buying individual bags. On April 5th, we'll host a feed seminar to discuss the nutritional requirements of horses and how they are met by different feeds - look for more details on the flyers posted in all of the bulletin boards.

We have also begun our laundry service. The washer and dryer in C barn are hooked up, tested, and ready to go. We can wash anything you care to have laundered, including muddy blankets and hairy saddle pads that would get you thrown out of any self-respecting Laundromat. We can safely launder waterproofed sheets and blankets, as well as polos, wraps, and other items that go directly against the horse's skin. The cleaning products we use have been specifically formulated for use on horse gear to make sure that everything that goes through the wash is horse-safe as well as clean. Prices are posted around the barn and in the office.

On February 23rd, Equine chiropractor Mike Buskohl will give a presentation and demonstration, followed by a question and answer session. There is no fee to attend, and food and drinks will be provided. The session is open to all Sunflower boarders who would like to learn a little more about equine chiropractics. For more information, please check out the flyers posted around the barn.

On April 26th and 27th, Sunflower Farms will be hosting our first IDCTA clinic of 2008 with Patty Becker. If you are interested in riding in the clinic, please contact the office. As always, auditors are welcome free of charge.

May 3rd and 4th Sunflower Farms will host a clinic with Carole Grant. Carole represented the United States in the 1982 World Equestrian Games and in the 1983 Pan-Am games, where she brought home two gold medals. She does have spaces available for more riders. Please see the flyers posted around the barns for more information, or contact Erin Cartwright at (847) 334-1391.

Summer camps will be held the second week of June and July, with more dates being added as we get more requests. Please feel free to stop by the office for more information!



**A Hibernian sage
once wrote that there
are three things a man
never forgets: The girl of
his early youth, a devoted
teacher, and a great horse.**

~C.J.J. Mullen