



## SUNFLOWER FARMS

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*December 1, 2008*

Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays! We wish a warm and wonderful holiday season to all of our horses and boarders. Your horses have requested that we send out a reminder that candy canes will be on sale at a very nice discount at your local drugstore by the end of the month.

We will be having a Christmas party for boarders on Sunday, December 14<sup>th</sup>. Please keep an eye out for signs in the barns for further information.

On Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day, and New Year's Day, Sunflower will be closed to boarders, though there will be enough staff here to do all of the usual daily chores. We will also close at 2 PM on Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve.

If you're looking for gift ideas for the horse-crazy child - or adult! - in your life, we do have lesson gift certificates available in the office. You can buy just one, or for a discount there is a package deal available

We have many new horses and riders that have moved into F Barn with new hunter/jumper trainers Becky Zinke and Gretchen Heitman. Stop by and say hi!

The Kim Prince clinic has been re-scheduled for December 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup>.

We will be hosting 3 IDCTA shows next year. They are once again all on

Sundays. Show dates are June 14<sup>th</sup>, July 12<sup>th</sup>, and August 9<sup>th</sup>.

To accommodate the larger number of evening indoor riders during the winter months, we will be dragging Arenas 1 and 2 a second time each day at 2:30. It should only take about 20 minutes to do both arenas. Please plan your ride time accordingly.

This has been mentioned before, but it is especially important in the winter when gates can freeze open overnight and cause serious problems for horses and vehicles: if you bring your horse in from a paddock, please close and latch the gate behind you!

Boarders - if you red tag your own horse, please let us know! Talk to somebody in the office, or call and leave a message. This way, we can make sure that the tag comes off when you want it to and your horse doesn't get left inside for longer than you would like.



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**"It is not enough for a man to know how to ride; he must know how to fall."**

**~ Mexican Proverb**