



SHAMROCK REINS

Annual Fundraiser
September 28, 2019
Spring Mill Manor



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Event Program

- 7:00** Registration Opens
- Master of Ceremonies**
Bob Kelly
- 7:35** Presentation of Colors Chalfont VFW Post 3258
National Anthem sung by Kristen Alderson
Invocation by Tom Brennan
- 7:45** Shamrock Reins Welcome by Janet Brennan
Toast by Tim Wynn, USMC
Buffet Opens
- 8:15** Shamrock Reins Video Presentation
- 8:30** The Reign Band
Irish Thunder Pipes & Drums
Military Tribute at First Band Break
- 10:00** Raffle Sales Close
Winners Selected & Announced
- 11:30** 50/50 Sales
Winner Announced



**Shamrock Reins is a nonprofit 501 (c)(3) Charitable Organization
formed February 10, 2014.**

OUR MISSION

Shamrock Reins and its special horses foster positive life-changing experiences for Veterans, Active Duty & Reserve Service Members, First Responders, their Families, and the Families of Fallen Heroes by assisting with recovery and by offering comfort and kindness in a safe environment.

OUR FACILITY

Shamrock Reins is nestled on 23 acres in historic, scenic Bucks County, Pennsylvania. The facility contains a European style barn with 18 stalls, tack room, a grooming area, lounge, and office. Our horses enjoy fenced in pastures and run-in sheds with plenty of green grass for grazing and spacious open areas for playing with balls and each other. We have 2 round pens for training and conditioning in addition to a large outdoor riding arena. We currently have a capital campaign underway to build a covered outdoor arena. An indoor facility is also planned.

We are a **Safe Haven**, a calm, peaceful, non-threatening, non-confrontational place for our Service Members to heal. All services are provided at no cost to Veterans, Service Members, and their Families. Shamrock Reins relies on public donations to support our programs.



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Our Staff

Janet L. Brennan, Founder & Executive Director

*Vera Dragunas, Program Manager
Equine Specialist &
Advanced Certified TR Instructor*

Dottie Kelly, RN, MA, LPC, Mental Health Therapist

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Instructor-In-Training*

Clara Hendry, Barn Operations Coordinator

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Caitlin Brennan, Administrative Operations Assistant

Our Special Horses

*Irish, Windy, Ebony, Bullet, Dublin, Gus, Shamrock, Lynda,
Tika, Emerald, Paddy, Clancy, Clover, Ruby
Donegal, RIP*

Our Barn Cats

Katie & Gaylord (ret)

Shamrock Reins Programs

Equine Facilitated Psychotherapy

This program is conducted with weekly Sessions involving challenging ground activities with Horses in the arena. Course obstacles are designed which represent the challenges the Participant is facing in his/her daily life. The Participant will work through the obstacles with the Horse helping the Participant to develop valuable transferrable coping skills. These Sessions are conducted by a licensed Therapist with the assistance of an Equine Specialist and Volunteers.

Therapeutic Horsemanship

This program involves a series of sequential Units conducted in weekly Sessions involving both instruction and activities related to Horse Characteristics and Behaviors, Safety, Bonding with the Horse and Grooming, Leading and Ground Work, Desensitizing, Lunging, Mounted Activities, Extreme Obstacle Course, Trail Walking and Riding, and Drill Teams. Sessions are conducted at each individual Participant's pace allowing time for Participant to bond with and form a positive relationship with their Horse. Through the Horse/Participant relationship Participants regain trust, increase self-confidence, increase self-esteem, and increase social skills, all of which assist with gaining valuable coping skills. These Sessions are conducted by a Certified Therapeutic Riding Instructor assisted by Volunteers.

Pre and Post Deployment Sessions

These programs are designed for Active Duty & Reserve Service Members and their Families to provide support in managing and coping with the challenges they face pre and post deployment. Sessions are designed for 1 to 2 days and are flexible to be extended as needed. The Sessions are conducted by a licensed Therapist with the assistance of an Equine Specialist and Volunteers.

Family Support Programs

These programs include a variety of sessions designed to support Families during deployment including Equine Facilitated Psychotherapy and Therapeutic Horsemanship. The Sessions are conducted by a licensed Therapist, Certified Therapeutic Riding Instructors, and Volunteers.

Specialty Workshops

These programs are full-day Equine Facilitated Psychotherapy programs designed to address a specific issue such as Bereavement, Military Sexual Trauma, Anxiety, Trust, Social Detachment and various other targeted issues. These workshops are offered monthly based on interest and are conducted by a licensed Therapist, an Equine Specialist, and Volunteers.

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**THANK YOU to Erling Johansen for our
Event Signage**

HELP BUILD OUR COVERED OUTDOOR ARENA

Inclement weather negatively affects our ability to conduct quality sessions and frequently forces us to cancel sessions and disrupt the healing process. Our Horses know how important their work is and they are sad to miss their sessions with their important Partners, our Veterans, Service Members, First Responders, and their Families. Our Horses have a solution.....
....build a covered outdoor arena! A covered outdoor arena with partial siding and a roof will protect the arena footing and shield our Participants, Horses, Staff, and Volunteers from the sun and inclement weather of rain, ice, and snow.

Please help us meet our goal and raise the necessary funds to build this important structure.

<https://shamrockreins.org/support/capital-campaign/>



Thanks to a very generous Donor, all donations will be matched up to \$200,000.

\$250,000

\$50,076

THANK YOU
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Shamrock Reins greatly appreciates Chapman Ford's donation of this beautiful van! This van enables us to transport our Veterans and Service Members to Shamrock Reins for their Equine Therapy Sessions. We are so very grateful for their support of Shamrock Reins and our Veterans!



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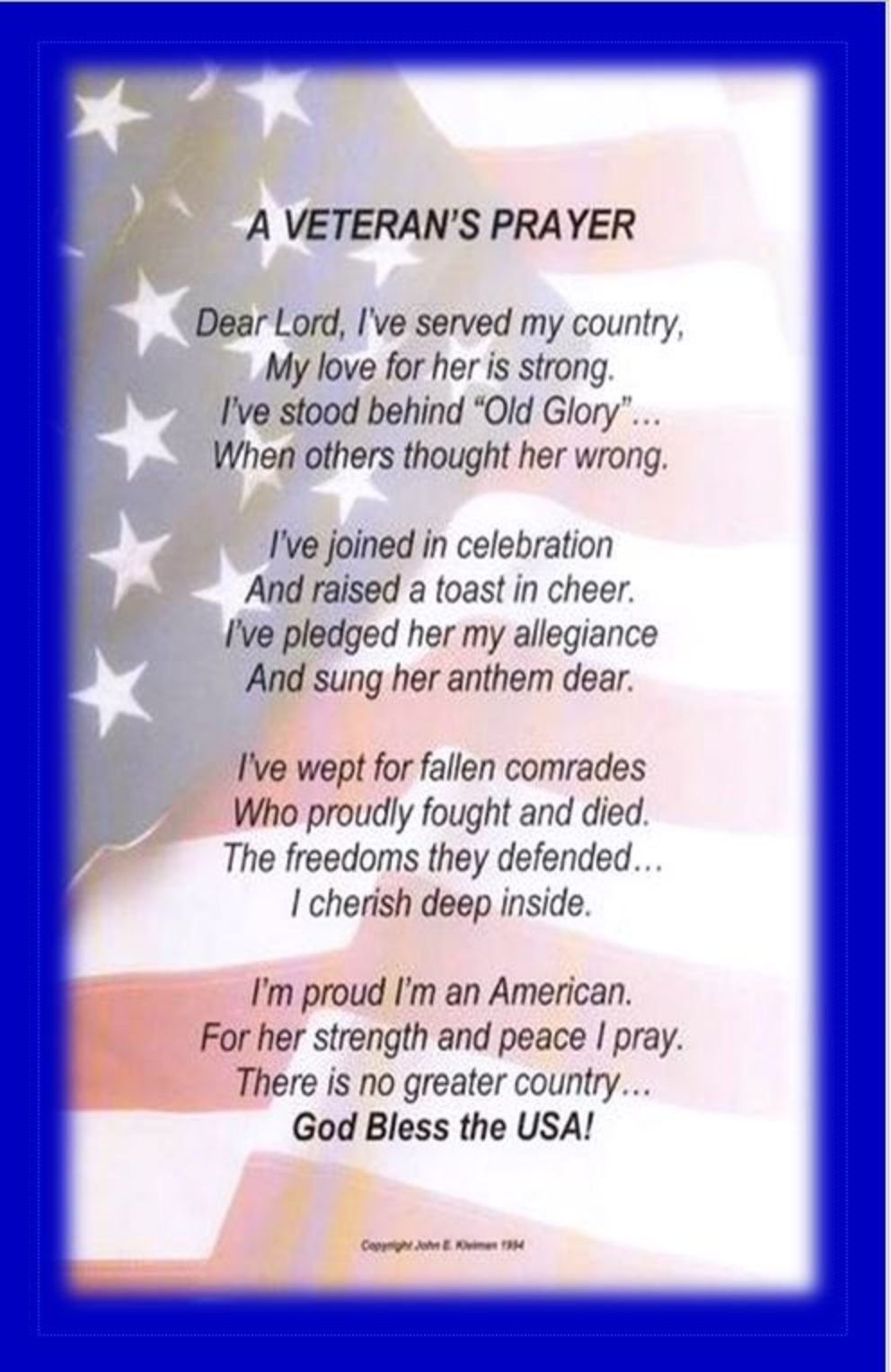
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A VETERAN'S PRAYER

*Dear Lord, I've served my country,
My love for her is strong.
I've stood behind "Old Glory"...
When others thought her wrong.*

*I've joined in celebration
And raised a toast in cheer.
I've pledged her my allegiance
And sung her anthem dear.*

*I've wept for fallen comrades
Who proudly fought and died.
The freedoms they defended...
I cherish deep inside.*

*I'm proud I'm an American.
For her strength and peace I pray.
There is no greater country...
God Bless the USA!*



*Tom & Janet Brennan
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of the Volunteers & Staff of Shamrock Retns
& Their Commitment and Honor
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Many evils untold.
Where dangers do dwell.
May you be guided each day
by your brothers who fell.

May their wings shield your person.
Guiding light on your path.
Standing eyeball to eyeball:
Uncertainty's wrath.

May their clear sight be yours.
Steady breath, yours as well.
Holding steadfast your hand
when you're walking through hell.

May you return safely
to your family each time.
While your brothers eternal
are walking the line.

- Ismael Rosa, II



In Loving Memory of
Doc Donegal Dude

April 9, 2009—August 8, 2019





*“While time will fade
these hoofprints... the
ones left on your heart
will never disappear.”*



Since 01 January 2015

Participants Enrolled: 488

Program Sessions Completed: 3,584

Program Session Hours Completed: 7,993.75

We are currently completing 56 Program Sessions per week, 10-12 Sessions per Day

New Participants Enrolled every Week

20 Suicide Saves



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*For your Continued Support & Collaboration
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A HEARTFELT THANK YOU TO OUR VOLUNTEERS

The programs we provide would not be possible without the countless selfless hours of hard work and dedication of our Volunteers. They give freely of their hearts, souls, and physical selves. We often don't ask, but they give freely. When we do ask, they respond without hesitation. Our Volunteers come from all backgrounds and come with various experience including Veterans, Active Duty & Reserve Military, Family of Service Members, Nurses, Police Officers, Horse People, and many other generous souls.

There are not enough words to express our gratitude. From the bottom of our hearts, we appreciate each of you!

Irish Blessing

*May the road rise up to meet you.
May the wind be always at your back.
May the sun shine warm upon your face, and the
rain fall soft upon your fields.
And until we meet again
May God hold you in the Palm of His hand.*



Missing Man Table

As you entered the banquet hall this evening you may have noticed a round table set for one in a place of honor symbolizing the price of freedom. This table is reserved to honor our missing comrades in arms.

Table Set for One is small, symbolizing the frailty of one isolated prisoner.

Round Table represents everlasting concern for our missing loved ones.

White Tablecloth symbolizes the purity of their intentions when answering their country's call to duty.

Single Red Rose in the Vase signifies the blood that many have shed in sacrifice to ensure the freedom of our beloved United States of America. This rose also reminds us of the family and friends of our missing comrades who keep the faith, while awaiting their return.

The Red Ribbon tied around the vase represents the love of our country, which inspired them to answer the nation's call and our continued determination to account for our missing.

Slice of Lemon on the Bread Plate is to remind us of the bitter fate of the missing.

Salt Sprinkled on the Bread Plate symbolizes of the countless fallen tears of families as they wait.

The Black Napkin represents the emptiness these warriors have left in the hearts of their families and friends.

The Yellow Lit Candle and its Ribbon symbolizes the everlasting light of hope which lives in our hearts to illuminate their way home away from their captors to the open arms of a grateful nation.

Inverted Wine Glass reminds us that our distinguished comrades cannot be with us to drink a toast or join in the festivities of the evening.

The Bible represents the spiritual strength and faith to sustain those lost from our country founded as One Nation Under God.



We Are Forever Grateful