

# Grace Lake Ministries

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## Rider Spotlight

Hanna is a happy, loving, caring young lady who has been riding at Grace Lake for one year. She loves riding Romeo in her group session. Everything about therapeutic riding brings her joy. Riding has also helped her gross motor skills.

Therapeutic horse riding combines body awareness exercises and motor planning to help the students develop stronger motor skills. The vestibular input and rhythmic motion also helps Hanna to focus by calming and organizing the central nervous system.\* Hanna's mother says she enjoys getting to watch Hanna do something she loves.



\*Scott, Naomi. *Special Needs, Special Horses: A Guide to the Benefits of Therapeutic Riding*. (2005: University of North Texas Press)

## The Ideal Therapy Horse

Grace Lake is looking to add another therapy horse to our herd. Please spread the word! If you have a horse that fits the description below, contact Holly Robinson (972)837-4621 or email [director@gracelakeministries.org](mailto:director@gracelakeministries.org). We are interested in horses for sale, donation, and free lease.

**Age:** Ideal age of the horse is 8-18 years of age. There may be



### Important Dates

6/1/21 ~Summer Session Begins

9/23/21~Targets for Christ Skeet Shoot Fundraiser

9/23/21~North Texas Giving Day

[Online Calendar Link](#)



Congratulations, Dr. David Fazzino of Cold Springs Animal Hospital for being awarded PATH Intl. Region 8 Veterinarian of the Year! Dr. Fazzino has been providing excellent discounted care to Grace Lake horses for over 10

exceptions to this.

**Size:** Ideal size of the horse is 15.0 hands or less.

**Temperament:** We need horses that are relaxed and easy to ride. The horse must be willing and tolerant. The horse must be comfortable around wheelchairs, walkers, ramps, cones, beanbags, large balls, and plastic rings.

**Attitude and Manners:** The horse must be calm and unexcitable. The horse must not spook, kick or bite. They must be easy to groom and tack up since they will have different people handling them.

**Conformation:** The horse must have good conformation with a sturdy build. They must be able to support both child and adult. The therapeutic riding horse needs to be able to handle an unbalanced rider without becoming sore in the back.

**Prior training:** Any training resulting in sound, calm, good-natured horses produces horses that are suitable for our riding program. Varied and versatile backgrounds can be indicators of the horse's adaptability.

**Gaits:** The horse needs to have a steady and even walk, trot, canter and be sure-footed.

**Health:** The horse must be free from illness, lameness and skin diseases. The horse must have strong hooves and preferably be able to work without shoes.

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## Save the Date!

The Targets for Christ 2021 Wild West Skeet Shooting Fundraiser, benefiting Grace Lake, will be on Thursday, September 23rd, at Elm Fork Shooting Sports in Dallas, Texas.

Grace Lake is looking for sponsors and teams interested in participating in this skeet shooting fundraiser event. Contact Holly Robinson if you are interested at [director@gracelakeministries.org](mailto:director@gracelakeministries.org) or call (972)837-4621.

years. Thank you, Dr. Fazzino!



Thank you, Marvin Sweetin for the quality hay that you have provided for Grace Lake for many years! We also appreciate your excellent maintenance and care of our trail riding pastures. We are very grateful for your commitment to helping Grace Lake!



Thank you, Jim and Cheryl Stroup! Your beautiful

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# 12th Annual TARGETS FOR CHRIST WILDWEST SHOOTOUT

**BENEFITTING**  
*Grace Lake Ministries*  
 Horses, Hope & Healing.

**Location:**  
 Elm Fork Shooting Sports  
 10751 Luna Road, Dallas, TX 75220

**Schedule:**

12:00-1:00 pm	Registration/Lunch
1:00-1:30 pm	Grace Lake Presentation
1:30-3:30 pm	Sporting Clay Competition
3:30-4:00 pm	Shotgun Golf
4:00-5:00 pm	Awards / Hors D'oeuvres

servant hearts shine through when volunteering in classes, writing grants, building fences and stepping up to help when there is a need. We are grateful for your willingness to share your gifts and time at Grace Lake!



Welcome, Jennifer Besch!! Jennifer has been a physical therapist since 1988 and working with children since 1990. In 2013, she was introduced to Equine Assisted Therapy and realized that God was revealing to her a new type of outdoor sensory therapy gym. When she realized the horse provided the perfect pelvic and trunk movement to simulate gait as well as a special connection with the child, she began to pursue

**Platinum: \$20,000**

- Bird Hunt at 16-2-4 Ranch in Commerce, TX (3 people)
- Title Sponsor receives a unique gift
- Two 4-shooter teams
- Prominent signage at the entry, pavilion and courses
- Recognition during awards presentation

**Gold: \$10,000**

- Bird Hunt at 16-2-4 Ranch in Commerce, TX (2 people)
- Title Sponsor receives a unique gift
- Two 4-shooter teams
- Prominent signage at the entry, pavilion and courses
- Recognition during awards presentation

**Silver: \$5,000**

- Bird Hunt at 16-2-4 Ranch in Commerce, TX (1 person)
- Title Sponsor receives a unique gift
- One 4-shooter team
- Prominent signage at the entry, pavilion and courses
- Recognition during awards presentation

**Bronze: \$2,500**

- Title Sponsor receives a unique gift
- One 4-shooter team
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**TARGETS FOR CHRIST**

**SPONSORSHIP**

**Team Registration Form:** Individual: \$500

Sponsoring Business \_\_\_\_\_

Main Contact Person \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

**Sponsorship Level**

Platinum \$20,000

Gold \$10,000

Silver \$5,000

Bronze \$2,500

Individual \$500

All sponsorship levels include ONE team of 4 shooters.  
Platinum and Gold sponsorships include up to TWO teams of 4 shooters each.

**Team # 1:** (select a team name, or the name of the sponsoring business will be used)

1. \_\_\_\_\_  12 Gauge  20

2. \_\_\_\_\_  12 Gauge  20

3. \_\_\_\_\_  12 Gauge  20

4. \_\_\_\_\_  12 Gauge  20

**Team # 2:** (select a team name, or the name of the sponsoring business will be used)

1. \_\_\_\_\_  12 Gauge  20

2. \_\_\_\_\_  12 Gauge  20

3. \_\_\_\_\_  12 Gauge  20

4. \_\_\_\_\_  12 Gauge  20

**Individual:**  12 Gauge  20

**REGISTER NOW!**

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or mail form & payment to:  
Targets For Christ  
PO Box 1070  
McKinney, TX 75070

**CALL\*TEXT\*EMAIL J. MART ARMSTRONG WITH ANY QUESTIONS**

**972-768-9128 OR JARMSTRONG@TACTAX.COM**

her specialization in Hippotherapy (another word for Equine Assisted Therapy). We are very excited to have Jennifer here at Grace Lake offering Hippotherapy!

1 Chronicles 16:11~Look to the Lord and his strength; seek his face always.

Grace Lake's mission is to provide therapeutic horsemanship to people with disabilities and others in need of hope and healing in a Christian environment.