

\$15,000 in Scholarship Money Now Available to Junior Horsemanship Clinic Participants

We are excited to announce that the Green Mountain Horse Association has received a large grant from the Chichester DuPont Foundation towards the continuation and expansion of our youth education programs, aimed at junior equestrians facing financial hardships. GMHA has earmarked 15,000 of this money to assist young riders in attending our Junior Horsemanship Clinic, now in its 53rd year. During these difficult economic times, GMHA is very glad to be able to offer this considerable assistance to young riders, which will allow many to continue their equestrian pursuits.

The Junior Horsemanship Clinic, which is the premier eventing camp in New England, caters to young riders ages 9-17. The camp has a horsemanship and eventing-based curriculum, but the skills taught are applicable to many equestrian disciplines. Clinic Co-Directors Jim and Suzi Gornall will be returning to camp this year for the fifth season.

GMHA's existing scholarship program, which awarded approximately \$3,500 to campers each season, will be expanded and altered slightly to fit the terms of the grant. For the first time, campers will be allowed to use scholarship funds towards not only camp tuition, but also housing costs and horse leases for those who are not lucky enough to own their own mounts. Scholarships will be awarded on a rolling basis, allowing families to make their summer plans and camp arrangements in a timely fashion. The scholarship application deadline will be extended to May 1st from the usual mid-April deadline in order to consider as many applications as possible. Scholarships awards will be based on financial need as well as the quality and completeness of the application. Letters of recommendation are not required, but are encouraged.

For more details, please download a scholarship application from our website, www.gmhainc.org. Potential campers are strongly encouraged to send in their scholarship applications as soon as possible. Please contact Michaela Whitty at Michaela@gmhainc.org or (802) 457-1509, ext. 207 with questions regarding Junior Horsemanship Clinic.