



Special Olympics Florida - State Competition April 29 - 30, 2016

Luc deCastro and Augie Fernandez were selected to represent Miami-Dade County and Whispering Manes at the Special Olympics State Equestrian Competition in Weirsdale, Florida. This marked the first time in 12 years that Miami-Dade County sent athletes to compete at the state competition.



Luc and Augie had a busy schedule that included representing Miami-Dade County in the opening ceremony parade of athletes and competing in both trail and equitation classes. At the end of the competition Luc and Augie had collected two first place medals, a fourth, and a fifth place finish. Congratulations riders!



Thank you to **Bakas Equestrian Center** for the generous loan of the amazing horse Kermit and the assistance of your staff!!

4th Annual Ride For the Roses May 7, 2016



On May 7th we hosted the 4th Annual Ride for the Roses Student Horse Show at the new barn. Twenty-two riders competed in 6 classes on a perfect Saturday. Family and friends cheered the riders on as we celebrated the close of another school year and Mother's Day. Each rider received a blue ribbon for the competition as well as rose to give to their mom and grandmom.

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Thank you to all of our sponsors for helping to make this a special day for our riders, families, and friends.

In The Spotlight

New Residents... Whispering Manes is now home to two screech owls that were rehabilitated at Pelican Harbor Seabird Station. Once the owls were ready for release, Pelican Harbor needed to find a safe and permanent home for them. This is where Miguel Arbesu comes in. Miguel volunteers 3-4 days a week at Whispering Manes, helping with the veterans' classes, the morning schools, and sometimes afternoon classes. Somehow, Miguel also finds time to volunteer at Pelican Harbor Seabird Station so he jumped in and helped arrange the owl release here at Whispering Manes. We hung an owl house in one of our oak trees and at dusk on June 10 the two owls were released. Next time you're at the barn, keep a lookout for the new residents!



Upcoming Events!

Shoe Fairies Sunday, November 6, 2016

Whispering Manes will host the 3rd Shoe Fairies event. Set your calendar to join us for some early holiday shopping and an afternoon with friends. Look for more information on our website and in our next newsletter.

To become a Shoe Fairies sponsor, send us an email at info@whisperingmanes.org

Give Miami Day Thursday, November 17, 2016

24 hours of on-line giving hosted by the Miami Foundation

Can't Get Enough of Whispering Manes?

A \$20 donation gets you a new Whispering Manes cap. We have red, stone, and black available. Get yours before our supply runs out.



Calling all volunteers!
Are you, or do you know anyone who is interested volunteering in classes or around the barn? Be a friend, share our contact information!

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