

## I Pledge

*My **Head** to clearer thinking*

*My **Heart** to greater loyalty*

*My **Hands** to larger service*

*My **Health** to better living*

*For my club, my community,  
my country and world.*



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**WE CAN RIDE 4-H CLUB**



2018 Club Program

Berrien County 4-H

*Serving Berrien County Since 1979*





## Mission

We Can Ride 4-H Club provides horseback riding for the disabled youth of Berrien County to enhance their lives with educational activities related to horses.

## Vision

The vision of We Can Ride 4-H Club is to best meet the needs of the disabled youth of Berrien County and enhance the knowledge and understanding between persons with and without disabilities.

## 2018 Sponsors

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program provided by Clare  
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# Our Volunteers

*Without our many volunteers we would be unable to offer this wonderful 4-H experience to our club. Our volunteers do everything from paperwork, computer work, haul horses, clean tack, move equipment around, sidewalk, lead horses, help shepherd, help teach in many areas and many more opportunities.*

*Our volunteers all go through a thorough training done in two sessions before our riding season starts. Anyone willing to help our program in any way should contact our Club Coordinator, Patti Dynes, at 269-362-0485 or Kelly Stelter at the Berrien County MSU Extension Office.*

*We proudly list here our volunteers from this year:*

Makayla Aalfs	Amanda Klutts	Marci Perucker
Kathy Barton	Brenda Kniebes	Aubrey Reava
Lindsey Black	Kevin Kniebes	Brady Reava
Bruce Bodtke	Reagan Kriener	Glen Reava
Jeannie Bryant	Taylor Krugh	Jennifer Reava
Donna Canter	Abby Kuespert	Landon Reava
Clare Cholewa	Emily Kuespert	Rebecca Reava
Joe DeJong	Pam Kuespert	Tyler Reava
Gidge Dunn	Hannah LaSota	Dave Reck
Jennifer Dunifin	Dina Layman	Kelli Reppart
Patti Dynes	Barbara Lenhardt	Lori Richter
Elaina Fogerty	James Lenhardt	Rachel Roberts
Kyndall Garrison	Kaitlyn Lukkarila	Kari Rosentreter
Charity Hackett	Karen Lukkarila	Wilma Scharnowske
Ethan Hackett	Sara Luther	Diane Schultz
Melody Hackett	Annette McCullin	Karey Sebasty
Sarah Hackett	Ben McCullin	Emily Shafer
Matthew Hadsell	Danielle McLaughlin	Marissa Testini
Don Hill	Lisa Myers	Samantha Testini
Karen Hill	Douglas Narregan	Morgan Toledo
Margie Hojara-Hadsell	Jennifer Narregan	Lori Van Arkel
Ronald Hojara	Rosemarie Narregan	Dena Vollman
Michelle Holloway	Lindsey Nitz	Jacob Watkins
Becky Kelley	Hannah Pair	Michelle Wickizer
Hannah Kiggins	Aubrey Perrone	

## Therapeutic Horseback Riding

Therapeutic horseback riding was first started in England in 1954. Today, both the United States and Canada are pursuing this excellent type of therapy. For individuals with physical, emotional, and cognitive disabilities, therapeutic horseback riding provides physical and emotional therapy as well as education and recreation through riding and working with horses.



## What is 4-H?

4-H is a nationally recognized organization that promotes positive, hands-on educational opportunities for its youth and volunteers. It has been in existence for more than 100 years. 4-H is governed by the United States Department of Agriculture and administered through the Land Grant University in each state.

Involvement in 4-H can help kids **EXPLORE** new ideas, **EXPERIENCE** a variety of new opportunities and friendships, and build skills designed to help them **ACHIEVE**.

Our commitment to the young people and parents who seek community based learning opportunities and to the volunteers and organizations that become our partners in positive youth development is that 4-H:

- ♦ Helps young people **EXPLORE** their interests through fun, engaging, hands-on learning experiences led by committed adults in their local communities.
- ♦ Gives youth and adults opportunities to **EXPERIENCE** the benefits of working together to reach common goals.
- ♦ Helps young people **ACHIEVE** through knowledge, success and friendships that last a lifetime!





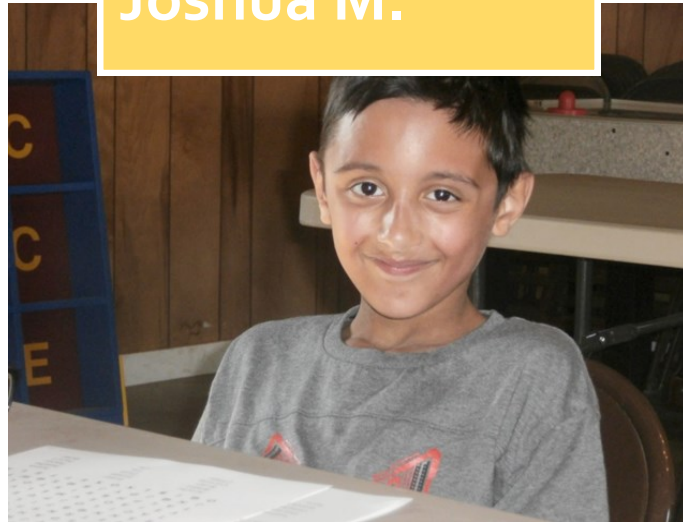
## 2018 Riders

Our Riders are the heart of the We Can Ride 4-H Club. They are the reason our volunteers haul in horses and make our evenings open to volunteer with them.

Aubrey  
R.



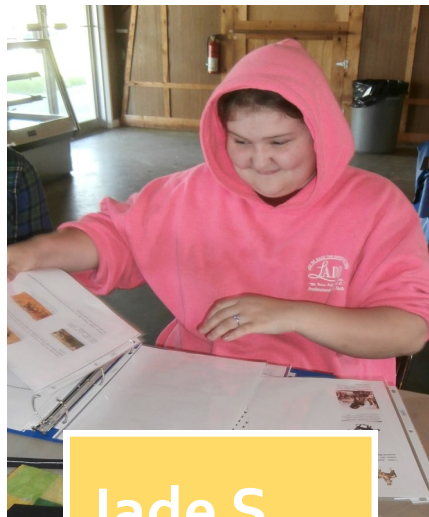
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David M.



Jade S.



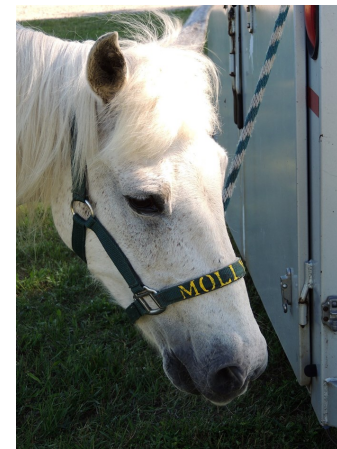
Lily M.



## 2018 Horses



Dotti Owned & hauled by Becky Kelley



Molly  
owned &  
hauled  
by Kevin  
Kniebes



Ernie owned by We Can Ride 4-  
H & hauled by Karen Lukkarila



Tucker owned & hauled by Charity

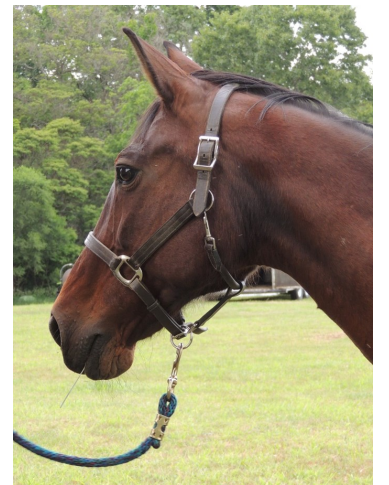


Carmel owned by Taylor  
Krugh & hauled by Charity  
Hackett

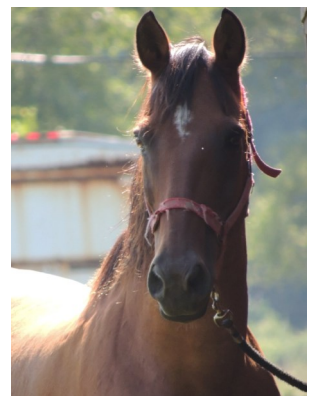


Zero owned by Sandy Vines &  
hauled by Becky Kelley

Harmony owned by Melody Hackett &  
hauled by Charity Hackett



Abbe owned & hauled by Karey  
Sebasty



Ravi  
owned  
&  
hauled  
by The  
Reava  
family



# 2018 Horses



Lincoln owned by Steve Warner & hauled by Lindsay Nitz



Buddy owned & hauled by Glen Reava



Stormy owned & hauled by Lindsay Nitz



Shiloh owned Aubrey Reava & hauled by Reava family



Marshall owned by Landon Reava & hauled by Reava family



Tigger owned & hauled by Morgan Toledo



Elvis owned by Egan Stables & hauled by Karen Lukkarila

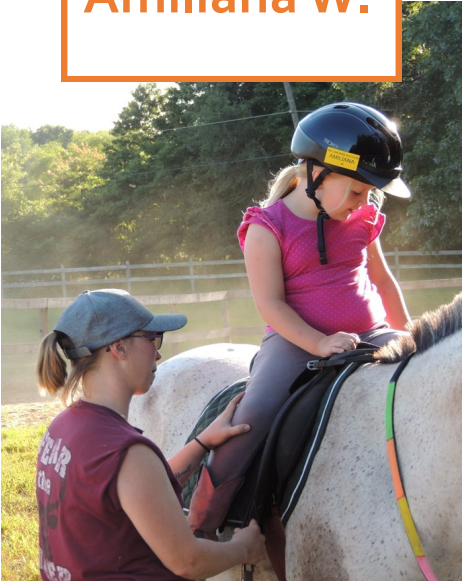
*Except for one program owned horse, Ernie, all of our horses and ponies are brought in and donated for the evening weekly by their dedicated owners. These wonderful volunteers, both equine and human, commit to being at We Can Ride for each Wednesday evening from 5:30 to 8:30 from the first Wednesday in May until the Wednesday before fair. The also commit their animals to be used at the fair. If you have a horse or pony you think would be suitable for our use and are willing to make this commitment, please contact Charity Hackett our horse committee chairman for more information.*



Kylie R.



Dean M.



Amiliana W.



Erin S.



# 2018 Riders



Emily  
S.



Pacen  
B.



Matt C.



Ashley  
Z.



Clara  
B.



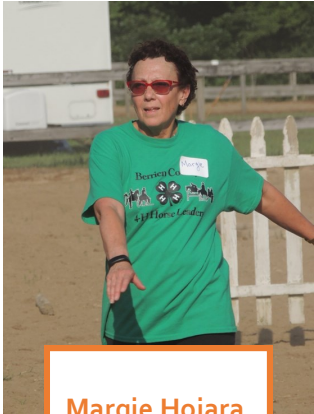
Lane L.

# Instructors & Assistants

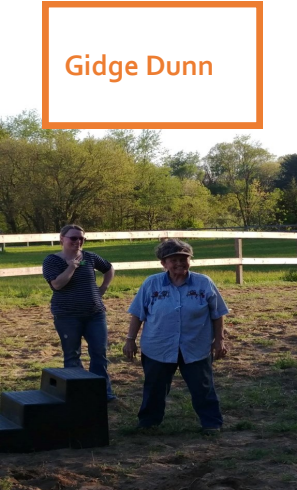
## Riding

### Instructors:

All Riding Instructors are  
PATH & PEP Certified



Margie Hojara

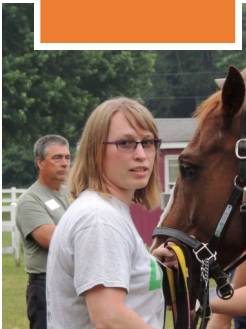


Gidge Dunn

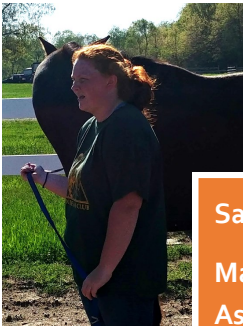


Charity  
Hackett

Karey  
Sebasty  
Charity's  
Assistant



Matt  
Hadsell  
Margie's  
Assistant



Sam Testini  
Marissa's  
Assistant



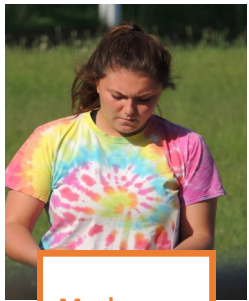
Wilma  
Scharnowske  
Gidge's  
Assistant



Ron  
Hojara  
Margie's  
Assistant

## Showmanship Instructor:

Art of handling a horse  
safely on the ground.



Marissa  
Testini

## Stable Management

Educational for youth to  
learn about parts of a  
horse, tack, grooming,  
management, history,  
breeds, and more.



Kathy Barton