

Vision In Focus



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Therapeutic Horsemanship Supported by Demien Construction

A proud supporter of Therapeutic Horsemanship (TH), Demien Construction has been a benefactor of the organization and participated in building their new facility which includes a riding arena, stable and offices. The 17th Annual TH Benefit Dressage Schooling Show was held July 12th in the new facility and dedicated to the memory of wonderful TH students Lisa Clark and Margot Schenk. The event raised nearly \$4,000.

Jean Whittenburg, a certified instructor for TH explains the program. "Improving the skills of disabled people is the goal of Therapeutic Horsemanship. TH is a not-for-profit organization, co-founded by Sandy Rafferty, Laura Carpenter Balding, and Susie Deusinger, and has been providing therapy to persons of all ages with disabilities through horseback riding for 28 years. It began with 7 riders and has grown to 160, with a waiting list.

Jean, who has been an enthusiastic volunteer for TH since 1985, says, "The movement of the horse is very similar to that of the human and helps to provide therapy to increase tone and help strengthen the rider's muscles in a way



Therapeutic Horsemanship opened their building in May 2003.

that is fun and enjoyable."

After many years of operating in rented space, Therapeutic Horsemanship opened its new facility in May 2003 located on 100 acres near the intersection of Highways N and Z, in Wentzville, MO. TH could not exist without the support of approximately 250 volunteers and donations from numerous sources. For more information contact the TH office at 636-441-9944.



Trained to be a dressage show horse, Gracie was donated to TH in 1998.

Things to Consider — but not for Long

It is impossible to lick your elbow.

Every day more money is printed for Monopoly than for the US Treasury.

Men can read smaller print than women can; women can hear better.

The cost of raising a medium-size dog to the age of eleven is \$6,400.

Each king in a deck of playing cards represents a great king from history: Spades - King David; Hearts - Charlemagne; Clubs - Alexander, the Great; Diamonds - Julius Caesar.

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It was the accepted practice in Babylon 4,000 years ago that for a month after the wedding, the bride's father would supply his son-in-law with all the mead he could drink. Mead is a honey beer and because their calendar was lunar based, this period was called the honey month...which we know today as the honeymoon.

At least 75% of people who read this will try to lick their elbow.



Willott Community Church, Starting with a Firm Foundation:



Willott Church begins their BGW project with land excavation. Demien Construction begins pouring footings which is the foundation of the new project.



Russ Demien discusses the progress on the Willott project with construction superintendent, Benny Braungardt.



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Schedule of Upcoming Resources

December: Kingdom Builder Fax

January: Nehemiah Newsletter

February: Vision in Focus Email



The BGW Institute trains church leaders.

Building God's Way Institute

Daniel Cook and Associates launched its new Building God's Way Institute training in July of 2003. Unlike traditional construction, the BGW Institute provides churches with a roadmap for the potentially tough construction process ahead.

The Institutes are two day events hosted in the Nehemiah Center, Building God's Way's headquarters in Ogden, Utah.

This November 18th and 19th, The Building God's Way Institute will again bring churches from all over the country to Ogden, Utah for valuable training. Two Missouri churches will travel to this Institute along with BGW Director of Marketing for Demien Construction, Debi Demien. Lafayette Church of Christ, Ballwin, MO and Union Avenue Christian Church, Moberly, MO will be represented at this information packed event.

THE BGW INSTITUTE PROVIDES TRAINING IN THESE CRITICAL AREAS:

- * The Building God's Way Program
- * Experience in financing projects
- * How Cornerstone Supply provides significant savings
- * The organizational structure that leads to a successful building campaign
- * Using the BGW Gift in Kind program to increase fundraising efforts
- * DCA's role in requesting donations
- * How to effectively run the construction program for successful ministry
- * Included is a full day of fundraising and development training by the BGW partner, Development Marketing Associates, an expert in the field of professional capital campaign services.