

Hayden Show Jumping Horsemanship Initiative takes lessons well beyond the ring.



The Hayden Horsemanship Initiative was started by two Hayden Show Jumping instructors, Megan Larrabee and Zeschia Booman, in an effort to broaden riders' knowledge of equine care and horsemanship as well as to become part of a team helping others in the horse community.

The program is part of Hayden Show Jumping in Orange County's Nellie Gale.

Their first function was a field trip to FalconRidge Equine Rescue in Valley Center, a non-profit focusing on the rescue, rehabilitation and re-homing of neglected and abused horses. Students raised over \$2,200 for this organization through selling lemonade, making horse cookies and asking for donations from friends, family and barn members. Doris Bryant, barn manager for Hayden Show Jumping, collected donations from American Horse Products and Ortega Tack & Feed. It was an eye-opening and inspiring experience for all who attended and contributed.

"We would like to challenge other barns to join our efforts in showing the next generation of riders that horsemanship goes beyond the show ring, and one small action can make a large difference," says Megan. "Here's to the horses!"

If you would like to make a donation to FalconRidge Equine Rescue, visit www.falconridgerescue.org. To find out more about the Initiative, contact Megan at megan@mickeyhayden.com

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