

# Raemelon THERAPEUTIC Equestrian Center



Newsletter of Raemelon Therapeutic Equestrian Center  
2010 Annual Report

## Ellen Flood (11/3/1942-12/17/2010)

Ellen B. Flood, 68, of Fond du Lac, passed away on Friday, Dec. 17, 2010. She was born in Mansfield, Ohio, on Nov. 3, 1942, a daughter to Donald Spencer and Clara Louis (Conklin) Black. Ellen graduated from Hollins College in Virginia, with a double major in dance and social work. On Dec. 30, 1966, she married Jon Patrick Flood in Mansfield, Ohio.

Ellen was instrumental in the establishment of Raemelon Therapeutic Equestrian Center. Through the Raemelon Farm Foundation, Ellen and her husband Jon lease the 60 acre farm to the organization. Because of their generosity, Raemelon is able to offer equine-based therapy for adults and children suffering from physical and emotional needs. Ellen's latest endeavor for Raemelon was the development of a program for young men and women returning from "conflict zones."

Raemelon was only one of the many ways Ellen helped those in need. She established a unique personal advocacy program that matched persons with disabilities with the able-bodied. For example, she matched the blind with the sighted, the physically disabled with those who could run, and the needy with those who had more than enough.

After the birth of her two sons and their growth toward independence, her heart turned toward providing safety and shelter for young women in jeopardy and to inform and educate voters. Her focus was also a reverence for the nature God created and for the environment that we shall pass on to our children.

Ellen is survived by her husband, Jon Flood; her sons Patrick Flood and Erik Flood; her "daughters," Samantha Sadoff Flood and Karen McCarthy Flood; her brother, Joel Black and his wife, Margaret; her grandchildren, Maxwell Terrance Flood, Abraham Joseph Flood, Alexandra Sadoff Flood, Tanner Conklin Flood and Molly Grace McCarthy Flood.



In Ellen's memory, trees will be planted in front of the indoor riding arena. To continue her dream for Raemelon, all memorial gifts will be utilized to fund the development of a **Horses for Heroes** program.

Ellen was a dear friend to Raemelon and will be sorely missed by her friends, family and colleagues.





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## Programming

In 2010, Raemelon served one hundred and thirty-two students. Forty-two of the individuals participated in more than one 10-week session. This is a 45% increase in therapy students from the previous year.

Programming expansions in 2010 included the addition of three new school district's multi-handicapped classes (Clear Fork, Mansfield City and Shelby) and the revitalization of the therapy driving program. The therapy driving program serves individuals that are not able to transfer from their wheelchairs or can not safely straddle a horse. Raemelon has a modified carriage with a hydraulic lift for wheelchairs. This modified carriage and therapy driving played an important role in adequately serving the students from the three new districts.

**Goals for 2011:** Programming expansions planned for 2011 include three weeks of summer camp for our therapy students and the implementation of a Horses for Heroes program in the fall.



## Riding Scholarships

Thank you to the following individuals, foundations and corporations that provided scholarships for students in our community. Because of this support, 45 individuals received the opportunity to expand their abilities through therapy riding and driving. **Thank you!**



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VFW Post 9943  
Holly & Thomas Moore  
John Peck II

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Chapel Hill United Methodist Church

**Shelby Foundation**  
Marjorie Kieffer  
Joanne Baumberger  
Fred Fairchild





# Facilities Update

The Riding Hall has undergone major renovations to preserve the structure and make it more handicapped accessible. In 2010, Phase one of the renovation was completed. The roof, skylights and lightening rods were replaced. This phase was graciously funded by the **Raemelton Farm Foundation**.



Phase two of the renovations is well underway and will be completed in the spring. The new handicapped accessible bathroom is almost finished and the new furnace and storm windows have been installed. Wheelchair ramp modifications and the replacement and repair of the exterior windows is next on the list. These renovations were made possible through a grant from the **Richland County Foundation**.

**Goals for 2011:** The goals for 2011 are to better serve our clientele through the installation of a hydraulic wheelchair ramp, a SureHands Lift and a handicapped accessible restroom in the barn area.

**Raemelton Therapeutic Equestrian Center's general operations are supported through the generosity of the community. Thank you to the following individuals, corporations and foundations that support our therapeutic program.**

### Monetary Donations

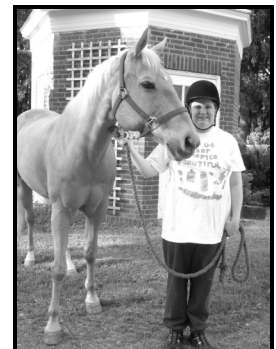
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**Gifts were made in memory or in honor (h) of the following individuals:**

- Joseph Corrigan
- Marjory Harrison
- Ellen Flood
- Samantha Laux (h)



# Raemelton Therapeutic Equestrian Center

## Financial Report

January 1, 2010-December 31, 2010

Raemelton Therapeutic Equestrian Center is a not for profit organization that's mission is to provide equine-based therapy for individuals with mental, physical, and emotional disabilities. All financial transactions by this organization are for the purpose of this mission.

Raemelton's operations and business practices were restructured in 2010 to create a sustainable operation. Income increased 34% and expenses were reduced 17%. Over 50% of current operating costs is supported through volunteer and in-kind service. The Bingo operation was closed and the organization was able to systematically reduced all debt that had accumulated through general operations and the operation of Bingo.

### Income

Restricted Grants	91,200
Unrestricted Grants	48,250
Horse Sponsorship	39,800
Programming	38,895
United Way	18,600
Donation	16,750
Misc.	3,605
Rider Sponsorships	<u>3,300</u>
	<b>\$260,400</b>

### In-kind Income

Arena Repairs	\$200,000
Volunteers (Horse Care, Classes & grounds)	\$51,538
Horse feed & hay	\$5,000
Horse equipment	\$3,500
Rider equipment	<u>\$1,500</u>
	<b>\$261,538</b>



### Expenses

Facilities	209,700
Payroll	82,790
Equine expenses	52,538
Debt reduction	32,000
Programming	25,000
Contracted services	19,100
Insurance	15,100
Utilities	7,700
Payroll taxes	6,500
Publications	2,044
Misc.	<u>900</u>
	<b>\$453,372</b>





# Equine Report

Raemelton utilizes twelve equine in their therapy program. These horses and ponies have been donated to the organization, or are on loan from their owners. These special equine are chosen for their size and disposition. They are our greatest asset and staff views them as equal partners in serving our students. The average cost to annually maintain a therapy equine is: feed (\$1,000), bedding (\$750), Utilities (\$300), Shoeing (\$250), veterinary (\$250) and personnel (\$2,100). Raemelton strives to reduce annual cost through donations, volunteers and in-kind services.

**Thank you to the individuals who sponsor our therapy horses and allow the staff to give our four-legged friends the best of care.**



### The Ponies

We are fortunate to have four medium size ponies that are a perfect fit for our smaller riders. **Missy, Thomas, Frosty and Princess** are a variety of pony breeds that have been retired from the show ring. They are enjoying their new job and each brings their own set of talents to serve our students. Thomas loves little boys, Frosty is kind and patient, Princess and Missy provide steady mounts for our more fidgety friends.



*Thank you to our pony's sponsors:*

- Missy: Mick & Jean Rupp**
- Thomas: Mary and Jamie Bolin**
- Frosty: The Wisdom Family**
- Princess: Helen & Richard Taylor**

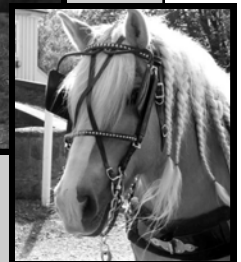
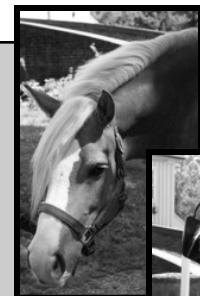


### The Haflingers

This stocky pony breed has proven to be one of Raemelton's most versatile assets. Barney, Brass and Hitch are able to carry riders of various sizes, tolerate loud outbursts and are the cornerstone of the therapy driving program. On top of their versatility, they require very little feed to keep their robust figures!

*Thank you to our Haflinger's sponsors:*

- Barney: William and Shirley Burgett**
- Brass: Mick and Jean Rupp**
- Hitch: Rae and Kenneth Molnar**



### The Horses

The horses provide proper mounts for our taller riders and those that require tandem riding. Tandem riding is a technique in which the instructor rides with the student providing additional stability. Raemelton has five horses, all who have retired from previous jobs. Scarlet, Baci, Cristo and Gal have retired from different disciplines of the show arena and Jessie is retired from his roles as a lead pony on the race track.

*Thank you to our horse sponsors:*

- Baci: In Memory of Ellen Flood (by Margaret & Joel Black)**
- Scarlet: Mick & Jean Rupp**
- Cristo: Mary Jo Bonte & the Gorman Family**
- Gal: Helen & Richard Taylor**





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\_\_\_ \$275 Sponsor a therapy student  
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