

## Fundraiser for Equine Dreams Therapeutic Riding Center

In 2015, a raffle was held in the memory of Anna Danielson for a restored John Deere AR tractor, serial # 270450 with all proceeds going to Equine Dreams Therapeutic Riding Center. The raffle raised just over \$7,200.00 and the entire amount was donated to Equine Dreams.

Dale and Joanne Robinson of Leland, IL won the tractor raffle, and in a great gesture of kindness, Dale and Joanne gave the tractor back. They asked that the tractor be used to raise additional funds for Equine Dreams.

This restored John Deere AR tractor will be sold at public auction at approximately **12:00 noon on Saturday, August 27<sup>th</sup>, 2016** at the Pre Harvest Auction along U.S. Route 34 at 1979 N. 45<sup>th</sup> Road, Leland, IL 60531. All proceeds from the sale of the tractor will go directly to Equine Dreams.

We are seeking any and all potential bidders for this tractor in order to raise the largest amount possible for Equine Dreams. We are encouraging businesses as well as individuals to participate in the bidding for the tractor. Please know that all proceeds from the sale of the tractor will go directly to Equine Dreams. For more information about the John Deere AR tractor, contact Eric Danielson at 815-621-9765 or Barry Bernard at 815-509-3724.

Equine Dreams is a 501c3 not-for-profit organization which provides therapeutic horseback riding and Equine Assisted Activities and Therapies (EAAT) to children and adults with disabilities; as well as to veterans. Started by a parent of a child with special needs, the program began in 1996, and is today a PATH International Premier Accredited Center and PATH, Intl. Higher Education Member. They are dedicated to improving the quality of life for children and adults with special needs. **All services are free to their clients.** They have a staff of 10 PATH, Intl. Registered Instructors; 1 Advanced, 9 Registered, and multiple Interns.

There is a need for Equine Assisted Activities in **DeKalb, Kendall, Kane and LaSalle** counties which has been confirmed by the immense interest shown in Equine Dreams. They provide **free** services to over **100 participants** weekly. Equine Dreams is located at 9775 Fox River Drive, near Millington and Newark, IL. For more information about Equine Dreams, go to [www.equinedreams.org](http://www.equinedreams.org).

