



## The Heat is On!



Summer is upon us at Hope and Healing Academy. Maybe you can tell from the scent of sunscreen in the air or from the horses that look extra clean from all the horse baths we've been giving. Even in these hot afternoons, we get important therapy work done as we take care of our equine partners. If you're not sure if sessions are scheduled due to heat or storms, check Facebook. Also, remember our upcoming summer break!

## Summer Break: July 19-Aug 2

## Chris Locke Memorial

On June 10, approximately one year from Chris Locke's passing, his family gathered to celebrate his life at a place he loved--Hope and Healing Academy. Chris volunteered at HAHA as Dr. Leslie McCullough's student at Washburn. After coursework was done, he supported the program at HAHA fundraisers and spoke fondly of his time at the barn. As a celebration of Chris and a thank you for his memorial donation, the family broke ground on a seating patio between the barn and the arena. We will always remember his life and welcome his family at the barn.



## Topeka Gives



On June 6, HAHA participated in Topeka Gives, a fundraising drive for non-profit organizations in Shawnee County.

We met a lot of great folks and got to spread the word about our equine-facilitated psychotherapy program. A huge thank you goes out to all who stopped by and donated!

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# In Memoriam: Barbara Bruner



Barbara Bruner, mother of HAHA barn manager Lisa Bruner, passed away Wednesday, May 17, 2017, at the House at Midland Care after a short battle with cancer. One of her most recent joys was becoming a grandmother to Charles, pictured here. Barbara was dedicated to helping the poor and sick, and she blessed the Topeka community in many ways. She served on several charitable boards over the years, most recently as board secretary for HAHA. Barbara supported HAHA since its beginning and was the first person to donate when the program became a 501(c)(3). HAHA will miss her and her support and dedication, and also is grateful for the donations from her memorial.

## Thanks KSU Horseman Association!

On Saturday, May 20, the KSU Horseman Association hosted the Barrel Blowout at the Diamond L Indoor Arena. They chose HAHA as their local charity and donated entry fees and silent auction proceeds to the program. Thank you, KSU Horsemen and Horsewomen! Your generosity supports our clients and therapy horses.



**Third Thursday @ KS  
Expocenter Fundraiser  
Sept 21, 500-730P**

Admission and parking are free, and a portion of the food & beverage proceeds benefit HAHA!

## Congratulations!



Congrats to April and Vernon Neff on the birth of their son, Connor, on April 21, 2017.



Congrats to Marley and Paul Dinwiddie on their marriage June 10, 2017.

## Third Annual Hogs & Horses Bike Ride & Poker Run Saturday, September 30



Details Coming Soon!

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