



Miracles in Motion

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To Our Miracles in Motion Friends:

Sometimes, victory comes in a form that you might miss if you weren't looking. At Miracles in Motion, people sometimes take their first independent steps or say their first words, such as "Walk on!" These victories might have been expected earlier in their lives, but they appear later and seem spontaneous.

But we know a different story. We know about the hours of work in the arena with an instructor or physical therapist and several volunteers. We know these individuals put in hours of work at home, in the clinic and at school. Then, seemingly without effort, their victory "happens" at Miracles. We know that little steps, taken everyday, carry our riders far.

We've seen Stephen, who's new to Miracles, find something special in life through his weekly lessons. Stephen is wheelchair bound and he needed something to look forward to and enjoy. He started riding on Wednesday evenings, forming a strong bond with his horse, Mike. In just three weeks, Stephen showed that he is motivated to improve his riding skills. He even asked if he could trot! Just realizing that he could do more was a big step, but actually having a goal to trot is even bigger! We all look forward to seeing Stephen trot in the future. Those little steps — from horses, volunteers, and people like you — will help Stephen reach his goals.

Sometimes significant growth takes years. For example, Miracles in Motion's program has grown to 170 students, 18 horses and seven instructors, who carry on the exciting mix of achievement and fun. We've enjoyed many wonderful successes, including earning NARHA Premier Accreditation and holding instructor workshops to help others reach their certification.

It's similar to what all our riders have experienced — little by little, each person helps in their own way, and all reach new levels of success. Gifts from people like you make it possible for our riders to experience victories in years to come.

Your donation of whatever you can afford will give the program a great start for 2008 and take our riders far on their journey. The enclosed envelope makes it simple for you to send in your gift.

Best wishes,



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