

## Dazzling Horse Show

Manes and tails were braided, 80 volunteers were ready, food was set, students were mounted and the 2007 Horse Show was underway! On September 15, 60 students in 20 classes proudly showed spectators what they could do.

Smiles and cheers brightened the day. Robyn Ballantyne from Greenbrier Riding Academy served as judge and was truly amazed by the level of expertise of our riders. Our students' hard work paid off as they walked and trotted their steeds for friends and family.

At lunchtime, we thanked the Americorps team for choosing to volunteer with us this fall. And student Alysia Haman (with Program Director Sue Bock) put Mr. Joe through his paces like a pro, demonstrating the joys of driving.

Some are not aware of all the hours and volunteers it takes to put on a horse show. A huge thanks to: Erin Hazen — scheduling classes, Joyce Snyder — emcee, Sue Bock — mounting ramp monitor, Kate Hladky — pre-planning and Christine Denburg — volunteer scheduling. The fabulous trio of Jackie Wallace, Anne Angerer, and Colleen Brems kept the barn and tack straight, and, of course, we couldn't have done it without all of that day's volunteers!

Our grill masters, Dennis VanAuken, Bob Brems and Matt Brems cooked the food to perfection. Dot and Gene Hinman coordinated the nourishing food table. Thanks also to Henry Anderson from Bonanza Restaurants and Pohlen's Meat Market for donating meat, Hy-Vee for buns, and countless others who donated baked goods for hungry riders, spectators and volunteers.



*Elliott Hodgson on Scooter gets patriotic while Ines Hofmann-Kanna sidewalks.*



*Volunteer program participant Brianna Gunderson rides Sam with Cathy Koeppen and Ken Welsch sidewalking and Americorps volunteer Peter Furer nearby.*



*Ellen Haman walks behind daughter Alysia, who drives Mr. Joe with instructor Sue Bock along for the ride.*



*Pam Kerr prepares Billy to enter the arena.*