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Little Creek Winter Newsletter

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& Holiday Party Reminder



**Little Creek Farm
Conservancy**



Please Join Us for the LCFC Holiday Party

Saturday, December 10, 6:30pm – 10:30pm
Leafmore Club House, 1373 Altamonte Drive, Decatur, GA 30033

Hang up your breeches and leave your barn boots at home!
Eat, drink and share a relaxed and merry evening with our Little Creek community.
Raffle, door prizes and more.

It is a potluck dinner so please bring a dish to share. [Sign up here.](#)
BYOB. We will provide the ice and coolers. \$5 donation suggested to cover facility rental.

Bring an unwrapped gift for a child - we'll have a Toys for Tots box there!
For every item donated you will get a free raffle ticket!

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[Good Times at the Holiday Bazaar and Quadrille](#)

The horses came marching one by one and put on a darn good show. Maybe we should give our equestrians a little credit? As always, Mark Jaglarz shared his joy in bringing the horses and riders together throughout the many practices and this annual quadrille performance. Thanks to the riders for their dedication.

Approximately 50 people attended the bazaar and performance. Our guests included an enthusiastic photography club and an excitable group of Brownies who seemed to get endless joy from feeding watermelon to the horses. The vendors offered an excellent assortment of classy, cool and affordable gifts. We hope this outreach program continues to grow as we share our horsey fun with the community.

[Hay is for Horses](#)

We love that the horses have turnout and they love it too. Through the winter months though, there is little to munch on so it important to offer hay in the pastures. For those of you who do not know, boarding fees do not cover this hay so LCF horse owners and friends are asked to contribute on a volunteer basis to cover the cost.

A big thanks to Anne Preston who organizes and manages the hay delivery for the winter months. If you board a horse at Little Creek and have not contributed for the pasture feeding you can leave a check in the Stride Ahead "mailbox" by their tack room. The winter hay costs about \$30 a month per horse for 4 months. Please contribute what you can by month, or for all 4 months. Checks can be made out to Stride Ahead. Note for hay.

[Thanks again to Anne for this effort to keep our horses happily in hay.](#)

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The Conservancy began a Toys for Tots collection during the Holiday Bazaar this past weekend. Our collection box is located in the lounge. You can drop off donations there or bring them to the Litt Creek holiday party on December 10. **For every toy you bring to the party, you will receive one free raffle ticket!**

Thank you to Bobbi Woolwine for facilitating this opportunity to bring a little more joy to the children in our community.

Seating For The Outdoor Arena

For the past few years Little Creek Farm Conservancy has been working toward building a viewing stand by the outdoor arena that would provide covered, elevated spectator seating.

We have found that the construction of a custom wooden viewing structure faces significant hurdles including ADA requirements, drainage problems and cost. LCFC looked for a solution that would be affordable, minimize maintenance, and that could be installed by Spring. It was determined that the most cost effective solution is to inst aluminum bleachers with a permanent awning. See diagram below.

We can purchase and install a 4-5-row bleacher complete with a safety fence, ADA accommodation and awning wit the funds already reserved for a viewing stand. The bleachers will seat 50+ people, give good visibility of the arena and provide protection from sun and rain. They will be installed on footers in order to circumvent costly drainage issues and make minimal impact on available pasture. Existing fencing will be used to keep the horses safely away from the bleachers.

Bleachers are a significantly less expensive option than the construction of a permanent viewing stand so no additional fund-raising will be required. This leaves more funds available for other urgent projects at the barn such drainage, manure management, and gutters.

Please email us at info@littlecreekfarmconservancy.org with your questions and comments by December 15. Your input and ideas are welcomed.

Thank you, *Little Creek Farm Conservancy Board*

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This diagram is shown installed on a concrete pad, but ours will use a grass or gravel base.

Year End Donations

Please remember Little Creek Farm Conservancy when making your year end donations.

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2017 Little Creek Farm Calendar

LCFC Member Meeting #1	Sat, Jan14
Spring Clean Up/Member Picnic	TBD-March
Amelia S. Cook In House Schooling	TBD-April
LCFC Member Meeting #2 (Board Election)	Sat, May 6
N'hood Picnic & Fun Day Events	Sun, Jul 16
LCFC Member Meeting #3	Sat, May 6
Fall Clean Up Day	Sat, Sept 9
Horsefest	Sat, Sept 16
Fall Potluck / Horse Costume Parade	Sat, Oct 28
Fall Schooling Show	Sat, Nov 4 Rain date Nov 11
LCFC Member Meeting #4	Sat, Nov 11
Quadrille / Holiday Bazaar	Sat, Dec 2
Holiday Party	Sat, Dec 16

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