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The Shea Center Celebrates 31 Years with Annual Family BBQ and Country Faire

San Juan Capistrano, Calif. — The J.F. Shea Therapeutic Riding Center will host its 31st Family BBQ and Country Faire at their San Juan Capistrano equestrian facility on Saturday, September 26 from 4:00 – 10:00 p.m. About 1500 attendees are expected to attend this community-wide event to raise funds in support of The Shea Center's therapeutic horse-related programs for people with disabilities. Shea Center supporters Jenny and Bill Klein will double all donations up to \$250,000 made by the end of September through the KleinMatch.

The Annual Family BBQ will feature a hearty BBQ meal with all the trimmings provided by Claim Jumper Restaurants in a festive country western setting. The evening also includes spectacular silent and live auctions, live country western entertainment, dancing and a variety of country faire activities with games and prizes for both children and adults. Other evening highlights feature therapeutic riding demonstrations and the Rider Parade of Stars featuring clients from The Shea Center.

General admission is \$50 for adults, \$25 for children and seniors and \$20 for disabled attendees. A \$125 family pack includes two adult and two children's tickets (\$20 for each additional child) and is available for purchase until September 12, 2009. This year's BBQ is presented by the Rancho Mission Viejo Rodeo and Claim Jumper Restaurants and sponsored by Jenny and Bill Klein and the O'Connell Family Foundation Trust and sponsorship opportunities are still available.

The Shea Center is located at 26284 Oso Road in San Juan Capistrano, just off the Junipero Serra exit from the 5 freeway. Free parking and shuttle service is available at JSerra High School and Kaiser Permanente located near The Shea Center. Gates open at 4:00 p.m. followed by a flag ceremony. Attire is casual and country-western wear is encouraged.

Donations towards the KleinMatch can be made at the BBQ on September 26 or by mail or online between now and the September 30 deadline. All cash gifts will be matched up to \$250,000.

Visit www.sheacenter.org to make a gift to the KleinMatch or to purchase BBQ sponsorships and tickets.

One of the largest therapeutic riding centers in the country, The Shea Center is dedicated to improving the lives of people with disabilities through therapeutic horse-related programs. The privately funded, charitable organization was founded by social worker Fran Joswick in 1978 and annually serves more than 500 clients with approximately 70 varying disabilities.

For more information about The Shea Center, BBQ or KleinMatch visit www.sheacenter.org or call 949.240-8441.

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