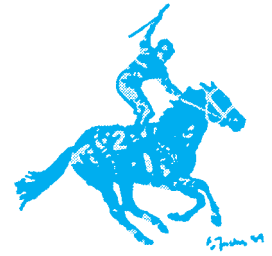


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*"Riders Up"*

*Our Emblem was created by the renowned artist Bernie Fuchs. It is symbolic of what we wish for our riders " ...Safe Trip"*

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This thank you note from an injured rider sums it all up in a nutshell.

Thank you to all of the good people that support The Don MacBeth Fund. You all can be proud to know that people care and are grateful for a bit of help.

To our supporters: May your holidays be very special during these trying times in our lives. May you have peace, less stress, and good health in the coming year.

Thank you for your kindness and caring.

The MacBeth Fund

From my Family  
To All of you AT  
The Don Macbeth  
Memorial jockey Fund,  
YOU will never know  
how much a God Send  
The help From you  
has been. There  
are STARS IN HeAVEN  
For all of YOU!  
MAY God Bless  
YOU ALL  
LORRIE GRIFFUS ~



**IN LOVING MEMORY OF BERNIE FUCHS**

Renowned illustrator Bernie Fuchs passed away on September 17, 2009. He was 76. Bernie was a great friend to The Don Macbeth Fund and as a gift, he created the logo for our Newsletter, *Riders Up*. It is the symbol for a safe trip. We will miss you, Bernie Fuchs. Your memory will shine in our hearts always.

(To learn more about Bernie and his work, Google *Bernie Fuchs Artist*.)



**IN LOVING MEMORY OF PAT LOVE**

Pat Love, beloved Treasurer of The Don Macbeth Memorial Jockey Fund from 1987 - 2009, passed away on September 21, 2009 at her home in Mission Viejo, California. Pat was dedicated to helping riders in need. It was her passion in life to help these great athletes.

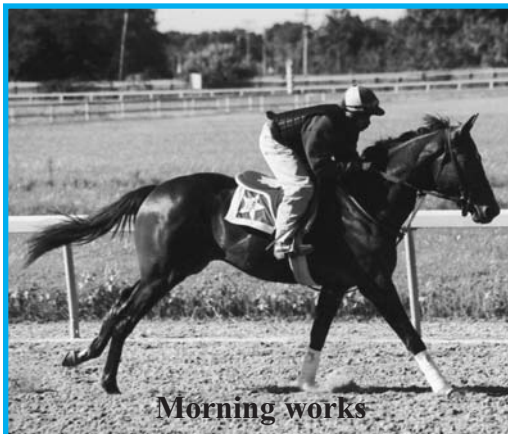
Her dream was to meet every rider that the Macbeth Fund helped. Her soft voice and generous heart reached out to those who called and met her. Pat will be missed and remembered always for her dedication to The Don Macbeth Memorial Jockey Fund for 23 years.



**IN LOVING MEMORY OF AKILI GRAY  
HE IS LOVED AND MISSED BY HIS WIFE TRACY AND 4 CHILDREN**



**Akili**



**Morning works**



**Akili's children**

Jockey Akili Gray competed at all of the major thoroughbred racetracks in Texas until that tragic day, July 2, 2005, when his horse clipped heels and Akili went down. He sustained irreversible brain damage that eventually took his life April 15, 2006. Akili was 30 years old.

Akili's wife Tracy and four beautiful children will forever hold him close in their hearts. We will all remember Akili's fine spirit and courage.

**JOCKEYS RUN FOR DON MCBETH FUND**

**- DELTA DOWNS QUARTER HORSE RIDERS DASH TO RAISE CASH -**

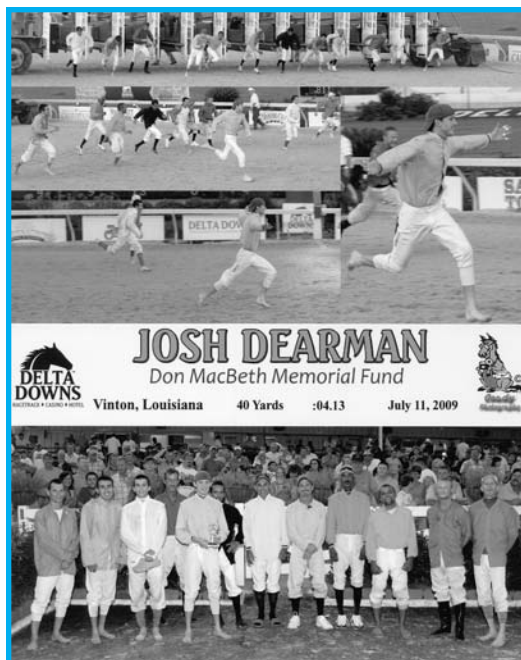
VINTON, LA. – Delta Downs Racetrack Casino & Hotel hosted a special two-legged race to raise money for the Don MacBeth Memorial Jockey Fund on Saturday, July 11, 2009.

A total of 12 riders from Delta Downs' American Quarter Horse jockey colony took part in a foot race at the about distance of 40 yards. Breaking from post position 9 was young rider Josh Dearman, who quickly put daylight on the field and won going away while also setting a human track record of :04.13 over a fast track.

Each participant in the Don MacBeth Memorial Jockey Fund Dash was sponsored by a local horseman. The total amount for sponsorship of the field of runners was \$1,200. Delta Downs also donated \$1,500 to the cause, which brought the total donation amount up to \$2,700.



The complete field for this year Don MacBeth Memorial Jockey Fund Dash from the rail out included Dale Beaty (Red: sponsored by Manucy Racing); Lucas Constantin (White: Gerald Libersat); John Hamilton (Blue: Mark Langford); Danny Lavergne (Yellow: Vinton Feed); Jerry Yoakum (Green: Janet Van Bebbler); Orlando Baldillez (Black: Janet Van Bebbler); Pat Watson (Orange: Roy Roberts); Bobby Ramsom (Pink: Winners Circle Church at Louisiana Downs); Josh Dearman (Teal: Larry Kopycinsky); Nickey Laws (Purple: Michael Zingelmann); J. R. Ramirez (Grey: Frank Cavazos); and Gilbert Ortiz (Lime: M. Heath Taylor).




**JOSH DEARMAN**  
Don MacBeth Memorial Fund  
Vinton, Louisiana 40 Yards :04.13 July 11, 2009

Canterbury Park is proud to donate \$31,057.96 to the 2009 Don MacBeth Fundraiser to assist injured and disabled jockeys. Our total includes \$27,757.96 from fundraising activities and events that took place at Canterbury Park throughout the 2009 live racing season, \$3,000 from Canterbury Park and a check for \$300 from the Randy and Sue Sampson Foundation that was sent directly to the MacBeth fund. Once again, the racing community at Canterbury Park has risen to the occasion to help this wonderful cause.

I would like to thank our tremendous team of volunteers, horsemen and race fans that helped to make this fundraiser so successful. I owe a special thanks and mention of the work done by Joni and Barry Butzow who took the lead in our fundraising efforts as well as Sherry Nolan and Terri Hoffrogge for their assistance. It is with great enthusiasm that we come together as a community each year in Minnesota to help this cause and others.

Please accept my congratulations on another job well done in raising the awareness of the potential hardships endured by riders and the fundraising efforts of the racing world to help them.

Sincerely,

  
Randall D. Sampson  
President and General Manager

**CANTERBURY PARK  
IS #1 AGAIN  
FOR 9th STRAIGHT YEAR**



It is with pleasure that Finger Lakes Gaming & Racetrack presents to the Don Macbeth Memorial Jockey Fund the enclosed check for \$2,400. The donation is a result of the Jockey Footrace held here at Finger Lakes on Saturday, July 4, 2009. This year our footrace was so close we had to have a photo finish to see who won.

The management, staff, horsemen, and jockeys at Finger Lakes wholeheartedly support the mission of the Don Macbeth Memorial Jockey Fund. Best wishes for a successful 2009 fund-raising campaign.

Sincerely,

  
Francie Andolino  
Marketing Promotions Specialist  
Finger Lakes Gaming & Racetrack



I was lucky enough to procure a Allstate Foundation "Good Hands in the Community Grant" to help your VERY worthy cause. Please find the enclosed check for \$500.

Thank You for all you do,

  
Vince Funk



The above photos are from our July 4th fund raiser at Monmouth Park.


Horsefully,  
Lisa Kryston

The Del Mar Yacht Club would like to contribute to the Don MacBeth Memorial Jockey Fund. We have enjoyed many fine years at Del Mar watching the Jockeys and Horses race. Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$2000. Keep 'em Riding. Check us out at [delmaryachtclub.com](http://delmaryachtclub.com) for our history and information.

Dear Mr. Ratner:

I am writing to thank you for recommending that The Don MacBeth Memorial Jockey Fund receive a grant from the Brian J. Ratner Philanthropic Fund of the Jewish Community Federation of Cleveland. It is very much appreciated.

Ahoy,

  
Jim Armstrong  
Commodore  
Del Mar Yacht Club

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# WE GET LETTERS...



Thank you

...again and again.

for your help  
Since I got hurt  
on the horse, at  
Churchill Downs  
I am still out of  
work, and I don't  
know when or if  
I will be able to  
ride again. I need all  
the help you all give me  
~~thanks~~ again.  
Sincerely Randy Wilson

Dear Tony



Please pass on our sincere  
thanks for the flip flops  
you kindly donated for  
the street children. They  
were very much appreciated.  
mil Gracias  
kind regards  
www.newlifemexico.com Philippa

Thank You  
for your support

Marion Cornwall

With sincere  
appreciation  
for your kindness.

ANTHONY B. DeFRANCO

MUCHAS GRACIAS  
A. STD Y ASOSIASIA  
MIFRED GIRAUDO?



A NOTE FROM...  
JOHN J COOK

Good works --

God Bless all of  
you for caring  
for the less fortunate

John J Cook



## WE GET LETTERS...



WITH LOVE  
FROM  
THE GEES

Dear Tony,

I hope this check finds its way safely to you! Thank you for the work that you do on behalf of these great athletes and their families. See you next year!

June 27 2009

IN CONTINUED SUPPORT  
OF ALL THOSE IN  
NEED OF HELP  
THIS SUMMER

DAN GOLEC

All the best,

Enclosed is check toward Michael Straight's medical expenses. His story has touched my heart and I hope to send more money later on. I have a 23-year old grandchild who is currently a jockey, and I watch him on Live Video most every time I watch the races, I pray for all jockeys and horses all over the world to be safe. Michael will be in my prayers, and also his family. God Bless. Pat Ramsey

In honor of **MICHAEL STRAIGHT**

A lisa A. Ali

Blue Ribbon Downs Jockeys  
Terrence Brown  
Sean Burke  
Joe & Mary Jane Bunzol

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John Velazquez  
Barbara Vega

C. David Wainwright

In memory of **MARGARET "MARGIE" DURANTE**,  
our friend and supporter.

The Don MacBeth Memorial Jockey Fund

In memory of **DOMINIC BILLERA**  
Tony & Phyllis DeFranco

In memory of **ALICE KUNDE**  
Robert Kunde

In memory of my beloved cousin, **PAT LOVE**  
Arnie Lewis

In memory of **ALFRED T. BRANHAM**  
Nicki L. Davis

In memory of **CLYDE H. JAMES**  
Nicki L. Davis

In memory of my sister, **MARGARET CHRISTENSEN**  
Tom Igoe

In loving memory of **ROMAN & JOSEPHINE FICARRA**  
Bill & Lucille Way

In memory of **BILL MORRIS**  
Clint Miller

In memory of **DAVID SAMUEL**  
Matthew A. Dickason

In memory of **PEGGY BARROW**  
Patricia Tracy

In memory of **CHRIS REALLAS**, friend and handicapper  
Bette Kinkade

In memory of **RAYMOND FELDMAN**  
Jerry Zahler

In loving memory of **PAT LOVE**  
Mildred Burr

In honor of **RENE DOUGLAS**  
Terrence Brown  
Paul Malito  
Marte Miller  
Michael Platzke

**HOW RACING FANS MAY HELP**

Enclosed is my tax deductible donation of \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

**DONATIONS**

A donation may be made:

- In memory of a loved one
- For a holiday gift
- For any special occasion

A card will be sent on your behalf.  
Donations are tax deductible.

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