

2011 OETRA Report

The following information was in the past year's newsletters.

January - \$6,690.08 balance. Executive Board met to plan your year, initiated a first-ever membership drive...with prizes! Information about Oklahoma Department of Wildlife Conservation (ODWC) passport fee became public.

February - \$6,151.89 balance. Cedar Lake work weekend we worked every trail, planted trees, assisted in a search for a missing local man. Contacted ODWC to get OETRA members exempt from paying Conservation Passport Fee at Robbers Cave (RC) during Work Week. Many of you paid anyway because you ride there often. First time ever to put advertisements in Directory, which helped pay for half of the printing costs. Applied for grant funds for Robbers Cave corral project.

March - \$6,571.69 balance. Robbers Cave Work Week reopened trail 4 (ice storm 2000) Board of Directors' (BOD) approved buying panels for 12 more corrals and screenings; ODWC Exemption approved, 90% returned survey said the fee would NOT affect their decision to visit Robbers Cave.

April - \$7,131.50 balance. Mary Ben Marshall Ride held at Bell Cow with first-ever Live Band; Kaw Lake Work Weekend. Sam Burnsed - Founding Member passed away. Started selling raffle tickets for TV/DVD.

May - \$4,938.22 balance. Assisted Friends of Heyburn Lake with first-ever Heyburn Lake Benefit Ride.

June - \$4,321.80 balance. National Trails Day at Robbers Cave, paid \$2,626.52 for RC corrals. Work started at Sportsman Lake for trail improvements with help from city employees, pavilion built from private donation, BOD's approve spending \$1,000 for four picnic tables.

July - \$3,212.66 balance. Though it was hot outside, we were working hard preparing for the upcoming fall events, selling raffle tickets for the TV/DVD, gathering donations for Wildlife Expo camping setup.

August - \$3,938.96 balance. Getting ready for Fall rides! Donations were collected and distributed to tornado victims.

September - \$2,262.68 balance. Labor Day weekend at Robbers Cave with 87 members in attendance, despite unusually hot summer. 2nd year for booth at Wildlife Expo - outside set up as camp site. Over 50 items donated from vendors across the state for campsite; signed people up for first-ever "Camping with Horses 101." Received \$1,500 grant from the AQHA STEP Program funded by Tractor Supply to be used toward the corral panel project at Robbers Cave.

October - \$3,749.88 balance. First-ever "Camping with Horses 101" clinic was a big success with 17 participants, 14 of those joined as new members. TV/DVD raffle tickets continue to bring in revenue.

November - \$5,418.37 balance. Kaw Lake ride, Fall Color Ride at Cedar Lake - more than 85 members showed up for the Potluck, including 6 new members, Deanna Fields gets memberships renewed with enthusiasm, Lesa and Velvet O'Hair make Meet and Greet exciting, 15 trees donated and planted, over \$600 made on the Silent Auction.

December - \$8,086.25 balance. Christmas party and officer/board elections, silent auction, Wanda & Ken Christensen announce their donation of a scooter for the 2012 raffle.