



FOUNDATION FEATURE:

MANY REASONS to give

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The National Snaffle Bit Association's Foundation has been expanding its programming to include special projects that support its five pillars of success, which include:

- Animal Welfare
- Trainer Crisis Fund
- Education which includes the Youth Scholarship and Youth of the Year Award
- Equestrians with Disabilities program and Heroes on Horses
- Champion Fund

Special projects allow the NSBA Foundation to support additional programs such as the NSBA Coaches Summit and NSBA's Boot Camp. None of the Foundation's programming would be possible without the great support of donors and especially repeat donors such as Cathrin Gutmann.

"My family has been involved in many charitable activities over many, many years, and we were happy to contribute in the horse part of our lives—to donate to the great efforts and programs that the NSBA Foundation is establishing," Cathrin said.

"As a competitor in the NSBA and AQHA world, I've watched EWD classes over the past years. I've always been impressed to see what the horse can do for people with disabilities and it's exciting to see what those with disabilities can accomplish on horses," she continued. "I've talked to competitors, to parents and trainers—and it's amazing to see what can be achieved on a mental, physiological and personal level. Seeing those classes and talking to the people—all of it made me want to contribute."



Cathrin Gutmann



Through one of the Foundation's latest special projects, the Coaches Summit, the amazing interaction between people with disabilities and horses may be expanded even further. The three-day Coaches Summit, which will be held March 26-28 in Gurnee, Illinois, will bring together industry professionals with therapeutic riding centers and coaches. The agenda includes starting or expanding riding programs that can include EWD or Veteran riders, hosting competitive events and their impact on riding programs, obtaining best practices and available resources, as well as networking and discussion with donors.

To learn how you can participate in this inaugural Coaches Summit, the NSBA Boot Camps or help contribute to the NSBA Foundation's programs, please contact Lynn Campbell at www.nsba.com. ■

