



LOOKING BACK AT 2018

The end of the year brings a time of reflection, Following are some of the highlights in 2018 for Grayson-Jockey Club Research Foundation.

JANUARY- FEBRUARY

Grayson was the proud sponsor of the 2018 United States Pony Club Research Project Fair. We look forward to sponsoring the Fair again in 2019, continuing to encourage young horse enthusiasts to learn more about horse health and research.

The Research Advisory committee had its annual meeting in Fort Worth, TX, (photo, right) for the final steps in the review process of the 66 grants applications submitted for funding consideration in the 2018 cycle. The GJCRF Board of Directors reviewed the RAC recommendations and selected the grants to be funded.



MARCH



GJCRF notified Grant recipients and announced the 2018 newly funded grants, and also listed all grants being funded for their second year. The Storm Cat Career Development Award

and the Klein Development Award winners were also announced. ([click here for details on these grants and the Career Development Awards](#))

APRIL-MAY



Spendthrift farm partnered with the Foundation on “Help A Horse” day (photo, left) with a stallion show and a chance to meet the recently retired champion race mare Beholder. Fans enjoyed their visit.

GJCRF was a sponsor of the 2018 Land Rover Kentucky Three Day event as part of the outreach to all breeds and disciplines.

JUNE

The Belmont Stakes Charity Celebration featured the presentation of the Dinny Phipps award. The 2018 winner was Frank Stronach. (photo, right)



The Eighth Welfare and Safety Summit was held at Keeneland in Lexington, KY. This year’s summit touched on many racing issues and but also included a focus on sport horse careers for off-track Thoroughbreds.

JULY

The foundation participated in “Hats Off Day” at the Kentucky Horse Park, (photo, right) hosted by Rood and Riddle Equine Hospital. The event annually highlights several equine breeds and disciplines as well as a Grand Prix event.



The GJCRF Annual members meeting was held at the Thoroughbred Club in Lexington.

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AUGUST

GJCRF held the 18th Annual Charity Golf Tournament at Saratoga Springs National Golf Club, which was one of the best attended golf events in the last few years.

The foundation was a sponsor of United States Equestrian Foundation Pony Finals, growing awareness of our Junior Membership program. *(photo, right)*



SEPTEMBER

Once again Kentucky Downs sponsored for the fifth year the GJCRF Day at Kentucky Downs. The race sponsorships designated for the foundation brought in a total of \$6,000.

The Elizabeth Locke Jewelry Show was held at Keeneland Library during the September Sales with a percentage of all proceeds donated to GJCRF.



Grayson debuted our branded jump at the Thoroughbred Incentive Program and New Vocations Champion Horse show. *(photo, left)*

OCTOBER

During the first week of October, the foundation received 53 grant applications for funding consideration in the 2019 grant cycle. Receipt of the grants began the rigorous score and review process.

Grayson sponsored the Thoroughbred Makeover at the Kentucky Horse Park, celebrating the Thoroughbred breed performing in a variety of disciplines.

Hagyard Equine Medical Hospital hosted the first Fall Handicapping Cocktail Party, kicking off the

Keeneland meet and other key pre-Breeders' Cup races. Proceeds benefitted the Foundation.

The American Quarter Horse Association Congress was held in Columbus, OH., and the foundation sponsored the Youth Hunter Under Saddle (11 & under) and Youth Western Pleasure (11 & under). *(photo, right)* GJCRF veterinary consultant, Dr. Johnny Mac Smith spoke at the AQHA Lecture Series on "The top 5 things you need to know about EHV-1: Preventing an outbreak at a show or sale near you"!



Chairman Dell Hancock discussed the importance of taking care of all horses at Equestricon, the second annual conference of its kind, prior to the Breeders' Cup.

NOVEMBER-DECEMBER

The foundation was a sponsor of the National Horse Show at the Kentucky Horse Park and competed in the Bluegrass Charity Benefit, where we were awarded with \$6,000 as the Charity with the second most attendees on Friday, Nov. 2nd for the \$50,000 National Horse Show Hunter Classic.



The Equestrian Living magazine published a feature article on the foundation - "Helping Horses of All Breeds."

Veterinary Consultant Johnny Mac Smith spoke about research at The Thoroughbred Owner Conference.

WAYS TO SUPPORT RESEARCH

Tribute Program

Allows you to give in the name of a beloved equine pal and have their photo and story posted on our tribute page. Starting at \$30 and up. **Through year-end, ALL LEVELS will include your horse's name on a leather bracelet.**

[Click here for more information on this program.](#)



Junior Membership

We'll send you a toy pony from our stable, a membership certificate and other surprises to members. You also have access to our newsletter the Grayson Gazette, filled with tips, activities, recipes and more. **Membership is ONLY \$20 - Good Until January 31st.**

[Click here for more information on this program.](#)



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Dr. Johnny Mac Smith & Charlsie Cantey

"The Evolution of a Grant"

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