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To All O.A.T.S. Members and Volunteers,

It has been the dream and goal of O.A.T.S. to one day be able to purchase property of our own. At this time, ***we are excited to share with you that this dream has come true!***

As you can imagine, this is a project we have been working on for some time, and recently, a facility became available that was too good to let pass. The new property is located about seven minutes north on M-15 and is easily accessible from both M-15 and from Dixie Highway. It has an indoor arena double the size of our current one, a large barn with numerous stalls and green pastures for our horses. In addition, it provides us with ample space to continue to grow our program. The new location is located at 4920 Groveland Road, Groveland Township 48462.

O.A.T.S. is thankful for the many years that we have been able to operate here at 3090 Weidemann Drive, and for all that Nancy, her husband Steve and parents Al and Betty Langer provided for O.A.T.S. The Board has decided that we want to ensure that Nancy's passion is never forgotten, and have decided to dedicate the new barn to her. A plaque honoring her and her dedication to the disabled community will be hung as a reminder to all.

In order to minimize the amount of time that we are down and to accommodate the various activities scheduled on O.A.T.S. calendar, we have made the decision to make the move to the new location immediately. We apologize that we were not able to provide you with more ample notice, but things progressed quickly and we didn't want to raise hope if for some reason they did not work out. We will be moving the horses and the majority of the supplies the weekend of April 29<sup>th</sup>.

For safety of our riders, we will be giving our horses some time to acclimate to their new surroundings. Due to this, we will not be having classes the week of May 1<sup>st</sup>, and will be ***resuming our regular schedule on Monday, May 8<sup>th</sup>***. You are welcome to come out to visit our new home sooner - just call Beth to arrange the time. A visit during this week would also be a good opportunity to bring by any riders who need time to adjust to the change.

As always, please feel free to contact me with any questions. We are excited to begin the next chapter of the O.A.T.S. program.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Pellerito  
Executive Director