

The Place Where Horses Help Kids!



Scedra & Star 2006

A Story 10 Years in the Making...

Scedra & Star: The Original Jeremiah's Crossing Lesson Team

Scedra's mother wanted to know if the Harris's horse could help her daughter. It was a simple question, really, "You have a horse, and I have a daughter with CP (cerebral palsy). I understand that your horse can help my daughter. Could we try?" And with that, the course for Jeremiah's Crossing was set.

Scedra began riding Star when she was four and Star was six. They were a match made in heaven. Star always waited calmly as Scedra was lifted into the saddle by her father. As Star carried her, she would call out, "Look Mom, I'm flying!"

For health reasons, Scedra missed several summers of riding. When she returned in 2011, everyone at Jeremiah's Crossing was thrilled to see her, but no one imagined that Star would be excited as well.

Now age 14, Scedra uses the mounting ramp to get on her horse. Star stands patiently, even leaning into the ramp to assist Scedra in her transfer from walker or wheelchair to the saddle. He waits for her to get settled and balanced and then Scedra says the words Star loves to hear, "Star, Walk!" and they're off.

Star and Scedra and the rest of their team execute all the skills and drills. Everything goes off without a hitch. All too soon, it's time to dismount. Star stands patiently during the whole process; never moving a muscle. He even waits as Scedra rolls her chair forward so she can talk to him and thank him for being such good boy. As Scedra takes Star's beautiful white head into her lap, and strokes his noble nose, a great big tear rolls down his cheek. It seems that Star has missed Scedra as much as Scedra missed Star.

The story that began with one girl and one horse plays itself out over and over. For each student and each horse there is a story of dedication and success. Join us and help write the next chapter of the Jeremiah's Crossing story.



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