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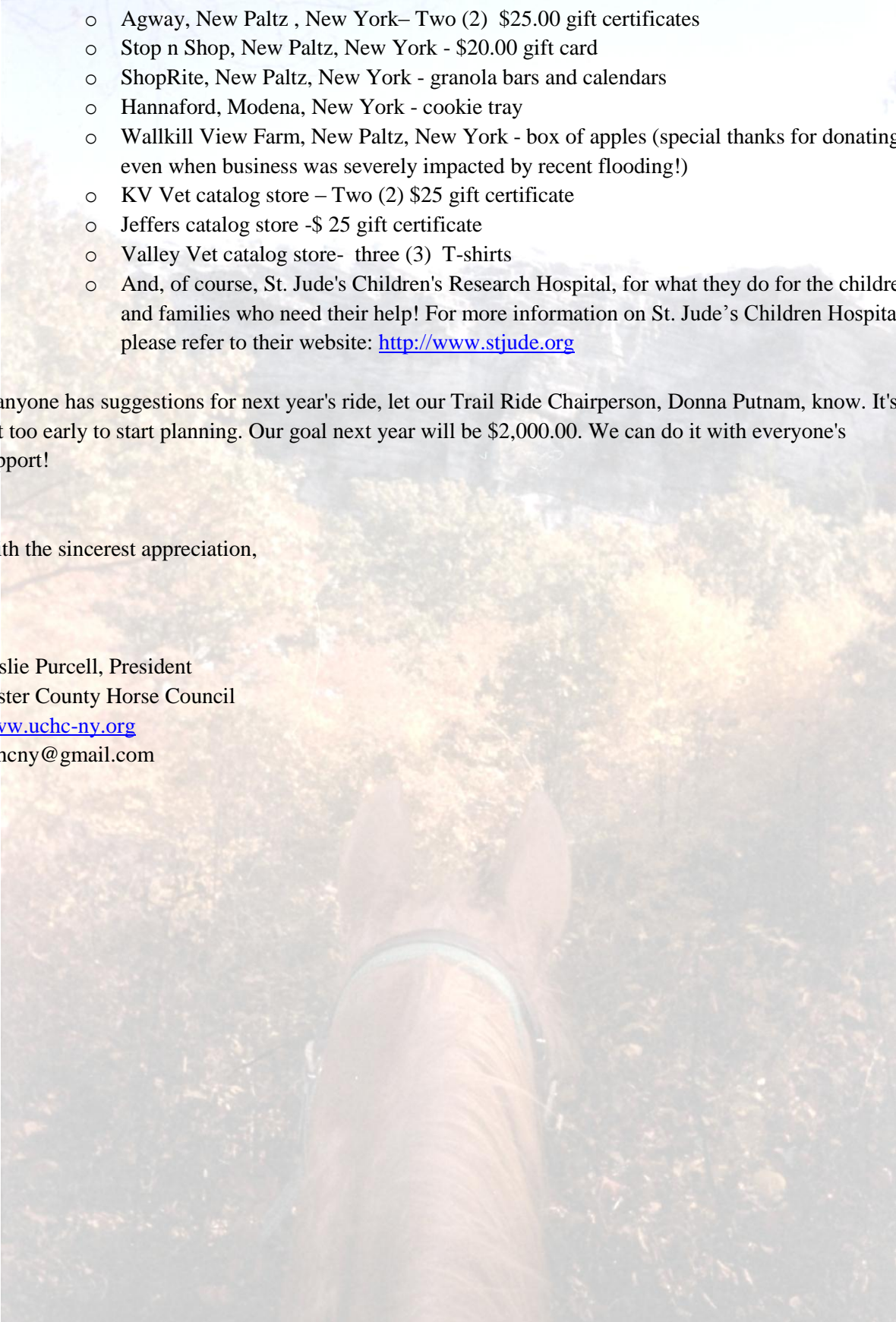
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We would like to express our sincere appreciation to all who made the 3rd annual, 2011 Ulster County Horse Council's sponsored St. Jude Children's Research Hospital Fundraiser Trail Ride another success. Eight (8) riders and one (1) long distance participating fund raiser were prepared to ride in less than perfect weather on the trail ride event held on October 1, 2011. The amount collected by the 9 fund raisers summed \$1,783.000, with future promises of an additional donation from an Orange and Rockland employee to match one of the donations, which would put 2011 UCHC sponsored St. Jude Trail ride up to \$1,993.00. If you wish additional information about the trails at Mohonk Preserve, please visit their website at www.mohonkpreserve.org.

Our thanks go out to the tireless efforts of the UCHC Trail Ride chairpersons, Donna Putnam and Laurel Skiff, who rode and marked the trails, organized the ride with the Mohonk Preserve, and graciously welcomed all riders at this year's fund raising event. Further gratitude goes out to the following participating landowners, organizations, and award sponsors, for without their support, this could not happen.

- Mohonk Preserve, for preserving and maintaining such a great trail network, and for so quickly repairing trails after recent storm damage;
- Jon Ross, Mohonk Preserve, for being so helpful planning and setting up;
- Ulster County Horse Council's Members for sponsoring the ride;
- all the riders, for showing up and being prepared for less than perfect weather with such good horses, and especially those who lent horses to others or transported horses for others, and even horseless riders who came just to help;
- all those who participated, even if they didn't ride;
- all those who contributed their donations to meet our fundraising goal for St. Jude's;
- and all our vendors listed below for donating incentive prizes and refreshments:
 - Liberty Tractor Supply, Liberty, New York - one lead, halter sheep skin covers, a riding crop, and a bag of horse treats.
 - Pine Bush Equine, Pine Bush, New York - \$105 certificate for Teeth, shots etc.
 - Kelders Farm, Kerhonkson, New York- \$25 gift certificate
 - Tractor Supply Co., Highland, New York - saddle pad, training whip, and 2 saddle covers - value \$75.00+/-

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- Agway, New Paltz , New York– Two (2) \$25.00 gift certificates
 - Stop n Shop, New Paltz, New York - \$20.00 gift card
 - ShopRite, New Paltz, New York - granola bars and calendars
 - Hannaford, Modena, New York - cookie tray
 - Wallkill View Farm, New Paltz, New York - box of apples (special thanks for donating, even when business was severely impacted by recent flooding!)
 - KV Vet catalog store – Two (2) \$25 gift certificate
 - Jeffers catalog store -\$ 25 gift certificate
 - Valley Vet catalog store- three (3) T-shirts
 - And, of course, St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital, for what they do for the children and families who need their help! For more information on St. Jude's Children Hospital, please refer to their website: <http://www.stjude.org>

If anyone has suggestions for next year's ride, let our Trail Ride Chairperson, Donna Putnam, know. It's not too early to start planning. Our goal next year will be \$2,000.00. We can do it with everyone's support!

With the sincerest appreciation,

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