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From Deborah Fish, Dennis Reis' fiancé, pastmastered Rock Springs, Wyo.

We have been traveling across the country since February 14th on our *Day of the Horse Tour*.

First off, I want to thank all of you who have already signed our Day of the Horse petition to create a National Day of the Horse. We have received hundreds of e-mails already—please tell your friends and family—together we can make this happen!!

Our goal to create a National Day of the Horse sent us 3,475 miles in 8 days to reach our first destination in Williamston, N.C.

Southern hospitality is no myth...we were warmly received at all of our seminars. Since leaving North Carolina, we have been in a different state every weekend—Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi and Texas. Our next stop was Georgia—at the beautiful International Horse Park built especially for the Equine Olympics. Thus far, the trip has been fun and rewarding but not without its trials.

When at last we arrived (after driving 12 hours), to our surprise the facility did not have stalls as promised. We had to unload the horses so they could eat and rest. They put up temporary panels against a chain link fence in the parking lot—but the horses were getting cold and wet. They would not let us bring the horses inside and Dennis was greatly concerned for their well-being. So, in true Dennis fashion, we packed up, cancelled the venue and drove all night to Tennessee. What a pretty state! We layed up at Brownland Farm, an awesome 200-acre hunter jumper facility.

The highlight of our trip so far has been Texas. At the invitation of Ty Murray and his parents Joy and Butch,



we spent 4 days on his 2000-plus acre ranch. We "rode, roped and remembered..."

Friend Craig Cameron showed up and we all had the best time trail riding all over Ty's ranch, riding his bucking machine, talking horsemanship and enjoying a real Texas cook out! With Ty and his parents in tow, we hit Fort Worth and the Cow Town Coliseum. Ty invited friends, Walt Garrison and Cody Lambert and the Fort Worth crowd loved every minute.

From there, we hit Tucson, Ariz., and Los Angeles at the Industry Hills Equestrian Center. Our trip continued

on to Idaho, Oregon, Montana and Wyoming. Next is a stop in Colorado, Utah then home for a 30-day clinic. (whew!)

Log on to our website at www.reisranch.com for dates and locations for all of the seminars and most importantly keep the drive alive and sign the Day of the Horse petition—we need your help to achieve our goal to create a National Day of the Horse.

Thanks again for everyone's continued interest and support,

Sincerely,
Deborah (and Dennis)
Reis Ranch

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