

## Silent Auction for Keepsake Rein in Cancer Quilt to be held During NRHA Futurity

People attending the National Reining Horse Association Futurity in person or via the internet will have an opportunity to bid on an heirloom quality quilt, especially commissioned for Rein in Cancer. The intricate quilt is thoughtfully and lovingly designed with an extra load of near-hidden detail that only becomes visible after careful study. The combination of quilting, appliqué and embroidery result in a one-of-a-kind piece that honors the cause.

The quilt has been donated to Rein in Cancer by Terry Owens, who commissioned its construction for her Biterra Quarter Horses and hoped it could be used to raise funds during the NRHA Futurity. Owens began reining in 1999 by taking riding lessons with NRHA Professional Steve Archer. She attended the NRHA futurity that year and bought a young horse named Smartest Chic Olena. The horse would go on to have great success- winning the prestigious National Reining Breeders Classic Open Championship. She rode for the Rookie of the



Year title in 2003 then took a big role in promotions and fundraising for the Reining Horse Sports Foundation, remaining involved on a smaller scale to this day.

For Terry, having had several friends that battled cancer and having a close call herself has given her an appreciation for the importance of fighting the cancer battle.

So when her friends, Georgia Davis and Karen Duncan of Alberta, Canada showed her one of their beautiful hand-made quilts, she immediately said "I would love to have one of your quilts to raise funds for Rein in Cancer." A thought became a reality when – some months later, it was delivered to her home.

She noted, "I love the horse industry and have some great friends all over the world because of it; I have dear friends that have had life changing experiences because of cancer....they meet here!"

The quilt will be displayed at the NRHA Futurity and bidding can be done on-site or through the Youth Auction system at NRHA.com.

Rein in Cancer President, Cheryl (Magoteaux) Cody was deeply appreciative of the gift. "Rein in Cancer has made direct payments to over 50 cancer patients in the last 90 days. The need is there and it is gifts like this that can raise the money to let us continue to aid the people who really need our help. We thank Terry for her donation and we thank the National Reining Horse Association for hosting the auction."

To see the quilt online, go to ....

Rein in Cancer was begun 4 years ago and in 2012 began offering direct payment to cancer patients who are part of the horse industry. For information on Rein In Cancer, visit the web site at [www.reinincancer.com](http://www.reinincancer.com).