



PDJF/TFH FUNDRAISER AT PARX RACING SATURDAY

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BENSALEM, Pa. (Thursday, September 22, 2016) This Saturday, September 24, on Pennsylvania Derby and Cotillion Day, an all-star jockey autograph poster signing will take place in the paddock area at Parx Racing from 12:30 pm – 1:30 pm Eastern to benefit the Permanently Disabled Jockeys Fund (PDJF) and Turning For Home (TFH), which is Parx' on site retirement program created and managed by the Pennsylvania Thoroughbred Horsemen's Association.

For a \$10.00 minimum donation, race fans will receive a poster of top 3-year-old colts Exaggerator and Nyquist, who will be competing in the \$1.25 million 2016 Pennsylvania Derby, as well as unbeaten champion Songbird and Kentucky Oaks winner Cathryn Sophia, who will clash in the \$1 million Cotillion Stakes.

Among those expected to be on hand for the autograph session are Hall of Fame riders Mike Smith and Kent Desormeaux; three-time Eclipse Award winner Javier Castellano; and two-time Kentucky Derby winner Mario Gutierrez. Other well-known riders locally and nationally will be on hand to meet and greet race fans throughout the blockbuster 12-race program.

Gates open on Pennsylvania Derby Day at 10:00 am; first post 12:25 pm.

About Parx Racing: Parx Racing is located at 3001 Street Road in Bensalem, PA, three miles west of exit 37 on Interstate 95 and one mile east from US Route 1 and exit 351 of the Pennsylvania Turnpike. It is approximately 30 minutes north of center city Philadelphia and 40 minutes from Philadelphia International Airport.

About the PDJF: is a 501(c) 3 public charity that provides financial assistance to some 60 former jockeys who have suffered catastrophic on-track injuries. Since its founding in 2006, the fund has disbursed over \$7 million to permanently disabled jockeys, most of whom have sustained paralysis or brain injuries.

About TRF: Turning for home is a 501 (c) non-profit group that has provided over 1,000 racehorses with a safe retirement since opening in May 2008. Realizing the industry's need to protect the equine athletes who have worked so hard for their owners and trainers, the Pennsylvania Thoroughbred Horsemen's Association of Parx Racing established a true "insurance policy" for our retired Thoroughbreds. With the inception of Turning for Home, owners and trainers have a safe outlet for their retiring horse.