

Dear scholarship donors , thank you so much. SIT was an amazing experience and I learned so many of the different aspects of being a horseman. Even from the first few lessons I could tell how wonderful Maria Lithander, and Lendon Gray were and how their teaching styles were going to help me improve. Maria was such a positive and knowledgeable trainer and although Lendon's teaching style was different than Maria's it still helped me improve. Another great thing that SIT did was the lectures I learned so much from everyone. I think my favorite lectures were where the trainer talked about their riding journey. I think these lectures were my favorite because I found it interesting that all of them had very different backgrounds. On a different note I also liked the tests. At first I thought these tests were kind of hard but over the course of SIT I found myself remembering the parts of the horse more easily. So I also am happy that I have more knowledge about the parts of the horse and what they do. When Corie and Kerrigan arrived I was excited to meet them and learn from them. My lesson with Kerrigan was good and I liked it a lot. Her teaching style kind of reminded me of Maria's. I did most of my training throughout SIT with Maria because I loved her teaching style and I felt like she understood my struggles with Bonnie. I also liked Corie a lot. She was a very knowledgeable groomer and she liked asking about everybody's lessons. I also liked how she helped people clean their tack better. Even though I had to work hard throughout SIT I still had fun with the other Sities. Furthermore, this was a great experience, I think I progressed a lot and I hope to come back next year.

Sincerely, Lillian Mooney