**The Kansas State Women's Equestrian Team took home 3rd place Western Team and 5th place Overall at the 2008 Varsity Equestrian National Championship. The western team was represented in Horsemanship by Lindsey Salsbury, Jana Lechtenberg, Laura Browne, and Alyssa Freeman, and in Reining by Morgan Campbell, Tara Hallan, Alecia Zimbelman, and Alyssa Freeman. After defeating the University of Tennessee-Martin 8-0 in the first round, we moved into the second bracket feeling good to compete against Texas A&M. We tied that round in a close 4-4 race and won the tie breaker by a half a point. That afternoon we moved into the third round of competition against TCU. We fell in a hard fought 3-5 battle, and TCU went on to win the National Championship the next day. In the last round of competition we competed for 3rd and 4th against Oklahoma State. We defeated OSU with an overall score of 6-1 earning us the 3rd place western team.**

**The Hunter Seat team was represented in Fences by Kendall Marvin, Ashley Collet, Whitney Snyder, and Leslie Yates, and on the Flat by Jenny Giraldin, Whitney Snyder, Leslie Yates, and Julie Wolfert. In the first round of competiton against Deleware State, the Hunter Seat team won a 4-4 tie breaker. Going on to compete against 2nd ranked Texas A&M, the team fell 2-6 and Texas A&M went on to claim the Reserve National Championship the next day. The team headed to compete against Baylor in the third round of competition and lost a 4-4 tie breaker.**

**We are finally slowing down for the summer. We will be seeking out horses to add to our program for next season. Horse donations to the team can be used for tax credit. We would like to keep improving our herd with seasoned horsemanship, jumping, and reining horses. Please contact Casie Williamson at Lisabeth@ksu.edu or 785-587-7747 if you are interested in donating your horse or would like more information.**