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THIS YEAR WILL MARK 20 YEARS OF RESCUING EQUINES
SAVING LIVES ~ ONE AT A TIME



EVENTS - 2023

JANUARY 11th Board Meeting

JUNE 17th - Volunteer Campfire

JULY 8th-Barn Painting

JULY 22nd - Meet & Greet Thunder at Hardwick Co-op

AUGUST 6th - Benefit Horse Show - Felton Field in Barre

OCTOBER 14th - Fall Festival at the Rescue, West Brookfield

OCTOBER 29th- Palmer Motor-sports Mustangs on the Mountain

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Cover Photo: Joy of discovering horses

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SPOTLIGHT ON: Larry Underwood Extraordinary Horseman



This man is *Larry Underwood*. He came to support the Central New England Equine Rescue Benefit Show by himself with his purebred Morgan. He is in his 80's, trailered, showed and drove home with a smile!

THREE red ribbons today.

We so appreciate you being here, Larry.

He has been supporting the Barre Horse Show Series for 66 years!

KUDOS Larry, you are an inspiration

to us all.

Picture taken by Denise Kellicker at the CNEER Show last year with his colt Xcellence. (They are reading the trail course class together). Great pic Denise.

PALMER MOTORSPORTS MUSTANGS ON THE MOUNTAIN

On October 29th (rain date) we attended the Mustangs on the Mountain at Palmer Motorsports in Palmer, MA. It was an overcast day with a light rain. The hosts were more than hospitable and set us up under a great dry pavilion. Despite the weather, the atmosphere was upbeat and exciting. Roxann, Lynne, Jerry and Mark set up tables and we proudly displayed our shirts. We love getting our mission out to the public in any weather. We had folks that purchased shirts to match the

colors of their Mustangs. The cars were polished and you couldn't see a speck of dust on any.

Thank you **Palmer Motorsports** for your invitation to get the word out about the *original Horse Power* that need a helping hand.

Hay Season

These months are filled with getting the hay in for the cold winter months ahead. Days start with phone calls to set the date for pick up, then borrowing a trailer to load up the hay and then phone calls to help with the hay going up into the loft and the stacking of the hay. This takes place about 8 to 10 times before the loft is filled! A job not for the faint of hear. We are lucky to know a great hay supplier who does his best to keep us going, Gus Hansen and his family. So grateful to those that offer to help as the 35 and 40 lb bales of hay seem heavier and heavier with each passing season!

Without your help we could not keep the herd fed and warm. So once again a huge THANK YOU for all the sweat and hard work and willingness to make the difference.



Strong men and such a huge help. We are so very grateful.

AROUND THE BARN

*Welcome to new volunteers: **Ron, Annabella, Kat, Yaya and Brooke!**

***Li'l Jack & Thunder** have been adopted to a beautiful home.

***Cooper** has been adopted to a loving home by Linda. He gets better with each passing day.

***Ollie** is adopted and in a safe home.

***Daisy** has been returned to the rescue due to illness in the family.

***Jersey Girl and Whiskey** are back from foster care. Thank you for over four years of caring for foster horses to the **Gonya's, Neil and Yvette.**

***Belle, Mia and Keno** are back in the Rescue

*Thank You **Derek** for your hard work pouring the finishing cement for our shelter. What a great job.

*We are grateful to Tantasqua Regional H. S. teachers & students for their willingness to build a protective shavings shelter

*Thank you to our volunteers for

helping to vaccum (especially Sari) and spit shine the barn for the upcoming Fall Festival!

*We had some pretty huge pines topple down at the farm, luckily no one was hurt... and we had our great volunteers willing to do the hard work of cutting up branches and towing them off the driveway in time for our Fall Festival!



This is what an Executive Board looks like at a Rescue.

HORSES CURRENTLY IN THE RESCUE

Badonk - 16 y.o. donkey sanctuary

Bandit - Aged pony - sanctuary

Belle - aged TB mare

Captain Jack - 5 y.o. ShetlandX pony

Cooper - TB gelding - adopted

Daisy - approx 20 y.o.

Gia - 15 y.o. Paint

Jersey Girl - 11 y.o. QH mare

Keno - Paint Gelding

Mama - aged Haflinger

Mia - mini (pending adoption)

Minnie Pearl - 17 y.o. pony

Sega - 17 y.o. Andalusian - Blind

Sully - 16 y.o. Appendix

Winnie - Paint, aged mare

Whiskey Lullaby - TB gelding

Zinga - 22 y.o. bay TB mare

HARDICK CO-OP MEET & GREET

It was a wonderful day at the Hardwick Co-op Meet & Greet. A bit drizzly as the whole Fall season seemed to be but what a fun day. Folks were thrilled to meet Little Jack and Thunder and they were just as happy to meet young and old and everyone in between. Thank you Steve and your wonderful staff for inviting us to participate.



PET ROCK FESTIVAL

We were represented at the Pet Rock Festival by our volunteers: Christie Lee, Laurie Drazyk and our president Betsy Johnson. To say it rained is an understatement to the empth degree! Despite the rain there were smiles and laughter. Thank you to those who braved the weather once again to attend and show support for the horses in our care!. Storm Troopers!



Christie, Betsy, Laurie

Our Benefit Horse Show

Success!

Our Horse Show was well attended and once again good sportsmanship and comradery. The chefs were busy all day and a huge thank to: Mark, Roxann, Penny, Sheryl and the rest of the staff in detail and their esprit de corps at the food booth. Our judges for the day did a great job and the award booth did a stellar job making sure all points were awarded correctly. Thank you to everyone who made it possible.



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t job and the Secretary's
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PONDERISMS

*The ability to speak several languages is an asset, but the ability to keep your mouth shut in any language is priceless.

*Be decisive. Right or wrong, make a decision. The road is paved with flat squirrels who couldn't make a decision.

*Unbridled Enthusiasm...I know exactly what that means. *Daily Nickers*

*Just once, I want the prompt for username and password to say, "Close enough."

*Your call is very important to us. Please enjoy this 40-minute flute solo."

*Does anyone else have a plastic bag full of plastic bags, or is it just me?

*It is so annoying when I can't figure out how to operate the cell phone and my tech support guy is asleep. He's 5 and it's past his bedtime.

*Today's 3-year-olds can switch on laptops and open their favorite apps. When I was 3, I ate mud.

*"Horses give us the wings we lack"

*Nothing you wear is more important than your smile Hope this made you smile.

The Fall Festival

was held despite threats of downpours!

We had a wonderful turnout and the horses care will be paid for the winter months ahead!



...and the event day begins...Ron & Annabella bringing out pumpkins at 6 a.m. for the pumpkin decorating festivities.



Our Fall Festival Sponsors:

- *Sheriff Lew Evangelidis and Worcester County Sheriff's Office
- *Field of Dreams Therapy Farm
- *Farm Family Insurance - Jeff Pichierri
- *CA Smith Lumber of Ludlow
- *Flamingo Racing Inc. of Palmer
- *Howe Lumber of East Brookfield
- *Citgo Country Stores
- *Overlook Senior Living & Rehab Community
- *Sharon Haber



"Deux Amis" performing their upbeat and wonderful music filling the air with light heartedness.



Huge thank you to all who attended, participated and volunteered for this day. We all sighed a breath of relief when the weather co- operated. A special thank you to our chefs and to Lauren Pomponio who brought the fun from Boston with her. The raffles were awesome this year. There were smiles everywhere on the farm from the talented Kae and Hannah face painting to the pumpkin decorating to the pony rides and the mounted police walking their horses on the grounds, wagon rides by Leah Concetta and a thank you to *Ware H.S. students* for their help parking cars, to *Hardwick Crossing* for the use of their golf carts and to Marty and Alex for spearheading the parking.

Great



B's Place



Great Fun



Pumpkin Decorating



Bandit & Barbara



Worcester Mounted Police



**Always Great Supporters
Wendy & Ray**



**Pony Rides by
SHF**



Photography Booth



**A few of Lynne & Jerry's
Creations for Raffles**

Giving Tuesday

November 28th is a special day here at the farm. It raises awareness across social media about horses that need help and special care. It helps to give the extra carrot and buy that heavy weight extra and haven't had the chance to weather sets in for the winter. more than you could ever know. care depends on our ability to of hay, keep up with needed medicines, keep hooves trimmed, pay the vet bills & purchase shavings for extra bedding in the cold months and the supplements and halters, leadlines, ointments for sores and cuts.



blanket for those that are thin gain weight before the frigid We appreciate your kindness Our ability to keep up our daily order the grain, pay for the bales

Field of Dreams Opens its Doors



A very important part of our community is networking with reputable organizations. **Field of Dreams** is one such organization. Always there for those that need a helping hand to care for their horses. We are grateful to their founders and their commitment for making the world a better place emotionally, spritually and financially.

Even though they have just officially opened their doors this year., their founders have been there helping others in any way they can for many years. Recently, we were able to attend their ribbon cutting and it was a gala event. Friends, family and community were there to celebrate this dream come true for Laurie Drazek. Minis, Thunder and Little Jack joined in the festivities too. We see miracles happen and dreams come true. It is uplifting to see the positive gifts that appear when good intentions, good people and great acts take place before your eyes. WE all need the aura that surrounds horses when they are allowed to thrive and be our companions.

It takes quiet time spent with horses to see the good that can be in this world and maybe a dream come true now and then.



**Wishing Everyone a Happy Holiday Season
Your kind and thoughtful ways make it a
Giving and Grateful Season every day the whole year
through for the horses in this Rescue.**

Two horses your kindness help rescue by CNEER from a dubious fate. They were in poor health and terrified as they enter the Rescue wondering what is going to happen next. They do not trust humans at was Gia's go to tactic. and strike out aiming it would do the most is still alert to new arivals herself but not in that her ears is what you can any thing but peace. Captain Jack had a here. He was headed the border and was in when he arrived. He was double barrel kick to get and I might add he was very quick! He is now a Fall Festival showed how much he likes kids.



all. Defensiveness She would rear that hoof where damage. Today she and will defend way. A flattening of expect if she senses long route to get for slaughter over very rough shape not afraid to use a you away from him favorite and at the

WE could not do this without your continued support, donations and love. Vicky



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