



OVERHERD

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Perry Morgan



In 1991, Joanie was cutting down trees with a handsaw to clear fields when Perry arrived with a bulldozer. His comment to her was, "Let me show you how to do it, 'Little Girl'!" The world has lost a good soul. RIP Perry.

What is Instagram?

Joanie received an email from a mom requesting to visit the sanctuary. Her two daughters, Madi, 14 and Reagan, 13, had collected funds that they wanted to donate to the rescued horses. The two girls post horse pictures on their Instagram accounts and one has about 20,000 followers and the other has about 30,000 followers.

Reagan and Madi designed sweatshirts and sold them on their Instagram accounts raising \$400.00 for the horses at HPS!

A huge horsey thank you from the herd to two very special young ladies!



February

Most of us will only remember the cold, icy roads and the snow since it impacted our lives so much. Schools and businesses closed, driveways and sidewalks to shovel, grocery stores sold out as if the storm was going to last for weeks and some folks lost power to their homes.

Meanwhile, there were a lot of storm preparations at the sanctuary. We ordered extra feed and hay, kept all the water tubs filled to the top in case the power went off, since we are on wells. Think about that as well as the devotion of the feeders. Tracey Harris walked almost 2 miles through the snow to the sanctuary to make sure the horses got feed. Sandy Fisher made sure Tracey got a ride home after the horses were cared for. Pam Currie got her car stuck in the front of the driveway, half in and half on the road. Lisa Asmo-Knoles worked to open

the entrance to the driveway.

I went to the shelter to get the tractor to clear the drive-way only to find the shed had collapsed from the heavy snow right on top of the tractor and brush hog. Chris Morgan offered to come over



and lift the building with his backhoe so we could get the equipment out, but the bad news is that we have to wait until the ground dries out in order to do this. We are going to need help to clear the debris of the collapsed building but again, we cannot do much until things dry out and we get the equipment out.

HPS does not believe in putting the horses up in stalls just because it is snowing. Their water buckets will freeze over and the chance of colic is greatly increased. Their outside tubs have heaters and the horses would rather drink the warmer water. We fill large tubs with hay in the barn and the corridors. The stalls are left open for any horse that would like shelter from the storm. Many elect to stay out and wear a snow blanket.

I think everyone is happy to see the snow gone and warmer days on the horizon. Now we get to deal with the mud that is left behind. We are in need of many, many tons of rock to make repairs around the buildings, driveway and the paths the horses like to use.

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Health Tips

Eating 5 daily servings of fruits and vegetables...51% of your diet.... is recommended to maintain good health. French fries don't count! Making your own produce wash to remove pesticide residue can help your family's and your health. Just mix one teaspoon of sea salt per cup of water, one part vinegar to four parts water. Let the fruit and vegetables soak in a glass bowl for one hour (apples need an hour and half). Notice the residue left in the bowl. Rinse well after soaking. Pat dry and leave on a clean towel to finish drying. Once soaked the produce will stay fresh longer.

Produce with higher risk of contamination is strawberries, tomatoes, cucumbers, summer squash like zucchini and yellow squash, celery, potatoes, peppers, peaches and cherries, grapes, greens, like kale, collards and spinach. Buy organic when possible or soak them in the above mixture. Safer foods are asparagus, avocados, cabbage, melons, eggplant, grapefruit, Kiwi, mangos, mushrooms, onions, papayas, pineapples, frozen sweet peas and sweet potatoes. Notice that we do not eat the skins of many of the safer foods. Hawaiian Papaya is GMO, do not buy!

As always, avoid GMO products or anything that contains these items: corn, soy of any type, canola oil or cotton seed oil! These things may have residue from Round Up use! We have to stop poisoning ourselves!

Honors and Memorials

In memory of my dear mother and best friend, Stefanie, who like me, loved all animals.

By Ingrid Schreiber

In memory of "Denalie." By Dottie Rebhan

Happy Birthday to Tiffany Ferebee. By Ann and Benjy Seagle

In honor of Victoria Martin, a remarkable girl who has developed a healthy love of horses. Both she and the horses have gained from this love. By Maggie Helfert.

Happy Valentine's Day, Betty. By Floyd Lentz

In honor of Betty Lentz's birthday on January 24th. By Floyd Lentz In honor of our wonderful mother, Betty Lentz, Happy Birthday. By David and Kim Clark

> In Loving memory of Betty Laferty. By Billie Mott In memory of Mrs. Betty Laferty. By George Tice, Jr

In Memory of my aunt, Betty Laferty. Also the mother of one of your volunteers, Pam Currie.

By Judy Stanford

In memory of Mrs. Betty J. Laferty. By Carolyn J.Tice

In memory of Betty J. Laferty Mother of Pam L Currie. By Jeanne Tice

In memory of Perry Morgan. He had away of making sure we all felt Special. By Kathy Haw.

In memory of Perry Morgan - a true friend to the horses and one of the kindest and finest men I have ever had the privilege to know. By Dottie Rebhan

The Horse Protection Society will sincerely miss our wonderful neighbor Perry Morgan who devoted many hours aiding us with his large equipment and fun companionship. He will be greatly missed. All of the volunteers at HPS send our sympathy to two of our devoted gals, Pam Currie and Deb D'Amato who lost their mothers. Our hearts and prayers go out to you.

News from the Herd

Chippewa had an opportunity to be a companion horse for eight months for a nice Morgan mare. The mare's owner will only be here for that length of time and then she is returning to California for more schooling as a trainer. Chippewa is only three years old and even though his former people were riding him, we feel he is too young and needs more time to develop. We will not put him under saddle again until he is five years old. Having Chippewa in a temporary home for the many months will save us a considerable amount of money.

Beau, our little mascot, has turned into an escape artist and was taking a walkabout on the neighbor's property. One of our folks suggested putting a sign on him that said, "I'm collecting for the Horse Protection Society," with a collection jar attached. We decided that doing some re-fencing would be a better idea!

Baby's eye issues completely cleared up perfectly with treatment four times a day with the use of two different medications.

Star Dust was showing signs of difficulty with her vision. We had her checked for Glaucoma. A tonometer is used for the test that indicates the pressure in the eye. A slight cloudiness can be seen at the side of her eye.

Farrier update: it was time for HPS to change farriers and we welcome Tim Brown from Mooresville.

Miwok came to HPS with a horrible open cancerous spot about the size of a quarter. We put him on a small scoop of Tumeric and Flax seed oil along with other antioxidant. Within a couple of weeks the tumor dried up and fell off. He has now been able to gain the rest of his recommended weight.

Herd update: It was the time of year for many of the horses to have their rabies vaccine. Also, a couple of our older horses lost a little bit of weight during the extreme cold weather even thou we added Rice Bran and extra feed.

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Diego Coliced

Diego's colic episode can serve as a lesson for anyone who has horses. Every horse owner should have a good stethoscope. It is important to know your horse's normal gut sounds and be aware of your horse's normal behavior. There are horses at the sanctuary that no one would give a second thought to if the horse was covered with mud from head to tail... Mud Puppies! But not Diego! He is *very* fastidious and if he is going to roll, it will be in a clean area of grass, not in the mud. On this day, Diego was covered with mud.

Diego laid down in his stall when he was brought in and he never does that. His gut sounds were very loud at this point and some inexperienced people might think the horse was okay since he had gut sounds. The problem was that his gut sounds were way too loud and way too exaggerated



compared to his normal gut sounds. He was also very drawn up on both sides behind his ribs. This is called a pain-line. In a short amount of time, Diego had no gut sounds. We immediately gave him 10 cc of Banamine by mouth and called the veterinarian before he lost his gut sounds. Diego was being walked the whole time, but only passed a small amount of gas.

The exaggerated gut sounds can indicate a gas colic, which is what Diego had. He was treated by one of our vets and recovered quickly by passing gas.

Love is a powerful force of change.

Our heartfelt gratitude to everyone who has aided in the costs of the wonderful horses at the sanctuary!