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Congratulation to the three winners of the Beef Raffle tickets.

A huge THANK YOU to everyone who purchased Raffle Tickets. This has help support the horses during a time when funds were short. You can aid the horses by ordering your 2023 calendar for only \$19.50 plus \$3.50 for mailing.

A Large Sweet Gelding



One more horse in need arrives at the sanctuary. Also once again, another equine rescue recommended the owner to call HPS. This is a good family with other horses in great condition and other critters all healthy and happy. They were having trouble with this big boy during the heat of the summer dropping weight. Animal Control was called and the officer could tell all the other animals were in great shape and realized that the breed and age may make keeping weight on the horse more difficult.

One of the things the veterinarian recommended was adding more fat to the horses diet. Canola oil is a GMO product made from grape seed

(Not good), Coco soya is coconut oil and soy oil which is a GMO product (Not good), Cool Calories is Flaxseed, stabilized rice bran (not what I would use.) All feeds have fat added to the feed. If you were thin and wanted to gain weight, would you go and eat donuts for adding fat. Protein adds muscle and too much sugar or fat is not good for a thin horse. Soak Alfalfa cubes is the best, just make sure they are all broken up. It is better than alfalfa pellets that don't have the roughage that is so go for the horses.

He came to HPS as a high 1 Henneke Body Score. He has good energy for as thin as he is. The tall body is of a Thoroughbred Standardbred cross. This big boy is as sweet as any horse I have ever met. It is reported that he is good with little children. He has a great appetite and the free feed on high quality hay is already helping this handsome horse hiding in that skinny body.

In Need!

When a call comes to us concerning a horse in trouble, we will do everything we can to help rescue the one in need. Sometimes the folks that will drive our truck and trail for pickups may not be available on a Sunday afternoon. The gal who alerted us of the problem volunteered her husband to help rescue this nice mare.

The couple met the mare when the owner first got her and they were not impressed with his treatment of the horse. The horse was ridden on streets for hours by the owner and a person that was too heavy for her to carry and at times trotting her. They had a winter blanket on her instead of a normal saddle pad. The perspiration was running off her in streams.



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They had a winter blanket on her instead of a normal saddle pad. The perspiration was running off her in streams. The owner had her at a place where the round bale of hay was left out in the rain the feed was left open to the elements and wild life. The second horse the owner had became neurological stumbling and running into things. The owner was not called nor a veterinarian. In the morning the horse was dead, and was buried before the owner of the horse was notified.

Animal control had been called and nothing was done. Now one horse had died and the tall mare was now a bag of bones, showed signs of terrible pain and was very unsteady on her feet. This is when she was move to a boarding barn in Surry County. The stable owner and the mare's owner didn't hit it off. The owner would not have the veterinary come to diagnose the horse. The stable owner was giving the horse Bute everyday so she could get up and move around. The horse's owner was not even paying the boarding costs and the expense was going with working to help her gain weight.

The owner wanted one of his buddies to come and shot her, which was met with an angry response. Next he wanted to leave her in the woods and let nature take its course and other equally repugnant suggestion. He made it clear that he only cared about riding her.

Everyone was fed up with him and that is when they started calling equine rescues to find a safe place for her to go. One rescue suggested to them to call HPS. The first issue was to get the owner to sign the horse over to the owner of the stable and that was easily accomplished. The caring couple was more than happy to pick our mare up in Surry County and bring her to HPS.

It was dark out when they arrived at the sanctuary and so she was housed in one of the hospital stalls (12' by 24') for the night. We had put in a huge container of beautiful hay and about 50 gallons of water next to the hay. We walked her in and her head when for the hay and then a drink of water and back to the hay. I don't think she stopped eating hay all night. In the morning she was moved to the front condo and round pen.

We needed Monday to evaluate what we were seeing and have the Veterinarian come Tuesday morning. She was so unsteady that it would have been too difficult to try and get radiographs of her hooves. She was put on medication to hopefully help her to make it easier in a week to do the radiographs. We had a blood panel done, and we had a sample sent off to check for EPM. Pulling her tail it would be easy to pull her over. Not good! We started her on "Kelly's EPM Treatment" right away.

We received the results of the full blood panel taken. To everyone's surprise, the blood panel was completely normal. There was not one thing off even a smidge. When the test for EPM arrived, it showed she was positive. The radiographs were completed and she is slightly foundered in both front hooves.

We need to put a list together of possible names for the new girl so she can pick a name she would like. If we don't get it right in the first list, we have to go back to the drawing board and come up with a new list.



If you are going to get rid of your pumpkins and they are not spoiled, we would like to have them. The seeds are good for the chickens. The pumpkin meat is good for the horses, if mashed. The dogs also like a little pumpkin. If they have not been cut, we can use them and they will store for sometime.

Our Adventure with Flame

By Christina Smith

For months Mason and Andy had been coming to HPS to get to know Flame, because they had a mare named Kona who had lost her pasture mate. They decided Flame would be the perfect fit. We were all so excited since Flame had been at the sanctuary for so many years. Late one Monday morning the time had come to take Flame to his new home.

Flame was a little leery of the trailer at first, but we were patient and he ended up loading without any issues. When we were about ten minutes from his new home the HPS truck started acting up and loosing power. We were just praying to get Flame there safely! When we finally made it to his new home the driveway was very steep, and the truck couldn't pull the trailer up the hill. It even drug us backwards towards the fence lining the driveway. We decided to park at the bottom of the driveway and walk Flame the rest of the way. When we got to the pasture he whinnied, and Kona whinnied back and came running to greet Flame over the fence. All you could hear were her thundering hooves getting closer, and closer. After a few minutes of them meeting over the fence we let Flame out in the pasture with Kona. They did the usual "I'm the boss, no I'm the boss" routine, but quickly straightened that out. Then they ran off together like Kona was showing Flame his new home. They were so cute together!

When it came time to head back to HPS we were in a predicament because of the angle in which the trailer had slid so close to the fence. We couldn't back out of the driveway due to a blind curb and people were flying. And the truck couldn't pull the trailer up the hill to turn around. So, I called Joanie for advice, we decided to leave the truck there and have a tow truck take it to the garage to be looked at and Chris would come rescue Jared, I, and the horse trailer. We were so grateful to see Chris pull in since this short trip had turned into an all-day adventure!

In the end we were just thankful that we safely got Flame to his new home and made it back to HPS. We were so grateful for Andy and Masons hospitality during it all. They were so kind to offer us something to drink and a phone charger, which I desperately needed since my phone was about to die in the middle of all this. This all just goes to show how quickly a thirty-minute drive can turn into an all-day ordeal.



Jared loading Flame



The long walk up the hill



Flame. "Isn't she gorgeous! You guys can leave not."

A Columbia Paso Fino

It is nice to help out a special person that aided HPS for many, many years. Sometimes we end up in the right place at the right time to help a needy horse in Brunswick County. Our heroin talked to the neighbor and learned the old lady who owned the mare was in her eighty's and had terminal cancer. The neighbor was able to talk the owner into selling the mare after owning her for about 10 -11 years.



The poor mare had little to no attention in a long

time. Where do you start when the girl has had no vet care, dental care, needed groceries and the farrier was needed? Slowly the mare had all her needs met. The veterinarian felt she was about 15 years old and he even helped to untangle a good part of her tail until it became almost impossible and the decision was made to cut the balance of the giant dreadlock out of her tail.

She liked her name Nina. She has come a long way in a few short weeks, but there was a problem. Our heroin had her new heart horse and Nina didn't want to share her new favorite person with another horse. Nina maybe small, but she was tough on the huge boy. Her big gelding already had a best friend and now what to do with Nina? Call HPS

Nina is a beautiful horse and will be perfect for someone who wants a smooth riding horse, maybe me.



Trust

The second horse to arrive after Burny, who was featured in the September Over Herd, is Char. Char is a Paso Fino approximately 23 years old. He is a nice horse, but has a hard time trusting people. He hasn't been handled in a long time, so it was a struggle getting him off the horse trailer and into the round pen. He wouldn't let anyone take his lead line or halter off. Finally, after a few days Chart somehow was able to get the halter off.

Usually the only times you see halters on the horses here at the sanctuary are when the farrier or veterinarian is coming. A few other times are when a horse is being worked with, bathed, groomed, or taken for a quiet walk.

Gentleness is the best way to help a horse like Char to trust.

HPS needs your help. The expenses with the four new horses have put a kick in the budget. The EPM horses are doing great and we have added more to the list that are being treated. Thank you everyone for your caring messages and the always needed donations.

Our good friend Sally, organized a fun day with great food for the union workers and we volunteered to bring two of the horses, Cruiser and Scooter. Joyce had been helping Sally for several days organizing and setting up. Other HPS Members helped during the day.

Sally set up the Beef Raffle to help HPS raise funds for the horses. Sally also, ran the fundraiser last August 2021. She also has a fundraiser planned in October to benefit HPS.

Sally and Tim Rogers had a surprise for us and presented two golf carts for HPS. Gerry Woods Automobile donated funds and an anonymous donor made this possible, One has a gas engine and a dump on the back which the volunteers may fight over. Sometimes the horses enjoy spending the night in the barns and they are a mess come morning. Running many wheelbarrows full of manure is hard work. This will be so handy for fixing fences and spraying weeds in the fields. The other golf cart is electric and a four seater. It will be so handy for showing people the horses when they are out in the big field or in the back field. We will have pictures next month to show you.

Thank You each and every one for help to make it possible to bring in the four horses that need us this month. A special prayer for all and our volunteers.

Ashley Almond

Lynn & Paul Baldwin

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