



Minnesota Hooved Animal Rescue Foundation



MHARF
Newsletter
Summer/Fall
2017

A Good Time to Say Thank You!

We had originally planned on opening with another article on how MHARF still receives more inquiries about surrendering horses every month than we do about adopting them. We were going to write about how we really need people to step up to help deal with the number of horses who need homes by adopting from their local equine rescues. We were going to list the ways in which owners can take responsibility for the horses they can no longer (or no longer want to) keep. But writing another article like that became seriously depressing. So we decided to write a different one—one celebrating the people who have adopted horses from MHARF, our foster care providers, trainers, volunteers, and our generous donors.



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The first thing we want to say is THANK YOU. Thank you to our adopters for knowing

that each horse is an individual & that when you adopt a horse it isn't like picking a car out of a show room. You don't just pick the make, model and color you like and ride off into the sunset. Thank you for understanding that you need to spend time getting to know and trust each other. Your first rides may not have been perfect. You may have even

had to send the horse for additional training or you had to take more lessons yourself. But you made a commitment to that horse and did what you needed to do to make it work. We often hear from people that after the initial "adjustment" period, their

rescue horse quickly became the best horse they ever owned. Thank you also for knowing that we put a lot of care into the horses in our program & that the adoption fee you pay helps us cover expenses including all necessary veterinary & farrier care (when you adopt a horse from MHARF you will never get "surprised" with a mare you didn't know was pregnant or a gelding who is actually a stud with an undescended testicle...). And thank you for understanding that our adoption requirements are in place for the safety of the horses, which is our #1 priority. You don't have to have a fancy facility to qualify as an adoptive home—but you do have to have a safe one.

Thank you to our foster providers who are an integral part of our operation. Thank you for being willing to care for a homeless horse until it is lucky enough to find a human of its own. We know it isn't always easy to have another mouth to feed & another stall to clean...but the difference it makes in the amount of good we can do is enormous. Our foster providers not only allow us to move horses who have gone through the rehabilitation process off of the main farm to make room for those coming in, they also provide much needed opportunities for these horses—kind and consistent handling, training, socialization, pasture turnout for grazing and exercising. All of this goes a long way in helping these horses become adoptable and we couldn't do it without our foster care providers.

Thank you to the trainers who help us in our mission to give every horse a chance. Training is the best way to make a horse adoptable. Your knowledge and assistance in assessment, ongoing training, and working with potential adopters is invaluable. This also includes our Trainer's Challenge and Promise of the Future trainers. We would never have had (Continued Page 2)

MHARF Holds 10th Annual Trainer's Challenge of the Unwanted Horse on Sept.16th!

On Saturday, September 16th, MHARF will be celebrating the 10th Anniversary of the Trainer's Challenge of the Unwanted Horse at the Leatherdale Equine Center on the U of M St. Paul campus. The Challenge is our largest fundraiser & adoption event of the year. There are many reasons for the success of this event, but the biggest one is the dedication of the trainers who apply for this 150-day volunteer commitment! One thing we have learned in the twenty-three years since the founding of MHARF is that a solid foundation in training is the most important factor ensuring a horse doesn't end up in a situation where it is "unwanted". Many of the equines we take in are untrained, and in some cases they are entirely unhandled or dealing with trust issues from previous improper handling. In order to make these equines more adoptable we need to provide training. By holding the Challenge and having volunteer trainers compete for prize money we are able to more than quadruple the funds we have available for training! What makes this event even better and allows us to stretch our yearly training budget further? The majority of the prize money is donated by event sponsors!

That brings us to the second reason for the success of the Challenge: our generous sponsors! This year MHARF is thrilled to welcome back Hay Chix as our \$5,000 Grand Championship Sponsor. Nutrena Equine Nutrition is our \$1500 Third Overall High Point Sponsor this year. Fourth Overall High Point at \$600 is sponsored by an Anonymous Donation in honor of MHARF alumnus Gus the donkey. Fifth Overall High Point at \$300 is sponsored by an Anonymous Donation in honor of MHARF staff and volunteers. Sixth Overall High Point at \$150 is sponsored by Jack's Vintage Jewelry. Once again we are lucky to have all 5 of our individual classes sponsored at \$500 each. Espana Silk All Natural Grooming Products is our Halter/Condition Class Sponsor, Horse Crazy Market is our Pleasure Class Sponsor, an Anonymous Donor in honor of MHARF alumnus Joker is our Trail/Obstacle Class Sponsor, Bill and Jo Ellen Kimmel in memory of MHARF alumnus Avahdor are our Freestyle sponsors, and the Animal Humane Society of MN is our Veterinarian/Farrier Class Sponsor. This year we will also be doing an official 2017 Trainer's Challenge (Cont. page 3)

Seven Donkeys Seized in Pine County Humane Case

Young Horses Compete in Promise of the Future Training Competition

In late June 2017 MHARF took in seven donkeys that had been seized by the Animal Humane Society of MN in a Pine County humane case. The donkeys were emaciated, infested with lice, and several had the longest curled hooves we have seen in a case. They were taken to Anoka Equine Veterinary Services at intake where their hooves were de-bulked. Sadly we did have to euthanize one before discharge due to extreme chronic osteomyelitis. Two weeks later we had to euthanize a second due to hoof wall separation from severe abscesses. The remaining five are doing well. Two have moved to a foster home where they will be adopted once the humane case is complete. The other three will be available to foster soon. They are all considered "special needs" due to the fact that they will need ongoing specialized farrier care to return their hooves to somewhat normal condition. As of now the case is still pending and we will post details on our website as we have them. In the meantime, please consider making a donation to MHARF to help us care for these very sweet donkeys! Please see page four for donation information. Thank you!



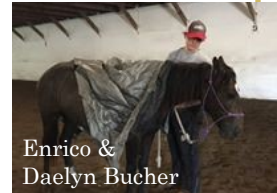
Six horse and trainer teams will be competing in our first ever "Promise of the Future Training Competition" to take place on September 16th at the Leatherdale Equine Center during our annual Trainer's Challenge of the Unwanted Horse. Because of the number of horses in our program who are 3 & under & not yet ready to be started under saddle, we developed this competition so they could get a solid base in their training on the ground to make them more adoptable. The competition will consist of a halter/condition class and an in-hand trail/obstacle class. These horses, like the horses in the Challenge, will be available for adoption the day of the event to pre-approved bidders/adopters in a silent auction. We would like to thank our very generous sponsors for this event: Jackie Fehn who donated prize money for our (continued page 3)



Padre & Bob Johnson



Monte & Scott Mork Team



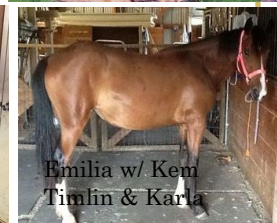
Enrico & Daelyn Bucher



Ivan & Elizabeth Robins



Francisco & Mikayla Billin



Emilia w/ Kem Timlin & Karla

Thank You (continued from page 1)

ten years of extremely successful Trainer's Challenges without trainers who volunteer to put time on an untrained horse during their busiest seasons!

Thank you to our volunteers (many of whom have been with us for years) who do everything from hauling horses during humane cases to helping us clean tack & set up for our sales. We couldn't do this without you!

And thank you to those who generously donate funds, equipment, supplies, tack, and more. One hundred percent of our funding comes from donations, fundraisers like our tack sales and Trainer's Challenge, and adoption fees. We know there are many causes out there competing for your donations—so we greatly appreciate your support! We *literally* couldn't do this without you.

Our adopters, foster providers, trainers, volunteers, and donors are all "rescue horse heroes". If you want more information on becoming a rescue horse hero yourself by adopting, fostering, training, volunteering, or donating, you can find it all by visiting us at www.mnhoovedanimalrescue.org! You can also find many pages of adoption testimonials under the "About Us" tab on our homepage (please feel free to send your own testimonial to us at info@mnhoovedanimalrescue.org.)



Sydney Jordan Photography

For a full list of available horses please visit www.mnhoovedanimalrescue.org

MINNESOTA HOOVED ANIMAL RESCUE FOUNDATION

TRAINER'S CHALLENGE OF THE UNWANTED HORSE

FEATURING THE PROMISE OF THE FUTURE TRAINING COMPETITION FOR YOUNG HORSES



Saturday September 16th, 2017

Leatherdale Equine Center

U of M St. Paul Campus

(1801 West Dudley Ave. Falcon Heights, MN 55113)

Sponsored By:



Tickets \$5.00 at the door (all ages). Doors open at 8:30 a.m. for approximate Event start time of 9:30.

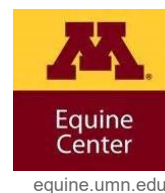
Please visit us at www.mnhoovedanimalrescue.org for full event details, horse adoption info, and info on event sponsorship!

"WISP" (photo credit: TJ Clibborn)

video sponsored by an Anonymous Donation in honor of all past and current Challenge trainers. We want to thank the U of M Equine Center for allowing us to use their beautiful facility for the 10th year in a row. We are happy to welcome Dr. Marta Davis-Tetrault Powers from Anoka Equine Veterinary Service as our event veterinarian this year. Scott Boe will once again be joining us as event farrier. Thank you to Judy Jenson, Bob Johnson, and Dan Grunewald who are all returning as our event judges. Rebecca Berg of Minnesota Homestead Photography is our official photographer for 2017. Additional photographers will be Emily Miner (Lillmars Artistry Photos) and Carmel Huppert. The Valley Equestrian News is assisting with our advertising. The Challenge trainers will all be receiving gift bags with great items including halters by Brandy's Rope Halters. We do still have sponsorship opportunities available. Contact us at info@mnhoovedanimalrescue.org for information on becoming a sponsor!

Last but not least, we want to acknowledge our volunteers who make this event possible: our announcer Nina Clark, our score keepers Kem Timlin & Janet Schank, silent equine auction coordinators Kris Anderson & Erin Olsen from Hay Chix, music coordinators Bill & Jo Ellen Kimmel, MHARF store coordinator Debbie Anderson & assistants Laura Hutchinson & Sue Ann Woo, our gate keeper Shellie Kremers, & our event planning committee: Kem Timlin, Val McVeety, Pat Holm, Cindy Weronnen, Rhonda Johnson, Deb Anderson, Janet Schank, Jean Bengston, Tara Perkins, Karla Hancock, Roberta Testor, Marca Brubaker, Todd & Tammie Eichmann, & Elisa Hayday. If we left anyone out please know that it was inadvertent as we have many wonderful supporters and volunteers! And we should say thank you ahead of time to all of the new volunteers who will be joining us this year! We look forward to seeing you all there!

Don't forget to bid on the items in our silent auction of equine art throughout the day! Thank you to our art auction donors: Jasper Bond Pottery, Robert Pace Kidd, Kem Timlin, Dave Krones, Pat Holm & Bob Kropp, Pat Rehbein, Peggy Heying, Dr. Nicole Eller, and Dan & Pam Eller.



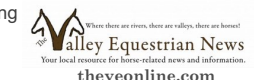
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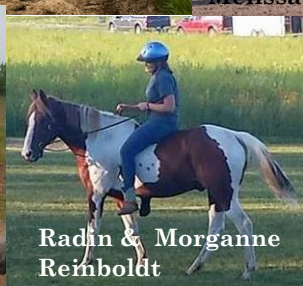
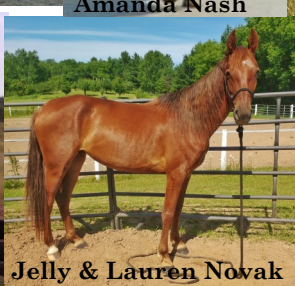
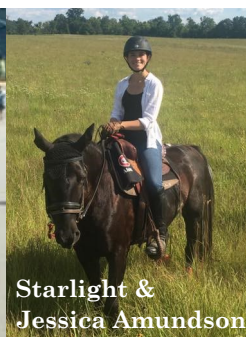
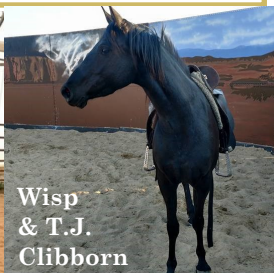
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2017 Trainer's Challenge Teams



Promise of the Future (Cont. from Page 2)

Grand Champion at \$1000, our 3rd Overall High Point at \$500, 4th Overall High Point at \$250, 5th Overall High Point at \$150, and 6th Overall High Point at \$100. Our Reserve Champion at \$750 is sponsored by an Anonymous Donation in honor of a sweet mare named Raayna. Our PoF judges will be T.J. Clibborn & Jamie Moeller. Our trainers will be receiving gift bags full of great items generously donated by Jasper Bond Pottery, Coach House Equestrian, EquiScentials Horse Care Products, Hartley Woodward (Brook Hutchinson), the Minnesota Pinto Association

(Mahlon & Jerome Bauman), Jeannie Fries, Sarah Noland, Pat Holm & Bob Kropp, & Anonymous. Thank you to all of our generous donors! And thank you to Pat Holm for gathering donations and assembling our trainer gift bags!



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MHARF is a non-profit 501c3 organization dedicated to the rescue, rehabilitation, retraining, and re-homing of neglected, abused, abandoned and unwanted equines and other animals. Because some of the horses we take in need extended rehabilitation and some have serious medical needs, we are always in need of financial support from friends like you. Please consider joining the MHARF family by making a financial contribution. No donation is too small or too large!

All donations are tax deductible. We also accept gifts in-kind and gifts of stock.

YES I would like to join the MHARF family by making a financial contribution. I have enclosed a check for \$ _____.



Complete this form and mail it with your donation to: **MHARF, PO BOX 47, Zimmerman, MN, 55398**

Or contribute online through **PayPal** or **Network for Good** at **www.mnhoovedanimalrescue.org**

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Address _____

City _____ State _____

Zip _____

Phone (____) ____ - _____

Email address _____

Date _____

Visit us at **mnhoovedanimalrescue.org** or email **info@mnhoovedanimalrescue.org** for information on adoption, becoming a foster care provider, or volunteering at MHARF!

**Help MHARF keep this important work going!
Donate today! Please visit us on the web at
www.mnhoovedanimalrescue.org for links for donating safely and
conveniently online! Other items we can always use: small square
bales of grass hay or alfalfa mix hay, bedding (shavings), and Purina
or Nutrena Senior feed. All donations are tax deductible!**



2018 Calendars!

Our new 2018 Calendar will be available at the 2017 Trainer's Challenge! Beautiful full-color twelve month spiral calendars featuring MHARF horses will be on sale for \$15.00. Calendars can also be ordered by sending a check to MHARF, PO Box 47, Zimmerman, MN 55398 (please include an additional \$2.00 for postage) or you can order by emailing us at info@mnhoovedanimalrescue.org

