



# Over Herd

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## Mark your Calendars:

### NOVEMBER 9th

Project Day/Members Meeting

Lunch at 12:30 PM

Please bring a  
covered dish to share.

Bring: Shovels, rakes,  
wheelbarrows, tampers

Please mark with your name  
We've got lots of dirt to move!

### NOVEMBER 7th

FundRaising Committee

meets first Thursday of  
each month at 7:00 PM

New committee members  
are welcome!

### NOVEMBER 5th

Placement Committee meets  
first Tuesday of each month  
that new applications have  
been received. Call the  
ranch to verify meeting, and  
come be a part of placing  
your horses in new homes!

As a new member at the ranch Maya was probably one of the first horses you had the opportunity to be introduced to, with her gentle soul and kind disposition she crept into the hearts of everyone who had the opportunity to spend time with her. This stunning Morgan mare had obviously seen pain and sorrow in her life but remained sweet, gentle, and giving up until her very last day with us. She was a good sport, patiently enduring all the treatments necessary to help relieve her foot problems. Unfortunately due to the amount of time Maya spent lying on the ground she developed bed sores. In early fall an infection that was just too severe for her to fight off settled in the sores on her sides. Maya left us and her special protector Whisper to cross the rainbow bridge.....close your eyes for just a moment and picture her in your mind, running and playing on strong beautiful legs with healthy feet.....pain free and happy. Goodbye Maya.

## Our new home

By Phoenix (as told to Becky)

It was Saturday, September 14. I was out grazing in the pasture when my friend Becky came and put a halter on me and brought me to the front field. I've never been in that field before-I thought it was only for the horses who could not behave like Eagle Spirit and Raven Feather. We went to a trailer where two other horses were waiting. One looked like an extremely large Dalmatian and the other was one of the most beautiful horses I'd ever laid eyes on. I later found out the Dalmatian was named Tonto and the lovely mare was Meadow Flower. They both got onto the trailer as if they knew what they were doing. I, on the other hand, didn't want to be that easy to get along with so I decided to cause a little trouble and pretend like I didn't want to load. I fought and kicked until they took me to a ramp. I decided I better behave so I loaded. Tonto and Meadow were snuggled up in the front together and I was put in the back by myself. (see New Home page 4)

## Goodbye Beautiful Maya... By Ambe Lewis



### *If I could have a Wish Today*

*If I could have a wish today,  
it would not be for gold...  
but just to have you back with me,  
as in the days of old.*

*GOD looked around his garden  
and HE found an empty space,  
HE then looked down upon this earth  
and saw your tired face.*

*HE put his arms around you,  
and lifted you to rest,  
GOD's garden must be beautiful,  
for HE only takes the best.*

*Memories are treasures  
no one can steal,  
death is a heartache,  
no one can heal.*

*In life I loved you dearly,  
In death I love you still.*

*I miss you my sweet....and I always will....  
Author Unknown*

## Hoofbeats...

By Roberta McCardle

It has been a busy fall but a good one. Our yard sale on October 5<sup>th</sup> was a resounding success with a profit of just over \$3500. This was wonderful! Sincere thanks to all the folks who made this possible – those who donated items, those who brought or hauled the items here, those who cleaned & marked items, those who carried the items out & placed them in the yard, those who served as cashiers & helpers on the day of the sale plus the sign-makers and the cleaner-uppers. This was a collaborative effort and everyone's work contributed to the success of this event. I would also like to mention a nice surprise that the yard sale workers had Friday evening & Saturday – without being asked to do so, Cathy Wray and Debbie Cort, provided delicious hot meals that cheered and sustained us. Thank you, gals, and thank you, everyone! Well done!

If you haven't been out to the ranch lately, you need to do so. The horses' winter coats are coming in and they are all beautiful. The colder weather energizes them as well. They may be seen playing and chasing each other around in the field – looks like fun to me!

With winter coming on, the horses' nutritional needs go up and HPS uses more hay. We have some great fund-raisers going on but in order for them to be successful, we need YOU! Be sure and read the note about the Magical Evening of Giving elsewhere in the newsletter. Also, take a look at the information about Food Lion's Shop & Share program. This is sooo easy and it does not affect your MVP savings -- Food Lion will make a donation to us each quarter based on the total sales from this program. Please see the information elsewhere in the newsletter about the HPS jackets for sale. What a nice Christmas gift one of these would be for someone on your list! If you want to help the horses, here are three great ways! Again, thank you and Happy Thanksgiving!



### Looking for Love.....

*The following horses have not had any special attention in a while and need you to come spend some time with them. You can grab a tack box and groom the horse, pick out their hooves, give them a treat, share a secret, cuddle up, etc...*

*Please consider spending some time with these sweet horses. Keep in mind with colder weather here your horses need to be kept mud free and fluffy to help insulate their bodies so grab a rubber brush and go on a "mud hunt".*

*Cinnamon*

*Fire Breeze*

*Mesa*

*Morning Glory*

*Sequoia*

*Summer*

*Wrangler*

*Cloud Dancer*

*Irish Night*

*Moon Glow*

*Navajo*

*Star Fire*

*Sun Dance*



*In honor of the  
Kathryn Kahn & Michael Varnum  
Wedding*

*Elaine Towner  
Ruth Paine Edgerton  
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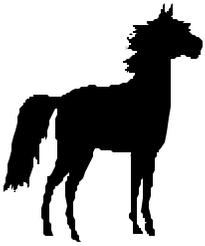
## It's Magical! It's Fun! It's the Magical Evening of Giving!

**WHERE:** Carolina Mall (by the hospital in Concord)

**WHEN:** Sunday, November 24<sup>th</sup>, from 6:30 – 10:00 p.m.

**HOW TO GET A TICKET:** Tickets are at the ranch and may be obtained from any officer on weekends or from Joanie during the week.

The fifth annual Magical Evening of Giving is coming! This is a wonderful fund-raiser for charity. For one evening, Carolina Mall is only open to ticket holders. The tickets are \$5 (five dollars) each and the Horse Protection Society is permitted to keep the entire cost of each ticket we sell. So....if you work in an office, if you belong to other groups, if you have a big neighborhood, if you have tons of friends & family....come on out and sign out some tickets and sell them to benefit the horses. Be sure that the "Charity Purchased From" portion of the ticket is completed. There are drawings throughout the evening (you do not need to be present to win – just be sure and put the bottom portion of your ticket in the container at the Customer Service Desk). The grand prize this year is a 2003 Ford Focus. Note: If people cannot attend this evening but wish to buy a ticket to help, be sure and bring their ticket back to the ranch and we will make a trip to the Customer Service desk to see that it gets in the drawing. The mall has sales and special promotions going on specifically for this special evening. **Please note that we are accountable for the tickets issued to us – you MUST return any unsold tickets back to the ranch. Ticket money & unsold tickets must be turned back in at the ranch by November 23/24.** Please, sell some tickets to help the horses and have a good time too!



# News From the Herd

**Dizzy** gave us a show of her size and strength last weekend when she inadvertently backed into one of the 4X4 posts under the girls hay area and snapped it in two.

**Wrangler & Sugar Foot** have been suffering from eye infections and are currently being treated.

**Laredo, Navajo, and Teton** have all been the victims of minor cuts or bruises in the last couple of weeks but are doing just fine.

**Raven** has returned from her short term foster care home. She is back in the front field with Chinook, who has tossed Dizzy aside to cuddle up with Raven.

**Sequoia** has not fully recovered from his bout of colic and has been spending quite a bit of time lying down. He would definitely benefit from some TLC.

**Sunday October 13th** was a record setting day with three of our farriers that volunteer their time spending the day at the ranch. Even with a steady rain all day long we were able to get 22 members of the herd trimmed. How can we thank Cindy "Hawk" Sullivan, Anne "Tree" Coley and Patrick Eanes enough for helping your horses on their road to recovery!

**Starfire** has not been feeling well and she is suffering from swollen lymph nodes. Her appetite has been up and down. Antibiotics seem to be helping and she seems to be coming around.

**Dakota** sprained his left front leg, he was either clowning around or slipped in the mud. Leg wraps, soaking, and DMSO along with tons of love from Joy have him on the road to recovery.

Special "Thank You" to Roberta McCardle, John Kiwacka and all the members who helped coordinate and keep things running smoothly so I could spend two weeks in Colorado with my GRANDKIDS.

Thanks! Joanie

## CasaBarnaca by Chinook

(with a little help from Roberta McCardle)

It all started with a blond. Doesn't it always? Of all the dusty stalls and all the fragrant fields, why did she have to walk into mine? Ah, she is stunning that one and she knows it. It all began when I was quietly drowsing in front of my stall on a lovely day in early fall. You know how it is – a good breakfast sitting just right in the belly, a gentle breeze, the sun for warmth.....all was right with my world and I judged myself content. That is, until a vision of loveliness came into my view.

How can I describe such beauty? What part of perfection should be named first? Her flowing blond locks of mane and tail? Her sun-kissed light brown coat? Her stately gait? Her Rubenesque proportions? Her limpid brown eyes? Gentle Reader, I was smitten. I fell head-over-heels, no-holds-barred, in love.

I pulled myself up and parked out, seeking to make a pleasant first impression (as you know, I'm a former show horse so I do know a thing or two about presentation). I breathlessly awaited her greeting, hoping she'd say something like, "Hello there handsome. Is my stall anywhere near your stall?" Instead of such a friendly greeting, this G.G. (Gorgeous Girl) said, "Hi there little fella. Do you know if they feed a Purina product by the name of Strategy here?"

Food? This comely young thing was concerned about the victuals at the ranch? Here I was in all my glory, clean, handsome, with a nice muscle tone, and this fair creature did not even notice me? I was crushed as one may only be crushed when one has been lifted up on high. Until you have been to the mountain, you cannot appreciate the depth of the valley.

Well! My early training kicked in and I managed a courteous response in the affirmative. "That's just spiffy," this fair flower responded, "see ya around the pasture." And with that, she ambled over to the hay pile! I was astounded. I was undone. How could such a beauteous mare be so.....common?

Then, a thought struck me like a thunderbolt – it had to be an act! Surely, this attractive Belgian girl was accustomed to garnering all sorts of attention, some of it from undesirable sources. She had to develop a defense mechanism, a way to scope out the geldings if you will. With that thought in mind, I walked toward her with the intention of exchanging the equine introductory courtesies – you know the kind of thing – sharing information about where the water is located, what are the usual dining hours, etc. I had not even pulled up even with her when suddenly, a size 24 hoof came hurtling out of nowhere and connected with my chest.

"Bud, I'd stay a little bit further back if I were you," she admonished. Whoa!! I can take a hint. Respectful admiration from a distance is what she evidently wants and it's also much better for my health. This is where we are at now.....but I think I'm wearing her down and she is beginning to notice what a nice horse I am. I've caught her looking at me and fluttering her eyelashes. L'amour is a grand thing!

*In loving memory  
Of  
Robert Sturm  
By  
Marjorie Cummings*



A big horsey thank you to all the kind folks who made donations to help the horses this month.

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Hay! Er, Hey! Would you like to help the Horse Protection Society with an easy fund-raiser? Go to [www.foodlion.com](http://www.foodlion.com) and register your 12-digit MVP card in the Lion Shop and Share Program, designating the Horse Protection Society of NC as the charity that you wish to benefit by your purchases. **Doing this does not affect your MVP card savings.** Based on the total sales of people who designate HPS as their charity of choice, Food Lion will send a check to HPS each quarter. The minimum amount is \$50. If sales are such that Food Lion's donation would be less than \$50, it just rolls into the next quarter. The maximum amount per quarter is \$350. If you prefer to do this on paper, the forms will be available at the ranch – just ask. Pretty nice and pretty easy plus you still save money on your purchases!! What a great way to help our equine friends! If they spoke English instead of Equus, they would say, "Thank you for caring about us enough to help!"

New Home...continued from page 1

Tonto and Meadow were snuggled up in the front together and I was put in the back by myself. During the trip to our new home, I decided I didn't like the idea of Tonto and Meadow getting to be such good friends so I broke through the barrier that separated us and stood in between the two of them. There, that will teach them to exclude me.

When we got to our new home, the grass was as thick and green as I had ever seen. I unloaded from the trailer and began eating all the fresh grass. It was delicious. Meadow and Tonto buddied up together and began grazing side by side. I didn't care because I was too busy eating this wonderful grass.

When Tuesday rolled around, I began feeling a little sick and decided to lay down. Next thing I know, I was drinking this wonderful concoction called olive oil. Then, we walked around the yard for a long time. Besides the fact that my stomach hurt, it was a great time. The olive oil was wonderful and the walk provided us a lot of quality time. They began to get excited when I passed gas so I guess they thought I was trying to be like Navajo since he walks around passing gas all the time.

Now, I can't figure this Tonto creature out. He wore this thing on his head that went over his eyes and ears and it was just calling my name. I would walk up to Tonto and pull this fly mask to the side and turn it upside down on his face. It was really funny to see him walking around with ears pointing down or to the side. I sure thought it was his way of playing with me but I got the feeling he didn't like it too much.

Meadow on the other hand is very sweet and easy to get along with. I can tell she likes me but then again, what mare doesn't? I would always catch Queen giving me the eye at the ranch but that may have been her trying to kick me when I bothered her while she was eating.

Things are going well at our new home and we have all three become the best of friends.

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 .  
 . *To my beloved J.J.* .  
 . *"You fought hard to stay alive, my friend.* .  
 . *In the end, though, you couldn't conquer death.* .  
 . *But neither did death conquer you.* .  
 . *Death cures all diseases, mends all broken bones,* .  
 . *Breaks all chains and made you free at last."* .  
 .  
 . *Sue Wortman* .  
 .  
 .....



Long Sleeve Tshirt Color: Green \_\_\_ Blue \_\_\_ Maroon \_\_\_  
Size: Small \_\_\_ Medium \_\_\_ Large \_\_\_ X-Large \_\_\_

### Order Form for HPS Shirts & Sweatshirts

Crew Sweatshirt Color: Green \_\_\_ Blue \_\_\_ Maroon \_\_\_  
Size: Small \_\_\_ Medium \_\_\_ Large \_\_\_ X-Large \_\_\_

Hooded sweat shirt w/zipper (Medium weight) Color: Green \_\_\_ Blue \_\_\_ Maroon \_\_\_  
Size: Small \_\_\_ Medium \_\_\_ Large \_\_\_ X-Large \_\_\_

Price: Long T-Shirts: \$12.00 Sweat shirt: \$14.00 Hooded sweatshirt \$ 23.00

For XXL size add \$3.00 each for Hood/Crew Sweatshirt, \$1.00 each for T-shirt

If can't pick up at the ranch (we'd love to see you!) Add \$3.50 for shipping in NC, add \$4.50 for outside NC



Logo will be in white.

Total Order: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

## HPS NEEDS LIST:

**Hard pack fill dirt needed:** We have a number of areas we need fill dirt for, under a shelter for feeding hay, and in the big barn for low places.

### Horse Needs:

- B12
- Beta Carotene
- Calcium
- Purina Strategy (New starved horses need this special feed.)
- Golden Flax Seed (All older horses with arthritis)
- Red Cell (we are almost out of this important supplement.)

### General Barn Needs:

- Metal hay feeders (to hold round bales and prevent waste of the hay.)
- Cut away Western Saddle Blankets
- Large gate hinges
- Hanging feed buckets & hangers
- Lightweight old bathtub

### Miscellaneous Operating Needs:

- Stamps
- Printer Ink Cartridges (contact Ambe Lewis, Editor.)
- Printer paper
- 1/2 inch black, gray, blue or green, (needed each time we place a horse.)
- Clear shelf paper (can be purchased at Wal-mart or Family Dollar. Used for display posters and HPS scrapbook.)

**FREE COMPOST**  
**YOU LOAD, NO LESS THAN A**  
**PICK-UP OR TRAILER LOAD.**  
*(Of course we would not turn down a donation)*

Members are welcome at the sanctuary any time during daylight hours, visitors are welcome on Saturdays from 10:00 AM -4:00 PM. Come and get some fresh air and hug a horse.

**Donation Form:**

Your name:	Is this for a memorial donation? Yes No	
Your phone number:	Whom do you wish to Honor:	
Your e-mail:	Their e-mail:	
	Their Address:	

**Your Message (for newsletter):**

Any donation amount is appreciated: \$\_\_\_\_\_ Please make checks payable to **Horse Protection Society**.

For a \$25 or more donation the honored person can receive a year of "Over Herd."

Would you like the newsletter sent? Yes NO

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**Making the World a Better Place for Horses**

It is the mission of the Horse Protection Society of North Carolina Inc. to make the world a better place for horses through education, rescue and rehabilitation.

Founded by Joan Benson and incorporated in 1999, we continue to reach out and to grow. We are always seeking new members.

HPS is a fully incorporated 501(c)3 nonprofit organizations. Your donations are the main source of income to support the sanctuary and are eligible for tax deduction.

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