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Hoofbeats is the official newsletter of Care For The Horses (CFH) a 501 (c) 3 Non Profit organization formed to prevent abuse and neglect to horses in Southeast Arizona. This program offers feed and/or medical assistance to owners of horses in times of need.

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Precious Needs Your Help

A few months ago CFH was contacted about a mare that was extremely emaciated. Efforts were made to try to save the mare after she collapsed as she had a 5 month old filly by her side. The mare died and the owners of the filly eventually turned the filly over to CFH. She has a tremendous amount of sand in her, numerous wounds, one of which is proud fleshed and she has a hernia. The hernia is going to require surgical removal at the Surgical Facility in Gilbert. We estimate the cost of the surgery to be \$1,500 - \$2,000. There is also one wound on her chest which when it healed caused the chest to pull in and that wound will be opened up so the chest can expand as she grows. We have 2 wonderful foster homes that are providing her needed care. At age 6 months Precious only weights 246 lbs, she is very underweight for her age. Her foster homes have worked at getting her socialized with other horses and the basics of being handled. Her surgery will be scheduled for early January.

Donations are currently needed to help defray the cost of her surgery. Please help us help her. You can make your donation via our website using PayPal and the "DONATION" button and just send a note that it is for Precious and her surgery. Your donation can also be mailed to us at PO Box 884, Sierra Vista, AZ 85635.



The mare when she collapsed.



Little Precious, learning to be a big girl and alone without her mom.

Our Latest Rescues



Honey – 4 yr. old mare that had been seized by Livestock. Honey is a little underweight and she has a 3 month old colt by her side. We are not sure exactly of Honey's story. She does not appear to have any training besides the basics of leading and hoof handling at this time. After her colt is weaned from her, we will be able to evaluate her better to see if she has any under saddle training.

Not Available For Adoption at This Time



Blaze – 3 month old colt. Overall he is in fairly good shape. He does have a tremendous amount of worms and that is being addressed by CFH at this time. Blaze has one blue eye and it appears he has some Paint breeding in him, he is built very well. He shows signs of being muscular and stocky in his build. He is very gentle, loves attention and handles well. Blaze and Precious are fostered at the same home so they enjoy play time together. Blaze is available for adoption and can go to his new home after he is weaned.

Adoption Fee: \$150



Santana – This 4 yr. old mare was also seized by the state. She is 4 years old and underweight by 300 lbs. Her front feet are abscessed and she has a belly full of sand. Her tattoo gives us a history of her that shows she has raced twice in her life and placed 5th and 9th. Her breeding goes back to Bold Ruler and Secretariat bloodlines.

Adoption Pending

Sponsors are always needed to help defer the cost of the feed required to bring CFH horses up to their healthy weight. Hay as you may know is now \$18 and \$19 a bale and supplemental feed and grain ranges from \$15 to \$23 a bag. If you would like to make a tax deductible donation please send your check to: Care For The Horses, PO Box 884, Sierra Vista, AZ 85635. Your help would be greatly appreciated.

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October Yard Sale was Biggest One Yet!

A **HUGE** thank you to everyone that supported our yard sale, volunteers who priced items, setup the sale, and everyone who donated items for this event.

Through all your efforts we were able to raise \$6,300. A special thanks to Rose Burke for taking the lead on this project.

Our next sale is scheduled for May 2012. Please call 520-458-7193 if you would like to donate items.

Eagle Scout Project Completed

Jacob Cannon of Troop 486 recently completed his Eagle Scout project of laying underground waterlines to connect the CFH facilities to a neighboring well. Help from his fellow scouts, Dalton, Tristan, Keegan and Rogan Danz, Tristan DeBuhr, Scott Lewis, Seamus Elliason, Larry and DeAndre White, Nathan Posey and Stephen Clemens under the guidance of Scoutmaster Robert Posey made this all possible. Excavation was donated by Danz Dirt, L.L.C. The supplies for the project were donated by Donna Bowser of Benjamin Supply.

This project has been two years in the making with different portions of the underground piping being done in sections. Overall approximately 500' or more of piping for the water has been run underground done for different Eagle Scout projects.

It is so nice to see the parental support of these young men by their parents volunteering alongside their sons many times; the leadership of the Scoutmasters is outstanding in providing the guidance and opportunities for these young men.

Almost all of the improvements made at the CFH facility have been done for Eagle Scout projects throughout the years such as, removing old fencing and installing new, making a driveway into our facility, stocks for holding of animals for safe handling when work is to be done on some horses and future projects are pending which include enclosure of some of our shelters.

Thank you so much for all that you do for CFH and our community.



Thank you everyone for your support during this past year!

CARE FOR THE HORSES GYMKHANA FUNDRAISER

THEME: Any Type Costume

DATE: December 10, 2011

TIME: 9:00 A.M Until Finished

WHERE: J6 Equestrian Center, -I-10 J6Exit

COST: \$5 each or \$40 for All

TIME ONLY'S: \$3 each or 4 for \$10

EVENTS ARE FOR RIDERS AND NON-RIDERS

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Items that we offer for sale are:

T-Shirts – \$10 – \$15

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Sweatshirts \$20 – not yet on website, you can purchase through the “Donation” button and specify it is for a sweatshirt. Sweatshirts come in Lt. Blue, Black and Red, sizes S, M, L, XL, XXL, XXXL

Visors – \$8

2012 Calendar – \$10