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Educational Clinic



And a \$5 chance for a ton of hay

Dr. Dusti Prentice to Give Educational Clinics and You Can Get a Chance to Win a Ton of Hay for \$5

Education is key in knowing how best to care for your horse. Whether you are a first time horse owner, just love horses or have owned a horse for many years, it is always important to review and/or learn about the newest updates. **Dr. Dusti Prentice** will be doing 1/2 hour clinics on October 25, 2008 starting at 9:30 am. She will be covering topics such as: the importance of providing the right type of feed for your horse; how often, what type and why you should vaccinate your horse; how a horses teeth develop and dental work that needs to be done throughout your horses life; First Aid will also be addressed on what to do if your horse gets sick or injured and to care for it until the veterinarian arrives. **Dr. Prentice** will be available to answer questions after the clinics.

During the day raffle tickets will be sold for just \$5 ea. Drawing for the winner of the "ton" of hay will be at 2PM. Raffle tickets can be purchased prior to this event at Whetstone Feed and Ranch Supply, National Bank of AZ on Fry Blvd., any board member or volunteer or on our website at www.careforthehorses.com. You may also contact us at careforthehorses@msn.com or call Ann Jost at 520-559-2224. If you are the winner of the hay, you can choose to get Bermuda or Alfalfa. You may also use the tickets included in this newsletter by cutting them out and mailing the stubs and your check made out to: **Care For The Horses, PO Box 884, Sierra Vista, AZ 85635**. Be sure to keep your ticket with the info on it, so you don't miss the big event.

The Arthritis Brothers will be providing some great listening music from noon to 1PM during our lunch break. You will really enjoy listening to their relaxing instrumental melodies. Lunch will be available for \$5 and will include a hamburger or hotdog, chips and a soda.

If you love to show off your small pet, we would love to see it too. You can dress up your pet with your favorite Halloween costume. Starting at 1PM we will be judging to see which pet has the best costume. So get your pet ready, whether it is a cat, dog, bunny, ferret, chicken or what ever - we want to see it.

Through out the day you can take a break and visit some of the information booths that will be available. They will include Leather and Lace Lodge Grooming, where they also board your pet if you need to be away. Agape Youth Ranch will have a booth setup with information about all the programs they have available for youth. Hoofsneakers, makers of custom boots for your

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horse will also have samples of their boots available for you to see. So if you want an alternative to horse shoes, be sure to check them out. You may even want to take time to go for a cart ride with Sue Malecki and one of her mini horses - we do ask for a \$2 donation per ride, this money also goes for the services we provide.

Of course the big finale for the day will be at 2PM when the winner of the "TON" of hay is drawn. Our last winner was a 12 yr. old girl. Believe me her parents were very happy that she bought a ticket.

Remember the day: **October 25, 2008**. The place: Whetstone Feed and Ranch Supply on Hwy 90 next to Stan's fence Company. Come learn, have fun and go home with a ton of hay!



Horse Emergency Training

Would You Know What To do If Your Horse Really Had an Unusual Emergency?

Have you heard of horses getting cast in trailers, ones that have fallen into septic pits, mine shafts or fell and slipped off the side of a mountain trail? Would you know what to do and how to get your horse safely out of that kind of situation? Well, now you can learn what to do if that should happen to you or to someone you know.

The training to be offered will cover all of these topics and more, including emergency first aid training that is common with large animals. The Large Animal Rescue Company out of California will be providing the training for this 2 day clinic. This is the first time that a training covering these types of accidents has been offered to individuals, animal control officers, law enforcement and horse rescue programs.

Grand Adventures Ranch will be

offering the use of their facilities for this worthwhile event. The dates for the training are January 17th & 18th, 2009. Training consists of 2 full days that will include both classroom and hands on work using a dummy horse for demonstration purposes. It will be like handling the real thing. Cost for the training is \$250 per person and does include lunch and a beverage each day. If you are traveling from outside of the Tucson area, you may find reasonable lodging in and around Sonoita, Sierra Vista, Benson and Tucson. If you visit www.grandadventuresranch.com, you will find that they have listed some nearby lodging facilities.

It is expected that the classes will fill up quickly. Due to the specialized nature of this training, refunds will not be given unless the class is cancelled. You may fill out the attached registration form and send it with your check to: **Care For The Horses, PO Box 884, Sierra Vista, AZ 85635**. Class will be filled on first come, first registered basis.

This training will be extremely beneficial to anyone who rides in the mountains where these types of accidents can happen quickly. Generally you will find yourself in a remote area and you will need to know what needs to be done to save your horse. Rescue groups will also find this helpful, as you never know when your organization will be contacted to assist with a rescue operation.

Attendees will be certified upon completion of this class.

For more information on the trainers and their credentials and course outline please visit their website at www.largeanimalrescue.com.

Dental Assistance Available to Those In Need

With the high cost of feed these days and money getting tight, many horse owners are finding themselves in a position where they may not be able to provide some of the necessary care their horse needs. Care for The Horses may be able to help you or someone you know. Even though your horse may be young and not old, it still needs to have regular dental work done. Having dental work done will help your horse chew better and it will be able to digest the food you give him better and therefore will be able to benefit more from the feed you give. If your horse has points or uneven wear on its teeth, it will not be able to chew the food and digest it as well as it should. If your horse is in this situation, you may find it losing weight, being irritable when riding as the bit may be bumping a sore spot. If you are in the situation where you keep trying to feed more to make your horse gain weight and he is not, dental work may be the answer. You may find yourself saving money on your feed bill after dental work is done, as you will be able to feed normally again. You may also find that your horse looks forward to getting the bridle on and going for a ride instead of avoiding it.

A grant was received last year from PetSmart Charities just for the purpose of assisting owners in need of having the dental work done, but not being able to afford to do so. Care For The Horses has worked with many veterinarians in Southeast Arizona in assisting owners in need of these services. We work directly with the veterinarian of your choice and will pay the bill in full, including mileage if it applies. Please contact Ann Jost at 520 559-2224 to see if you qualify for assistance. You may also email her at careforthehorses@msn.com.

Garage Sale Storage Available Year Round

Thanks to Garden Canyon U-Store-It, **Care For The Horses** will now have the ability to receive your garage sale items through out the year. The owners of the storage facility located at the corner of Carmichael and Wilcox Dr. have

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offered to provide a storage unit for our use. If you are cleaning out your storage sheds, barns or house, please call us if you would like to donate your items for our annual garage sale held each May.

Items such as small electronics, tools, horse supplies and furniture would be greatly appreciated. We will no longer be accepting clothing, so for those items you may want to contact Salvation Army or Goodwill.

You may contact Ann Jost at 520-559-2224 if you have items you would like to donate.

Arrangements can be made for pick-up of your items or you can meet us and bring them directly to the storage unit.

2009 Calendar

2009 is Almost Here

A calendar has been created featuring horses that were in the program last year. You will find the pictures and stories beautiful and interesting. The calendar costs only \$10 and all sales go to support the services that Care For The Horses provides to horses and individuals in need of them.

The calendars will be available for purchase starting October 15th. You can purchase them at your local feed stores, online at our website www.careforthehorses.com or by contacting any board member or volunteer. Telephone orders can be taken by contacting Ann Jost at 520-559-224 or by emailing us at careforthehorses@msn.com.

These calendars will make super gifts for your horsey friends or other animal lovers that you know. Be sure to buy one for yourself to.

Look for us on Saturdays during November and December as we rotate visiting the local feed stores with a table setup selling the calendars and our t-shirts and mugs. As always your support is needed and appreciated



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Our Horses That Were Adopted During the Last Quarter

Chevy our 12 yr. old Mustang mare was adopted last month by a family from Sonoita. Chevy had been in our program since last October.

Lexi – 20+ yr. old Arabian mare was adopted to a family in Amtao that has other rescue horses. Lexi has been in the program since last August.

Many individuals have contacted us regarding placement of their horses. Those horses have been placed on our courtesy listings website. If you would like to list your horse on our website you may also do so. Just send an email to careforthehorses@msn.com along with all pertinent information on the horse, your contact information and if possible some pictures. We will list your horse for as long as is necessary.

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