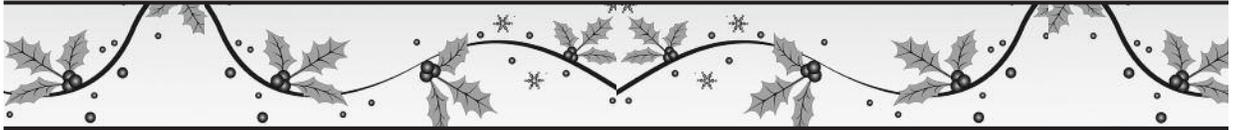


# Milestone Equine Rescue

*Every horse we save makes a difference*



## IT WAS A WONDERFUL OPEN HOUSE!



Dr. Mary Beth and volunteer, Dawn, greeted our guests as they came into the farm at Open House.

Our annual Open House took place Sunday, October 7th. While the weather was a bit toasty at 82 degrees and humid, we still managed to have a successful Open House. Because of the heat, the horses were not as attentive as they were in past years. Many have their winter coats coming in and preferred to stay in the shade of their sheds. The horses in the barn were friendly and greeted our more than 450 visitors.



Jackson enjoying some gentle companionship from one of our guests.

The farm looked beautiful thanks to all the hard work from volunteers plus students and faculty visiting from Centenary University days earlier. We had assorted vendors, a big bake sale, Milestone merchandise, and an amazing silent auction featuring over 140 items available for bid!

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## GRANT PROVIDES NEW WEATHERBEETA BLANKETS FOR 28 HORSES

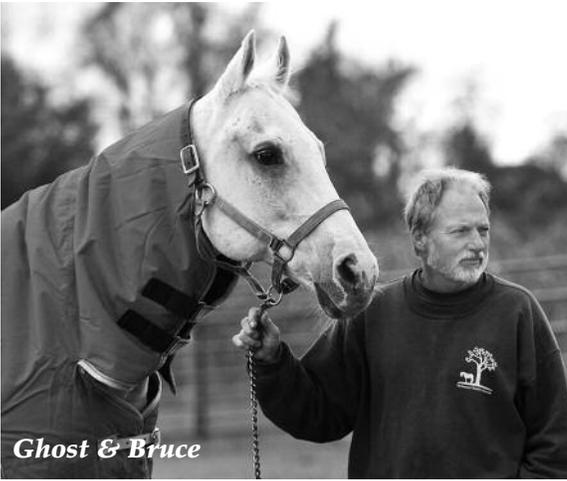


Tucker, Sundance, and Ghost playing out in the front field, toasty warm in their new Weatherbeeta blankets.

We received a wonderful and very unexpected blanket blessing. We filled out a grant submission with State Line Tack – A Home For Every Horse blanket donation program - a couple of months ago. We were thrilled to find out that, after thoroughly reviewing Milestone's background and qualifications, we were awarded 28 brand new Weatherbeeta winter blankets -- twenty-five in size 78 blankets and three in size 75! Many of our horses wear these sizes, so this was a tremendous help, a value worth over \$3,000. We had to submit photos of some of the horses wearing the blankets and Jen Wenzel got some wonderful shots of the horses. The marketing director from Weatherbeeta was so pleased with the fabulous photos she called to tell us. The horses look very festive in their bright red blankets, especially in the recent snow!

## MY SIDE OF THE FENCE

- *Susankelly Thompson*



*Ghost & Bruce*

This year has been a whirlwind; hard to believe the holidays are already upon us. Taking care of the horses can be hectic and there is always work to be done - manure to pick up, feedings, medical care - but what makes it all worth it are the moments of success and joy we are witness to. Tango and Marley came in so thin and depressed, and now they have gained more weight and look healthy. It is wonderful to watch them gallop full out from one end of their field to the other. They play with the other horses over the fence, happy to be alive and thriving.

Their eyes are bright and shiny, and they look forward to every meal.

I know it is rare to see my husband, Bruce, in the newsletter, but our photographer, Jen, got this great shot of him with Ghost. The farm runs so well because of Bruce; he starts his day at 4:00 am and often works long, late hours. He helps with all aspects of the farm from feeding to mucking, to helping me with the horses' medical issues, getting hay and grain. When we don't have people to help me stuff the mailing, he will stuff newsletters. Bruce made it possible for me to spend so much time helping my mom before she died, and that was such an incredible gift. I am so grateful for that time. Bruce is beyond dedicated in all aspects of running the rescue and there are times when it is really hard, bad weather and no help, sick horses etc... I don't think people realize how much he does and the long hours he works. I am grateful to have him by my side, so devoted to the Mylestone horses.

We wish you a Happy Holiday Season and we are grateful for your continued support. We could not provide long term care for the rescue horses without you!

*Thank you, Susankelly*

## CENTENARY STUDENTS AND FACULTY HELP OUT BEFORE OPEN HOUSE



This wonderful group of students and faculty from Centenary University, pictured above with Scout, was a huge help a few days before Open House with clean-up. They helped with raking leaves, leveling out the barn aisle with new stone dust, mucking, de-cobwebbing the barn, cleaning brushes, decorating the farm, and brushing several of the horses. We were thrilled to have their help and greatly appreciate all their hard work. Thank you!

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## OUR MISSION

Mylestone Equine Rescue ("M.E.R.") is dedicated to helping abused and neglected horses. M.E.R. works to educate the general public about these unspeakable sufferings and promotes the plight of unwanted horses.

Our goal is to place these once magnificent creatures in homes that will give them the love and care they deserve. If suitable homes are not found, M.E.R. will be a permanent home for these horses.

Mylestone is a 501 (c) 3 non-profit organization. All donations are tax-deductible.

**DON'T FORGET!**



*When doing your Christmas and holiday shopping on Amazon, log in to AmazonSmile and earn donations for Mylestone with every purchase!*

## MEMORIALS

- ◆ Darius Harvey Transky in memory of Darlene Velechenko-Transky's aunt, Josephine Welisewitz
- ◆ Darlene Velechenko-Transky in memory of Josephine Welisewitz
- ◆ Susankelly Thompson in loving memory of Phebe Bishop
- ◆ Marcia and Lee Newell in loving memory of Phebe Bishop
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- ◆ Carol Aretakis in memory of Robin McNichol
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- ◆ Mary McCarthy in memory of Shannon Helm
- ◆ Kenneth Wlazlo in memory of Patricia Wlazlo
- ◆ Joanna Barnish in memory of Thomas Sommantic
- ◆ Susan Gardner in loving memory of "Trigger"
- ◆ Mary O'Donnell in memory of "Trigger"
- ◆ Emily and Kane Szigethy in memory of beloved pony "Cinny"
- ◆ Eva Ogens in memory of "Pipe Dream"
- ◆ Jim and Maryjane Allen in loving memory of Jim's brother Alexander (Alec) Allen.
- ◆ Mary McCarthy in memory of "Twister"

## SMILE FOR THE CAMERA!



Bill working on Cloudy's teeth.



Phebe's smile is being improved by Dianne.

Each year, thanks to our dentist dream team, our horses get their teeth taken care of so they can show you their pearly whites when we take their photos. Our own fab four comes once a year to the farm and provide whatever dental treatment each and every horse needs, and all at no charge to Mylestone. We cannot thank them enough, but we try ... much appreciation to Bill Schultze, Dianne Frack, Brian Shaw, and Jim Edwards.



Shadow doesn't look so excited to see the dentist, but Jim makes it as easy as possible.



Brian works with Tango, giving him a healthy mouth and a happy smile for everyone.

## DONATION FORM

Your support of Mylestone is greatly appreciated. Please use this form if you wish to make a straight donation to help the horses. Thank you for your kindness and generosity.

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

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

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

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Please sign me up to receive occasional e-mail updates from Mylestone

Enclosed is my donation of \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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## THANK YOU!

\* Donors and Sponsors

\* Devoted Volunteers

\* Califon Animal Hospital & Dr. Mary Beth Hamorski

\* Mid-Atlantic Equine Medical Center

\* Equine Dentists Bill Schultze, Jim Edwards,  
Brian Shaw & Dianne Frack

\* Farriers Todd Huber & David Delli Santi

\* Horsemen's Outlet for their continued support

\* A special thanks to all those who have generously donated items for the horses, plus blankets, tack and assorted items for us to put on consignment at Horsemen's Outlet

If we have accidentally omitted anyone, please accept our apologies - we are so very grateful for all you do for the horses!

## MYLESTONE'S CALENDAR ~ PERFECT FOR YOU & GIFTS



Why should you buy a Mylestone calendar? First, the simply outstanding photography month after month by Jennifer Wenzel; secondly, quality - beautiful heavy stock paper that puts other calendars to shame. But best of all, it's about horses that all faced uncertain futures or, in some cases, very certain trips to auction and slaughter.

Your purchase of a Mylestone calendar not only helps support our rescued horses, but also our efforts to help many other horses in desperate sit-

uations find their way to safety, recovered health, and a good quality of life. This year's calendar celebrates Mylestone's 25th year of rescuing horses.

Phebe, a beautiful black and white paint pony, is featured on the cover. Inside you'll find another new horse, Tucker, plus plenty of your favorites - Scout, Tyler, Mini Pearl, Misty, Jackson, and more, all for the special price of only \$12.00.

You can send \$12.00 plus \$6.70 Priority Mail per calendar to: Calendar, Mylestone Equine Rescue, 227 Still Valley Rd., Phillipsburg, NJ 08865. You can also PayPal \$18.70 to Mylestone. We ship Priority Mail to ensure the calendars are delivered in perfect condition and not bent. If you wish two calendars, two can fit in one Priority Mail envelope, for \$30.70. Brighten your New Year with horses you've helped.



## SPECIAL THANK YOU

- \* To River Edge Farm for their camp students raising \$280 to help the Mylestone horses. Great job, thank you!
- \* Thank you to Colalillo ShopRite for generously donating a gift card for us to use for towards supplies for Open House.
- \* To Charlene Quarno who won a \$250 Horsemen's Outlet gift card at Help a Horse Day earlier this spring and donated it to Mylestone for the horses!
- \* Warm Hearts, Warm Lives 4-H group generously donated many assorted baskets to our Open House silent auction which was a huge help with fundraising. The group also set up and sold items during the day at Open House. We are very grateful for all their support of the horses!
- \* Girl Scout Troop 90231 attended Open House and handed out information about saving Triple Crown and Southern States grain proof of purchase seals to benefit Mylestone. The girls also did this at our Help a Horse Day event in April and we have been getting envelopes full of labels mailed to the farm. We are able to redeem the proofs for grain and funds. Thank you!

## A WONDERFUL OPEN HOUSE (Cont'd.)



Scout is always a rock star at Open House. Everyone loves to give him attention because he is so gentle and patient.

Special thanks to everyone who made Open House possible - from all those that donated to the silent auction, baked goodies, helped put tents up, helped with setting up and taking down tents and tables, we couldn't have done it without your help.

Many thanks as well to everyone that brought soup and assorted food items for our local food pantry! My car was packed with food and included over 700 cans of soup to feed those in need.

While we may not have raised as much as we have in past years, Open House was still a wonderful day for the horses and for everyone who participated in the day in any way.



The muggy weather may have affected our turnout a bit, but you wouldn't know it, looking at the silent auction tents!

A cheery autumn welcome to our guests.



## IN HONOR OF

- \* Mary and James Alexander in honor of devoted volunteer Mary Holmes
- \* Kevin and Valerie Ryan in honor of Nancy Ryan
- \* Dale Bedford in honor of Dr. P.J. McMahon
- \* Ginevra Haven in honor of Joan Cully

## GRANTS/FOUNDATIONS

- \* The Alison Wildman Foundation
- \* The Fournier Family Foundation
- \* Steven and Beverly Rubenstein Charitable Foundation



As always, we had a fabulous selection of items to bid on, including themed baskets.