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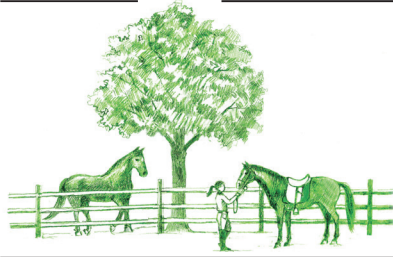
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Breedings and SRF Auction

Our most important fundraiser every year is the gift and sale of breeding donations. Our auction has passed, but breeding donations will gladly be accepted and will be available for sale until the breeding sheds close in July. It's inevitable that all babies will not make it to the races, some may never make it to the finish line first, and nearly all will need a place to live out their lives. Please consider writing in a lifetime breeding specifically for SRF when you are fortunate enough to have a winner. Thank you to our wonderful donors. Contact SRF to purchase or donate a breeding.

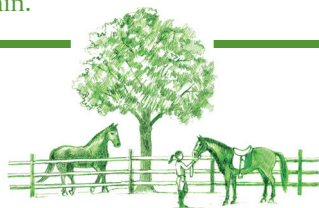
SRF is Different...

- Helping Standardbreds exclusively, young, aged, injured, neglected or abused;
- Feeding and caring for more than 300 trotters and pacers, and providing a lifetime permanent home for 160 unadoptable horses;
- Lifetime follow-up for every adopted horse, never to be at risk again.



The snow is fun for someone! SRF got socked with it and it slammed all the stall doors closed, so to speak. For nearly three weeks, two feet of snow, and temperatures, on some days in the single digits, brought everything to a halt. Even the creeks that water many of the horses, froze solid. None of the 65 at the leased facility in NJ, well into their saddle training, were able to stay in training; they could barely get to their water and hay. This winter setback may be pretty from the window & fun for this guy, but for SRF and the horses, it played havoc. We hope the groundhog does what he is suppose to so spring is early.

RECENT ADOPTIONS



All American Chief
Allie (Unregistered
Mare)

American Joe Cool
Arietta

Armbro Beyond
Baltic Speeder

Bay Diamond

Bernamatic

Black Tie

Brandodge

Brickyard Wayne

Brother Melvin

Brylin Everreddy

Budget Surplus

Calypso Blue

Cam Cam Gypsy

Camtaza
Captain Gary
CCS Lover N

Tag 306
Chelemark Stature

Chelemark Taffy
Cheyenne Julie

Cheyenne Michael

Chip's Veldt

Church

Classic Cowboy

Clay Hill King Pin

Click Twice

Clydex

CR Adelina

Daisys Son

Dale's Master

Desert Jewell
Devils Cut

Donnegal

Ducky Medwick

Earna Look

Electric Valentine

Elywood Taylor

Enjoy The Day

Entry Hanover

Fawn De Hall

Felicia Scott

Fico

Fire Up the Mach

Fisher Move

Fleet Street

Fox Valley Lovebug

Funny Tricks

Funtime Rocknroll
Giant Jackpot

Gordy's Earth Angel

Hackensack

Happyglo Kash

He's A Blizzard

He's The Most

Headline Type

Hoosier Hobo

Hope Again

Hotsteamingjumbo

Ima Fever

International Style

Jasper

Jazz

Jeremiah

JK Letshangon

Kash Talent
Kermit T

Kid Conway

King's Cavalier

Kinney Pike Kid

Lastbrightcushion

Lima Dreamin'

Little Bad Boy

Looking At Art

Lord Rave

Lotta Speed

Lucky

March On

Max The Mike

Max Will Start

McArctic Circle

Mercy



IT WORRIES US

With more than 300 Standardbreds under our full care and more than half assumed retired for life, as they are aged or injured and unattractive to adopters, SRF is always concerned about sustainability. Each year the income from its endowment only generates \$250. Without considering any cost for raising funds, or administrative costs, SRF must raise enough each year to follow up every horse in their adoptive home, and care for the 300+. When you do the math it can be mind boggling, but it is real. With only 12% coming from support from the industry itself, SRF needs help. Please help us build a future through an endowment by making a tax-deductible gift, and include SRF in your after-life plan so we can care for the horses that were good to you.

Elitloppet Raffle - It's Coming!

elitloppet 18
25-27 May



The Elitloppet Race in Sweden has such a spectacular draw, and this year will be no different. Our winners rave about this trip! This year's race is May 25-27, 2018, and yes, we will be mailing tickets to win this once in a lifetime getaway which includes: four (4) nights accommodations; buffet breakfast each morning; a get-together-dinner; sightseeing with an English-speaking guide; tour to the Yearling sale, and Menhammar Stud farm; entrance and program to Solvalla racetrack on Saturday and Sunday. Thank you for feeding and caring for the horses while taking a chance to be our winner in 2018.

Our Prix winner is...

One breeder, one trainer, three owners, one USTA employee, and two adopters have won the Prix d' Amerique raffle, and this year's winner is Paul Bordogna. Congratulations! Thank you to all for your wonderful and generous support, it's an exciting fundraiser that makes a great difference in how many horses get a little dignity in the end. It fills our hayloft and the grain bins, and when you have 338 mouths to feed, especially in the winter months, it makes a world of difference. Prendre plaisir!

MISSION STATEMENT

The Standardbred Retirement Foundation provides humane care and services for horses in need of lifetime homes, and in crisis, through rehabilitation, training, adoption, lifelong follow-up, or lifetime sanctuary; and offers therapeutic equine opportunities for children, and adults.

SRF is a 501 (c) 3 non-profit organization

RECENT ADOPTIONS

continued

Merrill
Messenger's Prince
Minerva
Miss Mandy Mae
Mo Trot
Mokey
Money On My Mind
Most Remarkable
Mowerballyscooter
Mr. Balance
Mr. Mustache
Mr. Universe
Mrs. Wiz
Ms Pro
My Jericho's King
Nathaniel Leigh
Native Dude

Nineteen Nintynine
Nordic's Best
North By Northwest
Northern Zephyr
NorthMedo J R
O'Lady Be Good
OG'S Endora
Ontario T
Orient Address
Overseas Chip
Paper Money
Parked Onda Street
Pastel Movie
Pembroke Magic
Petey
Pinkerton

Playing With Fire
Positive Press
Prestissimo
Promising Sign
R J Gram
Random Dynasty
Real Mystical
Ridgehall
Rise to Glory
SantaFe's Prince
Satin Sweetheart
Saw Mill Jack
Skedaddle Hanover
Sometimes I Rule
St James Magic
Star Me Why

Steak an Shake
Stormont Cottage
Swiss Arsenal
T L Masterpiece
Tag 1560
Tag 2233
Tag 3140
Tag 3143
Tag 3238
Tag 3240
Tag 3350
Tag 777
Tag 83
Tapping Toes
Tasty Max
Ten Percent

Terrific Ann
Tes Mean Machine
That's Al Foaks
Toe Tappin'
Too Big
Unique Attack
UseYourTopStory
Vegas Chip
West Royalty
Western Artwork
Whitesand Lord
Whooten To Go
Win It Matters
You Too Can Profit
Young Dan





It Was Shocking...

In mid-November, the independent volunteers at SOSS, the Facebook page, felt defeated before they even tried to help when they heard there were 30 Standardbreds in a kill pen. All 30 were facing the horrific trip to slaughter. It was overwhelming for the SOSS ladies, and for SRF, but nothing



ventured nothing gained and a plea went out for help. There was much to coordinate on SRF's part, the phone messages, emails, donations and pledges reviewed and calculated, home offers and foster offers screened, finding quarantine, Face Book messages read, and so much more, and all of this on a weekend deadline.

How wonderful to have had people pick up the phone to give kindness to these animals. Every single dollar donated, every horse sponsored, home offered, shipping and quarantine offer, and offer to foster, pulled it all together to save these unfortunate trotters and pacers. It didn't just happen for 30, 30 became 42. One particular gift that helped to secure the troops from the heinous act of slaughter, was a gift from the estate of a wonderful man who only knew Standardbreds from the days he used to hover the rail betting on them.

HEAD	PRICE	KIND	MARK
1109	650.00	24033 G	LOOKS LIKE A WINNER
1116	775.00	96880 G	TANTRUM
1117	700.00	8DE50 G	MR BALANCE
1118	675.00	8A061 G	KID LONGHAY
1124	800.00	W8065 G	USE YOUR TOP STORY
1115	700.00	1B446 G	HYPOLITE
1128	675.00	XE873 G	SHORE GAURE
1112	655.00	26443 VA	SHREACK SPOON
1122	725.00	4CD38 G	CHUCK TOWN
1119	700.00	X1400 G	RENO CH
1127	700.00	7C595 G	EDMUND
1110	575.00	4PD34 G	MARTON
1111	625.00	X6032 G	BENSCHIA
1104	800.00	X8351 G	MO TROT
1105	675.00	25545 G	FEET COLLECTIONS
1101	750.00	Z5280 G	CUMMINS DESIGN
1103	700.00	2BL83 G	WILD WASHB
1113	685.00	X5950 G	SWISS ARSENAL
1121	710.00	0A612 (M)	HO LOMA SPEED
1107	685.00	0B400 G	GG'S SATTLEBUG
1120	785.00	6A951 G	MON AME HILL
1118	710.00	SC284 G	TONY THE BUM
1123	760.00	XN877 G	GKOR
1105	650.00	1B446 G	HYPO
1104	650.00	1B446 G	HYPO
1164	785.00	3D125	CAEL

A look at the first scratch sheet.

Six lucky ones were offered a home in South Jersey. Within a few weeks two had passed, one was in very tough condition and was found the next morning peacefully gone, resting on a soft pile of hay. One struggled off the trailer, upon arriving to quarantine, and was obviously in distress. The veterinarian did not offer any hope at all; he was put at peace. The breeder of Tantrum explained that he has every horse he ever bred and raced. He has help at the farm, but because he is in his 90's, he just couldn't take another. He stepped up in every other way to ensure his safety. The remaining are either adopted or being cared for by SRF, hoping for a place to recover further, and live out their lives. They are a fortunate group to have a friend in you.

2017 Donation Acknowledgements

We look forward to noting the wonderful gifts received in 2017 from all those who made a difference in the lives of the horses. We will be providing that in our next newsletter, along with our wonderful donors who wrapped many gifts for the 12 Days of Giving. Another warm thank you to all who give to these horses.



Enjoy the Day

The start of a special friendship, Enjoy The Day, and 12 year old Lucas have plans, Gymkhana, a fun and games program for horse and rider where they try to accomplish things sometimes for accuracy, or accuracy and time. There is egg in spoon, opening gates on horseback, retrieving the mail in a timed manner and so much more. Enjoy every day Lucas, your horse surely will!

TREMENDOUS THANKS!

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Thanks to McCauley's Feed for their gift of grain at their cost for all the horses we are boarding at Walnridge Farm. And a thank you to Reynolds Hay and Straw for their gift of getting it all to us when needed.

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The Lexington Meeting

There is an outcry to address the need for a humane outlet for racing's animals when no longer competitive. To start dialogue and compile ideas, a meeting was held in Lexington, Ky. There is a great deal to report, but to summarize, here are a few suggestions received. Ideas have never really been in short supply, it's the commitment by the people who can make it happen that has been lacking. We hope this will bring the problem into focus.

- USTA should alter its mission to cover more of the issues in racing not just serve as a record keeping organization.
- Stop racing two year olds, make it more advantageous to race older horses.
- Educate new owners on the welfare of the horses, injuries that can become catastrophic if they keep racing, and what typically happens to them when no longer able to race.
- Treat every baby with Bute and identify with a brand so they will not be permitted to be slaughtered for human consumption.
- Lose your license if your horse is found in a kill pen.
- Ban dealers and/or from tracks and/or training centers and farms, horse dealers must provide proof where horse is sent.
- Every horse should be looked at closely before going on the track to race, under their equipment.
- Claiming races are detrimental to the humane care of the horses, it's a "dumping ground" for sore and lame horse and should be banned.
- People know who the trainers and owners are who abuse, mistreat, even stall train their horses, yet no one reports it. This needs to change.
- Create funding from within racing for retired horses.
- Charge a fee for every mare bred, then for the offspring all they way though a horse's last race in order to fund life after racing.
- Replace people in positions of decision making who do not have regard for a horse with those who do.
- Provide statistics and better information on the crosses that make for the best racehorses.
- For the crosses that are less likely to produce a champion, charge a hefty breeding fee/pension fee to go to help retirees.
- Develop more programs with correctional facilities; PTSD.
- License all breeders.

Other Notes and Concerns:

- SRF made note of the Thoroughbred Aftercare Program (GAA) where monies raised from within racing from fees and the likes, along with donations, are then distributed to charities that qualify. However, because ownership of the horses is relinquished to adopters, and most organizations have a weak follow-up program, if any at all many will be found in kill pens anyway. What is most interesting is that the one program we know of that goes the extra step to insure good homes for life and retire those in need, receive very little, if any support from the TAA.
- In T-bred racing, since the TAA was set up, charities that have depended greatly on donations from individuals have dried up. This especially affects those that are supporting retirees unattractive to adopters. Let's learn from this.



Back Home

Leon Harris shows us all what a warm heart looks like. When his gelding, Xiao Wang, was found at risk the SOSS ladies did their "thing" and searched for Mr. Harris. He was so happy to have had the chance to bring his horse home. In the past 18 months approximately 18% of past owners or breeders, when contacted about a horse they had bred or owned that was at risk, took them home to live out their lives. It is admirable say some, it is the right thing say others. Eighteen percent speaks to the need to change how racing still does not address the so called "by product" of the industry. Considering that approximately 25% of owners and breeders contacted have passed, and approximately 80% of those called have helped in some ways, this number is significant. It's been nearly 30 years since the SRF made a plea to the United States Trotting Association to help. Lets urge those who can change things to step up and step on it.



Our Horse Sponsors are Awesome – Please Be a Friend to One–

With well over 300 trotters and pacers under SRF's care and expense, it is alarming when we think of what it takes to provide for their needs: hay, grain, a piece of land to graze on, keeping their feet trimmed, their teeth in check, worming and vaccinating. Some will find homes, but well over 160 will likely remain with SRF for life, as they are unattractive to adopters due to age or injury. Please sponsor one who needs a little piece of your heart to survive. Any amount, as often as you wish, and for any horse or one that may reach out to you from the list below or on SRF's website. Thank you so very much, our sponsors change the lives of these horses and are very special to us. Here are a few:

Name - Age	Name - Age	Name - Age	Name - Age
Legal In Nevada 8	Mollie Muggins 14	Catch Me Kid 15	Converse Hanover 18
Even Wiser 9	Harmony Nash 14	Caviar on the Menu 15	Fine Feathers 18
Goodgolly Ms Holly 11	Mattnipulator 14	Tractor Charlie 15	Winco Buddy 19
Ikester Lavec 11	Another Tino 14	Big Money 15	YouGottaHaveHeart 19
Not Arthur 12	Apocalypse Hanover 14	Lainies Knight 15	Lou E Kash 19
Sir Gawain 12	Game Arthur 14	Nike Ambro 16	Miss Tagliabue 20
Rader Detector 12	Quidditch 15	Desist Hanover 16	Grandpa's Grounded 21
Sudden Interest 13	Realist Hanover 15	Pacific Typhoon 16	Arteffect 23
Idylwood Phoenix 13	Spokesman 15	Walt's Love 16	Spinthrift Hanover 23
Alpine Thunder 13	Fivedollarsforsox 15	Mostly Hanover 17	Naughty Nancy 26
Express Annie 13	Bright Tune 15	Bright Hope 17	Ruffles and Lace 29
Premier Luck 14	Hummer Boy 15	Tiny Trouble 17	Kamsack Blue Chip 30
Royalton Star 14	Best Love 15	Gospel Joe 17	Letter Kenny Lad N 33

Hopefully Ending The Saga



Killean Cut Kid, who earned \$315,239 in his career, ended it in cheap claiming races. Noted on Facebook by the owner that he was euthanized, this notable horse was found nearly a month later in a Louisiana kill pen. Save Our Standardbreds From Slaughter (SOSS), a group of volunteers on Facebook, raised the funds needed to release him. His legs had Decubitus ulcers, a condition likely caused by being

bandaged too long, affecting the blood flow. His weight was poor, and he had foundered in one foot, a very painful condition where the coffin bone, the bone in the hoof, rotates and puts great pressure on the sole, often pushing through. After a couple of months of care at a farm in Louisiana, Kid was shipped to Dr. Hogan in NJ for more care. He remains there hoping for a loving home. Killean Acres in British Columbia, where he was bred, has offered him a soft place to retire, but there is a little concern about the long ship from NJ.

We hope a home more local to NJ is offered. To offer this very sweet guy a place to live out his life, please contact SRF. He is now sound enough to take an occasional stroll under saddle!





SRF's Golf Outing!

Get a team and c'mon out and have some fun!

Our 2018 Golf Outing is coming up soon. SRF's 27 annual golf outing still doesn't have a date, but you can be sure it will be in May or June 2018. If you only play in one event this season, make it SRF's and it will surely be a great day and evening. All are invited and bring a friend, client or co-worker! Give us a call or check out our website or facebook (facebook.com/SRFhorses) page for up-to-date information.

Love My Standees!

I love my three Standardbreds to pieces!

They are such sweet boys and our four girls love them too. Here's my newsflash. Jason Lee has been totally easy with no issues. He gained weight easily & gets along with the group.

Mr. Coast Guard (who came in a condition that may have been the most horrifying ever) seems to be the low man on the totem pole & doesn't readily take up for himself. I feed him (& Bulletproof Billy) separately so that they have plenty bc the others are easy keepers. Coastie has a large abscess-like hole in his rear left hoof that is problematic. Our vet says the x-rays look like someone drilled up into his foot- poor guy. We've been doctoring it since he arrived & looks like it may never really grow back in. Keeping it clean, wrapped, & in an Easy-Care Rx boot helps tremendously, but... he gets to feeling good & romps around & then throws the boot off & mud compacts in the hole & he gets sore & we start again.

Billy loves to eat! He is now a healthy weight & always ready for twice daily feeding's. He stepped on an old, rusty nail (we live on an old farm & the ground just seems to heave this stuff up constantly) in mid-November. It was in a bad spot in his frog. We did x-rays & antibiotics (injections & then pills), as well as daily foot treatments & dressings. He now seems to have made a full recovery.

Susie added one more when SRF was desperate; you may recall reading about him in a past newsletter. We call him Old Man From New Holland, as he was in the New Holland auction. His lip tattoo was illegible, perhaps because he may be pushing his fourth decade in life. SRF boarded him at the farm, coincidentally just a couple of miles from Susie. After several weeks of trying to give him back his spirit and keep him from failing, as many older horses do when you change the life they are use to, he needed more hands on care. He

Hambletonian Casino & Poker Night

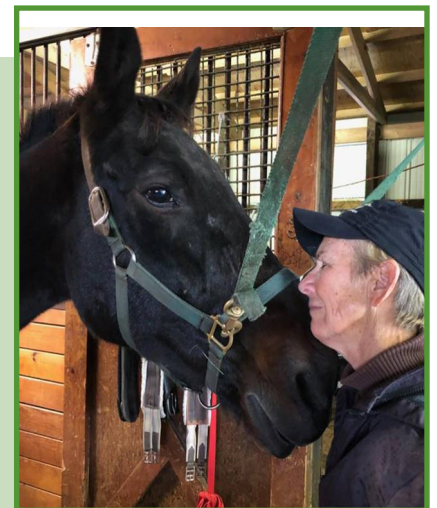
Paul Spears has a handful of chips, and the company of a show girl at the Hambletonian Casino and Poker Night fund raiser during Hambletonian week. He obviously doesn't need much more to maintain that smile. This exciting annual event benefits the SRF and the Harness Racing Museum and highlights a great week of racing at the Meadowlands. Stay tuned for the 2018 date. you won't want to miss it!



was not healthy enough to ship far, and when we asked for help, Susie stepped up in a loving way. Getting him to her was a struggle, but the Old Man put every ounce of life he had into getting on a trailer. Susie's newest horse is thriving as best as an elderly guy can. We all wonder what story he can tell, especially why, at his age someone would treat this old soul this way. Was it a dispersal of an estate where an owner loved this guy, but his will did not leave specific instructions? It's possible, because he looked cared for when the auction tag hit his hind end at the sale. Thank you so much, Susie and to our donors for giving this guy his life and dignity.

Sweet Hugs

Look at the affection between our wonderful volunteer, Ardeth Black and Hopefull N, a winner of nearly \$400,000. Now in her 70's, Ardeth still plays competitive tennis. Our volunteers are not only wonderful but all are so interesting as well. Ardeth spends 3 to 5 days a week at SRF's barn training horses and she knows all their quirks and joys.





Suspensory Injuries Are Crippling Many On And Off The Track

The most common injury horses have that come to SRF is a torn suspensory, whether these horses come directly off the track, or from the rural communities that put them to work after racing.

Suspensory ligaments attach to the back of the cannon bone just below the knee, and about two-thirds of the way down the ligament divides into two branches. They then attach to the inside and outside of the sesamoid bones, on the back of the fetlock.

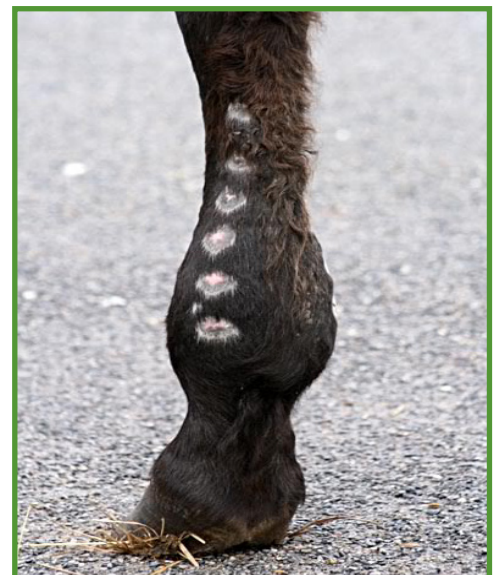
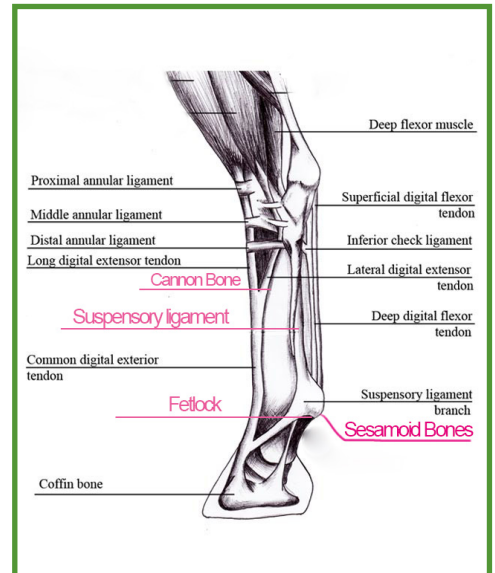
Moving at fast speeds can cause the ligament to over-stretch and the fibers tear. These ligaments can also rupture and can cause displacement of the sesamoid bones. Diagnosing this injury is best done with ultrasound, but swelling can be seen, and is sore to the touch. If caught during onset, there is a relatively good chance of getting the horse sound again.



Note the photo of the horse's legs on the right. His left fetlock is lower than the right. This is a result of a torn suspensory as his fetlock is dropped. We suspect that the those in the rural communities using horses for work, do not recognize that it is a problem. Cryo-therapy is often used to help this injury, it brings blood to the area, and it is believed to assist in healing. Note the white marks on the last photo, this indicates Cryo-Therapy treatment was received.

(left photo) Appreciating the loving care he is getting, Ugottahaveheart, a nineteen

year old son of Run The Table came to SRF from a kill pen. He was emaciated, depressed, blind in one eye, with some vision loss in the other, and had old and new harness marks. It appears he may have been serving as a work horse for more than a decade. Heartly is a kind animal and an "in your pocket" kind of guy. Wouldn't you know, this sweet gelding stands well over 17 hands. He is in a special foster home with Sue and Zoltan Hague, but this may be coming to an end soon. He will need a sponsor to continue his loving care. Would you be his sponsor, he has worked so hard and has given so much.



Family Foundations

Does your family have a giving foundation? A gift to help us feed and care for the more than 300 trotters and pacers would be so very helpful. Thank you for considering the monumental task we have every day to feed them, keep their hooves trimmed, vaccinate, worm, and give them the care they need.

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Here's a funny!

A text came from a gal from another organization asking SRF to help a Standardbred at New Holland. She said, "How can we not help, the horse untied himself from inside the building and just left." Smart horse! He was later found in the parking lot. After helping the 40 horses just a few days before, taking one more was impossible, but our Director reached out for help for him and the lucky guy is safe and happy! Texts came later with photos of his freeze brand and no one can confirm who this character is. Touche, smart one!

Horses and Coffee

Starting in April SRF will open the farm in Cream Ridge, NJ for a tour of the horses. Come enjoy the work you support, or come see what SRF's mission is. Visit the NJ horses and maybe bring some carrots and spoil them. No reservations needed, but good footwear is. Bring a beach chair and relax watching them interact, find the chief of the field, pamper the love bug, take photos, smell the sweetness of the hay and the pungent scent of you know what, the horses love visitors. Check SRF's website for a schedule of days.

Please pass along to a friend.



Wish List

- Horse Sponsors
- Foster Homes
- Support for the Endowment
- Volunteers for Office
- A home of our own
- Hay for NJ and KY
- Horse Guardians
- Items for our event auctions
- Volunteers for events
- Another location for an adoption center

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