



August 2011

July was a terribly sad time at Misfit Acres. On July 20, a family wake was held at Misfit Acres celebrating the life of our lovely little Acura. Acura, a 9 year old Doberman, arrived on May 28, 2004 at 2 years old. She quickly wrapped her way around our hearts with her intense expressions on her face. We miss this little girl terribly. Acura was known for her wagging little tail. All you had to do was speak to her and her tail would go - whether she were looking at you or not. She just wagged. Chopper is just as lost as we are without her. Acura has returned home after cremation where her urn sits right beside her best friend, Tosis.

Lucky suffered a very severe injury sometime during the night on July 22. By combing the pasture, it has been determined that she slid on a muddy spot and landed on a rock. She has a huge gaping wound on her chest which requires constant care. She also has two more scrapes; one on her rear leg and another above her eye. It was a frightening site to find on Saturday morning. She is coming along nicely though. Horses are amazing how they handle injury and healing. Her biggest complaint is cleaning and medicating the wound.

Shadow has become the new "daycare mom" in the front pasture since Abbey crossed to the Rainbow Bridge in June. The little ponies just seemed to elect her as the new leader. We think sometimes she would enjoy a little more space than the little ones give her though.

April has taken off some pounds during the heat spells we have had. This is a good thing actually as she was getting awfully heavy. April hates bugs and spends most of her time in the shelter. We love her but she sure is a barn baby!

BJ and Montana continue to amaze us. Nothing really seems to faze them. As long as they can go in and out of the shelter and meals are on time life is good. And of course, for Montana, the "chase game" is fun chasing BJ from one feed pan to another and back again.

Due to the dense trees surrounding Augie and Magic's pasture, these poor guys get the majority of the mosquitoes in the evenings. There really isn't anything we can do about it except keep them sprayed down. It is a very good thing both these boys were conditioned to spray.

Our annual fundraiser plans are coming together! Please consider donating an item to our silent auction to make it a total success! Items are arriving but we would certainly welcome more and appreciate your generosity more than you will ever know! Merchandise sales at area events have been down quite a bit. we rely heavily on our annual fundraiser to help financially. Our line up for entertainment includes Sonny Bryant of the Platters, Lonesome Ron and his old style country music, Joah's Ark Pony Parties and Petting Zoo. A return appearance by the Elm Creek Cowboy Theater Company will also be featured with their old west gunfight re-enactments! We have connected with a few new vendors this year to offer you even more variety. The date for this fun-filled, family-style function is October 2 from 11 am - 5 pm in Good Thunder, MN at Robert Anderson's Truck Garage. We are getting pretty excited about all this!

**Saving one horse may not
make a difference in the
whole world, but it will
make a world of
difference to that one
horse ~ unknown author**

Misfit Acres will be at the City Center Market in Mankato on August 13. You will want to be also! The Elm Creek Cowboys will be doing their gunfight re-enactments for all to enjoy.

We plan to attend the Wells Kernal Days parade in Wells, MN on August 20. Come join the fun!

Until September!!!

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