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Oops! July got so busy - Our apologies for not updating everyone!

Everyone needs a little Faith, right? So Welcome Home Faith!!! Faith arrived on July 20. She is a 5 year old black & white pony with a little face that will steal your heart! She has the cutest little pony attitude! Prior to her arrival at Misfit Acres, she had not been outside all summer. As of the writing of this update, she is now allowed two hours of turn out time per day. She is housed in our arena until she is able to be out full time. We have been putting her out with Abbey, Peanut, and Dixie. Abbey is thrilled at having another little one to mother over. She is a real pest when it is time to put Faith back in.

Peanut and Dixie on the other hand, have their little noses out of joint at the prospect of sharing Abbey's attention with a new rival. But this doesn't seem to be all bad; the bond that these two ponies are creating is very special to watch.

As Lucky ages, her coat turns whiter and whiter. I keep telling her she is just trying to keep up with my graying hair! (well, mostly silver) She still knows she is the most spoiled horse in the world and remains very vocal about it. Gotta love her.

April has decided she hates bugs, rain, and sunshine. She prefers to hang out in the shelter for the majority of the day and only come out for meals, fresh hay, and cooler evening temperatures.

We are very pleased with Montana's condition this year. Last summer when we got the warmer weather stretch, he seemed to drop a little too much weight. This year, he is maintaining just great!

BJ (Fatboy) is just a big ole' cuddler! He loves attention and doesn't seem to have a care in the world. He too is keeping on every pound and loves extra hugs and scratches. The color of his coat is just beautiful.

Augie and Magic don't really care about much of anything unless the round bale feeder gets low. The game continues as to which feed pan Augie will end up with. Whichever one he picks Magic noses his way into and Augie just moves to the other one - but not after getting the first bite of oats.

A big Thank You goes to our webmaster, Jeanne, of Long Creek Designs. She is in the process of giving our website a complete "facelift". Stop by www.misfitacres.com and check out her new creative design.

To be added to our new website shortly is some really big news! Thanks to a very generous donation from Donn at Donn's Leatherworks, we have a beautiful handmade western saddle to raffle off. This saddle has a 16" seat with a 7" gullet designed to fit the bigger horses. This saddle retails for \$3500!! Raffle tickets are on sale now for \$5 each. First prize is this beautiful saddle, second prize is \$100, and third prize is \$50. Winner need not be present to win. Please contact us to buy your chances to win this one of a kind prize. Drawing is to be held at our annual fundraiser on October 19 in Good Thunder. We will have the saddle with us at all our upcoming events including Summerfest in Old Town Mankato on August 30 and Amboy Arts and More Festival on September 6. Or, simply give us a call to view!



Speaking of the fundraiser, plans are fully underway. The fabulous M C Express will be our DJ for the afternoon. Mark will be joined by Mankato's own Lonesome Ron with his country western music. We have received word that FOUR of the Minnesota Viking Cheerleaders will be hosting a special Meet & Greet that afternoon.

We are currently searching for silent auction items. If you would be willing to donate to our silent auction, please contact us to make arrangements. With the hard economic times, we truly appreciate any and all donations. Remember, all proceeds go directly to the Sanctuary Horses of Misfit Acres. Misfit Acres is a 501C3 non-profit horse sanctuary and rescue so your generous donations are tax deductible. Vendor spaces are available for this fun-filled day! Contact us for details if you are interested in showcasing your products or services at our fundraiser. Until September!!

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