



**Wow - November!!!** Anybody else started their Christmas shopping yet? Unreal that this year is winding down so quickly.

Fundraiser - what can we say? It was absolutely awesome!! This was the highest attendance we have ever had. It was great to meet so many new visitors and say "hi again" to the folks who have attended previous years or we have met at a town celebration. Being our fourth year, we had a dream of reaching \$4000. Look as though we will hit it!!! Thanks to each of you for making this a total success!

We have so many wonderful contributors to thank. Mark from M C Express, Lonesome Ron, Tom Kruger Hypnotist, the Viking Cheerleaders, Nikki & J J, Robert Anderson for the use of his building, all the people and businesses who contributed to the silent auction, all the vendors, Joah's Ark Pony Parties, Mr. & Mrs. Rich Garman for the wagon rides, and our dedicated volunteers (who had to put up with me from early in the morning until the end). But mostly to you - all the guests - that attended and opened your hearts and wallets to the Sanctuary Horses of Misfit Acres. Your generosity will forever be remembered.

And we have been asked multiple times if we are going to do this again next. YES!!! Our 5th annual Meet-Up will be on Sunday, October 19, 2008. And right along with our 5th year event, we will be striving for the \$5000 mark.

Okay, now for the residents. Tara has gone to WhipStaff Rescue in Solway, Minnesota. Carrie and her staff have started a re-training program with Tara. Things are going beautifully for them. Carrie's 6 year old niece has ridden Tara and her comment was "She is a good girl!!". It was very hard to watch Tara leave, but in our hearts it was the right decision for her.

River has an opportunity to go into training at yet another rescue. Rolling Rock Rescue is arranging transport for him so that he may be worked with. River has a few issues that are beyond our knowledge and experience. He seems to have recovered from the lameness issues which plagued him in the past. It will be very difficult to see him leave also but he is simply too young for a retirement setting.

Abbey will be staying at Misfit Acres. She is already 30 years old and we cannot bear to move her again. She has developed the softest coat and loves to "strut her stuff" now. Bruce has nicknamed her Crabby Abbey. As she gets to feeling stronger and stronger, she can be a little bossy. A very kind lady named Sarah will be donating a blanket just for Abbey for winter time. Thank you so very much Sarah!

Once all the juggling around of horses is done, Abbey will go in the pasture with Peanut. We just know little Peanut won't really care one way or another. That little horse is in her own world.

Looks like we will be very busy in the near future. All the horses have found the burrs! Pesky things! About the time you think you have trimmed all of these plants from the pasture, the horses manage to find some more. Fatboy - BJ - looks like a unicorn!

Speaking of Fatboy, his before and after photos in our scrapbook at the fundraiser were a hit. Well, he is too for that matter. He has turned around like we did not think was possible. Such a beauty.

Montana continues to be a very old horse in a very spunky body. In January he will be 33 years old but you sure would never know it.

For those of you who were at the fundraiser, you saw how cute little Cookie was! Thank you Jennifer Jones for getting her all prettied up. I know it was a job since her pasture is all still muddy. Thanks Kerry B. for hauling Cookie in and taking her home. She was a pretty tired little girl, but was feeling just great Monday morning.

Augie, Magic, Lucky, and April are all diving into hay lately. The cooler weather seems to really increase appetites with some horses and some stay about the same. It is always fun to watch how each one handles the changes in the seasons. Magic is our biggest hay eater by far.

Upcoming events - Please join us from 10 am to 12 pm at Herbergers in the River Hills Mall of Mankato, where we will be offering for sale the Herbergers' Community Day Event coupon books. Each book is \$5 (which Misfit Acres get to keep 100%). The coupon books include one \$10 off coupon and several %% off coupons good at any Herbergers (BonTon) stores nationwide on November 10, 2007. This is a great fundraiser just in time for Christmas Shopping. For more information, go to [www.communitydayevent.com](http://www.communitydayevent.com)

Lisa for Arete Farm Store is offering a percentage of her profits for any orders received in November and December to Misfit Acres!!! Thank you Lisa! Check out her line of specialized products. You will find her banner on our website in the lower right hand corner. Shop for Christmas with Lisa and help the Sanctuary Horses of Misfit Acres.

November 17, we welcome a visit from Jen's Girls Scouts. We are sure this will be another opportunity for the horses to be celebrities!

And please remember your standing invitation to visit and meet the "residents". Feel free to give us a call to schedule.

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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*