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HEAVEN CAN WAIT NEWSLETTER – July 2010

This edition of the HCW Newsletter is dedicated to the memory of Finn McCool, a big hearted big horse owned by a good friend and supporter of Heaven Can Wait. Finn suffered a torn diaphragm diagnosed through surgery on June 25th -- the damage was too much to save this great 18 year old. Our hearts are with his owner, and that's where Finn's heart is, too. Thanks for years of beloved companionship.



Finn McCool, by Roland Hinkle

News From the Ranch

The automated fly control system has been installed, thanks to a gift from Renny and Sharon Avey. It is helping make everyone more comfortable. Like the Estrella 4H Club, headed by Angela Vinther, who visited in June, as did the Daisies and Brownies Troops.

A special hug for Ortega, the mini horse gelding, and his mom Chili, who continue to be the best ambassadors and kid-magnets at the Sanctuary. They know they are loved, the little devils.

4th Heaven Can Wait Open House



HCW held a very successful and enjoyable Open House on Sunday, June 13th. Awesome contributions from many attendees. Thanks to the following individuals who were there with merchandise and services:

Melissa Tyson (N2 Events) on behalf of Hospitality Catering
Rich Ferguson, Master Magician and Entertainer
Freckles the Clown (Christina Reid)
Rob of Graveyard Vineyards
Peggy and Chuck Talkovic, Scentsy Products
Wendy Scruby, Soldier Factory Fine Jewelry and Pewterware
Leslie Carol Videographer, Flying Colours TV

Generous Raffle Contributors

Apropos Women's Clothing
Paso Robles Licensed Avon Beauty Store
Hotel Cheval
Soldier Factory
Independent Grape Growers of the Paso Robles Area
Ranchita Canyon Vineyard
Vista del Rey Vineyards
Lombardi's Family Pasta Restaurant of Paso Robles
Tierra Verde Soy Candles
Diane Osborne
Luv Me Tender Miniature Donkey Farm
John Philip Sousa IV
Jackie Iddings
Upscale Resale of Templeton



Great volunteers including Kerin, Bev, Tom, Dawn, Chloe, Amanda, Victoria, Gail, Mark, Susan, Gloria and everyone else who helped out in so many ways.

Beautiful weather – warm, dry, breezy, sunny!

And KSBY TV filmed a segment on the Sanctuary that was shown 6/13 at 6 and 11 PM as well as being placed as a link on their website (www.ksby.com).

Happy Birthday, Nancy

Ms Nancy Koren, one of HCW's beloved and favorite photographers, celebrated a birthday on June 23. How can anyone get younger each year?? Nancy's not telling, but her energy, enthusiasm and beautiful images speak volumes on her behalf.

Hot August Night!

The excitement is building for our "Faux Diamond" Neil Diamond tribute concert on Saturday, August 21 starting at 7:30 PM. The concert, showcasing Dr Dave Ramsey's amazing talent and featuring dancing, wine pouring by Vista Del Rey Vineyards, desserts catered by N2 Events, a dynamite opening act and more will be held at the Sanctuary, 6275 Cerros Pioneros Way, San Miguel 93451. Donation is only \$25 for a night of unforgettable music and fun (close your eyes and you'd swear Neil was there singing to you). Contact Ramey 805/712-3109 for more information. Ticket reservations available now (checks payable to **HEAVEN CAN WAIT**, mailed to P.O. Box 2943, Paso Robles 93447). Donation will be \$30 at the door, so order now. Remember to include your contact info!

Pre-Halloween Costume and Lingerie Fashion Show

On Monday, September 13 prepare yourself for an awesome evening at El Vino Restaurant, 1519 Park St., Paso Robles. Pillow Talk of Paso is holding a pre-Halloween costume and lingerie fashion show to benefit Heaven Can Wait Equine Rescue and Sanctuary. \$20 per person donation at the door will include scrumptious specialty snacks from the El Vino kitchen as well as live models wearing a variety of fun outfits (orders taken that night, too). Pitchers of Margaritas, beer and non-alcoholic drinks will be available for purchase. Show time will be early evening, to be announced. Thanks to Juan Manuel Plasencia and his wife Guadalupe of El Vino and Ursula Crose of Pillow Talk!

HCW on KPRL Radio June 30

Consignage Home and Garden consignment store was on the air Wednesday, June 30 at KPRL Radio 1230 AM with Dick Mason. Store manager Lecia Brannon talked about the treasures that come in every day and about Consignage's support of two great local animal rescue non-profits: Debbie Sweet's Short 'n' Sweet Dog Rescue and Heaven Can Wait (represented by Exec. Dir. Ramey Zamora).

Paso Robles Trading Day June 26 – with Consignage Home and Garden Store

Liz Bannon, co-owner of Consignage (www.consignagepaso.com), invited HCW to distribute brochures and flyers at the June 26th Paso Robles Trading Day held in the City Park. From 9AM to 3PM, we shared a space with them and got to tell a lot of great people we met about HCW's Autism Spectrum, HoPE and Word Herd programs. Another way Consignage is helping support our Sanctuary and its work...We were also invited to have a table at Consignage's Grand Opening Celebration on June 19th (see photo at right).



How Can You Help HCW?

Scentsy Products Promotion – Go to www.scentsy.com/peggyt and mention HCW when you order – she will donate a part of your payment to Heaven Can Wait

Consignage Store – Bring in your unwanted but in good condition home and garden furnishings to 1041 Paso Robles St., Paso Robles and assign them to Heaven Can Wait – when they sell, Consignage gives 60% of the purchase price to the Sanctuary. Or call Ramey at 805/712-3109 for a pick up of your item(s). www.consignagepaso.com.

Tack and stable supplies donations for 5Star Hay and Feed – Got tack? How about an unneeded saddle, outgrown halter and lead rope, unfashionable bridle, clean but unwanted winter blankets, almost new feed buckets, coupla metal mane combs, even used horse-related books – call 805/712-3109 to have them picked up and they will be sold to benefit our equines at 5Star Hay and Feed (805/434-3548), Paso Robles.

Upscale Resale in Templeton – Starting in mid-July, HCW will have a consigner's agreement at wonderful women's fashion consignment store Upscale Resale on Main Street in Templeton. Clean, quality women's fashions, shoes, handbags, jewelry and accessories will be sold on HCW's behalf. Again, Ramey will arrange pick up if you have something to donate – Thank You!

T-shirts – Only \$15 donation for a handsome HCW t-shirt. Wear it with pride, you have helped us stay strong through tough times. Sizes S through 3XL. We snail-mail, too.



Gift sponsorships – A one month, 3 month, 6 month or 12 month sponsorship of an equine at the Sanctuary makes a spectacular gift and gets the giftee to come out and visit their horse or donkey.

Calendar orders – Order your 2011 Heaven Can Wait Calendar now for a \$20 donation and you will be assured of getting one (or more) for yourself and as gifts. The images by Nancy Koren, Donna Johnson and Kim Siebert are of the highest professional quality, donated by these fine photographers.

Construction supplies – plywood, lumber, nails, other kinds of building materials left over from your projects could help us create what we need to hold a fundraising event, or help us put together an item for one of our community outreach programs. Call 805/368-5702 if you have a donation.

HCW 2011 Calendar in the Works

Thanks to the generosity of a supporter who sold her vintage Mercedes Benz to benefit Heaven Can Wait, we are able to move forward with the 2011 Calendar. Thank you, Jonna, and thanks to the marvelous photographers who are once again donating their images to this effort.

Donna Johnson's portrait of Gryphon at right.



HCW is Now a Provider for the Autism Spectrum Center of the Central Coast

We are proud to announce that the Autism Spectrum Center (Juli Miller, Director) has made Heaven Can Wait a provider of services supporting the Autism Spectrum community. Go to their website at www.AutismSpectrumCenter.com for details on this amazing organization. And for those with autism in the family, don't hesitate to contact Susan at 805/368-5702 and find out what our program offers you. There is no charge for this outreach, although donations are always appreciated.

Join Us on Facebook

Go to Heaven Can Wait Horse Sanctuary-San Miguel CA to find our facebook page, maintained by volunteer Lyndsey Gange. Lots of great photos and more info on what's happening for, at and with the Sanctuary, plus interesting equine-related issues we follow.

A Fond Adieu to Our Volunteer Coordinator

Jessica Bittner was HCW's Volunteer Coordinator for barely half a year, yet she did a remarkable job. Jess moved out of the area with her fiancé at the end of June...Anyone interested in taking up the reins, so to speak, can contact HCW for info on this rewarding volunteer position – the neat thing is, it can be done almost 100% from home, wherever that may be. Thank you, Jessica, for your loyalty, commitment and enthusiasm.

Remember the HoPE Program

Horse Power for Everyone, our cancer survivor and patient support program designed by psychotherapist Leigh Shambo (www.humanequinealliance.org) is always available to anyone, free of charge, who is involved with the battle against cancer. Find out more about HoPE at www.heavencanwait.us, then call 368-5702 and make a visit to find out what the horses have to communicate to you.

Your kindness continues to inspire us.

Susan Schwartz, Founder

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