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## YOUTH AND SUMMER FUN SHOWS









Minnesota Hooved Animal Foundation 2010 Challenge of the Unwanted Horse

Everyone wants to see the horse that can do "everything", which is understandable. We all have day jobs, there are bills to pay, people to see, and things to do. When it comes to the horse, wouldn't it be nice to just jump on and go? Well, because of this attitude (and it's a fair one), we often times overlook the horse with limited or no training. We don't have the "eye" to see a diamond in the rough, or we've got too much going on. The goal of the Trainers Challenge is to turn the horse that nobody wants into the horse that everyone wants.



The Challenge

On the weekend of August 14th, the 2010 Trainer's Challenge of the Unwanted Horse will be held at the Louise Leatherdale Center at the University of Minnesota. It is there, before a panel of judges, that 13 trainers will demonstrate how they've taken a horse that no one wants - a horse that came to them untrained and inexperienced - and with the right amount of time and investment in training, turned it into a horse who is now a willing companion. Trainers have committed to spending 100 (or so) days training a horse.

The Trainers Before Trainers committed to the Challenge, the MHARF ran down the expectations of this Challenge so everyone could start on the same page: Horses were assigned to trainers by way of lottery during the middle part of May and it was up to the trainer to transport their equine student to their training facility.

The horses are of different training levels, which will be taken into account at the time of judging, at the Challenge show. It is a sort of a "before and after" evaluation. The basic skills a horse should learn include: standing quietly for a fairer and veterinarian, load and unload quietly into a trailer, stand patiently for tack and

untacking, and being able to be ridden on the rail and on the trail. Going above and beyond these skills is encouraged, as they would be looked upon favorably by the judges.

Judges for the Challenge will not have ties to the Rescue, and it is the MHARF's hope to have no less than three judges in total. All horses will be subject to a drug test on the day of the Challenge. All horses are still considered to be in the care of the Rescue and will be checked at least once a month by a MHARF representative to ensure the health and safety of the animal. Upon completion of the Challenge, any horses not adopted out will be returned to the Rescue, unless other arrangements are made.

It wouldn't be much of a Challenge if the MHARF didn't have any horses or trainers to show off, so, to meet the 2010 participants of the Trainer's Challenge, go to The Minnesota Hooved Animal Foundations web site: http://www.mnhoovedanimalrescue.org/ By following the links

in each description, you will be taken to a running "blog" of the horses and their trainers progress along with photographs of the pairs. If you are unable to connect with this web site, but are interested in meeting/adopting one of these fine horses, please contact the Rescue at (763) 856-3119, and you will be assisted with contact information.

Mary Salata of rural Fisher, MN is one of the 13 Trainers chosen for the Challenge. Last May (on Mother's Day) Mary traveled to Zimmerman, Mn. (home of the Hooved Animal Rescue) to bring home her Challenge Horse, Tina. Tina is a beautiful bay, purebred Arabian mare. She's gentle, friendly, and kind.

The Valley Equestrian asked Mary a few questions about her training experience for the MHARF Challenge: VE: How old are you? MS: I'm sixteen. I've been riding since I was seven years old, when I went to a three-day horse camp. In those three days I fell absolutely and irrevocably in love.

VE: How old is Tina? MS: Tina is twenty years old, but she looks and thinks like she's half her age!

VE: How did you get involved in MNHARF as they are quite a distance

from you? MS: A horse show friend adopted a horse from the MNHARF not long ago, and sent me to their website. When I saw the challenge, I was really inspired by how they are helping these horses to find homes and decided to give it a try.

VE: When did you pick up Tina? MS: We picked up Tina over Mother's Day, May 9th, and brought her back that evening.

VE: Was there any trouble loading her? MS: Tina was a horror to load initially. Drew, who runs the rescue, loaded her for us. I just watched. Poor Tina was absolutely terrified of the trailer, and would start shaking when she even got close to it. If they tried to pull on her lead rope to ask her to get in, she would pull back. We even had to have the windows on the trailer closed, for fear she would try and crawl out once she did get in. Eventually they sedated her lightly and

used a butt rope to push her in, but it still took a good 45 minutes.

I'm happy to say that Tina has gotten a lot better - and more comfortable - with the trailer. Though she will still pull back against me when I initially ask her to load, she isn't scared, no more shaking, and she jumps in after about 5 minutes of contemplating her options. Her window gets left open when we are stopped now too, and she really likes poking her head out and saying hi to everyone.

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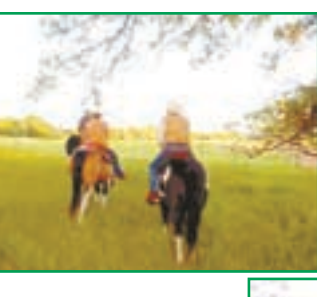
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Twin Valley Riders Club Hosts Fun Shows



The Twin Valley, Minn. Riders Club hosted a fun show at the Twin Valley Arena at 11 a.m. Sunday, July 18. Members came from around the region for a beautiful sunny day of riding, games, and commraderie.

Top left: 7 year-old Jenna Tollefson, who has been riding since the age of 2, is riding Diamond, her 17-year-old Arab/Welsh cross; Top left: Callie Lundin, 15, travels many hours to the Twin Valley Fun Shows she says, "Because they don't have shows like this in North Dakota." Lundin is in several clubs in North Dakota and Minnesota. Here she is riding her 5-year old gelding, Sixx. Middle left: Lahna Haver-camp rides her 5-year-old mare, Zap; Middle right: Sage Thompson maneuvering around the poles.



Left: Paige Haver-camp, Ulen, Minn. Right: Caption information not available.

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Right: Lauranna Varno, 19, from Lake Park, Minn. makes her own reins as seen in this photo as she rides her 10-year-old quarter horse mare, Lyric. Lauranna has been riding since age 2 and says of her reins, "They warm up real fast in the winter."

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# "THE HORSE THAT CHOOSES YOU": THE MORGAN

By Christina Koliander

The Morgan horse is known for many things: his extreme beauty and heart, his athleticism and versatility, his willingness and intellect. However, the one trait that distinguishes him from other breeds is his people-loving attitude; he is the "Horse that Chooses You."

Celebrating the 100th anniversary of its inception in 2009, the American Morgan Horse Association (AMHA) exists to preserve, promote, and perpetuate the Morgan breed. It seeks to advance the breed and provides services to the entire Morgan horse world.

The Registry exists to maintain and ensure the records of the Morgan Horse Register. It works in tandem with breeders to uphold the soundness of all Morgan horse breeding records. In 1927, the first registration certificates were issued and to date, more than 170,000 Morgan horses can be found in the world.

The breed journal, The Morgan Horse, was introduced to the public in 1941 as a newsletter. Now as a four-color publication, the magazine continues nearly 70 years later to be a source that is instrumental in reflecting and introducing the Morgan to a worldwide audience.

Youth are encouraged and rewarded for working with the Morgan horse in AMHA youth (AMHAY) programs in ways that develop a sense of sportsmanship and fair play, master citizenship and leadership skills, and develop discipline and a sense of responsibility for themselves and their horses. AMHA has one of the first, and historically, one of the largest youth programs of any breed organization.

Youth of the Year contests are designed to recognize top achievers. These contests consist of four parts: a written exam, an oral presentation, a judging contest, and a horsemanship pattern. Many contests offer divisions for leadline, walk-trot, and junior aged exhibitors. The contests are offered at shows across the country and qualify the youth to compete at the national contest, held in Oklahoma City each October. The winner of this prestigious contest receives a unique awards package customized by the winner and valuing \$2,500.

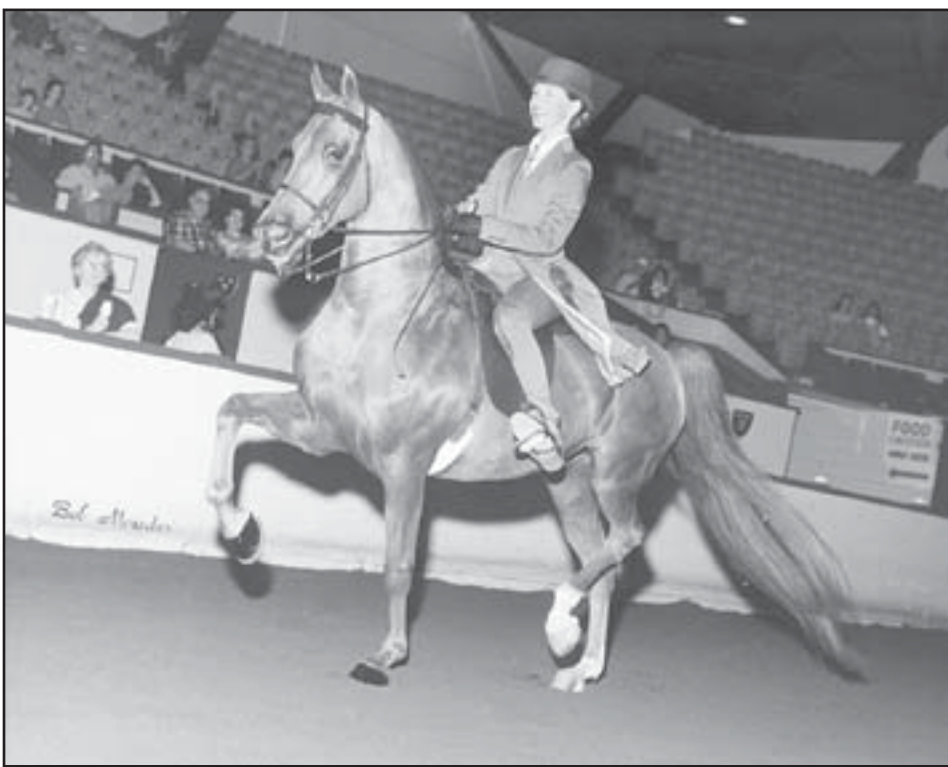
The AMHAY Horse Judging Program teaches young people how to evaluate Morgan conformation and movement in a logical, step-by-step method. Participating in local, regional, and national competitions, youth learn the vocabulary and presentation skills necessary to explain their reasons for placing one horse over another.

The AMHAY Horsemanship Program is designed to help youth become a competent horse person. The five successive levels of testing allows participants to

develop their knowledge of the Morgan breed and general horsemastership while receiving recognition for hard work. Through badge levels, young people will learn the basics of horse anatomy, basic riding control and presentation, detailed Morgan history, and the completion of



riding or driving activities, among other topics. This program is challenging, but the rewards and benefits are well worth the effort.



AMHA's Open Competition Program highlights the Morgan breed's best ambassadors and as a promotional tool, it can't be beat. Surveys show that most new Morgan owners discover the breed through friends and seeing Morgans compete at open events. The program recognizes Morgans competing in 34 different facets of equine competition for year-end awards based on seven core activities: open shows, competitive trail riding and driving, endurance trail riding, Dressage, carriage driving and combined driving events, working western, and eventing.

The Pathways Program was developed to reward AMHA members' commitment to



using and enjoying their Morgan horse in a non-competitive setting. As you accrue hours riding or driving your Morgan, from pleasure trail rides to lesson time, you are eligible for special honors. Pathways members are one of the breed's best representatives, promoting the Morgan's suitability for any job, be it work or play.

If you would like to learn more about the Morgan breed and the American Morgan Horse Association and its programs, go to www.morganhorse.com or call (802) 985-4944.

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# DO HORSES HAVE SOULS? Part One

By Victor Wolf

"It is a fundamental truth...medicine and spirituality are inseparable. Choose your medicine wisely. This is a matter of who you believe and who you trust as the basic authority in your life. The Creator gave life to man and placed him in a garden - and gave food for nourishment, for medicine, for maintaining health." Sandy Bradley, VMD

Have you ever looked deeply into the eyes of a horse? Have you then wondered whether what you felt was a mystical experience, a promise of something more? Or did you push the feeling aside, claiming an over-active imagination?

I have believed in the promise of something more since I was four years old. In 2003, overcome by a powerful desire to help a grievously abused horse, I finally began a serious inquiry in expectation of answering the question for myself. While I am personally satisfied with what I discovered, I am encouraged to share publicly here, for the first time, the results of my search for understanding. The question too often has been submitted to me. Yet as I answer the question, I must say that the question applies to all companion animals.

A few months ago, continuing my relentless search for knowledge, I came across a new word: Zoopharmacognosy, (zoh-oh-farm-a-cog-na-see), which means "self-medication."

The word describes a 20 year-old study of the self-medicative behavior of animals. Researchers include animal behaviorists, ecologists, parasitologists, anthropologists, geochemists, and ecologists. These scientists believe that by studying animals our distant ancestors learned how to heal their own diseases.

The goal of these scientists, by their own admission, is to identify and isolate the patentable chemical compounds for use in pharmaceutical medicines.

Scientists are reluctant to grant too much to animals, however. Their literature contains such language as "animals may have 'stumbled' upon" and "do animals really know how to cure their own ailments?" And this: "Just because an animal eats a particular plant doesn't mean he knows it medicinal." Thus think the scientists.

I, too, am a scientist as well as a traditional metaphysician, specializing in the study and application of the spiritual laws to human affairs. However, I follow in the tradition most graphically explained by the eminent agricultural scientist, Dr. George W. Carver. I discovered this remarkable man as I searched the library stacks for more and greater knowledge during my four year guided, independent undergraduate studies.

Dr. Carver (1865? - 1943) reached across the years and relieved my restlessness about learning with one statement: "Inspiration is never at variance with information; in fact, the more information one has, the greater will be the inspiration. Paul, the great scholar, says in Second Timothy, 'Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to

be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth."

In 2003 I took Dr. Carver's statement to heart and I added another of his: "God is going to reveal to us things He never revealed before if we put our hands in His. No books ever go into my laboratory. The thing I am to do and the way of doing it are revealed to me. I never have to grope for methods. The method is revealed to me the moment I am inspired to create something new. Without God to draw aside the curtain I would be helpless."

Carver sought Divine guidance for rightly using his acquired knowledge to understand the peanut. Eventually, he discovered within its shell over 300 products. Peanut butter is only one.

I followed his proven example. After learning the fundamentals of equine behavior, with much thanks to Pat Parelli, Julie Goodnight, Gerrie Barnes, Maya Fisher, Joyce Leake, and numerous books I



turned my attention to the Sacred Scriptures.

Job tells us, "But ask now the beasts, and they shall teach thee... or speak to the earth, and it shall teach thee... Who knoweth not in all these that the hand of the Lord hath wrought this? [in] whose hand is the soul of every living thing, and the breath of all mankind."

The Hebrew word for soul in this passage is nephesh (NEH-fesh), from the primitive root naphash (naw-fash), meaning to breathe; to be breathed upon. Nephesh means a breathing creature, animal, vitality, any beast, creature, man, soul.

But there is more. The Book of the Revelation to John describes "every creature which is in heaven, and on the earth, and under the earth, and such as are in the sea, and all that are in them, I heard saying, 'Blessing, and honor, and glory, and power be unto him that sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb for ever and ever. ..."

The ninth chapter of Genesis describes another remarkable scene. The Creator declares that every living thing shall be held accountable for shedding any human blood - every beast and every man. And the Creator established a covenant with Noah and his sons and their seed... and with every living creature with Noah... the fowl... the cattle... to every beast of the earth.

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# 2010 AHC National Issues Forum Focused on the Impact of Equine Diseases

This year's American Horse Council's National Issues Forum focused on infectious equine diseases and the impact those diseases have on our horses' welfare and our industry's health. The annual meeting was held from June 20 to 23 and also included a Trails Forum, the annual Congressional Ride-In, AHC committee meetings, and a Congressional Reception.

The highlight of this year's forum was a workshop co-hosted by the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (USDA-APHIS) and the AHC which provided an opportunity for the horse industry, key federal and state authorities, and others to discuss how each sector can protect the health of our horses and the commercial viability of our industry in the face of emerging and re-emerging diseases.

"This year's meeting provided a framework for the equine industry, USDA, and state health officials to discuss the impact equine infectious diseases have on our horses and our industry," said AHC President Jay Hickey. "We appreciate USDA-APHIS taking the initiative on this workshop."

During his opening remarks, Dr. Jere Dick, Associate Deputy Administrator and Chief of Field Operations for USDA-APHIS-Veterinary Services said, "this workshop is a unique opportunity to bring together diverse segments of the equine industry to discuss how to address preparedness for, and response to, equine infectious diseases in this country...and to identify priorities related to equine infectious diseases, to explore the critical support functions that could be performed by each segment of the industry, and to discuss funding issues."

Recent outbreaks involving Contagious Equine Metritis, Equine Piroplasmosis, Vesicular Stomatitis, Equine Herpesvirus (EHV), and others continue to affect every aspect of the horse industry. These outbreaks have caused USDA-APHIS and state authorities to spend a great deal of money and resources to identify the diseases, trace the horses potentially affected, and contain the outbreak. The cost of these diseases is difficult, if not impossible to quantify, in terms of fatality rates, veterinary care, the effect on sales, breeding, racing, competitions, recreation, and the interstate and international movement of horses.

These outbreaks have affected and continue to affect the interstate and international movement of horses, which is critical to the horse industry. When barriers to movement are raised by states and foreign countries concerned about the spread of infectious diseases, this affects sales, breeding, racing, competitions, and recreation. "Restrictions on horse movement results in restrictions on our entire industry," said Hickey.

On June 22, there was an open session that included presentations by USDA-APHIS personnel on specific infectious diseases, epidemiological updates, and a summary of the issues identified during the previous day's workshop.

"This year's National Issues Forum provided a platform for national organizations and representatives of federal and state authorities to identify priority issues and discuss a coordinated approach on how best to respond and limit the impact these diseases have on our horses and our industry. Major equine diseases continue to have dramatic consequences for our horses' welfare and affect every aspect of our industry," said Hickey. "This year's forum does not conclude our focus on how to deal with these diseases. Rather, it is only the beginning."

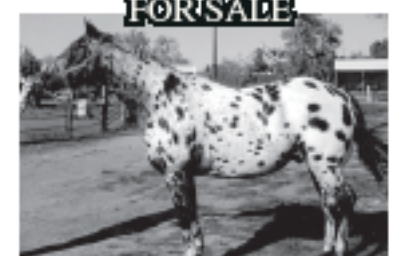
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**Trainer's Challenge:** Mary Salata  
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Tina is a doll to unload as well, very slow and careful.

VE: What is her story? How did she come to the rescue? What did MN-HARF tell you about her?  
MS: Tina came to the rescue before it was even an official organization, about fifteen years ago. Drew, who runs the rescue, used to go to sales and buy up the horse in the worst condition. When Drew bought Tina, she was starved almost to the brink of death. Though we have no knowledge of where she came from or what she did for the first couple years of her life, it appears she was never trained under saddle. For the last decade she lived in a paddock with another older Arabian, really only been handled for vet and farrier work. She is registered and papered with the Arabian Horse

Association, and even has a pretty impressive pedigree, with Bask in there somewhere.

You did a lot of ground work and knew Tina was friendly and safe around young people when the Girls Scouts came to the boarding stable where you keep Tina. How do you prepare for the unexpected especially when you were going to have them around youth?

I was a little nervous about the Girl Scouts as first, especially when the five that came over to pet her turned into about thirty when I blinked, but as soon as I looked at Tini I knew I didn't have to worry. I had never seen her so happy! She was so calm and forgiving. I tried to tell the Girl Scouts not to get too close to her legs, her butt, and safety stuff like that, but when you unleash a bunch of horse crazy girls around a horse, there is really no controlling them. At

one point there was a girl crawling under Tina's belly and between her legs - she said she "didn't want to miss any spots" when she was brushing her. Another girl was tugging on Tina's tail, but Tina didn't mind one bit. She stood perfectly still in spite of all the pushing and shoving around her as the girls vied for a piece of mane to braid, and even lowered her head so one girl could braid her forelock. I was very, very proud of her.

MS: How many horses have you trained?  
VE: I myself have really only trained a couple of horses start to finish, but have assisted in the training, at various stages, of dozens more. Of them all, Tina has been one of the easiest horses to work with. It's like after twenty years of doing nothing, she is dying to go out and play and get attention from

some-one. I don't care all that much about winning the challenge, but I really hope that Tina gets adopted. She's been at the rescue so long, and loves being ridden so much, that it would break my heart for her to go back to her paddock at the rescue instead of a family to love her, which is what she deserves.

Mary's personal blog link: <http://valentina-challenge.com>

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