

## **Forever Morgans Newsletter, December 2013**

Wishing you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!!

By Debbie Jondahl

### DNA Results

- Maggie May was sent in but was not a match
- Twice A Lady = waiting for results
- Lyla = This young filly needs a lot of handling so we can get hairs pulled.
- Isaac = waiting for results

### Adopted Morgans Coming back

Chester

### Horses Moved from One Foster to Another

none

### Horses Being Rehomed Due to Owner Surrender

none

### Horses Being moved from QT to a foster home

- Dorothy = going to PA
- RKT Nordic Wynning Lady = going to CO
- Shippard PT Vibrant Song = going to TX
- Sailor = going to TN
- Intrigue's Black Lady = going to KS
- JAX Suite Victory = going to OK
- Locast Valley Blaze = going to NY
- Steppin To the Sky = going to NY

### Horses still looking for a home or foster home

Our job is not done with the following Morgans. Please promote them so they have a home too!!

1. JMF Johnny Who
2. Thumbellina
3. WAP Alusive
4. Rosedust Forty Four Magnum
5. Rose Valley Reflection
6. Lyla
7. Showy Lady Slipper
8. Twice A Lady
9. PMM Jesture's Noble Rose
10. JRC Blaze of Glory
11. UDM Sable

### Foster Homes

We have 22 states with at least 1 foster home. Let's make it our goal to have at least one foster home in each state!! We can do that!!

### Committees

Volunteers are needed to help with our committees. Can you help?

501(c)3 Committee Report : Ginny Bloss - Nothing to report

Auction Committee : Ann Coe Chair - Nothing to report

New Fosters/Prospective Adopters : Janice Scotto Chair - Nothing to report

Fundraising : Ginny Bloss - All these are found on our website under "Shop to Help"

- Avon : we receive 30%
- I give
- Christmas Stockings = \$25 plus \$10 shipping Lets show our foster homes how much we appreciate them.
- Christmas Care Certificates

Rescue Me/Camelot : Christina Friedian Chair - Nothing to report

Therapeutic Riding Programs : Heather Rodriguez Chair - Nothing to report

Transport : Jami Sacks Chair - As you can see above just how busy Jami has been!

Foster Follow Up Committee : Danny Collins Chair - There were four responses to the fall update email of October 21st. A new email asking for updates was sent December 11th.

Applicant Review Committee : Pat Porter - Applications received in November = 3

Breeders/Owners Prior Record Call Back Committee : Danny Collins Chair - There weren't a lot of calls necessary in November. Usually one out of two listed numbers on the ownership listing of the registration will be working. A lot of times people have moved, the phone gets disconnected, etc. Amish owners often share a line with a group of others, so while you'd like to get your information as quickly as possible, it can take valuable time.

All in all, especially the contact with the Amish owners has been rewarding. Yes, their view of a "good horse" will be different than ours, but conversations are always very friendly and respectful. Most of time Amish owners react like English owners when told that their former horse is bound for slaughter. One of Johnny Who's owners actually had to hang up and call me back to give himself time to compose himself.

All Amish that I have had good conversations with (excluding one gentleman who was very short) are very interested in Forever Morgans and have kept my personal phone number to call back for when they find themselves in need. There is no knowledge of selling a horse beyond private sales or auction, so the concept of offering your horse to a rescue is new. It's a win-win situation for all: the owner gets paid more, FM doesn't pay broker fees and QT, the horse doesn't go through the stress at the auction and exposure to sicknesses.

One call already came in, where an Amish gentleman is asking us to rehome/ buy his older mare. Since he is willing to keep her over the winter, there is still time to act. If anybody in the Myerstown, PA area is willing to drive and take pictures of this mare, that would be great!

## Financials

Ginny our treasurer is out of town until the middle of January. She will send a report at that time.