



## 2013 Tara Farm Rescue Newsletter



*Bonniejeanne's best thoughts happen while on horseback...*

Welcome to the Tara Farm Rescue 2013 newsletter. I hope you enjoyed following us through this year's journey. As I walk throughout the farm, I think back over the years, all the great changes, and all of the wonderful people that made it possible. There are so many of you that help make Tara Farm Rescue create miracles. Your work and dedication is immeasurable.



The Rescue is still feeling the effects of the recent economic downturn. We've had to accept horse surrenders due to shrinking family economies. Unfortunately, many of them are considered senior citizens. What worries us is most people don't realize how much love and wisdom they have to give. They are so patient and forgiving. Our road tested seniors can provide just as much fun and companionship as their younger counterparts. Please check out our new website, along with our newly activated Paypal link allowing supporters to make online donations at [www.tarafarmrescue.org](http://www.tarafarmrescue.org), or email us at [tarafarmrescue@gmail.com](mailto:tarafarmrescue@gmail.com). You can also see our available horses for adoption at [www.equine.com](http://www.equine.com). We'd like to stop and take a moment to send a special thank you to Sandi Cunningham for all of her hard work and dedication on our new website, and all the updates with our online presence.

For those of you who have read previous years' newsletters, you are aware of our large scale project to build out our cat shelter. Well the shelter is in full operational mode and the cats are really enjoying it! Cool ceiling fans keep the summer heat out, while a new heater keeps things toasty in the winter. Add lots of food and love and the cats are a happy bunch! More recently they are temporarily sharing their space with a pair of bunnies.



Other highlights this year include new fencing and a bigger yard for our chickens. We are still working towards our dog rescue. The farm is still recovering from the increase in new residents on the farm. Keeping up with the day to day activity on the farm is difficult as you can imagine. I am very thankful for a new product that helps keep me going. Its Protandim made from Milkthistle, Bacopa, Green Tea, Turmeric and Ashway. If your interested, check it out for yourself at [www.abcliveit.com](http://www.abcliveit.com). Your purchases would help the Rescue. Also there is a children's book named "Maddie and Beanie's Magical Journey" by Marilyn Davis available at Amazon.com. It's the story about a girl, a dog, a pony and an elf. Lastly, we are now a distributor for Dynamite natural nutritional products for animals. Contact us at Tara Farm to learn more at (860) 742-2215.

Thank you, Bonniejeanne Gorden

"I expect to pass through this life once. Any good, therefore, that I can do, or any kindness that I can show to any fellow creatures, let me do it now. Let me not defer or neglect it, for I shall not pass this way again." Stephen Grellet, 1773-1855.

## 2013 EVENTS



In April of this year, Tara Farm participated in a new fundraiser called "Stuff a Bus." The Rescue parked a school bus in a public spot. Several volunteers stayed in the location and encouraged people to donate items for the Rescue. Our goal was to "stuff" as much of the bus as possible. This was our first year and we were very pleased and surprised with our results. The Rescue was able to collect lots of great supplies for the long term and permanent residents. We also want to thank MJ Bus company for providing the bus and the driver.



In May we organized our 3<sup>rd</sup> annual Bike Run (also known as a Poker Run). Although the weather wasn't ideal, we had a great turn out from our participants. The volunteers at the Rescue came through again by cooking up some fabulous food including Fred Sinclair. We had some great raffle prizes donated by some very generous local businesses.. We want to thank TSI Harley Davidson as well as Trantolo and Trantolo for help in making this event not only possible, but successful. We look forward to seeing everyone in 2014.



October was a busy month for us at the Rescue. We had two events this year. The Rescue participated in a local Coventry event called Farm Day. This took place at the historic Nathan Hale Homestead. We brought animals from the farm and the 4H girls completed some demonstrations such as variations in horse tack, vaulting, jumping and driving.



Our annual October Hunter Pace was successful as we had great turnout for the event. We had a beautiful fall day with perfect weather. Once again our volunteers delivered some fabulous food for the participants, great prizes and some amazing costumes. Thanks so much to everyone who came out to either volunteer or participate. Can't wait to see you again in 2014!



## Ways to Help!

There are quite a few ways you can help make a difference for the Rescue. Some of them are mentioned here. Every weekend in September and October come on out to Lyman Orchards in Middlefield CT. Enjoy a day in the country and have a little one in your family get a pony ride. Tara Farm also is available to do pony rides at parties such as children's birthday parties or local events. If you're an online shopper, go to [www.igive.com](http://www.igive.com) and shop at your favorite retailers. A portion of the proceeds from every purchase you make from this website goes to the Rescue. If you are a customer of Blue Seal Dynasty or Sentinel L/S, cut out the UPC label and send them over to the Rescue. You can always come out and volunteer at the Rescue too!



Consider buying a gift card from one of our many suppliers:

Thompson's Feed of Mansfield, CT (860- 429-9377)  
Family Vet Center, Haydenville, MA (413- 268-8387)  
Bolton Veterinary Hospital, Bolton, CT (860- 646-6134)  
Green Valley Vet, Canterbury, CT (860- 974-9017)  
Home Depot Stores  
Tractor Supply Stores

Tara Farm Rescue - 670 Babcock Hill Road - Coventry, CT 06238 - (860) 742-2215  
[www.tarafarmrescue.org](http://www.tarafarmrescue.org) - [tarafarmrescue@gmail.com](mailto:tarafarmrescue@gmail.com)

## Wish List

– Our wish list hasn't changed very much but in case you're not familiar with it, we are desperately in need of the following:

Free advertising  
Copy paper  
Postage stamps  
Galvanized tube gates  
Pre-fab Run-in sheds  
Stall mats  
Pine shavings (bedding)  
Dry/canned dog food  
Dry /canned cat food

Goat sweet feed  
Pot bellied pig food  
Horse feed  
Wheel barrows  
Indoor Arena  
Pressure treated 4x4 posts  
Pressure treated 6x6 posts  
PVC pipe for water  
Scoopable cat litter  
Hay  
Straw



## Sponsorships -

Sponsor me not simply to save me but to give me the renewed life that I so deeply deserve. I will appreciate your gift. We have cats, goats, pot bellied pigs, ponies, and donkeys that are permanent residents of the rescue available for sponsorship. Pictured to our left (from left to right) is Radar, Tito, and Sparkle.

**ALL DONATIONS ARE TAX DEDUCTIBLE. EVERY ANIMAL WE SAVE MAKES A DIFFERENCE.**

Yes, I would like to make a donation! Enclosed is my check/money order in the amount of:

- \_\_\_\_\_ \$12.00 Worm 1 horse/treats
- \_\_\_\_\_ \$32.00 2 bags of grain for 1 horse
- \_\_\_\_\_ \$80.00 Sponsor 1 horse for 1 month
- \_\_\_\_\_ \$150.00 1 horse shoeing or 1 dental visit
- \_\_\_\_\_ \$400.00 1 week of grain for 20 horses
- \_\_\_\_\_ \$1,200.00 150 bales of hay (approx. 2 weeks worth)
- \_\_\_\_\_ \$6,200.00 Completely sponsor a rescue horse for 1 year
- \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Another resident (cat, goat, pigs, chickens)
- \_\_\_\_\_ \$300-500.00 Teeth cleaning for 1 cat
- \_\_\_\_\_ \$150.00 Annual dog/cat veterinary check up/visit



**Animal Neglect & abuse is against the law!!** There is something you can do about it .....  
If you know of or see an animal in a neglectful or abusive situation, make the complaint.

Call your STATE OFFICE OF ANIMAL CONTROL.  
In CT, (860) 713-2506

