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From The Manure Pile Holiday Newsletter

Another year has come & gone, holidays already. We are very thankful for 36 years of being able to help so many horses. All of our equine are healthy, obnoxious, and fat. We are also blessed with some dedicated volunteers and horse lovers who help us on the financial end of things. Horses and Humans at Spring Creek would like to wish everyone a WONDERFUL holiday season, full feed troughs, many carrots, green pastures to frolic in, and a bright future in the coming year.

Diane

All I want for

Christmas:

I stopped by Spring Creek today, and even though the weather couldn't decide if it wanted to snow or be sunny all the horses were in good spirits. The boys were having their turn at frolicking outside their corral. I began giving Playboy a good scratch and soon others were coming up to me making sure Playboy didn't get all the attention. A few wandered off when they saw there were no carrots involved but I had the attention of quite a few of the young horses. I decided to ask them all what they wanted for Christmas. The horses

that had wandered off let me know more carrots would be great, and of course Playboy wanted a young filly. After all the snickers quieted down, I found out they all basically wanted the same things I did for Christmas. Best I could understand, they all wanted someone to clean their house (corral/barn), plenty of food (and don't forget the carrots), someone else to do the dishes, someone to scratch all their itches, and of course a good medical plan. My dear boys if it were all so simple. I tried to explain the economy and the whole thing about being underinsured and such but they quit listening and asked me to keep scratching. So thanks to everyone who helps keep these horses getting their Christmas (yearlong needs) met. It's an awesome sight to see these horses happy and they always make time for a good scratch or carrot.

Horse Interpreter and Spring Creek

Volunteer

Colleen

Tis The Season

It's winter again at Spring Creek and we started off the season with a party! A big thank you to Amber at the Wild Horse Saloon and Ty for the use of his Mechanical bull. We raised a little money for the horses and made some new friends. Businesses in town showed their support by rallying over 50 items to put up for auction. If you missed this one don't worry we have some great items left and ready for our next event! Back at the ranch the snow flurries and mechanical difficulties haven't dampened our spirits. We are ecstatic that Frosted Fancy has found her way happily into a new home and seems to be settling in nicely with her new horsey and human companions. Tom and Ricky look like new horses from when I first came out at the beginning of the summer, sporting new shoes and a healthy weight it; s finally time to see what Rickys got, that is if we can pry him off Tom's hip. We've started ground driving Bonus and Tara, as well as getting them used to a saddle, both are progressing beautifully. Playboy and Pacino got saddled for the first time as well, handling me hopping around them and sitting on their backs like gentlemen. With 27 horses and winter creeping in there is a lot to be done around the ranch. We are still looking for a property of our very own, and a few more volunteers to come help with the work load.

We wish everyone a wonderful holiday season and hope to see you soon.



Merry Christmas and Happy New Year From everyone Horse and Human @Spring Creek

