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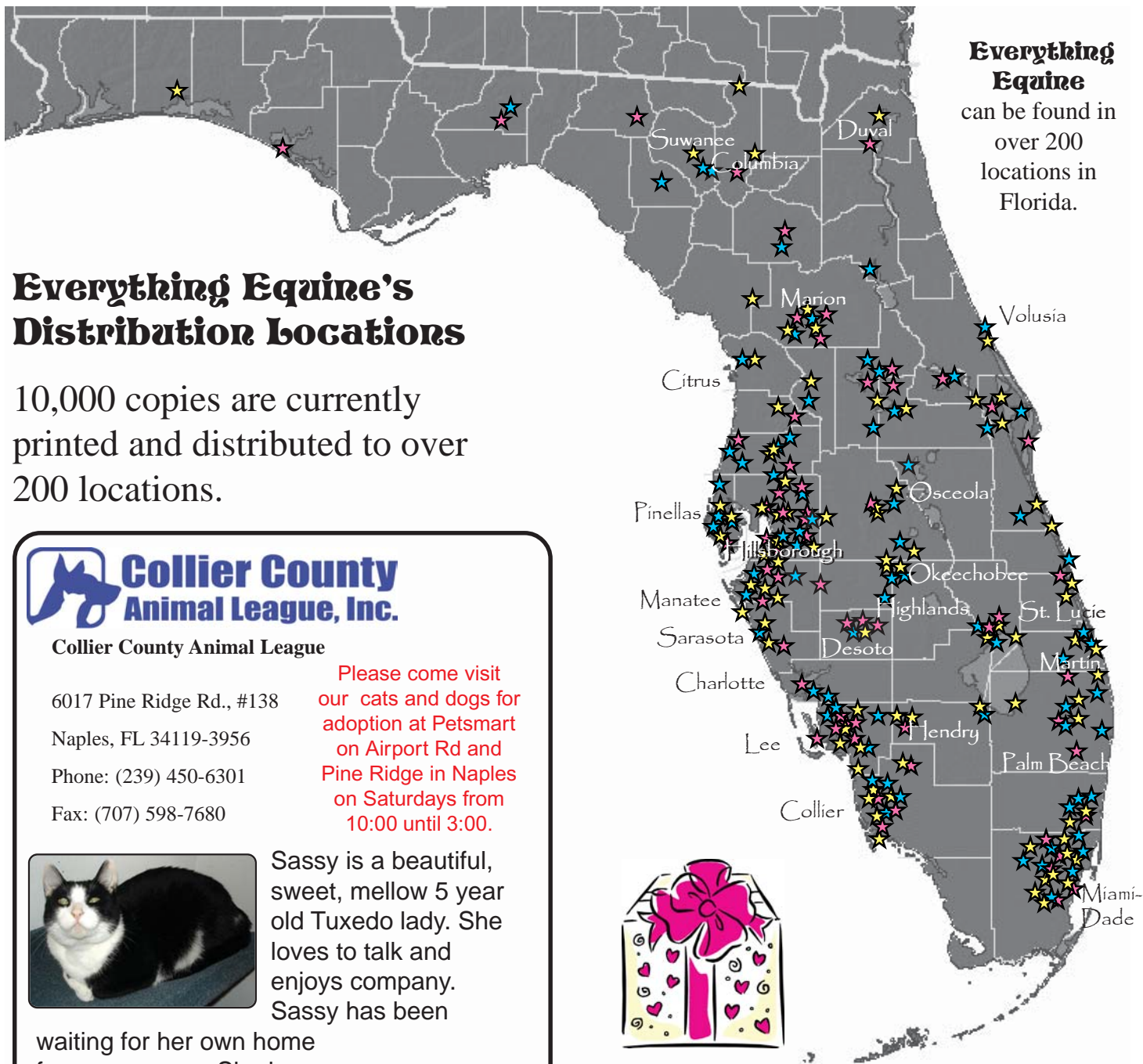


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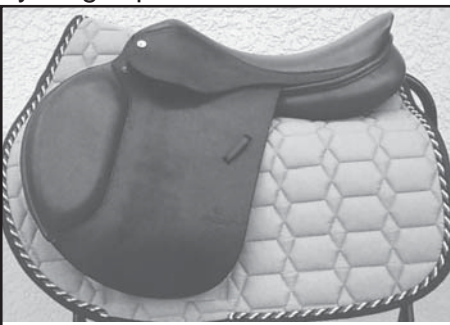
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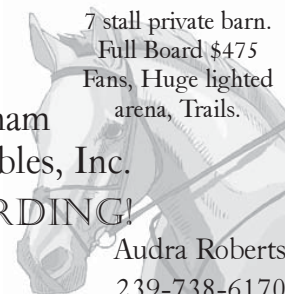
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United States Department of Agriculture

**Issue: Equine Herpes Virus Update**  
**Veterinary Services**  
**01/05/07**

## Press Releases

As of January 5, 2007, the State of Florida has quarantined a total of 10 premises and there are currently 12 infected horses with 6 associated deaths. There have been no additional cases outside of Florida. While under quarantine at the New York Animal Import Center, the 15 horses from Germany were tested for diseases as required and listed in the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service's regulations. While at the Import Center, one of the horses developed a fever. Clinicians at the Import Center are required to treat any horses showing clinical signs of infectious disease, such as fever or nasal discharge, prior to release. When a horse shows signs of illness, a clinician will examine the animal and determine the appropriate treatment protocol to be used while still in quarantine. If a horse tests negative for the listed regulatory diseases and shows no clinical signs of infectious disease, it will be released. Horses that are treated for clinical signs of infectious disease will be released after the treatment is concluded and they no longer exhibit signs of infectious disease, including fever. The horse that developed a fever while at the Import Center was treated by a clinician while in quarantine. When the treatment was concluded and it did not exhibit a fever or any other clinical signs of infectious disease, it was released.

**Issue: Equine Herpes Virus in Shipment of 15 Horses from Germany**  
**Veterinary Services**  
**12/29/06**

On November 24, 2006, a shipment of 15 horses from Germany arrived at the New York Animal Import Center in Newburgh, NY. These horses were kept in federal quarantine together. While there, one of the horses developed a fever. This horse was treated and displayed no clinical signs of illness before it and the others were released on November 27. Eight states received horses from the original shipment. One state, California, received a horse that shortly thereafter died of laboratory-confirmed equine herpes virus (EHV). Florida, after receiving five horses from the original shipment, has now confirmed 11 cases of EHV-1 with two confirmed deaths. The other states that received horses have closely monitored and finalized their quarantines with no deaths or new cases reported. The trace-back details are as follows:

**California:** One horse was sent to California and died shortly thereafter of laboratory confirmed EHV-1.

**New Hampshire:** Four horses were sent to the same premises in New Hampshire. The state veterinarian quarantined all of the horses after learning of the first EHV-1 case. No clinical signs or fevers were noted and the quarantine was lifted 12/26/06.

**Massachusetts:** A mare and a gelding were shipped to a farm in Massachusetts. These animals were observed in quarantine by an accredited equine practitioner for 30 days. Neither horse showed signs of illness.

**North Carolina:** A gelding was shipped to North Carolina and quarantined. The state reports there have been no signs of illness.

**South Carolina:** Two weanlings, not part of the shipment of 15 horses from Germany, were being shipped to South Carolina and mingled with the index horse which was on its way to California. Both of the weanlings were EHV-1 vaccinates. They were placed in voluntary isolation by the owner for 21 days with no signs of illness thus far.

**Pennsylvania:** A gelding that was shipped to Pennsylvania and quarantined has shown no signs of illness according to attending veterinarians.

**Kentucky:** A mare was shipped to Kentucky where it was put under quarantine after the state veterinarian learned of the EHV-1 situation. The horse was released from quarantine on Dec 19, after no signs of illness surfaced and it was confirmed PCR test negative for EHV-1.

**Florida:** Five horses were shipped to Florida. These horses, along with horses they mingled with, are currently under a state quarantine. Florida has confirmed 11 cases of EHV-1 with two confirmed deaths. For more information on Florida's EHV outbreak, please visit their website at: <http://www.doacs.state.fl.us/>.

EHV-1 can be a serious disease of horses that can cause abortion and death. Clinical signs include high fever, neurological symptoms and nasal discharge. The virus can spread through the air, contaminated equipment, clothing and hands. EHV-1 is endemic to the United States and is usually handled by the states involved. In this instance, the shipment of horses was divided and shipped to multiple states. Since the animals crossed state lines, USDA is assisting involved parties by tracing the animals' path from entry to end point.

[http://www.aphis.usda.gov/vs/pdf\\_files/equine\\_herpes\\_virus.pdf](http://www.aphis.usda.gov/vs/pdf_files/equine_herpes_virus.pdf)

## Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services Department Press Release

**01-23-2007**

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### Bronson Announces End To Horse Virus Outbreak

TALLAHASSEE – Florida Agriculture and Consumer Services Commissioner Charles H. Bronson today said he is confident the Equine Herpesvirus-type 1, or EHV-1 outbreak has been brought under control. It has been more than three weeks since any horse has tested positive for the virus and the last quarantine was lifted over the weekend.

"I credit the cooperation and proactive steps taken by the equine community and the quick response by the Department's Division of Animal Industry with the end of this outbreak," Bronson said. Identification of infected and exposed horses, implementation of biosecurity measures and other proactive measures taken by horse owners prevented further spread of this disease.

While some industry locations instituted voluntary decontamination measures and restricted horse movements, protocol required the state to place ten locations under mandated quarantine including sites in Wellington, Jupiter, Indiantown, Morriston, Loxahatchee and Ocala, Florida. Last week, after lab test results confirmed there had been no new cases in three weeks, all but one of the quarantines was lifted. The final quarantine was lifted over the weekend when all lab results were negative.

The outbreak started when some horses imported from Europe through a federal quarantine site in New York were brought to Wellington in late November and one of those horses was infected with the virus. It spread to other horses early in the outbreak through close contact before movement restrictions were in place. The Department's Division of Animal Industry then set up an "Incident Command Post" in Palm Beach County to oversee control efforts, educate the community, and monitor the situation. Six horses succumbed to the disease and 12 others recovered with treatment.

"It is extremely tragic that we lost six horses," Bronson said, "but the situation could have been far more deadly were it not for the quick actions of so many people."

EHV-1 is a contagious virus of horses that can cause respiratory disease, abortion and occasionally serious neurologic signs. It is spread through the air but can also be carried on shoes, clothes, hands and equipment.

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# Fun Stall Activities

## Are you a stall-bound horse?

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### 1) Artistic Wood Carving

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### 2) Grain Spilling Game

Try to dump out all of your grain from your grain bucket/container, by turning it over with your nose. It is a fun game. You can even continue to flip the container to be sure that all the grain is dumped on the ground. Then, using your delicate muzzle to guide you, try to pick up all the grain, sorting through the bedding and poop. Amusing, and it makes your grain last longer. Your human will appreciate it too— he/she may even bring you a new bucket of grain, or challenge you to become better by using more difficult containers.



### 3) Hay Dunking

In this game, you'll try to grab a bite of hay, carry it to your water container, and dump it in. Dropping hay in your water is fun for both you and your human! Although it's just hay, they will probably come in your stall and remove it from your water (then you can dump more in).

### 4) Who Can Be The Loudest

If you're stalled with other horses, try a little friendly competition with this game. When it's feeding time, see who can neigh, bang, scream, and kick the loudest in their stalls. Humans will instinctively throw food to the noisiest, most demanding horse, so try to be it. The winner is the horse that the human feeds first.



### 5) Smoosh The Bedding

In this game, you can attempt to mix your bedding, poop, and hay all together. You do this by walking all around in your stall, until you get a good, even mixture. Some horses walk in circles, or back and forth in a straight line... experiment with different styles to see what you like best. Again, this provides entertainment and exercise for your human, because they will have to clean it all up.

### 6) Roll in the Stall

Attempt to get a good roll, in your stall. If your stall is big, this is easy; however, the smaller the stall, the more difficult it can become. The object is to roll, well, without getting stuck. There is some danger involved in this game, as you could roll up near a wall and get stuck (but then, your human will rescue you— be sure to do this near food time just in case!).



### 7) Mane Rubbing

Try to rub your mane out in certain spots. Humans like neat manes. That is why they comb, spray, and pull your mane; Save them work by pulling your mane yourself! You can stick your head through the stall (if it has an opening) and try to rub the top of your neck. Or, just rub it on the side of a wall. This will give your mane a nice look that humans appreciate (clumps of hair missing). You'll save them time on having to pull your mane or trim a bridle path.



## The American Cancer Society



is holding a fund raising event at the Lee County Posse Arena on Bay Shore Road, on Sunday, February 18, 2007 at 10:00am.

The program will include:  
Survivors Walk,  
Parade of the Breeds,  
Ponies on Parade, and  
Demonstrations.

Tickets for spectators will be \$10.00.  
Participants are asked to make a donation to the American Cancer Society.

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| *3H. 2yo and younger Mares              | *31W. Sr. Horse Western Pleasure        | *62E. Am. English Equitation 19&O  |
| *4H. 3yo and older Mares                | *32W. Open Western Pleasure             | <b>30 min dinner break</b>         |
| *5H. 2yo and younger Geldings/Stallions | *33W. Western Disciplined Rail          | 63. Exhibition Barrels             |
| *6H. 3yo and older Geldings/Stallions   | *34. W/T Trail                          | *64G. PeeWee Barrels               |
| *7H. Stock Halter                       | *35WP. Trail 18&U                       | 65. Jackpot Barrels                |
| *8H. Non-Stock Halter                   | *36WP. Trail 19&O                       | *65G. Jr. Barrels                  |
| *9H. Open Mares                         | *37WP. Western Horsemanship 18&U        | *67G. Sr. Barrels                  |
| *10H. Open Geldings/Stallions           | *38WP. Am. Western HMS 19&O             | *68G. Adult Barrels                |
| *11H. Open Color                        | *39P. Western Riding 18&U               | *69G. JB Barrels                   |
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| *15. Novice Showmanship                 | 45. Jackpot Reining                     | *76G. PeeWee Poles                 |
| *16WP. Showmanship 18&U                 | *46. Novice Reining All Ages            | *77G. Jr. Poles                    |
| *17WP. Showmanship 19&O                 | *47P. Youth Reining 18 & U              | *78G. Sr. Poles                    |
| *18. Bareback Pleasure (Eng & West)     | *48P. Amateur Reining 19 & O            | *79G. Adult Poles                  |
| <b>30 min lunch break</b>               | *49P. Open Reining                      | *80G. JB Poles                     |
| *19. Leadline (age 6&U, West. & Eng)    | <b>15 min break</b>                     | *81G. PeeWee Peppermint Twist      |
| *20. Open Walk (all ages, Eng & West)   | 50. English W/T Jackpot                 | *82G. Jr. Peppermint Twist         |
| 21. Jackpot West. W/T (any rider)       | *51. English W/T 12&U                   | *83G. Sr. Peppermint Twist         |
| *22. West. W/T 12&U (non-roping rider)  | *52. English W/T 13&O                   | *84G. Adult Peppermint Twist       |
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2. PeeWee Hairpin
3. PeeWee Mystery Class
4. PeeWee Poles
5. Pee Wee Goat Tail Tying
6. Jr. Goat Tying
7. Sr. Goat Tying
8. Adult Goat Tying
9. Jack Benny Goat Tying
10. Novice Goat Tying

11. Jr. Poles
12. Sr. Poles
13. Adult Poles
14. Jack Benny Poles
15. Novice Poles
16. Open Poles
17. Jr. Mystery Class
18. Sr. Mystery Class
19. Adult Mystery Class
20. Jack Benny Mystery Class
21. Novice Mystery Class

22. Jr. Hairpin
23. Sr. Hairpin
24. Adult Hairpin
25. Jack Benny Hairpin
26. Novice Hairpin
27. Jr. Barrels
28. Sr. Barrels
29. Adult Barrels
31. Novice Barrels
32. Open Barrels

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## WHICH TREES ARE TOXIC TO HORSES?



**We just bought new land and are planning to build a three-stall barn, pasture and riding ring. Currently the property is wooded and we will have to clear many trees. The trees are large and beautiful so we would**

**like to keep two to three to remain within the pasture area. I know that some of the trees are oaks because there are acorns all over the place, but we have to get the other trees identified. The trees will be fenced off, but my main concern is possible toxicity from leaves, acorns and other debris. What trees should we be concerned about?**



**Oaks are moderately toxic to horses. New young leaves and acorns, especially when green, are the toxic parts of the tree. The tannic acid in the acorns affects the intestinal lining and can cause portions of the lining to slough**

**off. Symptoms of toxicity include poor appetite, weight loss, constipation and impaction followed by diarrhea, kidney failure and edema. In severe cases oak poisoning can lead to death.**

It would be wise to remove all the trees from the pasture. Allow some trees to grow around the perimeter of the pasture for shade. Horses will usually girdle trees that they have access to, which will eventually kill them anyway. Also, no pasture grasses will grow well in the shade created by the canopies of the trees.

Other trees that you need to be concerned with include cherries of all species, red maple, horse chestnut, black walnut, and black locust.

Fortunately, plants with harmful toxins are designed to prevent animals from browsing and have a bitter taste that animals learn to avoid. Well-fed, healthy horses that have access to adequate forage, through pasture and/or hay, rarely consume toxic plants.

Answer provided by Donna Foulk, Senior Agriculture Program Coordinator, Rutgers Cooperative Research and Extension.



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Wellington, FL- Eleven year old, Tess Zywczyk rode a four-year-old Shetland Pony to win the Dressage Walk-Trot Junior Rider Championship at the 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Vinceremos Benefit Dressage Show.

Hi, my name is Tess Zywczyk. I would like to share my extremely exciting moment when Pan's Atomic Particle (aka Yeager), my favorite Shetland Pony and I went to the Vinceremos Dressage Show in December.

All the hard work and practice we had been doing was worth it when Yeager and I took the Junior Rider High Score Championship.

Yeager and I spent many days training together. Some days were discouraging and other days everything went really great. Winning was a great experience.

Winning made me happy and proud, not only for me but Yeager too. Even through the ups and downs of training and learning, I still love my little Yeager. He is only four years old. Winning has inspired me to continue working hard and learning new skills.



I give lots of thanks to my trainer, Johnny Robb. I would never of gotten there without her. She's "The Best". I hope my winning encourages other riders to believe in their dreams and go for it!



**UNICORN  
SIGHTING**

By Half Vast  
Connie

On my pony string I have a 'herd' of white ponies who wear purple blankets & pink saddles. They don a white fiberglass horn (with jewels of course) and magically become unicorns for little kids' birthday parties. I bring along a brown pony who has white at the top of her hooves, like socks, so she is appropriately named, Three Socks, and she gives rides to the little boys who wouldn't be caught dead in a pink saddle. ☺

Recently on Sanibel where I was doing a party, an old woman appeared from across the street and related how her elderly husband who suffers from dementia came into the kitchen and said, "Honey, I swear I just saw a white unicorn and brown pony walking in the yard across the street!" (is this too funny?)

This story was written to make you smile at the thought of someone with dementia thinking they saw a unicorn but perhaps the moral here should be to never forget to look for the magic in life, to teach our children the greatness of imagination and best off all to just BELIEVE.

## *A Special Taylor*

He was flirting with me. When I first approached him, he pretended not to see me. But when I stood my ground, he finally acknowledged me with his eyes and slowly lumbered over. Then we experienced a special connection, some type of special feeling that electrified the air between the two of us. Suddenly, he had my heart. My breath caught in my throat. Instinctively, he felt the same way, pushing his nose into my outstretched hand. When I walked away to visit others, I could feel his limpid brown eyes on me. He WAS flirting with me!

I reached the end of the pasture and turned. The horse named Taylor's Special gazed the ¼ mile between us, longingly, asking for more. I'd never felt such a strong connection with an animal so quickly before. Even Maya, who had guided me around the farm, explaining the history of all the wonderful racehorses, said she felt the special connection between this stallion and me.

As I drove the 800 miles to my Florida home, my mind raced with thoughts of Taylor. Physically, he was at least 250 pounds underweight. Even though he was now clean, his coat was dull. Mentally, I sensed he wondered why he had been treated so poorly. I tried to send positive thoughts over the miles between us, which grew farther as I headed south.

Upon my return home, I decided to do some investigation into his history. I learned that Taylor had been found, alone, without food or clean water, in a small pasture in Washington State. Contacting Jenny at Hope for Horses, she advised that he had been abandoned at a farm in Granite Falls, Washington. An elderly couple, who had been active in breeding and racing thoroughbreds, had brought him down from Canada. They subsequently died, their farm sold to developers, and no one knew Taylor was there. He ate grass and found rainwater as best he could. Jenny figured he was there at least three weeks without proper nourishment. That's when Hope for Horses stepped in.

With financial assistance from The Exceller Fund, they removed him from Granite Falls and placed him in temporary foster care. Thereafter, Jenny researched his tattoo and discovered he was a \$1 million winner. She then contacted Old Friends in Georgetown, Kentucky. Michael Blowen knew there was a place for Taylor, so the horse with his passion for speed found his way back to Kentucky.

Although originally bred as a sprinter, two-year-old Taylor won four out of seven starts, including the Iroquois Stakes. He captured back-to-back victories in the 1984 Louisiana Derby and Blue Grass Stakes. With the combination of staying power and speed, Taylor took his shot at the Kentucky Derby and Preakness Stakes. He really got rolling at four, winning the Count Fleet Sprint, Chaucer Cup, Hot Springs and Peleteri Handicaps. At five, it was the Isaac Murphy, River City, and the Louisiana Downs Breeders Cup Stakes. At six, he again won the Isaac Murphy and also the Washington Park Handicap. With that win, Taylor's earnings climbed to over \$1 million, which was considered a tidy sum in the mid-1980s.

In 1985, he set a new track record at Canterbury for 6.5 furlongs in 1:16.4. There is also an overnight stakes race named for him at Arlington Park, and he set yet another track record there for 6 furlongs in 1:08, which still stands today.

At stud, he produced blacktype winners.

With love, proper vet care, and excellent diet, Taylor gained those 250 pounds and more. By July, 2006, he looked and acted like the Grand Ole Stallion he knew he was. His attitude was positive; he was a winner and felt it. But one morning in mid-September, Taylor perhaps tried to jump a gate, and sustained what appeared to be minor cuts, scratches and abrasions. As he was led from his pasture back to the barn for the night, he apparently took a bad step, shattering his left rear leg. Dr. Holly, the vet servicing Old Friends, was called. After x-rays, it was discovered that the leg was too badly injured, so 25-year-old Taylor's Special was humanely euthanized.

Go swiftly, my Moon Horse, into the night sky. St. Peter will hold the gate open for you. You are loved still.

Sue M. Sefscik, Ormond Beach, FL

*Sue continues to seek ways to help horses in need.*



Horse tales is an area where original, unpublished works by local writers and artists will be featured. If you have a short story, poem, work of art or anything that you've created and are interested in seeing in print, please submit to Everything Equine. Everything Equine and local businesses provide this opportunity for children and adults alike to show their creative abilities and talents to the entire community. Please limit your submissions to horse related tales that coincide with an equestrian or farm oriented way of life.



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A favorite with visitors is our two-night "Crescent J Cattle Drive Weekend Safari," which includes some training in Florida Cowhunter skills of ridin', ropin' and cow cuttin'. (Florida cattlemen weren't "cowboys" because hunting those wild Spanish-descent cattle in Florida's woods and swamps was a man's job, they said.) Choice of campground depends on weather, type of group and recommendation of the riding instructors.

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Corporate Co-workers, Schoolteachers, Professional Club, Flying Clubs, School Groups, Church Groups, Families, Friends, Scout troops or multi-troop Camporees – there are activities and a campground on Forever Florida or the Crescent J Ranch that are just right for a bonding experience. See the Facilities and Events page for more details.

From a small primitive one-troop Scout Camp on the Crescent J that has been used by Girl and Boy Scouts for more than 30 years, we expanded to a remote but up-scale campground 'way back in the wilderness of Forever Florida, then added two campgrounds in between and most recently, a large area "up front" (near the highway) that comfortably holds up to twenty Scout troops for a big Camporee.

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Congratulations to Daniel Crouch, of LeHigh Acres, FL. He won last month's drawing for a two hour Horseback Safari for two at Forever Florida!

Enjoy the ride!

There will be another drawing next month, so send in your entry form! Winner is chosen by luck of the draw. Odds of winning depend on how many entries received.

Congratulations to Trudy Young, of Vero Beach who won last month's drawing for MD's Choice supplements.



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