



**Blue Rose Ranch, Inc.**

Horse Rescue & Adoption

*“Many have forgotten this truth, but you must never forget it.  
You remain responsible forever for what you have tamed.”*

*-Antoine de Saint Expery*

August 29, 2016

Dear Friends and Valued Supporters,

Summer was busy at Blue Rose Ranch. The horses have been lavished with attention from our volunteers and visitors. We have had wonderful rains, producing green pastures the horses love to roam and graze. New horses have arrived at the rescue, and others have found great adoptive homes. We have a wonderful success story to share: One year ago, Colby arrived, barely alive. This year, a healthy Colby was proud to be one of the Blue Rose Ranch horses ridden in the County Fair Parade.

Many of our readers have told us how much they love the pictures in our newsletters. We hope you enjoy our photo tour of summer events at Blue Rose Ranch.

### ***Blue Rose Ranch Wins National Award***

Blue Rose Ranch was honored to be recognized as a National Finalist and Award Winner in the ASPCA ***Help a Horse Day*** competition. The American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals hosts an annual competition for horse rescue organizations. The event was held this year in April and there were 187 competing horse rescue organizations from around the country. Blue Rose Ranch was one of the 11 finalists and received a cash prize award of \$5,000 to support our ongoing efforts to protect horses.

Blue Rose Ranch would like to thank the many volunteers and hundreds of people who attended the events and activities that were held to celebrate ***Help a Horse Day***. To compete with organizations from Philadelphia, Washington D. C., Boston, Miami, New York and the like, who had Congressmen, Mayors and even Governors as part of their celebration activities; we are truly humbled and gratified that we were able to host a world-class event that brings a national spotlight to horse rescue and to our organization.

### **Special Opportunity**

Would you like to ***Remember or Honor*** an individual or beloved family pet? Blue Rose Ranch has designed a beautiful memorial plaque to be displayed in our indoor riding arena. Please see the enclosed form.

***Sincere Thanks for your continued support of Blue Rose Ranch.***

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# Blue Rose Ranch 2016 Youth Horse Camp: June 13<sup>th</sup> - 17<sup>th</sup>



*Kids learned to groom and care for horses, how to lead horses and handle them on the ground, and they had extensive riding sessions each day. Our guest presenter was Dr. Rick Birdsong, who demonstrated an equine health check and spoke on the training and rewards of a career in veterinary medicine. Many parents commented that their kids not only had fun, but learned a great deal at the camp.*



# ***Horses who have arrived at Blue Rose Ranch:***



*Zippy is an award winning performance horse. Zippy is now older and no longer performing. His first friend at Blue Rose Ranch was Preceptor, the statue that stands watch at the entrance to the ranch.*



*Tee is a handsome paint who was boarded at Blue Rose Ranch years ago. His owner needed to move and could not take him. We are happy to have Tee back at Blue Rose Ranch.*



*Lucky was abandoned in a remote rural location. He is thrilled to be at Blue Rose Ranch where he has lots of attention and many horse friends. Lucky was lost, now he is found.*



*Dixie is a sweet mare. Her previous family loved her, but Dixie needed a place with greater horse experience.*





*Becky Trekell is heading to the University of Northern Colorado to major in business. Becky has been volunteering at Blue Rose Ranch for 10 years, and rose through the ranks to become our Youth Director of Horse Operations. We will miss her, and wish her well at college.*



*Neil and Judy Harmon are the proud owners of Shalah Perkins sculpture, Mucho Caballo. They won the drawing that was held during the Miss Baca County Pageant on July 30. The proceeds from the drawing benefitted Blue Rose Ranch.*



*Cabo is adopted and living in luxury in Highlands Ranch. He is used on trail rides and in kids programs. Cabo was just the right size and has just the right amount of spunk!*



*Quest was adopted by a family who live part of the year in Colorado, and part of the year at the Horse Park in Lexington, KY. Quest is a mustang who now enjoys the amenities of derby winners. His new owner loves his strength and beauty, and his desire to please.*



*Horse walker volunteers, our youth counselors, and younger volunteers represented Blue Rose Ranch in the County Fair Parade on August 6<sup>th</sup>.*



*Colby Before and After one year of TLC*



*Colby when he arrived one year ago.*



*Rebekah rides the now healthy Colby in the parade.*

*Thank you for your support. It makes our work possible.*

## ***In Memoriam:***

***Billy lived many years at Blue Rose Ranch. Billy came in with a hip injury. We did not have a chance to know this horse when he was physically sound, but we know he was truly great and a leader among horses. When the herd was running on Blue Rose Ranch, Billy, refusing to be left out, would pick up his back leg and run on three. Many of our volunteers learned to care for horses by brushing and leading Billy. He possessed a noble spirit, and a gentle heart.***



*We will miss you Billy.*

### **Blue Rose Ranch would like to thank the following Foundations for their support:**

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(The American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to  
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***Many of the photos in this newsletter have been taken by Cheryl Porter, one of our horse walkers. We want to recognize the donation of her professional talent to capture moments and the personalities of the horses.***