

FALL 2019

# NEIGH SAVER

EQUAMORE FOUNDATION



Hungry, Neglected, Abused...  
*Never Again!*

# WHY SANCTUARY ECHO STAR



Echo Star came to the Sanctuary as a thin and malnourished Arab stallion in October 2007, having spent much of his life pacing a small paddock. Neglected, abused and mismanaged as a stallion, his frustration was so great that he attacked and savagely bit a woman and was impounded by Jackson County Animal Control (which at that time was responsible for horses in Jackson County). Euthanasia was seen as the only alternative for him. This is such a sad and typical story – humans abuse an animal until it becomes dangerous and then kill the animal because it has become a hazard to

humans. Thankfully in this instance, Equamore intervened and Echo came to our Sanctuary.

As soon as his health allowed, Echo was gelded. Those observing him as he lay snoring in the arena after the procedure agreed that this beautiful and energetic horse had probably not slept this well or deeply in years. Having received adequate food and care, as well as the affection and respect offered by Equamore volunteers, Echo slowly gained trust and confidence, reclaiming his true nature and becoming less and less anxious and more and more playful each year.



Echo spends his days in the big gelding field and nights in the small field and shelter by the main barn with Woody, Casper, and Porter (the “Four Amigos”). Not only is Echo now tightly bonded with the other Amigos, he seeks human attention and can be groomed and handled by several of our volunteers. He and his friends love to come in the barn and finish off other horses’ breakfasts. This handsome horse also graces the cover of this issue.

What a horrible loss it would have been had Echo been euthanized.

**THIS IS WHY WE PROVIDE  
SANCTUARY!**

# THEY ARE NOT “JUST OLD”!

We hear so often that a really skinny horse is “just old”. NO!! Old age does not cause malnutrition. Frequently there is a simple answer to why a horse is malnourished. A horse may have outlived the usefulness of its teeth or may have a sharp edge making chewing painful, it may be fed with another horse or horses that are more dominant with feed, or it may have a disease causing it to be unable to process calories. Many answers to these problems are easy and inexpensive to correct– pelleted feeds soaked in water, a “dental float” by the veterinarian, separated feeding, and simple blood tests that can detect disease that may be causing the problem.



**Snoopy at age 32**



**Topaz at age 33**



**Joe at age 30**

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2019

**September 13<sup>th</sup> thru 15<sup>th</sup>**

Jin Shin Jyutsu Workshop

Friday – Sunday

**September 21<sup>st</sup>**

Friendship Drive Picnic

Saturday – 1:00pm to 4:00pm

**October 5<sup>th</sup>**

Ruby's Groom-A-Thon

Saturday – 10:00am to 4:00pm

**December 15<sup>th</sup>**

Year-End Friendship  
Celebration

Sunday – 12:00pm to 2:00pm

All events held at:  
Equamore Sanctuary,  
4723 HW 66,  
Ashland, Oregon 97520

# “KINDNESS AND RESPECT FOR THE DIGNITY OF ALL LIFE.”



We believe in our mission statement!

Like in all barns, various “pests” are attracted to the feed and multitude of nesting areas. While like any creatures, pigeons and rats are just following their nature, they cause problems in our barns.

Droppings foul feed and water and chewing can affect electrical work, etc. While we have barn cats, barn owls, and hawks around the property, together they do not control the populations of pigeons and rats.

Several years ago our barns were seriously overrun with pigeons. A flock of just 100 pigeons can produce up to 4,800 pounds of guano, annually. Ick! This is a real problem for facility maintenance and hygiene. One of our donors purchased birth control pellets for pigeons – and it worked! Our pigeon population is now quite small and poses no real problems for us.

This year, rats have become a significant problem for us. A pair of rats can produce as many as 2,000 descendants in a year if left to breed unchecked. Yikes! This summer we started using a new product – birth control for rats. So far, they are consuming the concoction at a high rate. We are hopeful that in a few more months we will see our rat population begin to decrease.



We are committed to solving our “pest” problems without violating the core principles of our mission.

The Equamore Foundation provides rescue and sanctuary for neglected, abused, and abandoned horses that have no other alternative for life. Each day our Sanctuary pushes back against cruelty and indifference. Our mission of kindness and respect for the dignity of all life is vital and universal.



## WAYS TO GIVE

- Make a One-Time Donation
- Make a Monthly Pledge
- For Cash Donations call us at 541.482.5550, use PayPal at [equamore.org](http://equamore.org), or mail us.
- For Legacy Gifts, Gifts of Stock, and Gifts to our Endowment Fund call us or email us at [legacygiving@equamore.org](mailto:legacygiving@equamore.org)
- Donate Your Vehicle by calling 866.392.4483 or go to [www.donateforcharity.com/charity-car-donation-form/?charity=Equamore+Foundation](http://www.donateforcharity.com/charity-car-donation-form/?charity=Equamore+Foundation)



## YOUR TABLE IS WAITING!

Please join us for our annual Sanctuary Picnic and Friendship Drive on September 21st, 2019 from 1:00 to 4:00 at our Sanctuary. There is no charge, but you must register to attend. Call us at 541.482.5550 or register online at [www.equamore.org/picnic](http://www.equamore.org/picnic) by September 14th. We will have great food by Confident Caterers, music, and scores of beautiful horses.

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**Percheron ~ \$5000**

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**Arabian ~ \$500**

**Quarter Horse ~ \$1500**

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**UNDERWRITING**

**Picnic Dinner ~ \$4250**

**Porta Potties ~ \$240**

**Advertising &**

**Tables & Chairs ~ \$525**

**Graphic Design ~ \$3800**

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