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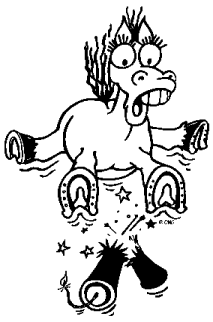

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TB: Richard Dunmoyer

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July 27th Saturday Day of the American Cowboy Ride & Contest
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The SFTR donates to these charities once a year. These charities are badly in need of donations. Please try to send what you can to help them. Thanks from the SFTR.

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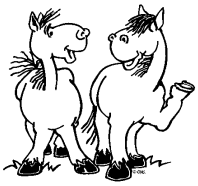
TRAIL MANNERS

Good manners is the grease that helps people get along with each other avoiding friction.

- **UNDER 16 MUST WEAR A HELMET.**
- Be aware of the effect **your** actions have on others, their horses and their property.
- Do not upset your co-rider's horses.
- Ride at a quiet, controlled pace.
- **NEVER PASS OTHERS AT A GALLOP.**
- Keep a safe distance… don't crowd others.
- STAY WITH A DISMOUNTED RIDER
- Respect the property of others. (ie: lawns, farm fields, crops, groves, livestock, etc.)
- Leave gates as you found them: Open gates should remain open. Closed gates should remain closed.
- **DO NOT PASS THE TRAIL BOSS or drop behind the drag rider.**
- Stay with the trail boss on the same side of the road. Do not split the road.
- Clean up after your horse. Pick up manure or spread it depending on where you are. Do not clean your trailers out when you unload.
- **NO PROFANITY ON ANY SFTR EVENTS.**

REMEMBER! If you mind your manners others won't mind when you and your horse return to ride.



2013 Dates and Places 2013

Call the Hot-line for any cancellations
(305) 4-HORSES 446-7737

Guest Passes are available for local trail rides. Each pass is $5.00 One pass per person per trailride is required for non-members. This pass is not available for any beach rides, Team Penning or Parades. **All area codes are (305) unless otherwise stated. TB=Trail Boss**

June 29 **Saturday - Shake - Em - Up Ride.** TB: Jackie Suarez. Ride out at 10:00 AM. Meet at the Fobbs Home. SW 264 St & 147 Ave. Park on swale areas. We will ride out from inside the property. We will ride through various areas leading us out to the Chickee Hut on Krome for a shake. Riding back to the barn from there. Ride will be about 2 - 2.5 hours. Bring money and water. We will be in shaded areas, but sun areas as well. Hope to see you there. Call Jackie for more info. 305-979-4533.

July 1 **Monday - General Meeting at Golden Corral.** 33525 S. Dixie Hwy. 7:00 PM dinner, 8:00 PM meeting. Meeting room is to the right when you go in. If you are eating, pay for your meal then go to the room. **SPEAKER: Mr. Otto Diaz, Agriculture & Consumer Protection Inspector, Division of Animal Industry**

July 4 **Thursday - Key Biscayne 4th of July Parade.** Contact Richard to join the Parade Team and RSVP for this parade. 305-546-0994. More info under Parades in this newsletter.

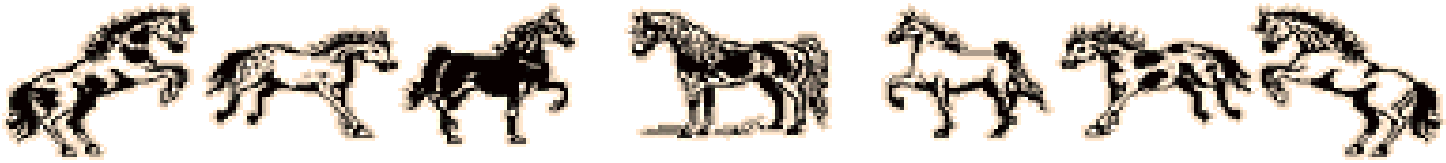
July 6 **Saturday - Wolf Lake Swim & Ride.** TB: Mike & Deda Maldonado. 10:00 AM. Bring a covered dish to share for lunch, your swimsuit and a towel for your horse! Maybe for you too. Call Mike with any questions 305-331-7599.

July 8 **Monday - Board Meeting at Julie Gonzalez' home.** 8:00 PM meeting. 19525 SW 248 St. Please RSVP to Julie at 786-261-9020

July 27 **Saturday - Day of The American Cowboy Day Ride and Contest.** Ride out 10 AM. Contest before ride. TB: Mike Maldonado. Redland Fruit & Spice Park. 18700 sw 248 St. We will hold our Authentic Cowboy, Cowgirl and Young Cowpoke Contest before the ride. Make sure you arrive early to get ready for the contest. A cowboy quilt show will also be held in conjunction with the ride. The quilts will be in the air conditioned classroom at the park so make sure you go and see them. Bring a covered side dish to share after the ride. Contact Mike for more info 305-331-7599.

Aug. 5 **Monday - General Meeting at Golden Corral.** 33525 S. Dixie Hwy. 7:00 PM dinner, 8:00 PM meeting. Meeting room is to the right when you go in. If you are eating, pay for your meal then go to the room.

Aug. 17 **Saturday - SFTR-SPCA Fundraiser at Robbie's Feed.** 22390 SW 177 Ave. 9-4:00 PM $500 gift card to Robbie's Feed will be raffled off. Hot dogs and baked goods available along with many more raffles. Call Julie to donate any raffle items. 786-261-9020.



PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Hi Trail Riders,

As usual the summer weather has kept us from too many trail rides but we have been busy.
Our biggest project this month was the building of a shelter for the SPCA horses. By the time you are reading this it should be pretty much done. Several of our members came out and worked very hard. What a great group. I'm not going to try to mention you all for fear I'll leave someone out but you know who you are.

For those of you who don't know, Deda and I have taken on the job of Historians of the club. As part of this effort we are launching an extension to its current website which will host our history in a picture Gallery of all our rides and events, Archives of all our previous newsletters and much more. Look for the link on our current website and in our Facebook page.

Although holding a ride seems easy to most of us who have done it before I'm sure there are some people who would feel much more comfortable if someone would hold their hand. I would like to start the mentor program where a seasoned member chooses a more recent member who has never held a trail ride and co-trail boss a ride.

July has the Independence Day Parade, Wolf Lake Trail Ride and National Day of the American Cowboy, all coming up and on August 17th we have two big events. The SPCA fundraiser at Robbie's Feed and the Miami Marlins game. There is a slight overlap but if you weren't planning to attend the game please give your afternoon to this great cause and if your are going to the game, then offer a few hours in the morning.

We thank Robbie for his generous participation for the SPCA and Manny's son, Alan Alvarez for the free tickets to the game. We will let you know how to receive these tickets by email.

C'ya on the trail,

Mike Maldonado

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We have 268 family and single members that have joined or renewed for the year. Thank you very much!

Welcome New Members

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Joyce & Yamil Gonzalez
Miami, Fl. 33015

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Miami, Fl. 33183

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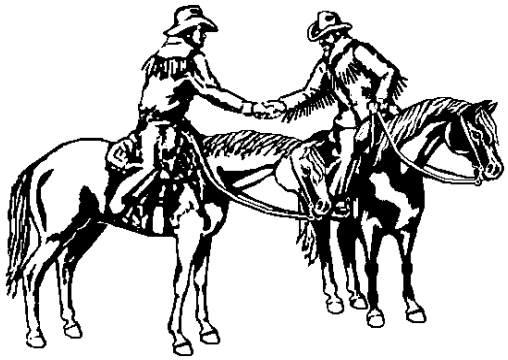

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TO ALL SFTR MEMBERS:

REMINDER:

There will be a Parade Practice on Saturday, June 22nd starting at 10:00am until 12:00pm

This is a great drill for all horses to get used to sounds, objects, flags, etc…

If any one has some issues with their horses in Parades, talk to Richard as he will be glad to help…

The Parade Team will have hot dogs, drinks, chips & horse treats to purchase as the money will be going into a fund for the Parade Team's Year End Awards.

Look Forward To Seeing Everyone As All Members Are Welcome!!!!

Richard & JoAnn Dunmoyer
richarddunmoyer@att.net
305-546-0994 cell
305-248-5820 res

SUNSHINE REPORT

A Hurry & Get Well Card was sent to Cathy Dunmoyer who is recovering from ankle surgery.

A Sympathy Card was sent to Jennifer Zambo & Bill Goodwin who lost their Quarter Horse, KC, very unexpectedly.

Please know our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Sunshine Committee

TROPICAL PARK HURRICANE STALLS

Yes, Hurricane Season is almost here and following are a few things to consider. When a Hurricane Watch goes into effect, the barn manager, Pablo Tejeda, will attempt to reach everyone to confirm that you will take possession of your stall. If unsuccessful, he will reassign your stall for that hurricane to someone else. Please call him either way at 305-554-7334 and leave a message.

Your reservation fee per stall is $26.00. This reserves a stall for the 2013 Hurricane Season. Once a Hurricane Watch goes into effect and you take possession of your stall, on the 25th hour you will owe Miami-Dade County an additional daily fee, plus an additional $26.00 to re-reserve your stall for the remainder of the 2013 Season.

Upon arrival, Pablo will need to see your Coggins papers. Suggested items are flashlight, buckets with clips for water, (muck buckets work), a fly mask, your name, horse's name and phone #'s tapped to your stall doors, halter, written on your horse, etc.

You can't leave anything but your horse at Tropical Park.

Depending on the storm's estimated arrival, Miami-Dade County will lock the park gates. Once the Hurricane Watch is lifted, you have 48 hours to remove your horse. All stalls must be cleaned before leaving or an additional charge per stall will be applied and you will be unable to reserve stalls in the future.

Hope to see you on the trail – not at Tropical Park!

Have a great uneventful summer!

Debi Catarineau-Priest
305.274.7484

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

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Donna Mole
Sandra Font-Falcone
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SPCA RALLY AND FUNDRAISER
SATURDAY AUGUST 17th
ROBBIES FEED & SUPPLY
22390 SW 177 Ave.
10:00 AM - 5:00 PM
SFTR Fundraiser to benefit the SPCA
All day event, come on out!

*Baked goods ~ Raffles all day

Come and buy your raffle tickets for the "Big Prize" a $500 gift card for Robbie's Feed & Supply.

Hot dogs, chips, soda & water will be available to purchase.
SPCA volunteers will be there for any questions.
SFTR Membership & T-shirts will be available.

RAFFLE TICKETS AVAILABLE AT ROBBIE'S FEED FOR THE $500 GIFT CARD OR CONTACT BELOW.
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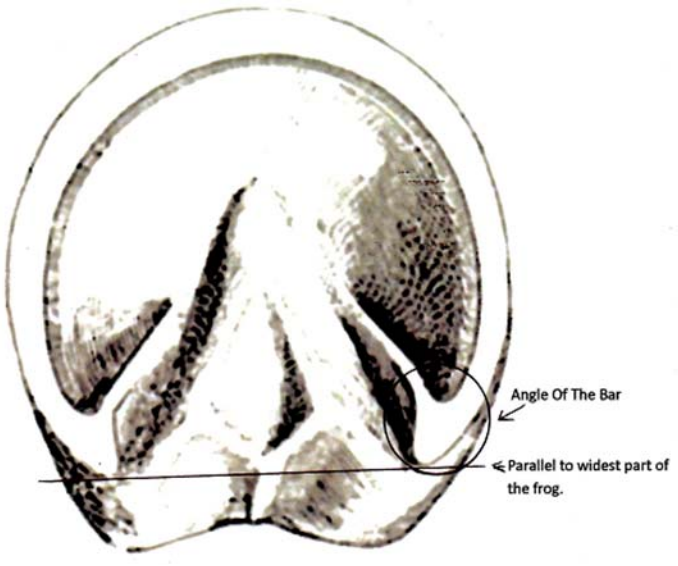
The Good Foot at a Glance...
Article 2: Angle of the Bars aka Angle of the Wall, Heel Purchase, or Heel Buttress

This is the second in a series of articles about the visible anatomy of the equine hoof. In my research I have found that several terms are used for the same part of the hoof. This is the case with the angle of the bars, which is also referred to as: the angle of the walls, the heel purchase or the heel buttress. Each horse is different so the descriptions will be basic and generally thought to be acceptable by vets, farriers and barefoot trimmers - regardless of which terminology they use. This is meant to be a guideline to help you recognize a good foot or a potential problem. I am a barefoot enthusiast with nine barefoot horses and am currently enrolled in a year long course in applied equine podiatry. This series of articles is edited by Dr. Zachary Franklin, DVM.

Definition of Angle of the bars/angle of the wall/ heel purchase/heel buttress: These terms are all used to describe the rearmost point of the hoof wall. On a solar view (looking at the hoof from the bottom) it is the point at which both side walls turn abruptly inward and toward the toe forming the bars. See the example.

Description: The most palmar (rearmost) aspect of the angle of the bars should be parallel to, or slightly forward of, the widest part of the frog. At impact, during stride, when the heel strikes the ground, the angle of the bars take the greatest amount of force. So, a good amount of surface or purchase area is desirable; and proper location insures that the ground reactive forces are dealt with correctly. *Susan Boyd*



SFTR BUILDS A PASTURE SHELTER FOR THE SPCA HORSES

Thank you to the many people that showed up to the work days at the SPCA. Augie spearheaded his idea of building a shelter for these horses. The SFTR donated the time and the money to get this finished. It is a beautiful shelter.

SFTR 35th ANNUAL BANQUET

Wow! If you didn't attend you missed a great time! We had 97 people attend and it was a blast. The raffles were great, everyone that volunteered thru out the year was recognized and the music was pretty good this year. We closed the place down and they were cleaning up around us! Luckily the DJ was able to stay and play till the very end.

Thank you all for coming out and making this a wonderful night for our 35th Anniversary. Everyone went home with something. We gave out freebie bags at the door that included SFTR coffee mugs and some other stuff, we also had door prizes and all the raffle tickets that didn't win were placed in a container for more prizes. I think that was a lot of fun.

Thank you to everyone who stayed and help take down the decorations. Hopefully we left the place pretty clean and didn't forget anything.

Hope to see you all next year! *Andrea Sante*

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FOUR WAYS TO PREVENT HORSE TRAILER THEFT

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1) Personalize your trailer. Trailers that are easy to identify are less appealing to thieves than plain ones, because they're easy to spot on the road. Make your trailer visually stand out from the crowd. Paint your ranch or farm name/brand/logo, your horse's name, a rustic scene, etc. Or, paint your trailer a unique color. You can also apply large, elaborate decals, reflective stripes, signs, and murals.
2) Invest in security devices.
* Hitch locks. These work by making it impossible for a thief to attach his or her vehicle to your trailer. The lock fits into your hitch and is secured with a key. (You do have to unhitch your trailer from your towing vehicle to put the lock in place.)
* Tongue locks. These allow you to include the trailer chains when securing the hitch, so thieves don't use the chains to drag away your trailer.
* Coupler locks. These prevent a potential thief from being able to hook up to the coupler.

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*Trailer-wheel locks. When you attach these devices on the outside of the tires, thieves find it nearly impossible to move the trailer.
* Alarms. Sensors attached to the trailer doors will sound if the door is opened. Some models will go off if someone tries to move the trailer or tamper with the locks.
* Tracking devices. Although tracking devices don't necessarily deter theft, they'll make it easier to find your trailer if it's stolen. Tracking devices use global positioning system (GPS) technology to tell you where your trailer is located. In most cases, you'll need to subscribe to a tracking service, which will allow you to locate your trailer online.
3) Insure your trailer. Although your trailer is automatically insured on your towing-vehicle's policy in the event of an accident, theft is another matter, says Debbie DeTurk, an account executive with Markel Insurance. "If you want theft coverage for your trailer, you have to request an addition to your auto policy," she says. If your auto insurer doesn't offer trailer-theft coverage, insure your trailer by a company specializing in such policies."
If you have homeowner's or renter's insurance, your policy should cover the trailer's contents. (Verify this coverage with your insurance agent.) Keep careful records, including photos, of all the items you keep inside your trailer.
4) Document your trailer. Take photos of your trailer from all sides, for the police and for stolen-trailer flyers. Record a complete description of your trailer's model number, along with details on the type of windows, ramp, and interior. Keep your trailer's vehicle identification number (VIN) and registration card with you when you're not in your towing vehicle. Also keep with you photos and descriptions of inside items, in case you need to report these items as stolen.

If Your Trailer is Stolen
* Call the police. Call 9-1-1. The police dispatcher will take down your information and immediately notify law enforcement of your missing trailer. An officer will likely come to you to fill out a police report or will instruct you to come to the police station once your horse is cared for.
* Arrange for a lift home. Contact a trailer-owning friend to give you and your horse a lift home. Or, if you have a roadside-assistance plan that covers horse trailers such as USRider Equestrian Motor Plan, call the company for help.
* Call your insurance company. Give the representative your trailer's VIN, a complete trailer description, and police-report number.
* Distribute flyers. Run your trailer photos with online notices (such as those posted on www.netposse.com) and to make up flyers. Distribute the flyers at local tack/feed stores and boarding stables.

BANQUET PHOTOS continued

SFSPCA Horse of the Month "Billy"

Billy is a 5 y/o chestnut QH gelding. Billy has very agreeable disposition with very nice ground manners. He is quite friendly and easy to work with, and is best suited for an intermediate handler. He is not yet under saddle, but will be soon.

Contact Laurie at Laurie@helpthehorses.com for adoption info. Donations can be made at www.helpthehorses.com

UPDATE ON JUNE HORSE OF THE MONTH, Cimmeron,

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Host a ride from your barn or favorite spot. Call Andrea 305-216-2461 to select a date & time, and she can also assist you in planning the ride if you need help. You can supply food, have a bring-a-dish ride or no food at all (just a ride). Your expenses for food/ supplies are covered by the club up to $50 (receipts always required). Anything other than food expenses must be submitted to the Board for prior approval. Drinks and coolers are provided by the club.

Remember we are all friends out to enjoy the day on our horse or mule and riding in a new location is always fun. The ride can be short or long, through fields or the 'burbs...it's all good on horseback!

So call and Trail Boss a ride that is convenient and familiar to you, and invite the rest of us to enjoy your trail too!

PARADE TEAM NEWS

TO ALL SOUTH FLORIDA PARADE MEMBERS

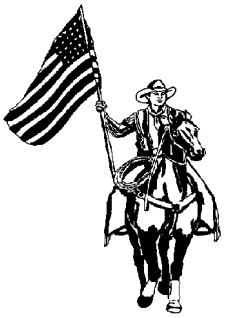
Its That Time Again…The Start Of The 2013-2014 Parade Season… Monday, July 4, 2013

We Will Be Meeting At 9:00am…As We Must Be In Position By 10:00am Sharp…

Parking Of The Horse Trailers: Take Rickenbacker Causeway To Key Biscayne Past Seaquarium. Parking Is At Calusa Park. Turn Right At The 1st Street Past The Fire Station…Look For Our Horse Trailer…

Fried Chicken & Watermelon Will Be Served After The Parade…Drinks Will Be On Site Also…

This Parade Is Full Parade Uniform Except Gloves Due To The Heat…



Hope To See You There, Please Call Us If You Have Any Questions

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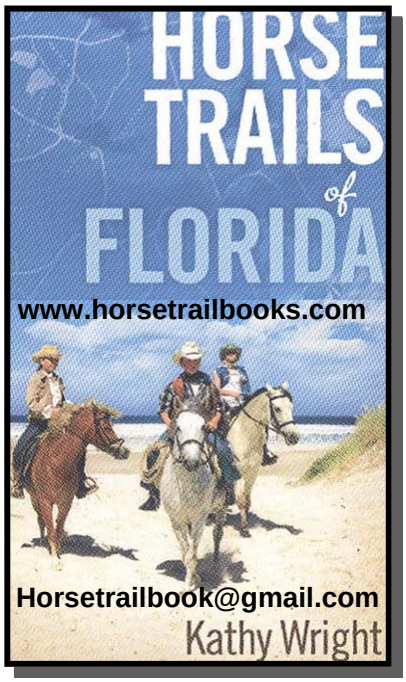


"A LAND REMEMBERED" MULTIMEDIA PRESENTATION

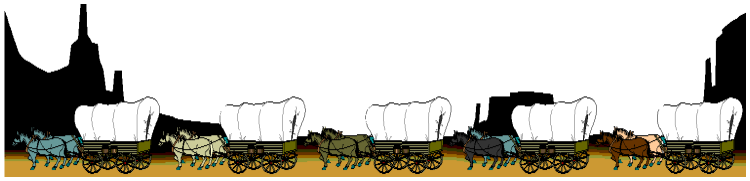
Few, if any books, have captured the spirit and colorful history of Florida as has Patrick Smith's beloved novel, A Land Remembered. It has been said many times that people should be issued a copy of A Land Remembered when they cross the Florida state line.

Here is your opportunity to get to know the author and his work better as Smith's son, Rick, takes the stage to delight audiences with a multimedia show about his father and the extraordinary experiences he had which enabled him to write with such authority of Florida pioneers, the Seminoles, migrant workers, "river rats" of Mississippi, the social injustices of the South and the challenges of the present.

The show first toured in Florida for 18 days in January, 2013 to packed audiences. "I honestly didn't know if anyone would come to my presentations," Rick Smith says. "I had never done this sort of thing before and was absolutely amazed to see people pouring in the door at every single public venue. We had a full house every time and several places had to turn people away. It is a great tribute to my father, Patrick Smith, and the popularity of his books, especially A Land Remembered."

"I describe this as a show, not a talk or a lecture," Rick says. "The presentation consists of videos, photos, artwork, music and sound effects. I narrate it live throughout. I make it visually stimulating and throw in a joke or two for good measure. My first goal was to make it entertaining. One man in the audience said he had spent his life in media production and that this was the finest example of visual storytelling he had ever seen. That meant a lot to me."

The SFTR will have this show on Nov. 10th Sunday at 2:00PM. We do not have a location yet but he is booked for us on that date. PLEASE SAVE THE DATE.



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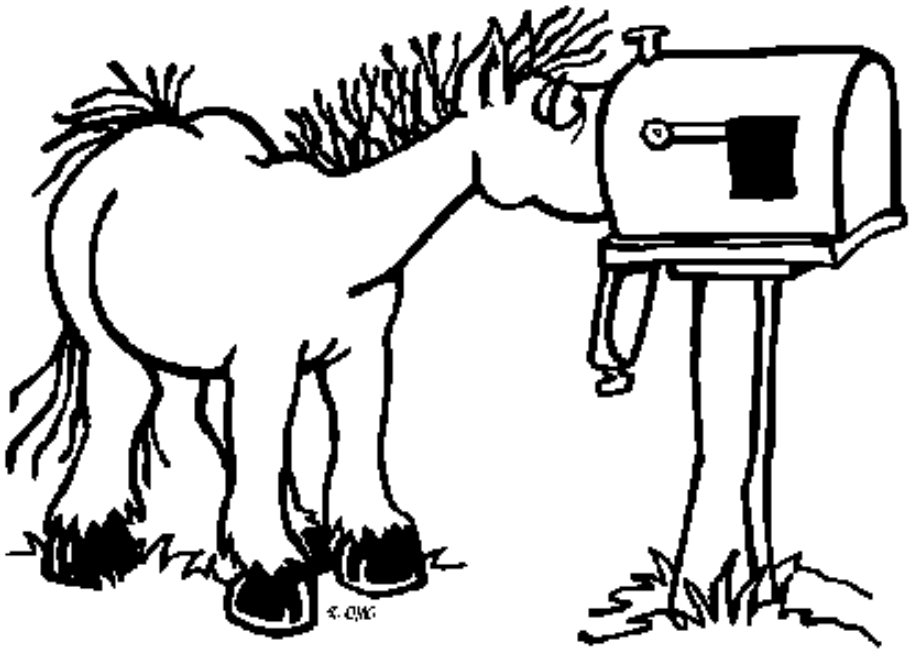
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