

combination at first, turns out not to be. Maybe we feel the horse isn't getting what it needs. Maybe the new guardian has second thoughts of his own. In either case we either try to improve the situation or will bring the horse back to one of our temporary homes and begin the adoption process anew. Even after one of our orphans has found a good home we stay in touch. We call the guardian periodically, and we even visit our old family friend every so often just to say, "Hi." We are committed to our extended family's well being.

Should a horse be relocated through our networking, but outside of our adoption program, Greener Pastures Rescue will not provide the follow up.

HORSE CARE

Greener Pastures Rescue developed an educational program on general stable management and horsemanship. Proper care is necessary and our education helps develop it.

WEB SITE

Visit www.greenerpasturesrescue.org to discover: Horses available for adoption, Upcoming fund raisers, Schedule of educational classes, and Success stories.








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The Carrot Club
for Individuals or Families

- \$35 Carrot
- \$75 Carrots
- \$125 Carrots
- \$150 Carrots
- Other _____



The Apple Club
for Businesses

- \$200 Apple 
- \$750 Apples 
- \$1500 Apples 
- \$3000 Apples 
- Other _____ 

All Carrot Club and Apple Club Members receive a quarterly newsletter via mail or e-mail. Please refer to our web site for club member benefits.

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*New Homes
 and Better Lives
 for Horses in
 Connecticut*



Kon-Tiki & Inge



Marshmallow & Dana

WHAT WE DO

Greener Pastures Rescue was founded in 2002 by Inge Hieret and Dana Stillwell as a non-profit, volunteer organization dedicated to finding good, new homes for the unwanted, neglected or uncared-for horses of Connecticut. If a guardian can no longer adequately care for a horse and asks for our help, we will accept that horse into our Greener Pastures Rescue network system and begin an active search for a proper adoptive home. Our volunteers are animal lovers in general, and horse lovers in particular. Their day-to-day work ranges from office duties, to fund-raising, to orphan evaluating, to home searching, to adoption follow-up. Our goal is to have no horse in Connecticut living without good health, good care in a home with real love.

WHO BENEFITS

Probably the best way to understand Greener Pastures is to meet one of our first Orphans. His name is Shaman. He's a 17 year old Appaloosa gelding, 15.3 hands tall. For his whole life he's been a favorite of his owners and would still be their best trail horse and still be giving them easy morning canters through the woods except for one

thing. Shaman is blind. He has Moon Blindness (Recurrent Uveitis). He's lost his vision over several years, and finally his owners decided he just could not be ridden safely any more. He can still see areas of light and dark, but that's not good enough for regular trail riding.

What could his guardians do? They didn't want him just languishing in a stall, and they didn't want to put him down. So, they called us. Happily we were able to place Shaman in a temporary home, and he was doing quite well.

At first it was a little confusing for him. He had to be walked quite frequently in and out of his paddock, his pasture and his stall, but he was gentle and most cooperative. He picked up on our sound cue techniques quickly. This made it easier to communicate with him. He regained respect for humans, instead of fearing them, due to the new communication. Our hopes and dreams came true for Shaman. Now he is in a permanent home. He is even been ridden on a regular basis. He has regained his job to care for his new loving guardian.

WHY NEW HOMES

Owners of horses sometimes can no longer care for their horse. It may be for financial reasons. It may be for the horse's health reasons. It may be for the guardian's health reasons. Whatever the reason, when the owner calls us, our networking begins.

HOW WE WORK

We do not have our own facility as yet, but are taking care of Greener Pastures horses at two private barns. Some of these horses are being trained to ready them for adoption, while others, older and with physical issues, are permanent residents.

We developed a waiting list and network system to continue helping the horses in need. Our network system includes the use of our web site and data base. The data base keeps active files of horse friends in our region who have expressed an interest in adopting a horse. The web site describes the horses available and might show a photo. Since these horse still live with their owners, a potentially interested guardian is then put in touch with the owner, as they are able to provide more accurate information.



Shaman & Linda

When the owners feel comfortable with a potential guardian, they forward the new adopter's information to us. We then begin our assessment. We interview him/ her. We inspect their property for safety. We review the adoption agreement. We make judgment about the home as being the right place for a Greener Pastures family member.

Upon our approval, we request the horse to be released to Greener Pastures Rescue with a current coggins and rabies certificate. The horse is then relocated to its new home.

That is not the end of it, though. Greener Pastures reserves the right to recall any horse at any time. Sometimes what looks like a good