



Horses at Mill Creek Farm

Retirement Home for Horses Inc.

Established 1984

A nonprofit organization dedicated to providing lifetime care for old, abused and unwanted horses.

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Wendy, a 19 year old Thoroughbred, arrived at Mill Creek Farm the evening of December 7, 1991. She was destined to be euthanized the following day. She had been used for experiments at a nearby University and now that she was of no further use, her reward was to be put down. Some wires dangled through a hole in her belly. The wires were connected to various sensors attached to vital parts of her system like her heart, kidneys and liver. She was subjected to various stimuli to measure her reaction. We had to keep the hole clear and clean daily to prevent a buildup of infection. A few years after her arrival, we discovered a lump in her belly. After some prodding and pressing, another set of wires broke through her skin. So now we had two holes to keep clean. Wendy was loved by all who knew her. Jack Hanna featured her twice on his world wide series *Animal Adventures*. She enjoyed every day she spent at the farm. Her retirement lasted more than 14 years until she died on March 8 this year at the age of 33.



*Grieve not,
nor speak of me
with tears,
but laugh and
talk of me as if
I were beside you.
I loved you so...
'twas Heaven here
with you.*

Isla Paschal Richardson

ANOTHER FROM THE MET

Voltan, a 25 year old Belgian, lived at the Claremont Riding Academy in New York City when he was called upon to replace Milky Way, an Appaloosa who appeared nightly on stage at the Lincoln Center in the Metropolitan Opera's version of Carmen. Milky Way developed a fused vertebra which forced his retirement. Voltan ably took the part, being driven to the Lincoln Center each evening and waiting for his cue in the basement of the theater. When the time came, Voltan was placed in an elevator and taken directly to the stage. After the show's run ended, severe arthritis caused Voltan's retirement. Now he and Milky Way share the same pasture at Mill Creek Farm where they can discuss their past glory.

A TRUE HANOVERIAN

Patrick was born in Germany 23 years ago. His name at that time was Pik Nik. When he came to America, his name was changed to Spirit of Xerox and he became a hunter jumper champion in Canada, the United States and Mexico. At the age of 13, he was sold for \$70,000. When his days of glory were over, he went to Pal-O-Mine Equestrian, Inc., a handicap riding facility on Long Island, NY. There he worked with students suffering from Cerebral Palsy, Multiple Sclerosis, Traumatic Brain Injury, etc. Now he is enjoying a well earned retirement with Ziggy, a gentle Appaloosa who accompanied him from Pal-O-Mine.

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