Congratulations to DEFHR Ambassador and U.S. Olympian Lauren Nicholson on Top Placings at the **Inaugural Maryland 5 Star Event**

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DEFHR's dedicated ambassador and Olympic eventer Lauren Nicholson and her mount Landmark's Monte Carlo, owned by Jacqueline Mars, put in a brilliant performance to earn sixth place out of 45 horse-and-rider combinations at the inaugural Maryland 5 Star at Fair

Hill CCI5*-L event. Lauren didn't stop there. She also brought home 12th place aboard

Vermiculus, also owned by Mrs. Mars. Congratulations, Lauren, and thank you for your continued support of our mission. **DEFHR Had a Blast as the Official Charity Partner** of The Capital Challenge Horse Show

A big thank you to The Capital Challenge Horse Show for having DEFHR return as an Official Charity Partner at the competition that ran from October 1 to 10, 2021, at Prince George's Equestrian Center in Upper Marlboro, Maryland. Vinni the Mini made

an appearance as a VIP guest performer just ahead of the prestigious World Champion Hunter Rider (WCHR) Professional Challenge. He also spent time with exhibitors during an ice cream social. Vinni did a great job and we are so proud of how much he has accomplished since his arrival as an emaciated colt three years ago. Congratulations to Vinni and DEFHR's Assistant Trainer, Leigha Schrader, who has brought this young gelding

along.



Thank You, Leadership Howard County

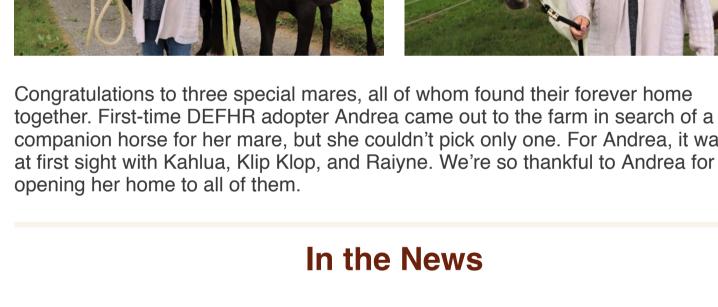


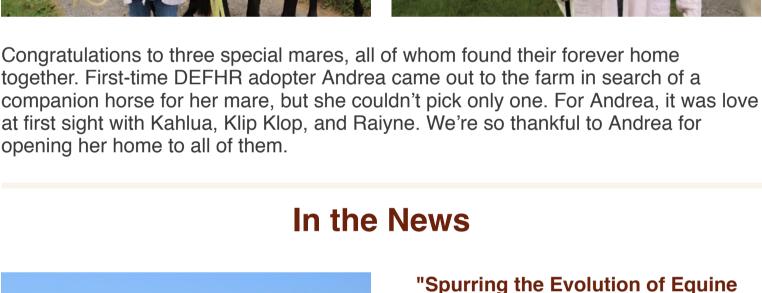
Three Lucky Horses Find Their Forever Human

Earlier this month, we hosted high school juniors that are members of Leadership Howard County, a program that empowers high schoolers to learn by doing. The

preparing and inspiring future leaders in our local area.

students learned about our mission, met some of our rescue horses, and spent time volunteering onsite. Thank you to Leadership Howard County for your commitment to





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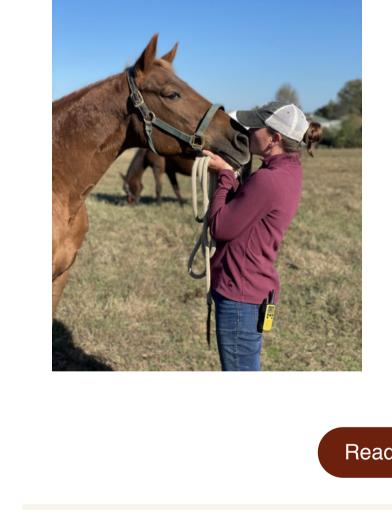
critically ill horses. While all were in poor condition, they were fully rehabilitated.

Rescue" In addition to rescue and rehabilitation, education is a core component of DEFHR's strategy to put an end to equine neglect and abuse. Click the button below to read the article in World Equestrian Center Magazine about the



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broadly.



Despite their recovery, these horses cannot enter into training or be put up for adoption until the legal case against their owner is resolved. This creates a burden

for the horses who must wait longer for their forever home. The burden extends to the rescues, too. The care for these

horses alone is expected to cost DEFHR \$146,000 by the time the case is closed. Click the button below to read our Horse

Network article about how rescues

In January 2021, DEFHR took in 19

support horses in these situations. Read Article Featured Horse of the Month: Adam's Apple



21-year-old Appaloosa gelding, 14.3hh Adam is a big puppy dog in a horse's body. This handsome fellow is non-rideable due to an old injury, but is pasture sound and looking for a companion-only home. Adam gets along well with other horses and is currently living outside 24/7. Adam is very personable, loving, and enjoys all the attention he can get. He would be the perfect addition to any herd.

Click To Learn More About Adam's Apple

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