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Reminds Me of a Story... From the President's Corner

THE CHRISTMAS STAR



I am sure you bought some of his prints, perhaps a greeting card. I never knew who may have been the artist who created paintings which captured the Western lifestyle with soft, warm edges. Where the look portrays the "Romantic West"- a place where your horse is immediate family, reflecting human emotions that revel us in all that is pure and good and right about surviving in a world that is ruled by nature. That's why his art is so good at expressing a greeting card heartfelt message. It's so much more than that. He really is the Norman Rockwell of the West.

Well this month Jack Sorenson's "A Christmas Star" adorned the cover of Western Horsemen Magazine. It was the 15th time one of his paintings made the cover. This month some of his story was told in Western Horsemen, and I am crediting them with some of the information herein.

Jack paints at least 3 holiday paintings each year. This year's painting, "A Christmas Star" was modeled by his son Josh and his 5 year old granddaughter, Roonie. The horse belongs to a friend, and is named William Sugar Bars.

Before he begins a painting he starts with a storyline. "The great illustrators always created a backstory before starting any painting. The anecdote for "The Christmas Star" was a cowboy telling a child the story of the Star of Bethlehem, and the child wanting to go outside, get on horseback and ride out to see it. Now.

Jack Sorenson has over 100 Leanin Tree Greeting cards. He has done over 70 holiday paintings " I love Christmas. I have always been a nut for it. I've

done more holiday paintings than any living Western artist. I have been blessed that God has given me more ideas than I could ever ask for. I already have ideas for next year."

His inspiration for painting Christmas scenes began with George Phippen's painting , "The Boss has a Young'un." It appeared on the December 1956 Cover of Western Horsemen.

"When I was a kid, my only access to Western Art was the "Western Horsemen" magazine and Leanin' Tree greeting cards. Every time the magazine got in the mailbox my Mom couldn't wait to show me."

That's a painting in itself.

"She and I started praying that someday I would be able to do the cover of Western Horsemen."

That's another painting.

Of the 15 Western Horsemen Covers he has done, seven of them have been holiday covers on the December issue, beginning in 1994. That's a pretty good record. That's about 1 in every 3 years. I'm not the only one who thinks he's good.

It's with the heart and soul of a Jack Sorenson painting that I wish you all a happy and healthy and wholesome holiday season. I am completing my third year as your President, and I must say I am honored that a group of people such as you have entrusted me with that responsibility. As I begin my final year as your President, my hope would be that we have a year in 2018 that makes me proud to turn over the reins to a club that is healthy to someone who is ready to blaze new trails for all of us. Merry Christmas and a blessed and Joyous New Year.





Ferber Ranch Ride - What a Great Way to Spend a Thanksgiving Sunday

By Janel Meric



Horse Sense

NATURAL HORSEMANSHIP

By Dave Seroski

As my first Natural Horsemanship instructor, Susan Johnston, told me "Your horse can feel a fly land on him and you are trying to become very light with your horse. So become lighter."

Now to a non-horse person these words mean nothing but to us, they speak what our horse knows and what we are learning more of everyday. We will all agree the halter & head stall is the first step to horse direction.

When I was handed a halter made of a simple piece of rope to use on my wild horse that had just drug me down the road with a stout leather halter - well, I was eyeing that puppy with some doubts. Ted looked at it and laughed "Yeah, let's try that." But as with everything I learned, another revelation was right at hand.

Of course I had to make my own (should have just bought the darn thing). Just cause it looks simple doesn't mean it is. The right rope, the right knots (learning the darn knots), the failures, the cost of rope.

Tesla, I think, said "Nothing simple is ever simple; it is done simply to make things simpler." If he didn't say that then I'm claiming it.

A couple of hundred tries later, you have what you see on Ted's snout in this photo. Yes, a prototype of

our limited edition halter and no, the Band-Aid was NOT from testing; it was from Cosmetic surgery by Dr. Secore.

The trick of the halter is the fit, the location of the knots, and yes, that nifty ring under Ted's snout. When the lead is attached, the halter stays in place and the ring moves about the nose loop, giving gentle direction to the opposite side of the face and helping the horse to lean away from the pressure and toward the direction of lead.

Remember the fly? Remember rewarding the slightest try?

Here it is in living form, in a video soon to be posted on our web site. In it you can see me work with Titan, a horse I had no contact with prior to the shooting of the video other than to fit him for this halter. You Tell me.

Titan had a troubled past, but after the patience and tutelage of Liz from Hanalei, here's the New Titan, a confident, strong, proud horse looking for a forever home with a forever owner. And yes our halter will go with him.

I expect to make him a lead shortly. It has to have some tricks to it as well. It is like one you will see me using with him.





Local Events News - Hanaeleh

By Sue Seroski

TITAN

Titan is looking for his forever home. PLEASE SHARE.

Titan is a 15 year-old Hanovarian/Irish Sport Horse Warmblood. He came to Hanaeleh because both of his hind suspensories had been torn and his owner did not want to rehab him. It's been almost a year, but he is now cleared for light trotting and turn-out, and we have been riding him without issues for the past few months.

Titan is a BIG boy- he's 17 hands and WIDE. He's a bit overweight right now because he was very limited on what he was allowed to physically do, but we believe that now he's allowed to work more he'll lose some of that extra weight.

Titan can be ridden in walk/trot shows or out on leisurely trail rides (he's happier when he goes out with a group- he doesn't really like going out by himself- he gets nervous).

We ride Titan in a flex-tree western saddle right now, but he was ridden and trained in English, and was a three-day eventer (show jumping, cross country and dressage). He is very well trained, has a beautiful headset while being ridden, and leaned how to neck rein very quickly. We've been walking and trotting him in the arena, and he seems to enjoy the exercise. He responds well and is pleasurable to ride

Titan had suspensory tears on both of his hind legs. While they are healed now and he is cleared for light trotting, he will never be able to jump again, and should not canter, either. We want his new owners to understand that he should be used for walking and trotting ONLY- cantering him or jumping him will only result in him being injured again.

Titan needs a confident intermediate handler. While he is very easy to ride under saddle, he can be pushy on the ground, and may try to take advantage of people who are timid. He is happiest when he knows he has a human who is confident.

All of Hanaeleh's horses have a \$1,000 adoption fee, and we retain a first right-of-refusal on all of our horses. We are located in Trabuco Canyon, CA (in

south Orange County). We adopt out to locations in California only as we do periodic checkups. To adopt Titan please fill out our horse inquiry form here--> <https://goo.gl/CJ0JEH>

NOTE: We regularly check-in on our adoptions and therefore we can only adopt out to homes in California.

Click here for more photos and video-->

<https://www.hanaeleh.org/up-for-adoption-titan/>



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Wednesday: Trabuco Canyon, Lake Forest, Serrano
Thursday: Rancho Carillo, Ortega, San Juan Capistrano, Nellie Gail, Laguna
Friday: Coto de Caza



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- * Remember to thank your delivery driver

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2017 CALENDAR | ETI CORRAL 357

NO DECEMBER MEMBERS' MEETING:

Remember, we don't have a regular Members' Meeting

We have a Christmas Party instead!



Sunday, December 17th

Dinner 5:30 pm | Until 9:00 pm

Iacono's home

Iacono's Via Della Rosa Ranch

20091 Rose Canyon Road

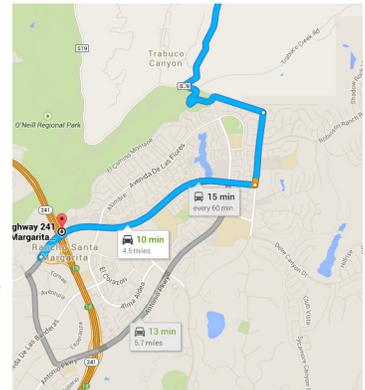
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HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!!



2017 CALENDAR ETI Corral 357 Calendar

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Indicates Change

Date		Event		Location	Contact	
Dec.	9	Saturday	Laguna Niguel Holiday Parade	TBA	Laguna Niguel	Jimmy I (714) 612-1789
	14	Thursday	Board Meeting	7:00 pm	Iacono's	Jimmy I (714) 612-1789
	17	Sunday	Christmas Party	5:30 pm	Iacono's	Jimmy I (714) 612-1789
	30	Saturday	Month End Ride	10:00 am		Heather (949) 702-0137

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Horse Sense

SOME HANDY HORSE KNOTS!!

By Dave Seroski

What kinds of things are handy to have? Check out these videos:



BOWLINE KNOT



HIGH-TIE





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Treasurer's Report

By Vicki Iacono

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR PERIOD ENDING: **October 31, 2017**

Ending Balance (BofA) \$9,698.47

DEPOSITS: Deposits Made After Closing: \$0.00
 Sub-Total for beginning Balance + Deposits \$9,698.47

EXPENSES:

Ck#	Source:	Reason:	Amount:
2109	ETI	membership dues	\$ 170.00
2113	D Kelly	Playday food	\$ 97.76
2116	R Gomez	domain renewal	\$ 12.95
2110	ETI	member dues	\$ 35.00
2112	J Iacono	Playday buckles	\$ 192.00

Total expenses paid this period: (\$830.62)

Funds on hand after Expenses paid & unpaid checks this period: \$8,899.59
Petty Cash on Hand (included in balance) \$400.00
Corral FUNDS On Hand \$9,299.59
NET - NET - NET Funds on Hand \$8,822.86

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MEMBERSHIP RATES:

Junior Membership (under 18)	\$30
Senior Membership (over 18)	\$45
Family Membership	\$70

Contact: Kristen Holden
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ADVERTISING RATES:

Ad Size	Member	Non-Member
Full Page	\$45.00	\$75.00
Half Page	\$30.00	\$50.00
1/4 Page	\$15.00	\$25.00
1/8 Page	\$5.00	\$10.00

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Note from the Editor

Renate Soderstrom

See and print our Emergency Evacuation Plan here:
<http://www.saddlebackcanyonriders.com/our-mission/emergency-preparedness.asp>



Deadline for January 2017 Newsletter is December 29th!!!
 send articles and photos to: renate.soderstrom@gmail.com



The Saddleback Canyon Riders are ETI Corral 357

Established in 1991, we are one of the largest ETI corrals in California with members from South Orange County and points beyond. We are a family-friendly equestrian group based in **Trabuco Canyon** at the foot of the majestic Saddleback Mountains. Our Corral is committed to supporting and helping maintain O'Neill Regional Park and other local riding trails.



ETI: Equestrian Trails, Incorporated is a family oriented riding club established as a nonprofit corporation in 1944 with the Charter to be "Dedicated to the Acquisition and Preservation of Trails, Good Horsemanship, and Equine Legislation." With its combined membership, ETI has successfully worked to keep our trails open and add more equestrian facilities. The more members we have backing equine legislation and trail preservation, the more likely the State, County and City Officials will be to comply with our needs.

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