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### The Desperate Update-Horses to Ship Unless Help is Offered



**Cream Ridge, NJ - 1/21/19** - Eight trotters and pacers in need of homes are now tagged and on the manifest to ship to the Canadian and Mexican slaughterhouses. The Standardbred Retirement Foundation, (SRF) is pleading for homes, other organizations for help, foster homes, and sponsors to get them out of these horrific "kill pens".

Down from 35 in need, the remaining 8 are:

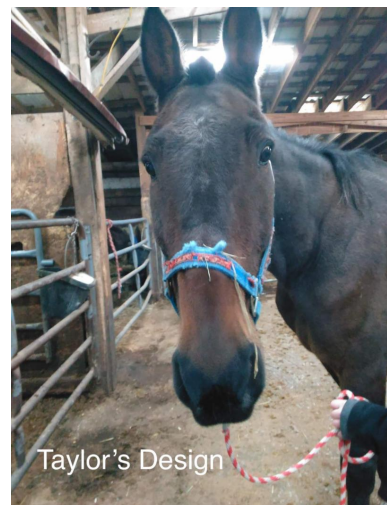
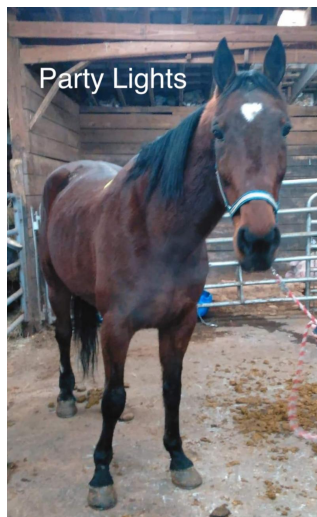
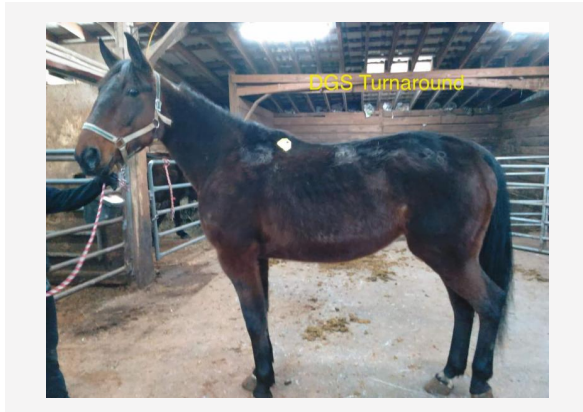
1. Rookthatiscastling - or Fire Island (waiting on confirmation)  
Likely about 14 yr old. Gelding
  2. First Season, 14 yr. old mare. May only be able to walk under saddle.
  3. Bonnie Caviar may not be identified correctly-kill pen volunteer did not have time, may be Spartan Justice, 11 yr. old (not sure if g or m yet). Appears sound.
  4. DG's Turnaround, 16 yr. old mare about 16.1h, appears sound. (Listed as deceased on her registration but incorrect)
  5. Have It Your Way, 14 yr. old mare, 15.2 needs hoof care immediately, appears sound.
  6. Naomi Blue Chip, 15 yr. old mare, 15.1 mother of 4 babies who earned \$250,000. Appears sound. Scared in the pen.
  7. Taylor's Design, 18 yr. old gelding, big handsome trotter, sore in back likely due to pulling weight much heavier than able to.
  8. Walk Of Shame, 14 yr. old mare, appears sound, may be blind in right eye but she appears to see the world.
- *Party Lights 13 yr. mare, is injured and being attended to, she has dropped suspensory, she is paid for, has a sponsor, but she needs a home. She has a heart on her forehead.*
  - *Funny Girl - safe but needs an experienced home for mom and baby due in April.*

In these pens the horses are rarely provided for any of their basic needs, shelter, water and feed. The harsh weather has made things much more difficult, however it also gave these horses a few more days of hope for homes, but the deadline is today at 5pm. SRF is beyond full, and it's not just the large number of horses under SRF's care that is blocking the help, it's the financial restrictions. SRF has no regular funding, not privately, publicly, or from the racing industry. Some people feel humane euthanasia is better than shipping hundreds of miles to the borders to be slaughtered, even if that was an option, it is beyond the financial ability of the SRF. It is approximately \$500 for the veterinarian and renderer to put a horse at

peace.

SRF and everyone who has taken a horse or has contributed to help these animals is begging for help for the remaining eight. Two thousand two hundred dollars (\$2,200) is still needed for bail, and eight homes, however, if homes are not found for all, sponsorship will help. In general, a horse will cost SRF \$2,400-\$4,200 annually, any part of a sponsorship monthly or for a year will save one of these horses.

To offer a home, a foster home, to sponsor a horse, make a donation please call SRF immediately at 609-738-3255, or email Tammy at [SRFHorsesandKids@gmail.com](mailto:SRFHorsesandKids@gmail.com).





## About Standardbred Retirement Foundation

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Standardbred Retirement Foundation provides human care and services for horse in need of lifetime homes, and in crisis. Through rehabilitation, training, adoption, life-long follow-up or life time sanctuary and offering therapeutic equine opportunities for children and adults.

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