

Stolen Horse International, Inc.

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NetPosse.com Supporters Continue Search for Venus while Others Add to Reward!

October 11, 2006 – Canton, Georgia – Less than two weeks since the theft of Venus Du Vey, his owner and her legion of supporters have asked the same question 1,000 times: How do you hide a 17.3 hand black stallion?

For anyone familiar with horse theft, the answer is as simple as the fact that there are a million and one places to hide a horse while waiting for the heat to wear off. And that can be discouraging to a victim of theft who underestimates the power of one.

Since Venus' owner, Anne Dupard, was informed of his theft, and what his thief fails to realize, is that Venus' information has flooded the emails of more people than can be counted. Horse enthusiasts and even sectors of the general public all across the United States and in other countries are looking for this horse.

It only takes one person to forward Venus' webpage to the right person; one person to recognize him from a posted flyer; one person to do the right thing. Venus can be found on the Internet at www.netposse.com/VenusDuVey.htm.

There are many theories as to why the stallion was stolen. And while the reason may give clues as to his possible location, the two most worrisome thoughts for his owner are that Venus will wind up at the slaughterhouse or be exported to a foreign country.

Acting on those fears, Anne and her new friends from Stolen Horse International, Inc. (SHI) and strangers throughout the world, have joined forces to contact slaughterhouses, auction lots, and export companies. Somewhere, someone has seen this beautiful, regal, yet gentle, stallion.

And those looking for him need to keep in mind that it is possible that his appearance or coloring has been altered, while his demeanor may have become belligerent or frightened. Venus may also have lost some weight, which can cause him to look smaller.

Aside from potential changes to Venus, another thing has changed since members of SHI's Internet group, NetPosse, heard of Anne's plight. In an effort to influence people that might not ordinarily be too concerned about someone else's missing horse and to discourage killer buyers, old friends and new ones have committed more money to increase the reward for Anne's horse. The hope is that someone will find the amount tempting enough to contact authorities, SHI or Anne to divulge Venus' location.

Beside herself with worry, Anne is an entire continent away, caring for her father-in-law who is dying of cancer, but she has had critical support from stateside friend, Jeannine Courser, who has been relentless in her attempts to find Venus. Jeannine has been in constant contact with Anne, SHI volunteers and others who've stepped forward. Anne is incredibly grateful for her friend's dedication and the support of NetPosse.

Providing horse theft education and aiding in the recovery of stolen horses is what Debi Metcalfe, founder of SHI, does best. No stranger to theft herself, SHI was formed because of Debi's personal experience after her family's horse, Idaho, was stolen in 1997 and recovered fifty-one weeks later, through their personal efforts.

Now SHI is looking to NetPosse volunteers and the public to recover Venus so that Anne can again concentrate on other critical issues in her life. She needs to know that her beloved stallion is safely home. Please help us locate Venus by forwarding this press release, sending an email or distributing his flyer.

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