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The Horse Shelter's 3rd Annual "Gimme Shelter Trainers' Rally" Helped Eight Horses find Adoptive Homes

Santa Fe, NM July 12th, 2016....The Horse Shelter's 3rd Annual "Gimme Shelter – Trainers' Rally for Rescues" horse show and adoption event was a huge success. For 100 days eight professional trainers had each taken a rescue horse that had never been under saddle before. All eight horses in the competition were adopted at the event. The Horse Shelter is thrilled with the support we have received from the community and the approximately 1,000 attendees who came to cheer on our horses and their trainers. We would also like to thank the event sponsors Lexus, Landrover, San Marcos Feed Store & Café, Squeaky Clean Carwash and Davis & Sons Hatting Co, as well as all the individual trainer sponsors, who can be found on our website thehorseshelter.org. We would not be able to institute this event without the magnanimity of our sponsors and trainers. This year's Gimme Shelter event raised \$24,000 from sponsors, over \$10,000 in adoption fees and \$5,000 in donations at the event. The trainers were able to showcase how many young, beautiful and easily trained horses we have in rescue. Trainer Alexis Fastle won first place on Chaca, followed by Rudy Lara Jr. in second on Jesse. Third place went to Julie Phillips on Bode, followed by Patrick Otis in fourth on Figaro. Honorably mentioned trainers in alphabetical order are: Stephanie Gershon on Oscar, Katie Johanson on Joey, Joost Lammers/Erica Hess on Rolo and Greg Russell on Stella.

In our eyes ALL of these trainers are exceptional, and we are grateful for their support and generosity in offering their training pro bono. They have given these eight horses the opportunity for a good life, which makes the true winners of this event *our horses!* ###