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## **Book about famed warhorse, Comanche, to be launched at Dutchess County Fair**

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**Rhinebeck, NY** - A new book about Comanche, survivor of the Battle of the Little Bighorn, and Captain Myles Keogh, his owner, will debut on Friday, August 23, at the Dutchess County Fair. The launch of *Comanche and His Captain--The Warhorse and The Soldier of Fortune* is being sponsored by Taborton Equine Books at their booth, No. 5 in Building A. The author, Janet Barrett, will be on hand throughout the day to greet visitors and sign books.

Set against the fury of the Civil War and the challenges of securing the frontier, the intertwined stories of the tough Mustang, Comanche, and Keogh, the courageous soldier of fortune, move toward a climax that is both an ending and a beginning. The two rode together for eight years, a partnership that took them to the Battle of the Little Bighorn.

"It was 1876, our country's 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary, and just as the July 4<sup>th</sup> celebrations began news of the Little Bighorn massacre sent shock waves across the country," Barrett said. "Yet, people took comfort in knowing that the brave Comanche had survived. He became the most famous horse in America, 2<sup>nd</sup>



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Commanding Officer of the 7<sup>th</sup> Cavalry, his presence helping to restore the cavalry's image of strength and courage."

Before tackling the story of Comanche, Barrett wrote *They Called Her Reckless--A True Story of War, Love And One Extraordinary Horse*, about the warhorse, Reckless, and her fellow Marines in the Korean War.

The 174th Dutchess County Fair runs August 20th - 25th in Rhinebeck, New York. Advance tickets are available through the website, [DutchessFair.com](http://DutchessFair.com) and at local grocers and other retail establishments.

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