



MIRACLE CHIP

With superb bloodlines, outstanding movement, and dazzling color, 1990 stallion The Miracle Chip was born to be a star. Bred by Natalie Umphress and daughter Jill Ann Bennett, The Miracle Chip was sired by Quarter Horse stallion and AQHA World Champion Zips Chocolate Chip and out of Appaloosa mare Bright Lites Lady. Zips Chocolate Chip was an up-and-coming stallion in the pleasure horse industry, while Bright Lites Lady's pedigree was filled with the names of ApHC Hall of Fame members Bright Eyes Brother, Peavy Bimbo, and Prince Plaudit. Bright Lites Lady had also shown successfully, earning a reserve National championship, a reserve World championship, and a Register of Merit (ROM) in western pleasure.

The Miracle Chip became the first Appaloosa to win 2-year-old snaffle bit western pleasure titles at the World Championship Appaloosa Show, the Solid Gold Futurity, and the National Appaloosa Horse Show placing first under all five judges. Retired until 2001, the stallion briefly returned to the show ring, handily winning a reserve World champion title in senior western pleasure.

His first foal crop arrived in 1994—his foals have won countless western pleasure titles, and have crossed over into English disciplines and halter classes successfully as well, as exceptional horses with natural, flowing movement and good minds.

Tragically, The Miracle Chip was lost in a barn fire in 2009, but as of 2010, The Miracle Chip has sired 217 ApHC-registered foals, which have earned 3420 performance points, 811.5 halter points, 201 ROMs, 29 bronze medallions, and two silver medallions to date. Through his get and grand-get, The Miracle Chip's presence will no doubt be felt for years to come.