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"Great Horse" takes Rider on Trip Through History
Reviewer: Laura L. Hutchinson | *The Free Lance-Star*

August 12, 2008 | MEAGAN ROBERTS names the foal born on the summer solstice, June 21, 2001, Promise. The horse is unique in many ways. But when an old woman tells Meagan and her mother that Promise may be the latest in a long line of "Great Horses," they doubt the old woman's sanity.

But Meagan soon finds the woman's tales to be true, as she is transported back through history. She finds herself in the days of cave men, who slaughtered horses for food. Then she winds up in Rome, where horses are brutally used in chariot races. She finally finds herself riding with Genghis Khan and his raiders, then with the knights of the Crusades.

Author John Royce promises that "Eclipsed by Shadow" is the first in a trilogy of books about the Great Horse. Though there is some graphic violence, there's also a good read within its pages. Young adults will learn about how horses have been used throughout the ages and a good bit of world history. They'll also find themselves engrossed in Meagan's adventures.

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