



# Horse Protection Association of Florida



Winter 2016

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Newsletter

Once again you have made it possible for horses to be rescued from starvation and neglect. We bring the horses to the farm, give them good hay, feed and supplements so that their bodies can heal. Sometimes the horses are at the point where they cannot enjoy a quality of life. We had two elderly mares that came in this summer and the condition of their hooves was such that they were in constant pain. It is the difficult part of the work we do; making the decision to let their beautiful spirits free of their earthly bonds, releasing them from their pain. We were also called about a Thoroughbred mare suffering from an untreated condition and were also able to help her transition out of her painful body as well.

The horses have the best of care and all the love we can shower on them for their final days. Because of you, these horses are no longer languishing neglected and in pain. With your help we can reach more horses throughout Florida. We receive many calls from owners who can no longer feed or care for their elderly and unrideable horses. We don't want to have to turn them away because if we do there is a good chance that the horse may end up going to slaughter in Mexico or dying from starvation. It takes \$350,000 a year to operate the HPAF farm and we want to be able to help more horses. We cannot help any horses without you. Bless you for giving so that HPAF can continue to help horses in need. Our work is made possible by you and we thank you from the bottom of our hearts for your compassion and generosity.

NEW



Beauty 5-13-16



Niva 7-6-16



Softly 5-14-16



Beauty 6-16-16



Niva 10-16-16



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*A Special thank you!*

To those who made an outstanding contribution since the last newsletter...

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June Wise of Lauderdale by the Sea sponsors Cindy's stall

Christina Meng sponsors Perry

# Handsome Perry

This is handsome Perry, a 4 year old pony gelding. Perry was found in March of 2015 when we responded to a report of an emaciated horse. Sadly by the time we found the pasture after being given the wrong address, the emaciated elderly horse had passed away. That was when we found Perry in the same pasture. Because he was small Perry had survived on the available grass and the sporadic feed. Perry has a severe old injury, his stifle (the hind knee joint) was not just broken, it was shattered. Because his hooves had never been trimmed Perry had to swing that leg in a big arc in order to bring it forward when he walked. Once his hooves were trimmed the way he walked changed and Perry became very lame due to the drastic changes in the way he used his muscles. Dr. Langlois took radiographs of the joint and said that Perry's injuries were old & there was no treatment, his pain would have to be managed until a time came when we could no longer keep him comfortable.

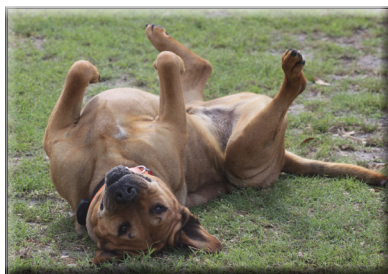
Everyone loved Perry from the start; he has so much personality and is a mischievous little guy, it was devastating news. Because it appeared that Perry wouldn't survive, we didn't introduce him to you last year, we don't like to share all the sadness with you because sometimes it is just too painful for us. But soon after that initial lameness Perry got better and began to trot and canter, the muscles around his stifle becoming stronger to compensate. At first he carried that leg in the air, sometimes pushing off with his toe, and then he began to use the leg more and more. Now Perry can gallop as fast as most of the horses in his pasture. When we drive out into the pasture in the Polaris he will gallop after us all the way back to the barn just in case there is some food in it that he can steal. Perry can hold his own with the other horses and he bosses the Paso fillies around playing rowdy instigator. Expecting the worst we have been pleasantly surprised by a miracle and Perry now enjoys a happy childhood living with his friends at the HPAF farm. Perry is sponsored by Cristina Meng.



Perry and his sponsor, Christina Meng



## BUD



Those of you who have been to the farm in the past thirteen years met Bud, the Farm Ambassador and center of the universe. Dumped on county road 320 as a puppy Bud was the best doggie in the entire world. He greeted every visitor and requested that his belly be rubbed.

Arthritis affected Bud's ability to get up and walk and after acupuncture with Dr. Cantwell and supplements to help him it became time to free Bud from his body. Bud is now another angel watching over the farm, forever in our hearts.

# The Paso's

In May of 2015 when the emaciated Paso's came to the farm they were all terrified of people. It was quite a job just getting them into the spacious 24 foot trailer because our mere presence spooked them so badly. We would sit holding their tubs of feed to get them to stand close to us and learn that we weren't going to try to grab them every time we came near. It was an arduous process over the next year and a half to earn their trust. Now we see what that investment of time daily produces; friendly, content horses who enjoy being scratched and loved on. Tommy the former stallion was terrified of people going near his hind quarters or touching his tail. An innocent movement of the hand would send him fleeing in terror. Now each evening when he is turned out after dinner he stops & waits for his nightly scratch. You can always tell when he hasn't had enough, he follows you to the gate saying more please. He is happier hanging out with us humans than the other horses in his pasture. A year ago we couldn't walk into the stall with Tommy without him trying to go over the wall to get away from us, now we can't keep him away from us. This is what we do at HPAF; teach the horses that we are their friends and that we humans are the source of good things in life.



Bri 5-21-15



Tommy and Sharon 5-24-15



Bri and Sharon 11-19-15



Tommy and Sharon 10-30-16

## Holidays for HPAF



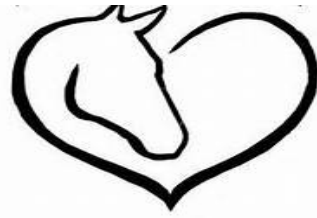
This year HPAF participated in The Festival of Trees at Grand Oaks Resort. Our tree was decorated with ornaments made by the 5 kindergarten classes at Ocala Springs Elementary School. Each ornament featured a horse currently residing on the farm.

This week long event ended with a live auction of the trees created by the 20 plus organizations that participated. The lucky bid on HPAF's tree was made by Karen Curran.

## New Adopters



*Katie & Constance Ward  
and Montego & Melinda Robinson*



*Nancy Kite  
and Athena*



*The Pace Family  
and Pilgrim*



*Judy Osbirn  
and Beauty*



*Jane Nunnally  
and Brandy*

## Trophy Rocks from Tractor Supply Needed

We use Redmond Trophy Rocks, which are 100% natural and mined in Central Utah from a mineral deposit hundreds of feet below the surface of the earth. They are around 90% sea salt and 10% trace minerals and do not disintegrate as quickly in the rain as the other mineral blocks. The horses love them! We go through 10 to 15 rocks a month, so more are always needed.

## Meet Our Staff



From left to right  
Luis, Stall Cleaner  
Elizabeth, Office Assistant  
Sharon, Farm Manager & Horse Care  
Adam, Stall Cleaner  
Julie, Office Manager & Horse Care  
Lisa, Horse Care

# Introducing Lauren Barwick & Fabian Brandt

Lauren Barwick is a well-known 4 star Parelli Natural Horsemanship Instructor, tainer and winning international dressage rider who now makes her home in Ocala. Lauren has years of experience in the performance world, including Open Jumpers, eventing, competing in 4 Paralympic games and reining. Her goal is to bridge the gap between horsemanship and performance riding. HPAF has the great fortune to have horses in training with Lauren and her husband Fabian Brandt. The implantation of a constant horse development program will help the horses become more adoptable, increasing the success rate of the equine and human partnerships resulting in forever homes. We are very excited and grateful to have this dynamic pair developing some of the HPAF horses. Please watch the HPAF web site and Facebook page for Open House dates in 2017 when you can come to the farm to see inspiring demonstrations from Lauren and Fabian with the HPAF horses available for adoption.



## Sponsor a Stall, Barn or Pasture

**Barns, stall, paddocks and pastures at the HPAF farm are available for annual sponsorship. Sponsorship for a year:**

- \$500 for a feeding stall
- \$1000 for a permanent stall
- \$2000 for a paddock
- \$5000 for a pasture

**A plaque will be placed on your stall, barn or pasture commemoratin your sponsorship.**

**You are welcome to  
visit the farm  
as a VIP!**

## Sponsor a Horse

You can sponsor one of the rescued horses for as little as \$35 a month up to \$750 a month for a horse in training. Sponsors receive a picture and the story of their sponsored horse. Sponsors may visit their horse at the farm and take part in their daily care if you would like.

## In Honor Of

Al Keller.....Carlton and Nancy Bahn  
Ivette Hurst.....Rodney & Kristen Tuthill  
Dave&Marilyn Zizzo.....Donald & Gail Schroeder  
Twilight Farm Borders.....Donald & Gail Schroeder

## In Memory Of

Mitchell Koenig.....Rose Plemons  
Mark Koenig.....Rose Plemons  
Luna.....Maggie Weakley  
Stanley Gadomski.....Betty Ann Gadomski  
Julie Gadomski Bennett.....Betty Ann Gadomski

# THANK YOU

Thank you Don Manuchia, for your continued support of our news letters. You have been a amazing friend to HPAF and we appreciate all you do!

Thank you to Karen Curran for finding Leon, he took the monumental task of sanding and painting the metal doors in Cheyenne's barn. The rusty doors were seriously in need of refinishing and painting. Thank you, Karen & Leon, for all your hard work and saving the doors from rusting away! And thank you to Mike Martin at our wonderful Home Depot located at 7107 NW 4th Boulevard in Gainesville for the donation of a gift certificate that allowed us to get the paint and painting tools needed to repaint the metal stall doors!

Thank you to Dr. Gerald Wessner of the Holistic Vet Clinic in Summerfield for his numerous donations for the horses. We are so fortunate to know Dr. Wessner and his wife Blair; they are so helpful and generous providing veterinary care and treatments for the horses. Bless you!

Thank you to EquiWinner for their donation of EquiWinner Patches for Heart. Heart has been a non-sweater for years and the EquiWinner Patches made a tremendous difference in her ability to sweat. After the ten day treatment with consists of patches that adhere to the horses body to reset their electrolytes, Heart had sweat that she has not had before and was no longer blowing (increased respiration as the body attempts to cool itself) in the afternoons. We are thrilled with this innovative product and know that it will help so many horses that suffer from anhidrosis in the Florida summers. Thank you EquiWinner!

## Wish List

STAMPS,  
 PRINTER INK, HP 932 BLACK & 933 CMY  
 COPY PAPER (RECYCLED WOULD BE GREAT)  
 MOSQUITO HALT (ONLY ONE THAT WORKS!)  
 SATIN OR SHOW SHEEN,  
 EQYSS MICRO-TEK NATURAL MEDICATED SHAMPOO,  
 EQYSS MEDICATED GEL,  
 EQYSS MICROTEK SPRAY  
 CASHEL AND ROMA FLY MASKS COB & HORSE SIZE  
 COWBOY MAGIC DETANGLER,  
 ALUMINUM WOUND SPRAY,  
 BLUE LOTION,  
 CORONA  
 DE WALT OR COMPARABLE 18V BATTERY POWERED SAW & DRILL  
 COMBO  
 HACK SAW & BLADES,  
 DUCT TAPE,  
 CHLORINE TABLETS,  
 TREE TRIMMING  
 PARELLI ROPES, HALTERS, AND CARROT STICKS

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Be assured that HPAF has never and will never share your name or information with anyone! In twenty five years HPAF has never shared donors, volunteers or visitors names and information with any person, company or organization. Your personal information is yours and not ours to share!

## Support HPAF While Shopping



Save money at thousands of stores and help HPAF at the same time! Goodshop lists the best coupon codes at thousands of stores AND donates back a percentage of what you spend to help the horses. Here are examples of some of the deals you might find: 15% off at 1800-flowers promo code and 7.5% of what you spend will come to HPAF. or \$15 foff using a Kohls coupon code to buy clothes or housewares and 2% comes back to HPAF. This is all free! They work with everyone from Amazon deals to Expedia. Its that easy.

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