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For Starved, Neglected & Abandoned Horses
Rescue Rehab Adoption Since 1990



Summer 2019 Newsletter

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Thank you for making it possible for 54 horses to receive the best of care! As you might notice, we do not have a matching gift challenge this issue. No one stepped up to offer a matching gift, so we need your donation now, more than ever, to care for the horses.

You may also notice that we don't have new rescues on the cover as usual. In the past year we have only had one request to pick up a starving, neglected or abandoned horse. (see Alexia in Adoptions page 11). We hope this is a sign that the problem is decreasing.

Unfortunately, the number of horses in our care has not reduced due to horses being returned. When we accept a new horse, we take responsibility for that horse for the rest of their life. Adopters circumstances change and an adopter sometimes is no longer able to care for their horse(s). This is not a problem exclusive to rescued horses but is indicative of horse ownership across the board. Horses are an expensive and time-consuming animal to care for and when people's lives change such as an adopter being at an advanced age and no longer physically able to care for their horse, their horse or horses need to find a new home. This is also one reason over 100,000 U.S. horses continue to be shipped to

slaughter in Mexico and Canada every year, there are not enough homes for tens of thousands of horses in this country needing homes.

With your help we will continue to provide the best of care for the rescued horses and provide training as space and funds allow to make the horses more adoptable. Your donations provide the feed, hay, supplements, medications, veterinary, farrier, dental, daily care and training each of the horses need. This issue has photos of the horses needing homes. Please sponsor a horse to help with their ongoing care or perhaps you can foster or adopt and add a companion horse to your family.

Please spread the word, ask friends and family to support Horse Protection Association of Florida, and please remember the horses in your will.

Progress



Phoebe July 2018



Emma July 2018



Monica July 2018



Phoebe May 2019



Emma May 2019



Monica May 2019

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Volunteers & Long-Term Foster Homes Needed

**Volunteers needed daily at
Micanopy Farm at 7:30am - 12:00pm
to help feed, groom and turnout the horses**

**Long term Foster Homes
for horses needed
Please call Morgan 352-466-4366**

Welcome Welcome New Board Member Sara Stenson, CMT, CEMT, CNMT

Who can tell where a path might lead ... a shiatsu massage years ago so inspired me that I became fascinated as to why touch is such a powerful healing tool. A simple pair of hands, a touch between beings, a nuzzle from a horse or other beloved pets can do so much to heal a soul. Touch is our connection to our life that surrounds us.

Over this amazing journey of many years I have been a student, practitioner, and teacher of Shiatsu Bodywork, T'ai Chi Ch'uan, and Chi Gung for equestrians. My studies include CranioSacral, Neuro Muscular Re-education, and Myofascial Release techniques. I have been blessed by skillful teachers that generously shared with me what they knew and practiced.

By weaving together all the modalities of bodywork, I have developed a unique style of helping the body to release excess tension and to reset back to it's natural alignment, rhythm, and balance. When the body is organized, as it should be in its most natural form, the spirit is free to express the joy of life.

In the mid 1990's, my husband and I moved from the city of Boulder, Colorado to the country where we were surrounded by horses. I was asked if I would consider working on barrel racing horses and my heart said, "Yes." I was raised on a ranch in Wyoming riding horses and working cows and saw it as a way of coming full circle with the things I loved—Horses, Riders, and Bodywork.

I was asked if I would teach others what I had learned and practiced on horses and I always thought, "I have no time to teach." After a devastating car wreck that crushed my right lower leg and ankle, I knew I had time to organize a school that would teach others how to work with horses in this gentle way. That was in 2001 and have taught students from all over the globe since.

I was invited to Wellington, Florida by a student and spent three winters working and teaching there. I fell in love with Florida and ten years later, finally made the move from Northern New Mexico to Ocala at the urging of another friend.



Equine Align Academy June 2019

I knew that I needed horses on which students could learn, so the first place I looked was for those horses needing it the most.

I found Morgan and Horse Protection Association of Florida. I liked her place immediately and when I told Morgan what I was looking for she agreed that we could practice on the horses in her care. A liaison was formed between Equine Align Academy and Horse Protection—a win/win relationship. And we just had a most successful first month-long class using Horse Protection horses that was such a wonderful learning experience for all involved.

When Morgan asked if I would be on her Board of Directors I saw it as a way that I can give back to all the horses that have enriched my life along the way and help with the horses that could use the help. Success is not a path that is traveled alone—it has to include others and I am so grateful to have found Morgan and Horse Protection.

Thank you for this opportunity to be a service to those beautiful creatures we all love so much.

Sara Stenson, CMT, CEMT, CNMT. (Sara Stenson has a private practice of bodywork therapies for the past 41 years. She lives with her husband, Michael, three cats, three dogs, and two horses on 5 beautiful acres in Citra.)



Oakleigh West, Kim Anaston, Sara Stenson, Wendy Hayes, Raelyn Martin, Amber Ford

We need your help to continue providing the best of care to the horses at the farm who survived horrible starvation and neglect. They deserve the peaceful life they now live and we can't do it without you.

Companion Horses Needing Homes or Sponsors



April, 19 year old Arab



Bruno, 16 year old TB



Cupido, 20 year old Paso Fino



Dempsey, 13 year old TB



Frankie, 20 year old TB



Hope, 19 year old Paso Fino



Karma, 19 year old Large Pony



Monet, 14 year old Paso Fino



MooMoo, 20 year old TB



Samson, 4yr and Sparky, 1yr



Music, 15 year old TB



Peggy, 4 year old TB



Perry, 7 year old Large Pony



Rosie, 13 year old TB



Sunny, 23 year old TB

Companion Horses Needing Homes or Sponsors



Texas, 14 year old TB



Willow, Aged Donkey



Sammy 17 year old TB

Sanctuary Horses Needing Sponsors



Buttercup, 29 years old



Destiny, 18 year old TB



Legacy, 34 year old QH



Pookie, 32 year old Paso Fino



Spiff, Aged QH



Ponyman, 30 years old

Wish List

- Foster Homes
- Cowboy Magic Body Shine
- Equus Marigold Shampoo
- Equus Fly Spray
- Stamps
- Aluminum Wound Spray
- Digital Thermometers
- Desitin Extra Strength 40% zinc oxide
- A-5 Clippers, Blades and Body Clippers
- Kinetic Vet EquiShield SA Powder Supplement
- Kinetic Vet EquiShield SA IBH Salve and Spray
- Stall Mats
- Lawn Mower
- EGO Electric Weed Eater
- EGO Nexus Power Station Generator (2)
- 3200 Watts Inverter General Purpose & Emergency Backup Generator
- Tree trimming



Horsin Around Club from The Villages
Visit to Farm

Horses Started in Training Needing Homes or Sponsors



Monica, 3 year old TB



Brando, 10 year old TB



Phoebe, 3 year old TB



Zania, 10 year old Paso Fino



Lola, 10 year old Paso Fino



Tommy, 10 year old Paso Fino



Amigo, 12 year old Paso Fino



Hermoso, 9 year old Paso Fino



Bonnie, 10 year old TB

About Legacy Society

Legacy Society members are generous, forward-thinking friends who made a commitment to the horses through a bequest. Their compassion and foresight have made countless miracles possible over the years.

With their generous bequests Legacy Society members have made it possible for Horse Protection to continue caring for the horses in need. We remember these friends and feel the love they shared with the horses.

**Carol Kiefer, Mary McDonald,
Nancy Holmes, Ora Evola,
Samual Furshpan, Patricia Smith,
Edgar Johnson, Sarah Luddle,
Majorie Brickell, Ann Keyser,
Juan Rodriguez, Izola Kruger,
Lucille Wilkinson, Theresa Rozano,
June Nielson, Marilyn Hart**

Thank you to Legacy Society members who have remembered Horse Protection and the horses in their estate planning.

**Barbara Henderson
Elizabeth Mittauer
Lou R Meuche
Maggie Kotuk
Jan Barbour
Sharon Champion
Doris and Bill Smith
Elly Mims
Marty Price**

Horses Under Saddle Needing Homes



Blake, 17 year old QH



Tinkerbell, 3 yearold Lg Pony



Athena, 10 year old TB



Buzzy 14 year old TB



Abbey, 10 year old Paso Fino



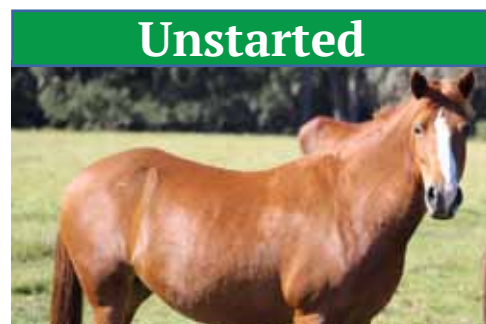
Sunshine, 9 yearold Paso Fino



Shadow, 9 year old TB



Pia



Ruby, 5 year old Paso Fino

Unstarted Horses Needing Homes or Sponsors



Sunday, 4 year old Paso Fino



Emma, 2 year old TB



Fancy, 7 year old Paso Fino



Trixie, 10 year old TB



Vogue, 5 year old Paso Fino



Roxy, 5 year old Paso Fino

Very Special Thank You

To Lauren Barwick and her team; Fabian Bryant, Erin Paul and Jeanette Brush at Bridging the Gap Horsemanship for their dedication to the rescued horses from Horse Protection. This incredible team works with the horses in training daily to build their confidence and give them the education that develops them into adoptable horses. Lauren truly cares about placing the horses into a home that is the right match for them. We cannot thank this tireless and talented team enough for all that they do for the horses!

In Memory Of

Terrence "Terry" Hall *from Doris Hall and Horse Protection*

Michel J. Simmons *from Joann Simmons and Horse Protection*

Pearl Turner of Sidney, British Columbia *from Pam and Wayne Hawkins*

June Nogle *from Donna Nogle*

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Lorraine Koenig and Lynn Seifert *from Rose Marie Mosakowski*

Joseph Koenig and Joseph Seifert *from Edward Mosakowski*

Richard Haiduven *from Debra Haiduven*

Saint *from Karin Esposito*

Sammy *from Madelaine Lock*

Vision *from Little Molly Meuche*

In Honor Of

Djuana Mai of River View Ranch *from Lou Meuche, Lolly and Molly*

Beth Ramsay *from Cynthia Sanford*

Jim Hoffman *from Julie Maguire*

Madge Gunia on her 85th birthday *from Kris and Sheridan Schwark & Don and Gail Schroeder*

Melody Vickers *from Barbara Hinds*

Susan Petrillo *from Mary Prelovsky*

Tom and June Fillion's 38th Anniversary

Jeff and Lauren Miller's 10th Anniversary

In Appreciation

Past Board Member Jim Hoffman visited the farm in December and got to spend time with the horses and donkeys. It was great to see him again. Jim has been a tremendous supporter of Horse Protection Association of Florida over the years.



Peggy & Jim Hoffman



Polo & Jim Hoffman

A very special thank you to the Felburn Foundation. This amazing organization has once again awarded a grant to Horse Protection to cover two months of operation. The Felburn Foundation has been supporting Horse Protection for over a decade. Their ongoing support has been instrumental in Horse Protection's ability to sustain our life saving work. Words are not adequate to express the depth of our gratitude to the board members of the Felburn Foundation for their continued support. Horses who once suffered unimaginable pain and suffering are now happy and healthy because of them. Bless you Felburn Foundation.

Thank you to the Quail Roost Foundation for awarding a grant to Horse Protection. This wonderful foundation helps countless animals around the country. We are so grateful for Quail Roost Foundations' support!

Thank you to Christine Massinger of Parellitraining.com for donating two months of care and training for Monica and Phoebe the three-year-old fillies rescued from extreme starvation last summer. We are so grateful for this incredible donation that will start the filly's education and hopefully help them find a home! Watch their progress on Christine Massinger's Facebook page.



Brenda Ladd of Ladd Farm is pleased to foster Safiro and Beauty at our facility in New Hampshire. They were selected to participate in several Veteran's Programs. Brenda, "I have invited members of the community to volunteer preparing and keeping all the horses at Ladd Farm ready to heal and serve those who have served. To help the volunteers handle the Ladd Farm Horses with feel I started a program called 'Starting from Scratch Horsemanship.' The primary goal is to teach people how to use their innate feel to prove to the horse that the human understands the horse's idea. Simple tasks such as haltering, leading, feeding, grooming, applying fly spray and fly masks are great opportunities to hone this feel. And of course, riding. We are hoping Beauty and Safiro each find forever homes so we can foster more horses from the Horse Protection of Florida in the coming years."

** Beauty and Safiro needed to be up north for their health and we are so grateful to Brenda Ladd for providing Beauty and Safiro with this opportunity to live where they will remain in the best of health.*

Thank you to **Signal Health** for their donation of their **Equi-winner Patches** for anhidrosis (non-sweating). The extreme heat we experienced in May and June caused three horses to stop sweating, a dangerous condition that can cause them to founder or die. Equiwinner Patches are amazing and helped the horses to sweat again. Bless you Signal Health for your generosity and for this amazing, lifesaving product.
signal-health.com/

Thank you to volunteers **Phil Rogers** and **Molly LaPenotiere** for their help with the **Tack Shack Horsey Yard Sale**. Phil loaded up his truck on Friday and then was in line to get in at 5 am on Saturday! Molly came at 6 am and they worked the Horse Protection booth until noon. Always an exhausting day but made so much easier with two super volunteers! Thank you, Phil and Molly!

Thank you to **Dr. Bess Darrow** for pulling blood to keep costs down with Coggins testing. And of course we only use Dr. Bess with **Tune Ups Equine Dentistry** for the horses' dental care. TuneUpsEquine.com

Thank you to **Professional Vet Laboratory** in Ocala for once again donating the lab work for Coggins tests. Keeping 54 horses up to date on their Coggins can be a big expense and we are so grateful to **Professional Vet Lab and Dr. Gordon Smok of Gainesville City College**. We use Professional Vet Laboratory to do fecal tests to check for parasites before deworming the horses.

Professional Vet Lab 10481 N US Highway 27 Ocala, Florida 34482-1846 352-732-3338 Find them on Facebook.

Thank you to **Steve Counts of SCI Materials** in Reddick for the donation of 21 loads of limerock screenings. This substantial donation got the horses out of the water up by the barns when the farm was flooded in January and June. We are so grateful to this compassionate business for helping the horses. scimaterials.com/

Thank you to super volunteer Merry Lee Bain for helping with the horses on Wednesdays. Merry Lee's help with grooming and turnout is priceless and she is greatly appreciated!

Thank you Don Manuchia for once again sponsoring the newsletter. We could not put out a newsletter without it being sponsored.

**A million thanks Don,
you are the best!**

Sunny D

Sunny D's first ten years were spent in a tiny, squalid pen held together with string and wire. He and his mother ate moldy bread and alfalfa cubes when they were lucky. Over those ten years upwards of sixty horses died around them. Rescued in 1999 by Horse Protection and South Florida SPCA Sunny was then well fed but the perfect home eluded him. He had three homes from 1999 to 2014.

In 2014 it finally happened, Sunny D found his perfect, forever home with Equine Nutritionist, **Kelly Vineyard** and her family. Sunny D had the best home we could have wished for him with great care and lots of love. He passed away this year. We are so grateful when a horse or pony gets to live out their life as part of a family; safe, secure and loved until the end.

*Vision*

"For many years my mom, **Lou Meuche**, has supported the wonderful work HPAF does. Now I would like to add to the devotion she has shown to Morgan and the horses by remembering MY special buddy. His name was Vision and he was a B I G black hugabear Quarter Horse gelding. Since I am a little mini horse I describe him as big in stature but I want to also emphasize he had a really big heart.

"I overheard my mom and **Vision's** mom (Djuana Mai) talking about his journey over the Rainbow Bridge and it sounded as though Vision would be happy there. So for all of us left behind, please remember to celebrate the life of Vision and all of the horses who have preceded my big buddy over that bridge."

Little Molly Meuche

*Bo and Sam*

Bo

Sam rescued in 2006 and **Bo** from 2004 were adopted by **Susan Allen** and cared for by **Linda Hancock** at their beautiful Triple R Ranch in Colorado. Bo had sweet itch in Florida and was miserable. In Colorado Bo thrived, the sweet itch gone. Sam was a Standardbred ex-racehorse who suffered unimaginable starvation. He, Bo and Dakota who passed away a few years ago, all had the best life we could have hoped for them at Triple R Ranch with attentive care and abundant love. Bless you Susan and Linda for giving three dear horses a blessed life.



Sam 2006



Sam 2019



Cali & Jenny Elliott



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Alexia and Jane Whitehurst's Story

In January another rescue asked for our help with two mares, Kalico and her 3-year-old daughter Alexia. Their owner had rescued the two when they were starving a year ago and they were now well fed. However, the lady had no horse knowledge and neither horse had been touched. No handling, no hoof trimming, no vet care, nothing. Alexia was completely feral, and her hooves were dangerously overgrown to the point that it might be affecting the angle of her front legs as she grew. Their owner wanted to give them up, but both the other rescue and Horse Protection were full because both organizations have had numerous horses returned. The other rescue said they could take the two horses for one month.

I picked the up the mares, Kalico loaded easily and Alexia jumped into the trailer after her. I took them to the other rescue that had a quarantine pen available. It took me a little over an hour of desensitizing Alexia while still in the trailer for her to accept being touched without exploding in panic. I was able to get a halter on her within two hours and then the two were unloaded into a pen.

A local trainer needed horses for a month-long horse training course in March and both the horses were able to go. This was a great blessing as I could not fit one more thing into my schedule. At the end of the course we paid for the mares to stay in training for two more weeks. I then took Kalico back to the other rescue and we paid for Alexia to stay in training another two weeks. We advertised Alexia on Facebook and that did the trick and the perfect person, Jane Whitehurst, a dressage trainer who adopted Romeo in 2014 added Alexia to her family.



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