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Majestic, Madame, and Rhett Thanks to Your Support

After being reported to Animal Services for two months with no results Horse Protection was finally able to get Majestic’s owner to surrender her. When we picked her up, Majestic was weak and frail, she would not have survived much longer in the freezing temperatures. She had no personality, she was just a shell, no expression or responsiveness.

She struggled to rise after lying down but thankfully, she was able to get herself up. She had little to no appetite for the first week until the ulcer medication kicked in. Then gradually she began to act like a more normal horse, nickering for her meals and soon after trotting over when we called her and ravenously eating her hay and grain as a horse should. Majestic put on weight so fast it was amazing. Within sixty days she was at a healthy weight and her feed was reduced. Now Majestic is a stout, outgoing mare who lets you know when she wants something. She spends her days grazing with her buddies Rhett and Madame who follow her around as their faithful leader. Majestic has heaves and is looking for a home in a cooler climate so she can have a happy, comfortable life.

Conversely, when we received the call that Rhett and Madame’s owners wanted to surrender them, we set out immediately. With no hay to eat the two horses would continue to suffer in the impending freezing temperatures that night. [con't page 3](#)

Progress



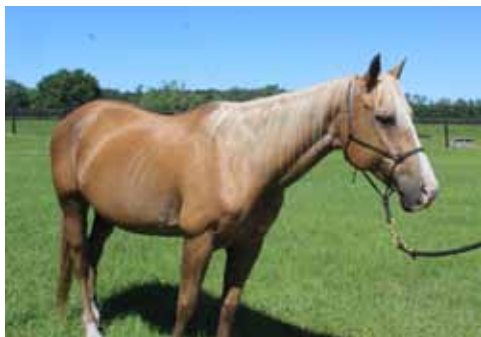
Majestic February 20,2020



Madame December 18, 2019



Rhett December 18, 2019



Majestic April 27, 2020



Madame February 1,2020



Rhett February 22,2020

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Instead, that night they were blanketed and grazing on lush grass and meals of alfalfa hay and senior feed every few hours.

Madame was aggressive and did not like people at all. When we brought out her grain meals, Madame would pin her ears back and try to chase us away from the food. This is a learned behavior and people had taught her well that if she pinned her ears and went after them that the people would dump her food and leave! Madame was plagued by ulcers which she had suffered from for many years. An old photo of her showed her emaciated with the same pained look on her face that she had when she arrived. It took two months of daily treatment with Ulcer Guard for Madame to finally clean up the amount of senior and hay she needed to thrive.

It has taken six months but finally Madame's expression has changed, she has a pleasant look on her face. She knows that we bring food three times a day and that when we go into her stall or go to catch her that we are not going to hurt her or cause her pain. She finally does not look angry all the time, amazing as she had been in pain and miserable for so long.

Rhett is happy go lucky, always thrilled to get attention and especially a carrot. Rhett is a magnificent Spotted Saddle Horse, the color breed of the Tennessee Walking Horse. He is docile and well trained. He looks to have suffered a catastrophic injury in the past, a scar on his leg appears to have been a severed tendon and his hip was injured as well. Those injuries are likely why such a lovely horse ended up starving in a bad situation as he is worth his weight in gold.

Three lovely horses who ended up starving and uncared for. Thank goodness we were able to take them out of their dire situations and give them new lives with the best care, lush pastures and companions. These three horses and the other 46 rescued horses at the farm and in training are safe and receive the best of care for because of the generosity of caring people like you. For the Horses, Thank you!

Morgan Silver, Executive Director

Thank You Arredondo Dressage Society

Thank you to the Arredondo Dressage Society for once again holding a successful annual fundraiser, Horses Helping Horses. This year Arredondo raised \$6,643 for the horses! We are so grateful to each and every person who donated their time, talents, goods and services to Horses Helping Horses 2020. The fact that Arredondo Dressage Society has continued to raise thousands for the horses each year for eleven years is truly remarkable. Thank you donors!

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Dylan, Barbara & Jeff Henderson

Thank you to super volunteer **Dylan Henderson**. Dylan came up from Ft Lauderdale in April and has been volunteering at the farm two or three days a week. He has picked up manure out of the pastures, kept the pastures dragged, weeded, salted fence lines and painted lots of fence. Dylan's parents, **Barbara and Jeff Henderson**, came out to paint too! Recently Dylan and his brother **Jarrett** did much needed tree trimming in the brutal heat, a major project!



Hawk & Dylan and Barbara Henderson

Barbra and Dylan volunteered at Horse Protection 17 years ago, when Dylan was 8. They groomed horses and completed projects such as laying brick at the garage .

In 2011 Dylan built our round pen for his Eagle Scout project—an important tool we couldn't do without!

Thank you Dylan, Barbara, Jeff and Jarrett. You are terrific!!!

by Joyce Carta, in honor of Miss Hally the Magnificent

You can tell when they're lonely. And my retired Foxtrotter mare was spending more and more fence time staring at anything that wasn't a donkey. There are two big donkeys in the field with her and while they always got along well, it's not the same. Ears are too big, most likely "fragrance" differs and absolutely the dulcet tones of the donkey could wake the dead. Horse needed a horse.

Enter Horse Protection Association of Florida and the matchmaking skills of Ms. Morgan Silver. And with them, the gleaming mahogany bay jewel of "Sunny Girl." One look at this glorious mare and selfishly I knew I wanted to be able to look out the window at this magnificent mare for years to come. The deal was struck on Halloween, 2019, and in my mind "Sunny Girl" became "Miss Hally the Magnificent." (Yes, I always change names and we already had a rescued yellow Lab named Sunny. Not that mixing them up was likely.)

Hally was 23 and had lived a full life of racing and motherhood with bumps and bangs to corroborate her story but certainly sound for her new role as gleaming pasture jewel. She arrived on Nov. 5 to the mortified stares of the donkeys, and the "I think I know what you are" certainty of Mare Already in Residence. It took about 3 days for Mare In Residence (MIR) to get comfy. It took no time for Hally's oh so soft, cushiony, ground devouring trot to leave MIR staring in wonderment. As did we all. It was watching ballet and it was effortless. Donkeys just stared and stared. The perfectly sculpted Thoroughbred head on



that graceful stem of a neck could have been the work of Leonardo. (Can you tell I was and remain in love?)

It did take her a bit to adjust to our routine and her string halter was traded in for a break-away to match her new blanket. But now, as of this writing at around the 100-Day Mark, she knows her name and comes for cuddles, she has been perfect for the farrier, and well understands how "pasture management" is done here. Oh and that donkeys are harmless and most likely entertaining.

I have had to get used to the Biggest Addition to our farm besides the tractor!! Just seeing her makes me smile.

**Thank you to the horse's guardian angel
Don Manuchia for once again sponsoring the newsletter.
The newsletter is possible because of Don
and we can never thank him enough!**

Major Projects Are Needed at the Farm

Almost all of the portable corral panels used to make up feed pens for 22 horses are rusted and falling apart and are not safe for use. Repairing them would cost more than replacement.

The ground underneath the pens needs to be filled in and covered with mats to keep the surface level, keep the pens off the ground and make cleaning easier.

Limerock screenings are generously donated by SCI Materials but delivery is \$150 per load, with 9 loads needed for this project.

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