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We have collectively almost made it through 2020 and the team at Horse Protection are so grateful for every one of Horse Protection's cherished donors who make it possible for us to provide for the horses in our care. Because of you and your support Horse Protection is able to continue providing care and training for the thirty-nine horses at the farm and the six in training. We could not help any of these majestic horses without the support of so many wonderful people and we cannot adequately express our gratitude to everyone who makes Horse Protection's work possible.

I wish you could be here at the farm in the mornings when I walk out in the dark to begin feeding the horses. Some are still asleep behind the garage and you can hear them softly snoring. In the yard, Rhett, Madame and Majestic appear out of the darkness and meet me at their barn, ready to go into their stalls for their soaked alfalfa cubes. Then Samson and Sparky the donkeys, appear out of the shadows and follow me into their stall for their handful of cubes. Next, I turn on the arena lights and put soaked alfalfa cubes and ration balancer

or senior feed into each horse's feed tub. Hermoso, Shadow and Bonnie come up to their stalls to be let in first. Then Karma follows me into the round pen where she eats. Then Vogue, Sunday, Trixie, Roxy, and Elan each go into their feed pens as their turn comes. At this point whinnies ring out from the next group to go in. Bri is usually first in line, then Sunshine, Monet, Velvet and April, followed by Buttercup and Pookie who at 33 years old, despite being arthritic, still gallops in for breakfast.

As I feed the arena herd, Lisa Mandley who has been with HPAF for over a decade, feeds Cheyenne's barn and the office barn. Rhett, Majestic and Madame get their concentrate and supplements. Lisa puts the rest of the horses' soaked grain and cubes into their feed tubs, then begins letting them in as Frankie excitedly verbalizes in his adorable high-pitched whinnies. *con't page 3*

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Peggy goes in first, then Frankie, Legacy, Texas, and Misty, followed by Fancy, Abbey and Ruby who walk over to their stalls in the office barn. Then Lisa heads on to the gelding barn where Dempsey, Music, Buzzy, Cupido, Tommy, Mr. Scott and finally Ponyman, walk in single file into their respective feed pens.

After setting the buckets out to dry, we administer any medications the horses may need that day and set up the feed for lunches and the evening feeding. At this point we start grooming the horses. Each horse is haltered and groomed and given a complete check over. Each horse gets one on one attention every day. Each is thoroughly checked for injuries as horses are prone to getting boo boos. Each horse is curried and brushed, the crusties cleaned off their eyes with a warm, wet piece of wash cloth. They are fly sprayed if needed, their manes and tails sprayed with Cowboy Magic Super Body Shine as needed to keep them knot free and easy to brush out. If tails are not kept knot free, they will turn into a huge massive knot. Left tangled for years their tails turn into a hard, straight mass which is where the term "broom tail" comes from. If the knot is cut out, the horse cannot swish away flies for years until the tail grows back!

With the daily time every horse gets some training every day as they are haltered, groomed, moved around in their feed pen and turned out. We use Natural Horsemanship, the horses' natural language of gestural communication.

Do you know why modern handlers and riders do most things from the left side of the horse? Military etiquette. Because the soldiers wore their swords on the left side and could only swing their right leg over the horse, it evolved into what we have today, protocol that is not in the best interest of the horse. What is done on the horse's left side does not naturally transfer to the

right hemisphere of the brain as it does in humans or dogs. Because of this, we need to do more handling on the horses' right side to develop their thinking processes and right eye mobility and coordination.

In natural horsemanship, we do not raise our voices with horses in our verbal, predator language where horses may hear "Bark, Bark, Growl, Growl". A raised or sharp tone can seem like a predatory attack to a horse. We take the time it takes to learn their language, gestural communication. Learning to speak clearly with our body does not come easily. We tend to speak glaringly to horses with our body language, unaware of what we are telling the horse gesturally when we think we are asking for something else. But if you want to have an amazing level of communication with a horse, you can learn this silent language with the many good learning tools available.

But if you want to have an amazing level of communication with a horse, you can learn this silent language with the many good learning tools available and practice.

Natural horsemanship builds trust and a relationship between horse and handler. This results in very well-mannered horses that ground tie, back from a slight energy sent down the lead rope or from the lightest touch on their halter or shoulder. A horse who will follow you with no lead rope needed. Horses that with our slightest glance and positioning of our body, with disengage their hindquarters and face us.

I learned and practiced traditional horsemanship throughout my career. I discovered natural horsemanship in 1997 and it made sense. I found it worked better than the way I was originally taught. No yelling at horses, no hitting, or yanking on a chain over a horse's nose to control them as I saw done countless through-out my life. That is the reason why part of Horse Protection's mission statement is; to promote and teach horse care and humane, natural methods of training for horses.

Morgan Silver *

Executive Director

Tame Kitties and Barn Kitties in Need of Homes: Text 352.207.8896



Tame Male 10 mos



Tame Female 2 yrs



Tame Male 10 mos



Barn Male 18 mos

Congratulations: Recently Adopted

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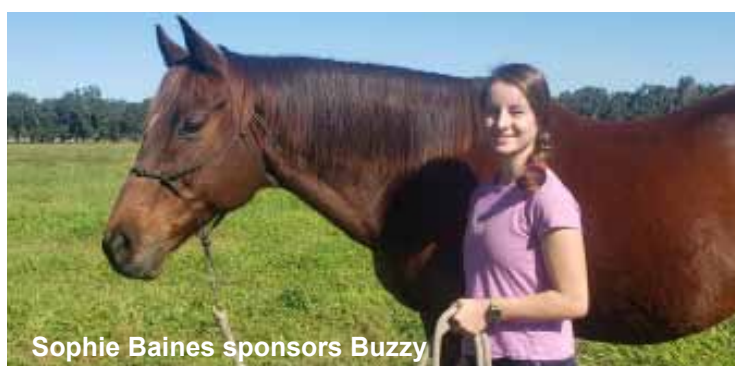
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Sophie Baines sponsors Buzzy

Thank You Foster Home Providers

Dawn Cousins & 29 year old Tinkerbelle foster *Sammy*
Fern Rosenwasser fosters *Bruno*
Kathy and Jack Lovett foster *Polo and Baby Doll*

Thank you, Diane Bryant, for fostering **Willow, Abbey, Hope and Lola** to get them out of the wet conditions at the farm. Diane is amazing. Not only does Diane provide excellent care for the horses and donkeys, she transported the horses herself, bathes them, taught Willow how to be bathed and how to load into a trailer! Diane is a tremendous lady and we are so grateful for her time and skills helping the horses! Bless you Diane!



Thank You Barn Sponsors

Capt Uwe and Alma Moss

Michael Nuzzo





Analise is a junior at the University of Mount Olive in North Carolina, majoring in animal science with her focus on equine. She came to Horse Protection Association of Florida to broaden her knowledge of equine nutrition and equine welfare and gain exposure to a different side of the equine industry. Analise has worked with miniatures, Quarter horses, Thoroughbreds, cross breeds, and draft breeds. And she has experience with basic veterinary skills, animal nutrition and animal diseases. During the summers of 2019 and 2020 Analise worked in Montana as a horseback guided tour guide and was responsible for the health and maintenance of all the horses at the ranch.

We are so excited to have Analise working with the team at Horse Protection. She will be helping us make horses lives better through our husbandry, nutrition, and natural horsemanship.

In Memory of Robert Morgan Silver October 1st, 1924 – October 26th, 2020

Horse Protection supporters sometimes remark about me, Morgan, and my dedication to the organization over the past 30 years. But without my father Robert Silver, Horse Protection would have never existed or continued all these years.

Robert, or Bob as most of you know him, got me together with his attorney Ed Russo in 1989 who helped me draft the articles of incorporation. For the first six years of its existence, Horse Protection was supported almost solely by my father contributing his own money.

I am not an office person, I am great with horses, caring for them, training them, and helping them heal but I am dyslexic with numbers and math disabled. My father did all the paperwork and financials associated with running a charitable organization. Bookkeeping, writing all the thank you letters, state filings, record keeping, applying for grants and IRS filings.

My parents made my life with horses possible. My mother always wanted horses as a girl but was never around them except at her grandparents dairy farm so she wanted to make sure I had horses in my life. My parents supported my horse habit from the time I was one and they had ponies brought to the house for my first birthday. They took me to the pony rings on Bird Road and Westchester to ride regularly when I was little. Later my father would ride out on trails with me on with rental horses in Kendall and on summer vacations.

My father won a leased Cadillac for a year from his company in 1969. Instead he



took the cash equivalent to buy me my first horse, Scarlet Annie. My parents paid for my years of riding lessons and allowed me to go to horse shows. They bought me the love of my life, Chantay McCue, when I was 15. They drove me back and forth to a farm every day for years. Later backed me up as I pursued my passion of becoming a horse trainer while working low paying grooming jobs and apprenticeships.

In WWII, at age 18, my father was First Pilot and Crew Commander on a B-17 Bomber in the 8th Army Air Corp. Then Squadron and Group Command Pilot at age 19. My father felt his greatest accomplish-

ment was his part Operation Chowhound, humanitarian food drops, carried out to relieve a famine in German-occupied Netherlands. If you Google, "50th anniversary of Operation Chowhound Robert Silver", there is a link to an article that features an excerpt of my father's diary "Links in a Chain", Bob's account of my parents visit to Holland in 1995 when they were among the honored guests taking part in a weeklong celebration of the life saving mission carried out by Allied Bomber Units at the end of WWII.

My father became ill and was hospitalized on September 29th, 2020. He celebrated his 96th birthday in South Miami hospital. He was sent home and went into hospice on October 10th. My brother Van and I cared for him around the clock along with one of my parents' regular caretakers and support from hospice. The family was together for the first time since 1976. My parents celebrated their 71st wedding anniversary on October 15th.

During his two weeks in hospice, my parents reminisced about their courtship and their lives together. We learned so much about our parents that during this time and were witness to profoundly touching moments between them. My father died at home, surrounded by his family, as were his wishes.

Thank you, Dad, for making it possible for so many horses to be saved and for being the best father a horse crazy girl could ever have.

Next Tack Sale Saturday December 5th at the Horse Protection Farm in Micanopy.

10am to 1pm (The Tack Shack Horse Yard Sale is cancelled due to COVID)

Rain or shine, we have an indoor area. Limited Spaces available to set up and sell, \$15.00 donation.

Please text Morgan your name and number to reserve a space. 352-359-1996



Thank you to all the Super Volunteers who help at the Farm every week: Irene Carty, John and Carol Baileys and Sophie Baines, you are the best! And to **Everyone who Volunteered at the HPAF Tack Sale on September 26th:** Irene Carty, Sophie Baines, Carol and John Baileys, Jane Aldrich, Amanda O'Brien, and Bailey Cox. Thank you to everyone.

Thank you Bryony Pullin, LMT, CYT for donating your services for the Horse Protection horses. We are so grateful for Bryony's donation of bodywork on the horses and thankful she is back in our area! Bryony specializes in supporting the horse/human partnership through bodywork, movement therapy, and awareness. She is a Yoga teacher and Practitioner of Reiki and Ortho-Bionomy for both horses and humans, and a nationally certified licensed massage therapist with training in numerous modalities. She has been enjoying horses since childhood and has been involved with equine rehabilitation since 1991. Her understanding of biomechanics, the mind/body relationship, and inter-species communication are incorporated into her Yoga for Equestrians classes and Movement Therapy sessions for the horse. She enjoys helping both horse and rider to experience greater comfort and ease in their bodies, and harmony and understanding in their partnership together. Bryony's services include: Bodywork/energy work for horse and human, Yoga for Equestrians, and Movement Therapy for the horse. Sessions are customized to the needs of each individual to improve performance, promote long term soundness, rehabilitate from injury, reduce pain, or re-educate movement patterns. bryony.dawn@gmail.com (352) 443-9570



John Baileys



Irene Carty and Peggy

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Meet The Senior Citizens at the Farm



Legacy 35 years old



Pookie 33 years old



Buttercup 30 years old



Ponyman 31 years old

The trauma that horses experience when they are neglected, mishandled, cruelly treated, or not handled at all, shapes their emotions and behavior. At Horse Protection there are two ways to address the horses fear and panic that emanates from the horses from their survival instincts; natural horsemanship and Bach Flower Remedies. Each of these modalities help the horses overcome their fears and eliminate their panicked reactions and each is profound in the way they change animals' lives.

If you have never heard of them, Bach Flower Remedies are flower essences for emotional healing, developed in the 1930's in England by Dr. Edward Bach. Rescue Remedy is the most famous of the Bach remedies, but in fact is not 'a remedy' at all. Instead it's a blend of five different Bach Flower Remedies created by Dr Bach to deal with emergencies and crises. It can be used to help us get through any stressful situations, from last-minute exam or interview nerves, to the aftermath of an accident or bad news. Rescue Remedy helps us relax, get focused and get the needed calmness.

At Horse Protection we use Bach Flower Remedies to help the horses overcome fear, nervousness, and stress. These harmless dilutions help horses adapt to change. Being taken away from their buddies for the vet, or for trimming, or when they are trailered to the trainer or a new home. These situations often cause panic in bonded horses. Neglected horses tend to be very herd bound. Often their only comfort was their friends or they may have been alone and starved for companions. Rescued horses will continue this stronger than normal attachment to other horses even when they are well fed and cared for. Horses are herd animals and instinct tells them that they need other horses to be safe so that the predators won't get them.

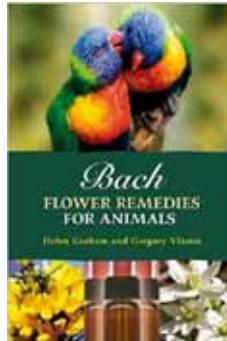
These are two books we use and highly recommend.

Bach Flower Remedies for Animals

by Gregory Vlamis and Helen Graham

Millions of family pets, often otherwise physically fit and healthy, are surrendered to a shelter, abandoned or put to death every year to give human companions peace and rest from their incontinence, unruliness, excessive noisiness, aggression, possessiveness, destructiveness, or other inconvenience. A behavior problem often becomes a 'terminal disease'. Indeed, euthanasia for behavior problems is the main cause of death in young animals, and many people regard it as a treatment. The high cost of veterinary attention also results in many animals being discarded or neglected by their owners. The consequent price of animal suffering, and cost of human regrets and need for welfare services, are incalculable. They are also avoidable.

Correcting the behavior problem often saves an animal's life as effectively as surgery or other medical procedures, and greatly

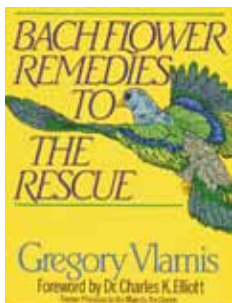


reduces the suffering of all concerned. It does not require expensive behavior therapy or extensive behavior modification on the part of the owner. It can be brought about in many cases quite simply and inexpensively through the use of flower essences. This book offers descriptions of each of the 38 Bach Flower Remedies, and their application to the treatment of a range of domestic animals, including dogs, cats and horses. It also describes diagnostic symptoms, animal by animal, together with appropriate treatment regimens, illustrated with case material obtained from veterinarians, animal behavior specialists and health practitioners.

Other important and helpful areas discussed are:

- emotions in animals and their influence on behavior
- the emotional bond between animals and humans
- the pros and cons of thinking of animals in human terms
- the principles of flower remedies and their suitability for use in the treatment of animals.

If you order these books or anything else from Amazon this holiday season, please use AmazonSmiles naming Horse Protection Association of Florida as your charity of choice!



Bach Flower Remedies to the Rescue by Gregory Vlamis (Simon & Schuster)

Foreword by Dr. Charles K. Elliot former Physician to Her Majesty the Queen.

"Thanks to the author, we have been given a valuable opportunity to become aware of a most precious adjunct to medicine. This book and the Bach Flower Rescue Remedy should be in every health care professional's armamentarium, in every home, vehicle and first aid kit"—J. Herbert Fill M.D., Psychiatrist and former New York Commissioner of Health.

Gregory Vlamis is a researcher and author. He has been researching the life and work of Dr. Edward Bach since the early 1970s, and divides his time between the USA and Greece.

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