



Tales from the Ranch

The Horse Protection League

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Springing Into Action At HPL

By Julie Kaufman

The birds are chirping, the calves in the adjacent pasture are playing, the bunnies (and there are lots of them) are hopping about, and the members and volunteers at the HPL ranch are buzzing with energy as they work hard to keep the horses fed and watered, pens mucked and in good repair, for the 18 HPL horses currently living on the ranch loved!



HPL has experienced the joy of seeing two more horses adopted over the past several months, as well as receiving some “youngsters” that will be nursed to health and given a second chance to be the horses that they were born to be, with a little loving guidance from the HPL team. Take a look on pages 4 and 5 to get the latest information about these and our other horses, and be ready to give one of our beloved a new, forever home!

We also are working very hard as we participate throughout the month of April in Help A Horse Day, with special events April 22-24th. This is a contest sponsored by The American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (ASPCA) to raise awareness of the plight of abandoned or abused horses. HPL has a number of events planned in April in support of this contest; these are highlighted on page 2. You also may have recently received a mailer about the first event, which is Casino Night and Silent Auction on April 22nd. The contest’s grand prize is \$25,000, and we believe that, with your help, we may just be able to bring this prize home to our HPL family and horses! Please help us with your participation — and always, **thank you!**

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Please call (303) 216-0141 for scheduled times.

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Upcoming Events

April 22—Casino Night & Auction

April 23—Horse Care Clinic

April 24 & May 1 —Reiki 1 Class

May 22 & May 29 —Reiki 2 Class

June 18 —Barn Dance

Sep 15—Oct 30 Art for Horses Show

Mark your calendars now and plan on attending!

Help A Horse Day is a national celebration and contest by the ASPCA (The American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals) to raise awareness of the plight of abused, neglected and abandoned horses. Equine rescues and sanctuaries are encouraged to host one or more events highlighting the work they do and showing community members how they can become involved. Non-profit horse organizations across the nation are holding individual fundraisers during the weekend starting Friday, April 22.

Equine groups will be in the running for eleven cash awards for the events they hold. The grand prize is an award of \$25,000.

The Horse Protection League is holding three events during the **Help A Horse Day** weekend and contest. They are:

- 1) **Casino Night & Silent Auction fundraiser** on Friday, April 22 at The Table Mountain Inn, Golden, CO, from 6:00 pm — 10:00 pm. Tickets can be purchased at the door for \$20.
- 2) **Horse Care & Handling Clinic** provided by Emie O'Neill, April 23rd at the HPL ranch. Hands-on training in: basic first aid, safety, horse and human body language. Cost is \$25 donation per person. Kids age 12 –17 accompanied by an adult are welcome! Please R.S.V.P. by April 16th by contacting the HPL office at 303-216-0141.
- 3) **Equine Reiki class** at the HPL ranch provided by Eden Koljord, Shelter Animal Reiki Association (SARA) Master Teacher. Cost is \$250 for HPL members and volunteers; \$300 for the General Public. Contact Eden at 928-266-6237 or ekoljord@yahoo.com to register. Two-day class: Sunday, April 24th, 10 am—5 pm; and Sunday, May 1st, 10 am—5 pm. Space is limited.

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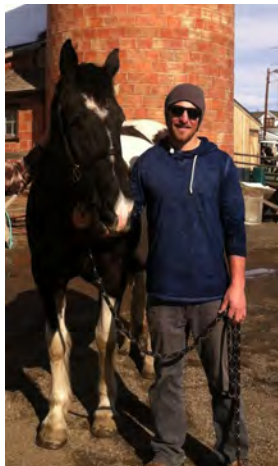
Adoptions!

Amigo

Bella



Amigo with Terri



Bella going to the Samuelson family

New Arrivals!

The Horse Protection League has three baby Navajo horses: two colts and one filly! These youngsters were originally picked up by The Colorado Horse Rescue Network (CHRN) from a Navajo reservation near the Four Corners area of Colorado where they were among 20 horses facing starvation. CHRN reached out to HPL and other horse rescues to find more specific help for these horses. They will remain in quarantine for the next 30 days, but they are already adapting to the abundance of food and kindness from the HPL family!



Nina, Wyatt, Geronimo

Our Adoptable, Rideable Horses

All adoptions require a contract, approval, and fee. To see a horse, contact HPL at (303) 216-0141.



Oscar is a 7-year-old pinto gelding pony. HPL rescued him from Montana upon request from a humane group there that needed assistance. He has recently been started under saddle and has had over 90 days of professional training. A great horse to grow with!

Adoption Fee – \$400

Ranger, a Thoroughbred colt, came to HPL in August 2014 as a yearling. He was found roaming the streets in poor health and was never claimed. He has recovered since arriving at HPL. Ranger has done groundwork, but has not yet been trained under saddle. He is playful and fun.

Adoption Fee – \$400



Mattie, a 10-year-old registered Quarter Horse mare, came to us unwanted and sick. She is now healthy and rideable. Mattie stands 15 hands. Our trainer Tucker Black (pictured) gives Mattie a workout once a month. Great horse for an experienced rider!

Adoption Fee – \$500

Our Loveable, Beautiful Horses Who Want A Forever Home

These horses can no longer be ridden, but want a forever home. They have great manners and would make great companions to other horses or humans who just want to have an animal to love!



Maya, a black Arabian, is thought to be around 31 years old. Maya was brought to us through Arvada Animal Control as an owner surrender. She had been confined in a small pen and neglected. She has recovered, and is sweet and delightful.

Adoption Fee – \$400



Bobby was surrendered by his owner. He was a previous competition jumper. Bobby is very gentle, loving and enjoys being at HPL. He is easy to work around and has good ground manners. Due to back injuries from jumping, Bobby is not rideable but loves to get out and run or do ground-work.

Adoption Fee, – \$200



Jackie came to us through Jefferson County Animal Control very underweight and in overall poor health. She has trust issues and needs a calm but confident handler who provides reassurance and love. Companion only. She stands to be haltered, brushed, and has very nice ground manners. Born 1993, Arabian mare. Jackie is Gracie's mother.

Adoption Fee – \$200



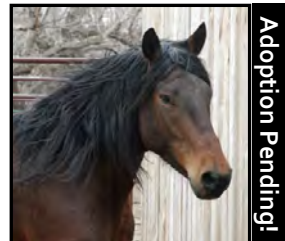
Raja came to us from an owner who could no longer keep him. Raja has good ground manners, is playful, and requires consistent farrier work. He is beautiful and easy to love. Born 1994, registered black Arabian gelding. Companion only.

Adoption Fee – \$200



Romeo came to HPL in 2003 from an owner who could no longer care for him. He is a handsome and proud Arabian. Romeo was shown in Level 2 Dressage. Even though he is no longer rideable, he loves ground-work and has good ground manners. An ideal home for Romeo would be one with other companions and a lot of love. 22 years old, gelding, 14:1 hh.

Adoption Fee – \$200



Adoption Pending!

Chance arrived at HPL in May of 2009, along with Striker, both 9-10 month old mustangs and both in critical condition. They were part of a large rescue of mustangs from the 3 Strikes Ranch near Alliance, NE, where 74 of nearly 250 mustangs had been found dead from starvation. Chance was adopted as a yearling, but circumstances forced his return to HPL.

Adoption Fee – Adoption Pending



Sara Jane is a 7-year-old mare that came to us from another Colorado rescue. She is friendly and loveable. She can be a companion horse only. Come say hello and help her find a forever, loving home.

Adoption Fee – \$300



Gracie, a 10-year old Arabian mare, came to us through Jefferson County Animal Control very underweight and in overall poor health. She stands to be haltered, brushed, and has very nice ground manners. Companion only. Born 2004, Gracie is Jackie's daughter.

Adoption Fee – \$200

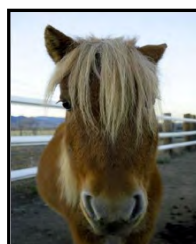
Our HPL Mascots



Daisy, on the left, is 3 years old and was the first burro (donkey) to arrive at HPL. She was rescued at Canyon City through the Bureau of Land Management adoption program. She loves to be groomed.



Millie, on the right, is 4 years old and came from Long Hopes Donkey Rescue in Colorado. She loves to bray ("talk") and is easy to handle. Both are jennets (female donkeys) and are used in many of HPL's educational programs.



Princess, a 14-year-old miniature horse mare, is the smallest equine at HPL. She is only 9:2 hands in height, but she is very big in personality! She represents HPL at events and parades and sometimes wears a tiara, to the delight of the onlookers. She loves the attention and is used in educational programs at the ranch, for both children and adults.



Billy originally came to HPL in 1996, but was returned to HPL in 2006 due to owner surrender. Special farrier care is needed. Billy is helpful with the Vet Tech Internship Program, school tours and education programs. Big boy with a big heart!

Horse Health Matters

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Blaze upon arrival at HPL



Blaze 4 months after being at HPL

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My name is Shelley Ferraro and I'm a certified equine massage therapist and body worker. Carol Miyagishima and I have the privilege of doing bodywork on the wonderful horses and donkeys that have been rescued and brought to HPL. These horses and donkeys have been through so much in their sweet lives, and Carol and I want to help them to feel better emotionally and physically and to bring comfort and wellbeing to their lives. We want to help them as best we can to live their lives with less restriction and pain in their bodies and to have more freedom of movement as well.

When adopted, some of these magnificent creatures will have jobs being a pasture friend to another animal. Others who are physically capable will have more active jobs such as riding. We want to do bodywork on both the pasture buddy and the workhorse so that they can move easily and comfortably with little or no restriction or pain. This takes time and can't be accomplished in one session. Bodywork is like peeling away the layers of an onion. It takes time for these restrictions to build up in the animal's body and it takes time to help release them.

Carol and I are happy when we as body workers, contribute to the mission of HPL and make a difference in the lives of the horses and donkeys. **So for those horses adopted in 2016, we'd like to send them to their forever home with a free two-hour massage!** Our wish is that they will be loved and treated with dignity, that they are well cared for, and in a loving home. When you have finalized your adoption, HPL will help to arrange the bodywork session.



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Thoughts and Thanks from Our President

By Tammy Donaldson

Spring is in the air at The Horse Protection League and with spring comes a sense of renewal and new beginnings. There are several new happenings at HPL and many new faces. For this reason we decided to appoint someone to help with training, scheduling and assisting our dedicated volunteers. Please join me in welcoming our new Volunteer Coordinator, Annie Oden! Annie has always been a welcoming presence at the ranch and I cannot think of anyone more suited to lead our volunteers.

Speaking of volunteers, I know many of you that volunteer have been clamoring for more horse knowledge and skills. I am happy to announce that we will have an instructive, hands-on horse handling class presented by our resident expert, Emie. This is part of our Help A Horse Day events in April, as is our Casino Night and Silent Auction. Shake the dirt off your boots, have some good "clean" fun, and help HPL win a grant from the ASPCA!

Nothing speaks more of new beginnings than spring babies. We have partnered with the Colorado Horse Rescue Network (CHRN) to bring three young horses to HPL from the Navajo Reservation. We are very grateful to be able to help find these babies their forever homes.

As I mentioned, spring is also a time for renewal. So if your membership has lapsed, spring is a great time to renew.

I hope to see you all at one of our many events, but until then enjoy this wonderful spring!



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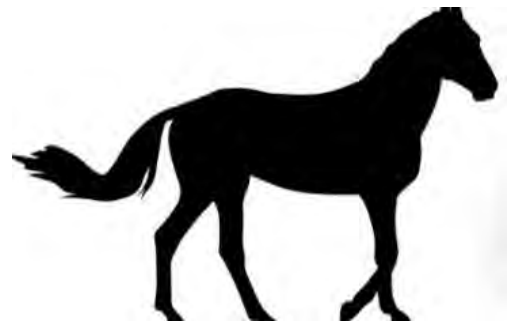
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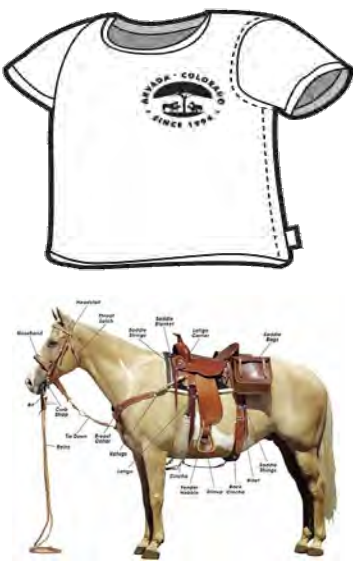


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Spring Maintenance at the Ranch

Thanks to Larry Lami and Richard Rudy, plans are in the works to make some much needed repairs to the wood fencing at the ranch. Larry has drawn up the map of where repairs are needed, at a total estimated cost of almost \$7,000. The repairs will get started in June thanks to the generosity of the McGraw-Hill employees who will donate their time and approximately \$2,000 in materials to the project!

Want to Help?

The Horse Protection League welcomes and appreciates all different types of contributions! The ranch is primarily operated by volunteers who share their time and energy through the vast array of volunteer programs. Some programs require some horse handling experience, while many others do not. If you are interested in volunteering, please call HPL at 303-216-0141. Annie Oden, our Volunteer Coordinator, will contact you.

Does your family, young and old alike, drink beverages that come in aluminum cans? You can save and donate your aluminum cans by dropping them off at the HPL ranch. The income from the cans is saved to a special account for purchasing a new pickup truck for the ranch. Right now, there is approximately \$6,000 in the fund! "Drink and save" is our motto!

Want to provide useful items that are part of maintaining the horses and the ranch? Here are just a few items that are needed: mucking rakes, wheelbarrows, heavy duty water hoses (25', 50'), rubber feeding pans (3 & 6.5 gal) — just to name a few.

Other types of income to the ranch come through various types of cash donations, fund-raising events (see the calendar on page 2), sponsorships, memorials, and grants. Individuals can also donate an old vehicle through Cars Helping Charities, by listing HPL as the beneficiary, or can also name HPL as a benefactor in their estate planning. There are many ways you can donate to HPL, and since HPL is a 501(c)(3) organization, your donations are tax deductible.

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