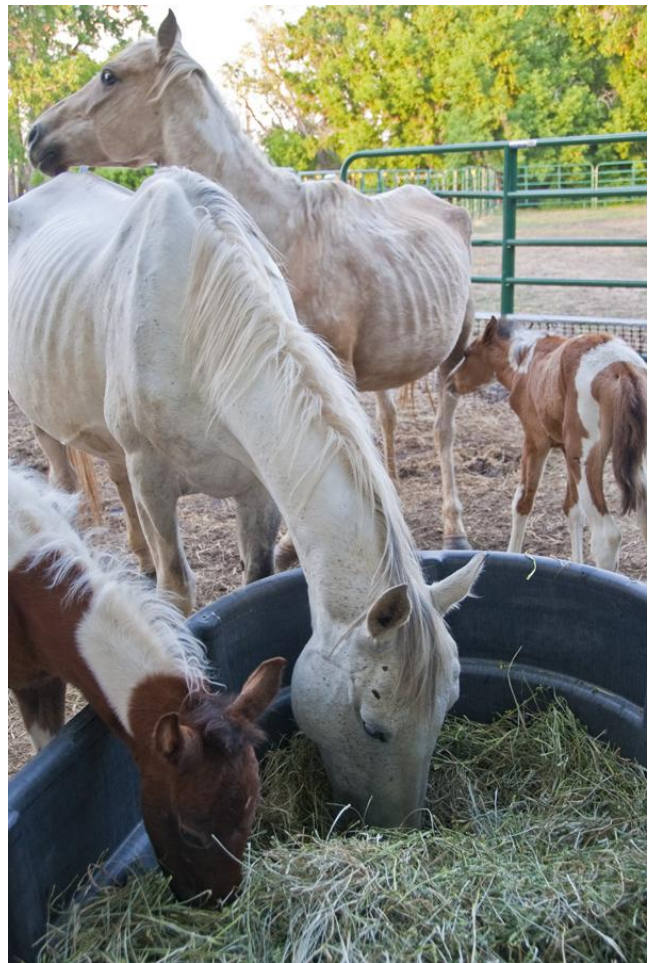


## ASPCA Grant Money Update

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In our last newsletter we announced we received a grant from the ASPCA. This grant was for the rehabilitation and care of the Wyoming horses rescued in June 2011.

The grant gave HPL a chance to give these horses a new start. Our horse trainer, Tucker Black from Conifer, Colorado, works weekly with them, nurturing trust and respect. Because of Tucker's dedication, our vets and farrier can now handle the horses.



## New! The Horse Protection Leagues Veterans Program

HPL is starting a program to assist veterans with PTSD and their families. The program will be held at HPL with the help of our volunteers with a military background and our rescue horses. Call 303-216-0141 and talk to Emie with any questions regarding our new Veterans Program.

Photos and articles for this issue were submitted by: Vicki Christensen, Emie O'Neill, Donna Hoffman, Lindsay Laursen, Dr.Leticia German, Tucker Black, Pam Smith, Annie Oden, and Andrea Vogt

## Board Meetings

Meetings are held on the fourth Tuesday of each month, 6:30 pm in the Ranch house at HPL, 17999 W. 60<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Golden, CO. All meetings are open to the public.

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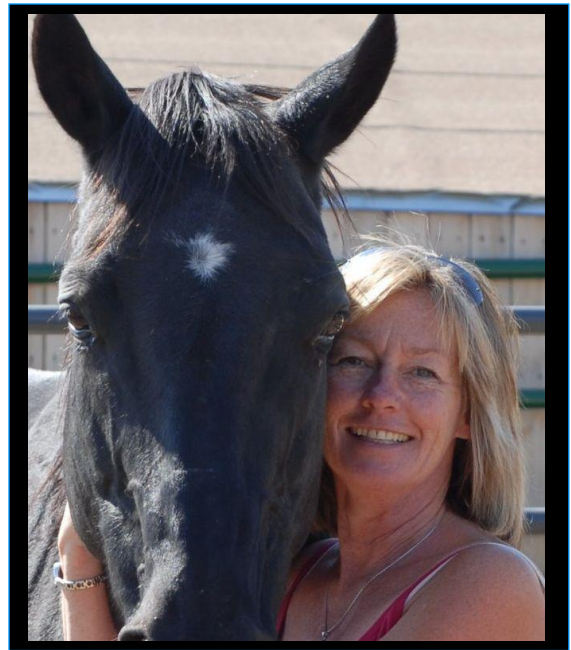
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# Volunteer Spotlight

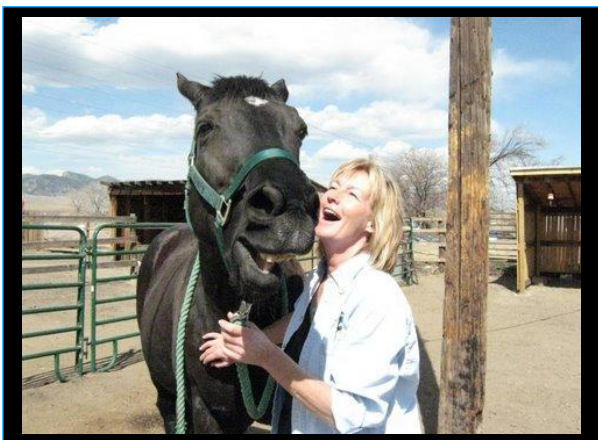
Hello, my name is Lindsay, and I am part of the village that helps the HPL ranch run and flourish. I have been enjoying HPL for over 7 years, although I am not exactly sure how I got started. I have seen a great many horses and people come and go over the years, and yet what is consistent is the love and focus on the horses and their best interest.

I spent decades in the corporate world, and when I retired in early 2006, that is when I really began to live life. A dear friend asked me “what makes your heart sing?” and from that day forward those words have guided me. As a result, some of my time is dedicated to the horses at HPL, I volunteer at Hospice and I work part-time at St. Anthony’s Hospital, and I love it all! I am honored to walk with animals and people, on their individual journeys and in the last chapter of their lives. I believe what you focus on expands. I focus on my love of animals and nature, being of service and living in ‘joy’. HPL has been and continues to be a fabulous place to live my focus, as well as contribute to the village of HPL. I extend heartfelt gratitude to HPL and the horses, and the many gifts the gentle giants offer us humans.



*It is volunteers like Lindsay that make HPL magical. She has a gift of being able to connect with the HPL horses on a level that most of us can only dream of. Her gifts with energy work and animal communication provide immense assistance to our two-legged care takers as well as comfort to our four-legged friends. Here's to Lindsay! (J.S.)*

*I have known Lindsay for a whole lot of years, and what I enjoy most is her kindness and willingness to do for others, both animals and people. She loves HPL, for the ability to help, as well as the connections she has to specific horses and to all animals. HPL is lucky to have such a dedicated volunteer and lover of animals as part of their team. You Rock! (L.W.)*



# Volunteer Spotlight

It's me Bailey. It's Wednesday and I can't wait till Sonya arrives. I hear her car now, she's turning the corner and into HPL. She will be carrying my own special grooming kit. Sonya even gives me lots of hugs and brings my lunch, too. A walk to see some interesting new scenery will be happening today also. We will stroll along meeting rabbits, pretty birds and hearing exciting sounds at every turn. WOW, does she take care of me!



Special note: Sonya Trevio has been a volunteer since 2005. She has written two children's books about horse rescues that she hopes to get published one day. Currently, Sonya is writing an ongoing story starring our little Tucker. Her book is full of lovely photographs and can be read in the booth room of the ranch house.

# We need a Stock Trailer

HPL retired our old stock trailer last year and we are looking for a 4 horse stock trailer. Our wonderful member, Vince Carabelos, lets HPL use his trailer when we need it but it's time for us to buy our own.

We need to haul horses to the veterinary hospital in Golden, and to be ready for those important rescues, like the one involving our Wyoming mares and foals last June. We need a trailer ready in a moment's notice.

Also, since we're in a high fire danger area, it's very important that we are able to move out in case of an evacuation.

If anyone knows of a trailer for sale or could give a donation for a trailer, that would be wonderful. Please contact us if you can help.



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Our very special thanks to:

**The secret Santas at West Brothers**, 7040 Indiana St., Arvada, CO. HPL received over \$400 from your Christmas gifts in 2011.

**Barb Davis** for her work on our website the past two years. Her business can be found at [www.creativewebsites.com](http://www.creativewebsites.com)

**Dr. Leticia German**, who donated de-wormer for all the HPL Horses.

**Platt School, Boulder**. Thanks for all your hard work and a very nice Christmas donation, too!

**Wardle's Feed Store**, 7610 W 42nd Ave, Wheat Ridge, CO, has been very supported of HPL by sponsoring and donating items for our events.

**The Buffalo Rose and co-owner Murray Martinez** for donating the hall rental for our events and for hosting the pig roasts every first Sunday in the summer for HPL. We receive all the donations from the pig roast. It's a great time. Please join us this summer!

**Jonathan and Wendy Beggs**, owners of Silverhorse in downtown Golden. They invite HPL and Princess, our mini and mascot, to meet the folks of Golden on "First Fridays" every month in the summertime. Silverhorse has a spot in front of their store just for us. Princess loves making these appearances!

**All the volunteers of HPL**. Without your dedicated time and hard work, there would be no HPL.



# Save the Dates

## Casino Night & Silent Auction

**APRIL 21** 7:00 pm - 11:00 pm  
Silent Auction 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm  
The Buffalo Rose  
1119 Washington Avenue, Golden

\$15 per person donation at the door includes casino play money and a silent auction bid number. Food and drinks are not included in your donation but both will be available at the Buffalo Rose. Pre-purchase tickets by calling 303-216-0141

## Pig Roast

**JUNE 3, JULY 1, AUGUST 5, SEPTEMBER 2**  
2:00 pm on the patio  
The Buffalo Rose  
1119 Washington Avenue, Golden

Live music, outside bar  
HPL receives all donations from the roast

## Celebration Days

**AUGUST 24, 25, 26** Garage Sale

**August 25** Volunteer Appreciation and Celebration Day

It's going to be our 18<sup>th</sup> Birthday!

## Horse Care & Horse Training Demo

**MAY 6** 9:00 am - 4:00 pm  
The Horse Protection League  
17999 W. 60<sup>th</sup> Ave  
\$60 per person

Spend the day with Dr. Leticia German, DVM, MS, CVA and our trainer, Tucker Black.

Learn about horse care, bandaging, acupuncture, stretching exercises. Watch a demo on groundwork and riding.

Box lunches will be available. Cost is \$10. Make reservations today by calling 303-216-0141

## Cowboy Classic

**JUNE 10**  
Lakewood Cultural Center  
470 S. Allison Parkway, Lakewood

Live Music  
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more details to come

## Hoe Down Barn Dance

**JUNE 23, 6pm - 10pm**  
**\$15.00 per person**  
The Horse Protection League  
17999 W. 60<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Golden

more details to come

# Horse Care & Training

With over 15 years experience in the animal and veterinary industry, Dr. Leticia German has worked in the Colorado Front Range area for the last 5 years. She treats a wide variety of large and small animal species with a particular focus on holistic care in the true sense of treating the whole animal, blending both western and alternative medicine. She received her Doctorate of Veterinary Medicine from Colorado State University and also holds a Master of Science degree in Animal Nutrition and is certified in medical acupuncture.

Dr. German and her practice, Front Range Equine and Livestock, continue to expand on how best to care for our companions with services including acupuncture, soft tissue and trigger point therapy, conditioning and rehabilitation plans, nutrition consulting and advanced equine dentistry as well as preventative care. House and farm calls are available for your convenience by appointment.

In addition to her passion for medical care of animals, Dr. German enjoys spending time with her two legged and four legged family including 2 cats, 2 dogs, and horse. She has ridden Dressage, Western and English disciplines and has dabbled in training and ground driving.



Above Dr. German's Morgan mare named Cassie

Trainer, Tucker Black



I was born with a love for horses and have been riding for longer than I can remember. As a teenager I spent many summers at my aunt's ranch in South Dakota, but my true passion for training was born when I purchased my own horse, Lena. In the first few days I worked with Lena, my view of the relationship between horse and human was transformed. I began to understand that relationship between horse and human needs to be based on trust, respect, and consistency. My passion has grown over this past year when I adopted and started my first BLM Mustang, Lakota. Lakota and I traveled to Fort Worth, Texas in September of 2011 to compete in the Supreme Extreme Mustang Makeover.

I have studied numerous different trainers and styles to develop a technique that works for me, as well as for the horse I am working with. My focus is to build a relationship where both the horse and the human get the most out of the training. I want to make horses safer and more pleasurable for people to be around. When I have a horse in training, the goal is to create a solid foundation beginning with ground work. Once the rider and the horse have mastered the ground work, we move to working under saddle. As the training continues and this trusting partnership grows, the possibilities are endless.

Over the past year I have worked with several of the horses at HPL. I have evaluated several horses for their trainability and adoptability. For example, last year HPL rescued two mares, Spirit and Ivory, and their foals, Tucker and Carmel. I have spent many hours working with these 4 horses to form a trusting relationship. I have been coming to HPL to work with them one to two times a week. I am proud to say they have now started to trust people and are beginning to see us as partners. Tucker Black

# HPL has a new website name

**thehorseprotectionleague.com**

## Wish List

Bleach  
Office supplies such as envelopes, stamps, notepaper  
3-ring notebooks about 1 inch wide, hard cover  
Large size halters  
Lead ropes  
Rubber feeder pans (3 & 6.5 gallon sizes)  
Vet wrap  
4 x 4 gauze sponges  
Cut Heal Wound Care Ointment  
Duct tape  
Horse fly spray  
Water tanks (90 gallons)  
Tank heaters  
Heavy duty extension cords (50 feet)  
Heavy duty water hoses (25 or 50 feet)  
Fence panels and gates (10 & 12 feet)  
Hay feeders (not to hang on walls)  
Complete feed, senior feed, Triple Crown Senior, rice bran  
Gift cards -We shop at West Brothers, Home Depot and Ace Hardware for horse care and repair items.

## National Western Stock Show

HPL's presence at the National Western Stock Show this year was very successful. The purpose in participating as an annual vendor is to create awareness about our organization and our dedication to the welfare of horses, ponies, donkeys and mules. HPL wishes to thank all of the volunteers who manned the HPL Booth and promoted our mission.

## Help Wanted

HPL has a Greeter Program to meet and give tours to our first-time visitors on Saturdays. If you would like to give tours and help the new volunteers, please call Jennie @ 303-868-1096.

## Hay

We need your help! Due to the drought in Texas last year, most of our Colorado hay went elsewhere, leaving our area in a very bad situation. If you can find hay, the cost has doubled. We currently feed 27 horses and use 8 bales a day. Our usual cost per bale was about \$6.00 but is now over \$12.00 a bale. Any donation to our HAY FOR A DAY fundraiser would be greatly appreciated.

## We Need Feeders

We want you to join the HPL Feeder Team! We are looking for a Monday morning feeder. Our longtime volunteer is leaving and we need someone to take her place. Plus we are always looking for backup feeders!

If you are interested, please contact Sabrina @ 813-391-9464 and talk to her!





**A BIG HELLO to all you wonderful HPL volunteers and supporters.**

**It's me, MATTIE, and I need your HELP!**

Those of you who are familiar with my history know that my life has not always been easy. I was born in California about 6 years ago. Though I'm a beautiful Quarter Horse mare with lots of potential. I ended up however, on a rental string at a Colorado riding facility where I stood for long periods of time with an ill-fitting saddle on my back. As a result, I developed some back problems so I was no longer useful to my owners. They sold me at auction and I ended up in a kill buyers feed lot awaiting shipment to slaughter. Then my guardian angel appeared, purchased me and turned me over to The Horse Protection League where life has been pretty good for me.

I have plenty of food and water and get to run in the pasture, but I need more than that - I NEED SOME TRAINING!

I know I can be a good riding horse for someone, but because my past experiences under saddle were not good, I need to start over, from the beginning. And, to be truthful, my ground manners are not the best either. If you will sponsor me, HPL will have a trainer work with me and maybe I will have a chance for a forever-home with my own person!

Thank you in advance!

Love, **MATTIE**

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**Yes, I would like to sponsor you, Mattie!**

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# Recycling & More Recycling

The Horse Protection League (HPL) of Arvada, Colorado is reaching out to the community in hopes we can become partners in recycling aluminum cans. Currently, HPL has an aluminum can recycling program but we would like to expand it with your support. We use the proceeds from this program to help with the daily cost of caring for our rescued horses. Not only do we help the environment through recycling, we have also found a creative way to earn money.

Our mission at HPL is to rescue neglected and abused equines. While some have come to us from owners who no longer want them or cannot care for them, others have been rescued from abuse, neglect or even saved from slaughter. We provide farrier, dental, veterinary and rehabilitative care, striving then to place these animals in loving homes.

The Horse Protection League works with local animal control officers in cases of neglect and abuse. We also conduct classes and clinics in proper horse care. HPL is supported 100 percent by donations and volunteers as our monies go directly back into the organization. Last year, our average average expenses were approximately \$7000 per month. That's a lot of aluminum cans!

We are asking you to help us in our mission and become partners in recycling aluminum cans. Our address is 17999 West 60<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Golden and we have a clearly marked area for the cans to be delivered. Special pick-up arrangements can be made. We welcome any amount, small or large. If you are willing to accept this partnership, we will formally thank you in our quarterly newsletter that reaches all of our members.

Please feel free to contact us at:

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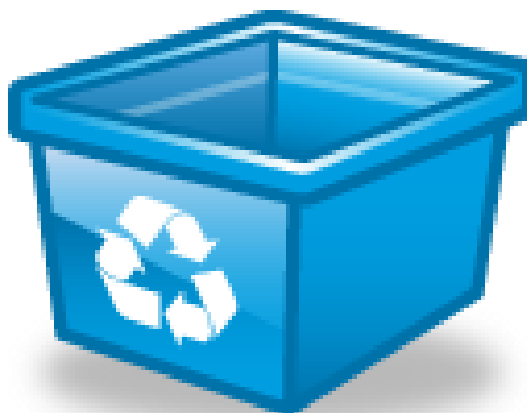
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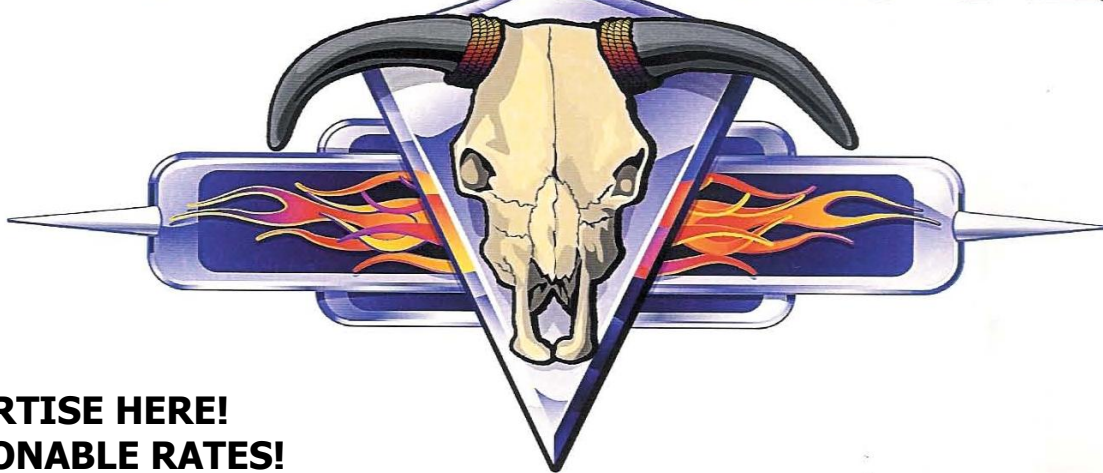
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