

Helping Starved, Abused & Neglected Horses in Georgia

**Quarterly Newsletter** 

October, November & December 2022



#### By Patty Livingston

The Georgia Equine Rescue League (GERL) recently assisted law enforcement in a legal seizure of 13 extremely emaciated horses. Half of the small herd were babies of various ages, and also included 3 stallions. They were a sorry sight. It was heartbreaking to see, yet we were all happy that they were being removed from the situation. They were transported to various foster homes, with the bulk of them (9) going to a farm in Conyers where Coggins would be pulled and everybody checked over by a vet. Huge thanks to Clarissa and Larry Winslow for allowing us to use their farm as a landing spot until we could get separate foster homes lined up. Disbursing 9 horses at one time is no easy task. Kudos to all of the folks who stepped up and took a horse or two, or four.

The "Baker's Dozen", as they are now referred to, are not the legal property of GERL, therefore, we are not allowed to alter the horses (castrate) or adopt them out until the case goes to court and a ruling ordered.

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Handsome - Before

Handsome - After 1 Month of rehab

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#### A Baker's Dozen By Patty Livingston

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In the meantime, we continue to give them food and love, which is easy since they are all sweet and sociable. From the beginning, this has been an unusual experience. One of our volunteers asked a priest from a nearby Episcopal church go to the farm to bless the 9 horses located there. Most were very skinny, so all prayers and blessings were welcome.

It has been almost 3 months since they arrived, and it is amazing to see the transformation. I have rehabbed a lot of horses in the past 14 years, but I am always amazed at watching them return to a normal body score. Horses lose weight from the top down and they gain from the bottom up. The last place they gain weight is the topline. Most of the adult horses in this herd had what we refer to as a "shelf" below the spine. Watching that fill in, week after week, the shelf going away, points becoming round with fat once again; it is amazing to witness. The last time GERL got involved with law enforcement on a large equine herd case was in 2019 when Henry County seized 22 horses. That case did not drag out in court because the perpetrator released the horses at the advice of their lawyer after a month or so. Every case is different, but this is the reason most counties look to an equine rescue organization to absorb the cost of the horses until a judgment is rendered. Several counties have taken it on, but many shy away. Who is going to pay and care for the horses is a deal breaker on whether or not a case gets prosecuted. GERL spent over 10 years educating law enforcement on equine laws and prosecuting animal cruelty cases. We feel compelled to step up when asked because this is the only way that we are ever going to stop the cycle of animal abuse. If not us, who then?

GERL is currently spending approximately \$10,000 per month to rehabilitate the Baker's Dozen. Thankfully, there have been many people who stepped up with donations to help. Facebook donations, other saddle clubs and private businesses have also helped. It has been amazing how many people care about this herd, despite the state of the economy and the price of a bag of feed.



Lady—Before



Lady-After



Charming being blessed by a priest.

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We are hoping for a court decision soon that will decide their fate. Hopefully, they will become the property of GERL and we can begin to find them permanent homes. Until then, we are hoping to see the feed bill drop since they've moved away from 3 feedings per day.

If you would like to donate to help feed the Baker's Dozen, please go to our website at www.gerlltd.org and click on the Donate button. By the way, check out our Feed a Horse program. 100% of all donations go directly to feed the horses.

Huge thanks to everyone for helping us make a difference for the Baker's Dozen!



Beauty-After



Beauty-Before



Charming - Before

Charming - After 2 months of rehab.

Charming - After 2 mos. of rehab.

#### **Boone and Me** By Louise DiTomaso

I met Boone for the first time in June when he first arrived with a Percheron and a Mustang at Patty's farm. At that point, I was not looking for a new mount yet. Several months later, Patty and I talked about riding together at Harbin's Park in the coming days. She mentioned to me that Boone had just gotten back to her farm from CeCe's place. She knew at that point I was looking for a new gaited horse, one that could canter, as mine did not. She offered to bring Boone for me to try and see if I thought he would be a good match.

Our trail ride was wonderful. Boone, though a bit forward for the first few minutes, quickly settled in. He had the best rocking horse canter I'd ridden in a while. I was in love and paid the adoption fee as soon as we returned to the parking lot.

What was not to love about this boy? From his eyeliner-rimmed blue eyes to his sweet, in your pocket disposition, he is always the first to greet me at the gate with his little ears pricked forward looking for attention. And, he has settled right down on the trail. Boone has become my best buddy. Bonus points! He is not wide like my other horse, and my hip doesn't hurt when I ride now!

Thank you GERL, Patty, and CeCe for giving me the opportunity to have such a wonderful boy.



#### **Edelweiss Farms Donates to GERL**

By Patty Livingston



Shortly before Christmas I received a phone call from Savannah Lankford, owner of Edelweiss Farms, a private family-owned riding facility located in Jefferson, Georgia. Savannah told me that Edelweiss Farms was hosting a Christmas party/cookie exchange the following week, complete with food, music, Santa and Mrs. Claus. She wanted to organize something special for one of the Baker's Dozen rescue horses that she had heard about, and she wanted to include all of the kids involved in her riding program. Savannah threw out some ideas that she had, and I happily provided her with some suggestions of items for the horses. Luckily, I had already identified the "poster horse" from the Baker's Dozen and already had a flyer created.

The evening of the Edelweiss Farms Christmas party was a very festive event with lots of kids running around having a great time. Savannah asked me to speak to everyone for a few minutes to let them know about GERL and to say a few words about Handsome, the horse that they had taken up the collection for. They had donated the biggest pile of feed, supplements, and other items that I had ever seen! It touched me how generous people are. Despite the inflated economy and the price of feed, they opened their hearts and wallets for a horse they had never even met. Of course, I'm hoping to remedy that by inviting them all out to meet Handsome, and the others soon.

Big thanks to all of the students at Edelweiss Farms for your generosity: Olivia Loudermilk, Madison Beck, Emma-Rae Whaley, Karah Schaefer, Kennedy Fischer, Rachel, Levi and McKinley Clifton, Emma Cardona, Abigail Burns, Willow Garner, Virginia and Jennifer Slawinski, Michelle and Grace Banaham, Layne, Chip and Audrina Lankford, Abbey and Charlotte Krebs, Kinsley Wellborn, Ava Schewaller, Calla Caufman, Rain Jackson, Mary Benton, Ellie Robinson, Rosie Garcia, Kennedy Smith, Macie and Gabe Lammey, Andrew, Jessie and Garrett Cox and Meredith Twiddy.



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#### Shamus - Aka Sable and Gable

By CeCe Calli

Shamus came into my life as a foster horse when he was 4. He came into GERL's foster program when he was 7 months old. He was bounced around a bit to find that perfect foster to bring him into the light. When Sha-



mus came to my place he came in with Hank, a Ga. Dept. of Ag (GDA) reject after going through 2 sales. Ruth and Tommy Wilson brought these boys to hang out for a while. Hank was just a complete turd. A rearing, cow kicking bully. Shamus was just different. If I was able to even put my hands on him, he would just shake and melt down like I had acid running through my fingers. It took him 30 days to relax enough for me to halter him and lead him into the barn. The barn where Hank was snorting and circling and cow kicking. It was really the craziest thing I ever saw with two horses that were both going under saddle. I turned Hank over to Lou (my late husband) and I focused on Shamus. Lou led Hank from his paddock into the barn, as Hank showed his butt and reared up and tried to spin (classic brat move). Lou just stood there and laughed at this 14-hand dope on a rope. We had a few of these things at our training center in Ocala, Florida.

Hank had a light bulb moment and started acting like the well-mannered horse he was way down deep inside. Shamus was different. Different than yesterday and the day before. Everyday was different with Shamus. He broke my heart a lot. I just couldn't get to the bottom of him. After a couple months Lou let me know that he adopted both Hank and Shamus. Hank because he really like his punky attitude and Shamus because he couldn't see him going to a new place, ever, never.

I tried to accept Shamus for the horse was and get the horse I wanted him to be out of my head. I sent him off for training only to get a phone call asking me "What's wrong with this horse, two days he's great and the third day he's forgotten everything" Hum, my first thought was "thank God, it's not me making Shamus like this". My second thought was holy cow what is really wrong with him. Shamus came home and he loved being home. A few months later I was gifted a session with an animal communicator. Ok I'm game. Over the phone she told me that Shamus is showing her that he is either mentally challenged or Autistic. My head jumped to "Red Sack Foal" or "Dummy Foal". Yikes! She went on to tell me that Shamus was sorry that he forgot was a halter was and sometimes his head gets so full of fog he just freezes. Then, now hang on, she said she was sitting on him but needed to get off because he wanted to roll. My feet came off the floor as I was watched Shamus roll.

Understanding that Shamus didn't have a training problem but a neurological problem, things started falling into place. I took a new approach to everything Shamus. I accepted what he could do on the days his brain was clear and accepted those times when the fog came in. He was my boy, and we made the best of any situation. Shamus was not destined to be anything but Shamus. At 6 he developed Fatty Lymphomas, at 7 he developed Cushing's, at 8 he developed Insulin Resistance, and then we started his journey with Laminitis. These conditions are all things that much older horses get. But Shamus is Shamus.

Shamus' journey came to an end October 18, 2022. He fought a gallant fight. Always the sweetest boy. I will forever be grateful to him for teaching me a new form of horsemanship, for allowing me to care for him to the best of my ability and opening my heart to really find-

ing the knowledge to make life a little easier for a different horse. I will forever miss this big goofy boy who had the biggest heart of any horse I have every known.

Godspeed Shamus...



#### An Answer to a Prayer!

By Carol Sorrells

After losing my senior Tennessee Walker, Rhett, my heart was broken. In the midst of my sadness and grief, I knew that I would need to find another horse. I wanted to adopt a horse in Rhett's honor. The criteria for the new horse...a gelding that needed a home, and one that would be a suitable pasture mate for my Spotted Saddle Horse, Sophie. I asked several of my friends to join me in prayer to find the perfect horse, and the search began. It didn't take long before God sent me Captain, a beautiful sorrel Tennessee Walker.



Captain with his new blanket

On the day that Captain was scheduled to arrive, I was so excited. Patty, who trailered him, entered the front gate of our farm and I began to cry the happiest of tears. Captain was home! I instantly fell in love with him. Those first moments of getting to know one another were so precious. I wanted him to feel loved and safe. I wanted him to know he was home, and I would do my very best to take care of him! In his first days on the farm, I went out each day and took my time grooming him and showing him around his new home. By day three Captain let me know very quickly that he was grateful! Ever so sweetly and gently, he gave me the best horsey kisses. Be still my heart!

Captain was listed as a 20+ elderly horse. I am hopeful that I might be able to trail ride him soon. We shall see! If not, it's totally not a dealbreaker. I will be content seeing the beauty of him, alongside Sophie, grazing on lovely green grass. I will be content just spending time with him getting more kisses and hugs! I'm so grateful for GERL and the work that they do connecting horses that deserve to be loved with humans that have plenty to share. I am his and he is mine, forever and always...an answer to prayer. God Bless!



Carol and Captain

Delivery Day



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#### It Takes an Army

By Patty Livingston

Whoever invented the saying, "it takes an army" must have been talking about taking care of horses! I have been fostering three stallions that came out of a legal law enforcement seizure back in early October. My farm has housed many stallions over the years, but it has been short term. I usually have them gelded immediately after gaining enough weight. I also have never fostered more than one stallion at a time. This case is different because the thirteen horses involved were not owner-surrendered, which means that the case will be going to court for adjudication. In the meantime, the three at my farm remain stallions.

Going out of town is a big deal now. I have had to get creative with arranging to get them fed twice a day whenever I have had to go out of town. I asked several people to help with the feeding so as not to impose on any one person. I'd like to thank all of the folks who have helped me out with this chore.

Rylee Nash, my long-time go-to horse girl, has helped me out many times and in many different ways with the stallions. She has been coming over to help with photographing, weight tape, bathing and feeding.

Debi Dalton and her volunteer team of horse crazy girls have come to my rescue on more than one occasion. On one trip to feed they found a horse running loose in the yard. The girls were able to capture him and get him back into his pen.

Olivia Sapp and her parents, Jeffrey and Nikki, come over every other week to help out. Ever since the stallions came to live at my farm, Olivia and her dad have been helping out with Handsome, who seems to be everyone's favorite. Recently, Olivia brought a couple of other horse-crazy girls with her and they all enjoyed grooming Handsome before running off to check out the other two stallions.

Last, but not least, my neighbor, Ben Petree, has also come to my rescue a few times to help out with feeding the boys. Sometimes I wonder if he regrets living next door to an extreme horse-crazy person? Nevertheless, he always come through and I am grateful. In my world, at least right now, it takes an army, albeit a small one!



Rylee Nash helps with Blackjack.



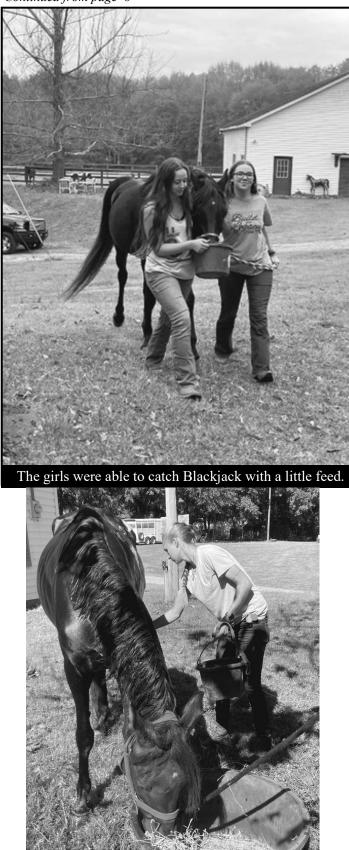
Debi Dalton & her volunteers with Handsome .

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Rylee giving Blackjack a bath.



Olivia and friends with Handsome.



Nikki Sapp with Handsome.

#### PLEASE CONSIDER SUPPORTING GERL THROUGH THE AMAZON SMILES PROGRAM.

As of November 2022 GERL has received **\$8,148.83** That is very encouraging, thank you to those who always go to the Amazon Smile link and support GERL while you do your shopping. If you shop on Amazon through their Amazon Smiles program, 0.5% of your purchase is donated to GERL. In order to support GERL through the Amazon Smiles program, all you have to do is go to https://smile.amazon.com/ch/58-2080606 and choose Georgia Equine Rescue League as your charity. You also have to begin shopping via that link in order for your purchases to be credited toward GERL. What a great way to support a great cause without spending any of your own money.

You can find links to both of these programs on the GERL website at https://gerlltd.org. Our thanks go out to all of you who have chosen to support GERL through these programs.

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Puttin' On The Feed Bag Recipe Homemade Beef Stew

## Ingredients

- 3 tablespoons vege table oil
- 2 pounds cubed beef stew meat
- 4 cubes beef bouillon, crumbled
- 4 cups water
- 1 teaspoon dried rosemary
- 1 teaspoon dried parsley
- ½ teaspoon ground black pepper

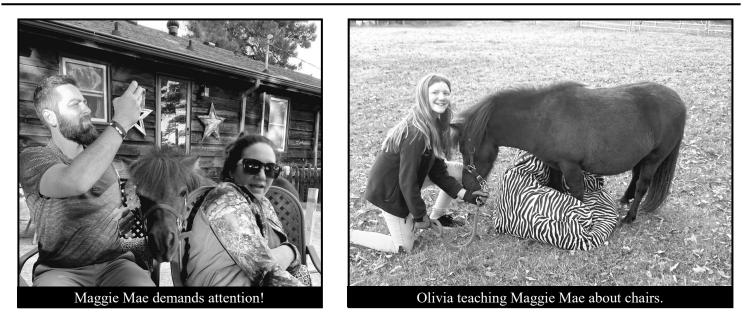
- 3 large potatoes, peeled and cubed
- 4 carrots, cut into 1 inch pieces
- 4 stalks celery, cut into 1 inch pieces
- 1 large onion, chopped
- 2 teaspoons cornstarch
- 2 teaspoons cold water

### Directions

- 1. Heat oil in a large pot or Dutch oven over medium-high heat; add beef and cook until well browned.
- Dissolve bouillon in 4 cups water and pour into the pot; stir in rosemary, parsley, and pepper. Bring to a boil; reduce heat to low, cover, and simmer for 1 hour. Stir in potatoes, carrots, celery, and onion.
- 3. Dissolve cornstarch in 2 teaspoons of cold water; stir into stew. Cover and simmer until beef is tender, about 1 hour.

#### **Olivia Visits the Farm**

By Patty Livingston



Olivia Sapp and her mom and dad come over to my farm every other week so that Olivia can help me out with the horses. On one such visit, Olivia attempted to teach my mini horse, Maggie Mae, to sit in a chair, by hiding cookies in the cracks. Maggie Mae knows a cookie when she smells it, and it didn't take her long to sniff it out. Standing on the chair was acceptable in this case. We figured you have to start somewhere, right?

#### Picker's Paradise Closed but GERL has new Plan

By Patty Livingston



As many of you may already know, we had to get everything out of our booth at Picker's Paradise by December 28th. We marked everything down 50%, hoping to sell more than we would have to move. Cindy Farris, GERL's Picker's Paradise extraordinaire, and a couple of volunteers (with muscle) went to Picker's and cleaned everything out. Cindy had an idea that she would like to set up a big tack store down in her basement and let people come to her farm in Good Hope to shop. The best part is the fact that her basement is ten times bigger than our little booth at Picker's so she will have the ability to display a lot more items. Look for an announcement on our Facebook page with more details about the new tack store.



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Interested in becoming an Area Coordinator?

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#### **GERL Secretary Wanted**

By Patty Livingston

It has been a couple of years since GERL has had a Secretary and I have been doing my best to create and send out thank you notes and anything else that needs doing. After our long-time secretary, Miss Anne Ensminger, retired, GERL decided to go with an automated database application that would generate the renewal reminders and send out tax receipt letters. I am currently the only person within GERL who is familiar with this new membership database. That is a bit frightening. This application has the capacity to do so much more than what we are utilizing it for, but unfortunately, I do not have the bandwidth to investigate.

We do have a formal job description of what the GERL Secretary responsibilities include if anybody out there is interested in helping. Please reach out to me at gerlpatty@yahoo.com if this is something you can help with.



## Join our Feed A Horse Program



Donations will be applied directly towards feed and hay for horses located in the Veteran facilities that GERL supports, as well as the horses taken into GERL's foster program. Currently, the cost for rehabilitating a horse is approximately \$150 per month, per horse.

Make your TAX DEDUCTIBLE donation through the Georgia Equine Rescue League, Ltd. "Feed a Horse" program. We need your help so that these horses can live.

Get involved! Ask your friends, family, co-workers and others to help raise money to feed the horses!



**Itty Bitty Before** 



**Itty Bitty After** 

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#### Volunteers of the Quarter

By Patty Livingston

There are a lot of great people in the world, and I happen to know a few of them who live right here in Georgia. They are always willing to help out. They have been recognized for this award a couple of times and are also recipients of the Marty Paulk Cheerleader Award.

I want to give a big shout-out to Jacki Moore and Leslie Lambert for providing transportation for our horses as well as feeding and mucking for nine. Words cannot describe all of the hats that they wear for GERL. Whatever needs to be done, they volunteer. Both were instrumental during the pick-up and disbursement of the Baker's Dozen, a herd of 13 horses that GERL assisted law enforcement with a few months ago. Thanks seems hardly enough!



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## Where Does the Money Go?

For those of you who like to know where GERL spends your donated dollars, below is an update on our impact directly to horses since our last quarterly newsletter:

- GERL spent \$4,491 on vet care for our foster horses.
- GERL spent \$3,100.70 on feed and hay for our foster horses.
- GERL spent \$2,212.67 for feed & supplies for the horses at Warriors Ranch in Dublin.
- GERL spent \$2,423.50 on feed for Calvin Center Horses & Warriors.

GERL SPENT A TOTAL OF \$14,099 THIS QUARTER DIRECTLY HELPING HORSES.



#### Stallion to Gelding Program Celebrates 12th Year

By Marian Finco

One of the most successful programs GERL sponsors is the Stallion to Gelding Program. This program began in November 2012 as part of Director Patty Livingston's "Get Well Program" in effort to decrease the number of unwanted, starved, and abused horses in Georgia. At that time GERL formed a partnership with area veterinarians not only to provide low-cost castration clinics but to educate the public on the long-term problems of overbreeding.

In the beginning, the second Sat of November was designated as the official Stallion to Gelding Day in Georgia and veterinarians throughout the state donated their time, staff, and expertise to provide clinics on that date. Over the past years it has been increasingly difficult for our volunteer veterinarians to host their clinics on the designated day in November, so they have chosen to pick their own dates for their clinic and keep their own schedules. Some veterinarians chose one specific day to hold their clinic, however others choose a week or castrate during the month of November for the greatly reduced fee.

Originally, horses were castrated for \$100.00 per horse. The owner of the horse paid \$50.00 and GERL paid \$50.00. In order to keep up with inflation, horses have been castrated at \$175.00 per horse with the owner paying \$100.00 and GERL paying \$75.00 for the past two years.

While having your horse castrated during Stallions to Geldings month is by far the most cost-effective way to get your horse castrated. It is not always possible to take advance of this program in the month of November. GERL sponsors another program throughout the year where \$75.00 can be paid to the veterinarian of your choice towards the castration of your horse. This program requires an application and approval in advance. The applications are available in the GERL website under Stallions to Geldings.

Just complete the form and send to Marian Finco at mhfinco@aol.com.

I'd like to take the opportunity to thank the veterinarians that so generously gave of their time and expertise this year. Congratulations to:

- Dr Wanda Thompson Royston Animal Hospital was the leader with 21 castrations.
- Dr Robin Barrow and staff Barrow Veterinary Services
- Dr Melissa Fulton and staff Fulton Equine
- Dr Daniel Pike and Dr John Elliott and staff Piedmont Equine Associates
- Dr Jason McClendon and staff Southern Cresent Equine Services
- Dr Wyatt Ford and staff Philema Veterinary Services
- Dr Logan King and staff King Equine Services.

Several faithful veterinarians were unable to participate this year but will be back in 2023. If any of these fine doctors happen to be your veterinarian, please let them know how much they are appreciated. And, congratulations to Dr Ava Talmadge on her retirement, who started volunteering for this program when it began 12 years ago.

Remember our motto. Most stallions make great geldings!



#### Thank you for your donations

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- Amanda Tinkle
- Carolyn Stambaugh
- James Brantley
- Christy Leshok
- Kathy Worthington

#### Building Fund for Calvin Center

Karen Henderson

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#### In Memory of

- Ralph Thrower, Jr. by Karen Henderson
- Macarro, beautiful horse owned by Dr. Dana Peroni, by Jeanne Barsanti
- Prince Graphic AKA Jon by Len Jagoda
- Ginger, well loved by her mom, Tracy Fedak, by Dr. Ava Talmage
- Stasha, beloved horse of Holly Goodwin, by Pat Patelle
- Robert Jackson Powell by James and Patti Jarrett
- Robert J. Powell by Sean Sammons
- Robert J. Powell by Francine Koenig
- Robert J. Powell by Michael Granahan
- Robert J. Powell by Mickey & Melody Burke
- All my friends that supported GERL by Diana Kelsey
- My sister, Chris Altizer by Carole Evans

## In Honor of

- Mandi at Liberty Stables by Laura Whitlock
- Marie Ballard-Myer, birthday gift for my sister who loves horses, by Janice Myer
- Elizabeth Dabney for being an amazing and patient instructor! So thankful for you! By Victoria Hastie
- Joan Bell by Max Follettie
- Silver by John and Laurie Absalon
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## **GERL Calendar of Events** - *Mark Your Calendars!*



March 2022 GERL Annual Meeting Date to be Announced

Mark your calendars so that you don't miss any of these wonderful events that will benefit GERL. It's a guaranteed great time, a benefit for a wonderful cause and a way to see old friends and meet new friends! *Visit our website for up to date information on events: https://gerlltd.org* 



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For updated Area Coordinators: https://gerlltd.org/area-coordinators/

#### We'd Like To Hear From You!

Do you know any special kids who deserve a shout out for their good works? Contact us. We would like to feature them in an upcoming newsletter! gerlpatty@yahoo.com



## LET ME SAY THIS...ABOUT THAT

#### By Patty Livingston, President

I've learned over the past fourteen years that the word "Rescue" has a lot of preconceived assumptions from people. For most, it implies a safe place for an animal to end up. For others, it is a place where people want to bring their kids to expose them to the animals or perhaps an opportunity to learn about the responsibility involved.

In truth, GERL is a very different kind of equine rescue, which always surfaces whether I am filling out applications for grants or speaking at a Christmas party. The number one assumption is that we have a facility where the public can come and visit and smell a horse's nose. GERL has relied on foster homes since its creation in 1993, and I have come to love and appreciate that decision over the years. It guarantees that I will have some freedom to travel without worrying about a barn full of horses somewhere. I won't have to worry if somebody showed up to feed on time or if they got their stall mucked. I don't have to worry about creating a schedule of volunteers to call.

My farm is a foster home for GERL, and I have fostered a lot of horses over the years; all the while trying to achieve a revolving door timetable where they come in, get evaluated, get Coggins, etc. and go to another foster home until they are adopted. I have never reached out to ask anybody for help with feeding, grooming or mucking.

It was not until recently, when three stallions came to reside at my place, did I think about how different my life would be if there were a facility to maintain with all of our horses on location. In the beginning when the stallions arrived in such need, I was feeding them multiple times a day. No sooner had I finished one feeding, only to be starting the next feeding soon afterwards. They have to be separated which requires me to do a good bit of walking from my barn to their paddocks. I have been overworking myself, so pardon the whining. It has given me food for thought though. I have had some young helpers, with the aid of their parents, coming over because of the stallions. Funny how many are eleven-year-old horse crazy girls. That was my age when I got my first horse. And, after attending the Edelweiss Farm Christmas party, I met more kids who were very interested and anxiously waiting for a date to take a field trip to come over and visit the horses. Of course, they are oblivious to the fact that GERL does not have a facility. It is of no importance to them where the horses are kept, they are all about the horses.

The one thing that I desire most for the Georgia Equine Rescue League is that its legacy and mission will live on after I am gone. Up until now, I had no idea how to draw kids to GERL. Despite the fact that GERL has not had many young people involved in our fundraising events, it is the love of the horse that we share. I wish I had involved them with these stallions when they first came in so that they could visualize the transformation themselves. I don't know how long these horses will be at my farm but let me say this about that...I have a whole different attitude about the importance of pulling these young people into the world of GERL by using direct interaction with the horses we rescue and I am going to make a commitment to try to involve more kids in the rescue process in the future.

Who knows? One of these eleven-year-olds could be the next President of GERL someday!



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#### "Feed it Forward" Nutrena Grant Funds Available

By Patty Livingston



Nutrena was offering a grant called "Feed it Forward" where people were able to go online and nominate an organization worthy. One of our long-time GERL members, Margaret Wallace, nominated the Georgia Equine Rescue League (GERL) and she sent me an email letting me know so that I was aware. I received an email a few days later from Nutrena with a link to complete an application.

We have received confirmation that our application had been received by Nutrena. They will be reviewing the first round of grant application beginning in January 2023 and anticipate notifying recipients in February and March.

Say a prayer and keep your fingers crossed that GERL makes it

through the reviewing rounds and ultimately a recipient of grant funds in 2023.

BIG thanks to Margaret Wallace for the nomination!



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GERL Mailbag

Dear Patty,

I just wanted to take a minute to thank you and GERL for all of the support you have given to Calvin Center's Horses & Warrior program this year. Your kindness and generosity have allowed us to do such wonderful work. Helping repair the barn and arena roofs was a gift beyond words and the continued support for paying for feed is a true GODSEND!

The winter hay, tractor, lawnmower, and help with vet care...the list goes on and on!

We are so grateful!

Thank you!

Wishing you and everyone at GERL the happiest of holidays!

Warmly,

Kate

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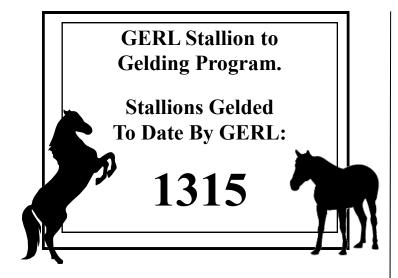
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**CeCe Calli**—Foster Care Coordinator (706) 376-2410 \* foster@gerlltd.org

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Southern States and Triple Crown Proof of Purchases (POPs) continue to trickle in. We were able to take advantage of the TC offer again this year, which is 1 \$25 VISA gift card for every 12 POPs. Thanks to our TC donors, we had enough for all 12 gift cards! Thank you, again, to our consistent donors and thank you to our newest POP donors: Rebecca Testerman, Suzanne Cottingim, A. Wester, Grace Kanavage and the Roberts on Commercial Rd. in Athens.

Please clip your Legends, Southern States, Triple Crown and ProElite POPs and send 'em my way! Let's do our part to end the suffering of many Georgia horses and put them on the path to their forever homes. Thank you for your support!

> Ginny Scarritt and send them to: 4835 Kendall Court \* Atlanta, GA 30342



#### **Bar G Horse & Cattle Customer Appreciation Day**

Steven B. Neal

In October the Georgia Equine Rescue League (GERL) was invited to set up a booth at the Bar G Horse & Cattle Supply Customer Appreciation Day in Bishop, Ga. I was asked to represent the GERL and to relate the GERL story, describe our current programs and encourage anyone interested to join us in our efforts to rescue neglected and abused horses across the state. There was a genuine interest in GERL's history. I guess that is because most people assume that GERL is just a horse rescue. It surprised a lot of people to learn that GERL was originally formed in 1993 to support the Georgia Department of Agriculture and their equine impound program. I then related all the GERL's current programs including our Feed a Horse, Stallions to Geldings, Crisis Intervention, and our most recent endeavor, Horses for Heroes (support for equine therapy programs for Veterans).

Bar G also sponsored a raffle to encourage donations of horse feed for the thirteen horses that GERL is currently housing while assisting law enforcement. Big thanks to Morgan Griggs for coming up with a creative way to help the horses and resulted in my being able to deliver 9 bags of Triple Crown Senior for our foster horses.

It was a fun day with many friends and associates in attendance and an honor to be included with all the other equestrian related businesses and organization that attended.

Unfortunately I completely forgot to take a picture or our booth and I couldn't find one anyone else might have taken one. However, I did get a picture of this cute little character. From the expression on this little face it had been a busy morning and they were pretty tuckered out come the afternoon.





#### Another Trip Around the Sun

By CeCe Calli

To say things have changed a bit in our foster and adoption programs is an understatement. When the Georgia Department of Agriculture (GDA) closed their impound barns and the Department of Corrections cancelled their equine programs, a lot changed. The biggest change was the end of our GERL Rescue Challenge. Now, the influx of horses coming into our program are too old. Because we aid law enforcement, county animal control and a lot of individuals either over their heads, extremely ill or elderly our foster program has changed.

The horse industry goes through cycles as everything else. For the past few years horses have been selling at a price that can't be sustained. Which means older horses get pushed out to make room for those new and exciting horses. I've seen this before in California and Florida. Horses get stuck in a cycle of people's momentary wants and needs. Instant gratification is something we all love, but the reality is a poorly written story for the horse. That horse that taught your kids how to ride and took the best care of them deserves more than "Hi, is this CeCe? I have a horse I want to donate or rehome. This horse is the best but at 30 years old they are expensive, and I don't have the time, want or heart anymore." These phone calls just kill me. Yep, I wish I could reach through the phone and well you know. But what I do is explain our GERL protocol in reference to our foster and adoption program. Some people don't like that the horse that has been so good to their kids will be adopted by and hopefully a loving person. I go on to explain we are not a sanctuary, all our foster horses are at private farms all across Georgia, being cared for by volunteers. I do give them a list of sanctuaries (which are all full) and wish them the best of horseman's luck. I think a lot about how we need to do better, better for the horse, better for our souls and better for the legacy of horsemanship. I just don't know how to get there. I have traded, flipped, bred, raced, rehabbed and watched a horse take their last breath looking into my eyes, but I have never walked away. In the new year, my hope is that we all try a bit harder to be good stewards to these horses we have chosen to be part of our lives. To understand a horse will age out and we need a plan. To know that horses will get hurt and we need a plan. When the new year comes, I hope my phone stops ringing, I hope all the horses are in a good place, I hope we, as horseman, become better.



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#### Calvin Center Horses & Warriors Hosts the Wounded Warrior Project

By Sara Reams

Calvin Center Horses & Warriors was recently honored to host a visit of Warriors sponsored by the Atlanta office of the Wounded Warrior Project. Wounded Warrior Project offers their Warriors the opportunity to experience all sorts of activities – everything from deep sea fishing to retreats and family outings. In past years we have hosted trail rides for not only Warriors, but also for local WWP staff. In return, we have been invited to participate in their Atlanta area Expos. This gives Horses & Warriors the opportunity to share about our program, and to network with other area veteran service providers.

We were happy to have great weather for this recent visit. We hosted five Warriors, who all were able to ride. Most had no horse experience, so we began with the very basic safety lessons. After they were introduced to the horses, they joined their team for the morning. Our regular riders volunteered for this day, becoming team leaders for each Warrior, instructing the visitors in grooming and tacking up. Once ready, off they all went into the arena for a warm-up before heading out on the trail. This was a special time for not only the Warrior riders, but also for their team leaders who got to experience the trail from the perspective of their own horse leaders and side walkers. Everyone had a wonderful time on the trail, then untacked, groomed, and turned their new horse buddies out into the pasture. Then we all came back into the barn for lots of refreshments and visiting. Several of the Warriors already knew some of our folks, because of having participated together in WWP events in the past. It was also helpful for our riders to talk to WWP staff with their questions about Wounded Warrior Project.

Calvin Center Horses & Warriors is always happy to be able to participate in WWP activities. It is through our relationship with them that we receive referrals of Warriors to our program. As a P.A.T.H. Intl program, we are also recipients of grant funding that comes from WWP through P.A.T.H.

We wish Wounded Warrior Project all the best in the work they do. And we look forward to seeing them again!



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#### Kel-Mac Saddle Club Supports GERL

By Arlene Williams

Kel Mac Saddle Club has been a long time supporter of GERL as well as other equestrian charities. And at the Kel-Mac Saddle Club Banquet this December, Valerie Puryear, 2023 Kel-Mac President and Rosemary Vogle, 2023 Kel-Mac Treasurer, presented a \$1,250 check to Patty Livingston, President of GERL, much needed after the latest influx of over a dozen horses.

For those of you unfamiliar with Kel-Mac, it has been around since 1976. Known as a family friendly Saddle Club, Kel-Mac hosts horse shows, trail rides, equestrian related speakers and programs, and offers educational scholarships to members.

The Kel-Mac Horse Shows are held 4 times a year at the Madison Agricultural Center in Madison, Georgia. Great for beginners as well as experienced riders, the shows offer both Western and English classes, Equitation, Halter, Western Pleasure, Reining, Ranch Riding, Trail, Hunter, and Gaited. Points are tracked for Saddle Club Members and Cash Prizes and Awards, in the various classes, are presented at the Holiday Banquet so be sure to sign up!

Kel-Mac also offers Trail Rides throughout the year. Weather permitting, they try to schedule 1 Day Ride and 1 Overnight Camping each month. Where and when for each trail ride is determined by the members and scheduled at the beginning of the year. So be sure to get in touch with us as soon as possible, for any information and to join in on the fun!

Meetings are held monthly with programs or speakers from the equestrian community featured in the pro-



gram. Covering every-Patty thing Livfrom Pasture to Posting, Coggins to Chiropractors, Stable Management to Strangles, Kel-Mac works to bring Kel-Mac doyou information that is relevant or interesting to you.

Kel-Mac also has given out thousands of dollars in Higher Education Scholarships to Members. Please check the website: www.kelmac.com or the Facebook page to apply.

And if you just want to do something fun



around horses and horse people, Volunteer!! Kel-Mac loves its Volunteers! Kel-Mac tries to let the Volunteers know how important you are at any and all functions and, especially, at the Holiday Banquet, where we name our Volunteer of the Year!

So please come hang out with a great group of people (and horses), doing really good things while having a really good time! Did I mention the horses?



Kel-Mac folks enjoyed a great meal.

#### Warriors Ranch update

By Paula Smith

We here at Warriors Ranch have been busy these past several months. We have upgraded our riding arena and are now operating with a finished riding arena. We have added a few new characters to our herd – Chester a 20-year-old quarter horse and Amos and Andy our newest donkeys. What would a therapeutic equine center be without donkeys (an honestly, they are quite the characters).

In October, we were honored to be asked to be participants at the Dublin VA for their fall festival. Hank, Max, and CC were the main attractions. Veterans and their families were able to see demonstrations of the work that we do we're able to ask questions of veterans who have gone through our program and were able to obtain information about warrior's ranch.

Construction on the office is underway currently and

we are hoping to move from the exterior to the interior in the next few months and to have it completed by the middle of next year. We have expanded our services to include working with children who have suffered trauma and have contracted with the local agency to provide equine assisted psychotherapy services for them.

Our work with veterans continues and we are hoping to expand our programs in the coming months to include a family trail ride.

Warrior's ranch is grateful to all of our wonderful volunteers our staff and to those who support us in our mission to work with veterans first responders and their families and we are excited about the expansion of working with children who have been traumatized.



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### Warriors Ranch update

By Paula Smith

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# **GERL ADOPTABLES**

For adoption fees and additional information, please contact CeCe Calli, Adoption Coordinator. (706) 371-6804 / adopt@gerlltd.org



**Sultan** is a 25 year old Bay Arabian gelding. He is a former show horse that has done his time. Sultan is being offered as a pasture pal. He is a beautiful boy and would look good in any pasture! He has great ground manners is loves attention.



**Luna** is a 3 year old Gray Arabian filly. She has just spent 2 months with a trainer. Luna needs someone who is willing to go slowly with her training from here. We suspect that she was abused at some point in her life.



**Gypsy** is a 22 year old Mustang mare. She is 13.1 hh and is very shy. She is slow to trust humans, and it is obvious that she has not been handled a lot. We are offering Gypsy as a pasture pal. She is very sweet.



**Cisco** is a 25 year old Palomino QH gelding. He was one of Mickey Farmer's horses. Cisco is retired and being offered as a pasture pal. He is very sweet, not aggressive to other horses and very pretty to look at! Cisco has a lot of personality, too!.

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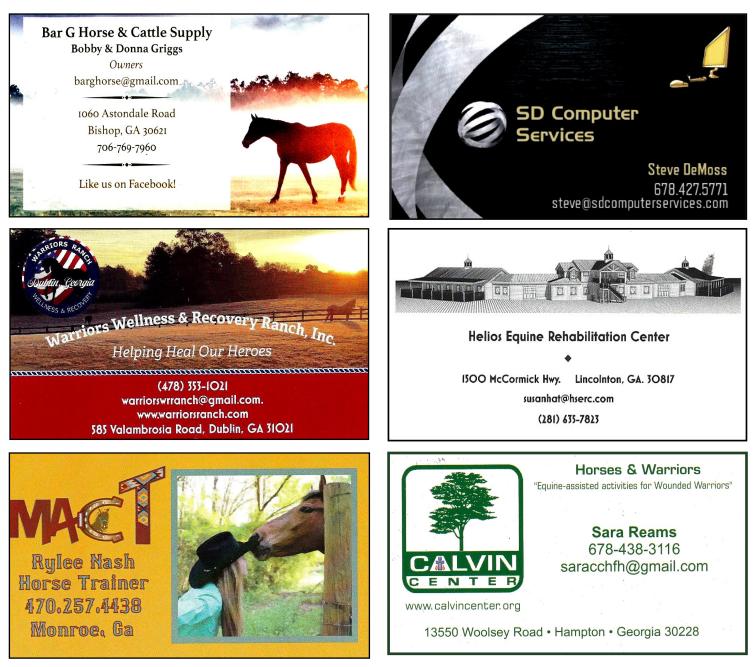


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