



Horses at Mill Creek Farm

Retirement Home for Horses, Inc. PO Box 2100, Alachua FL 32616

Established 1984

A nonprofit organization dedicated to providing lifetime care for old, abused and abandoned horses.

JACK HANNA VISITS AGAIN...

Jack Hanna, the host of 'Animal Adventures,' recently made a third visit to Mill Creek Farm accompanied by his wife Suzi and youngest daughter Julie. This time Jack taped a segment called 'Field of Dreams' for his new series 'Into The Wild' which has since been shown across the country.

Jack said "I have been to many places but have not seen one that resembles Mill Creek Farm, which is the reason I come back as often as I can. I have not seen a place that equals this care and dedication. It's not just a thing they do – it's their life".

"Peter and Mary Gregory are giving animals a chance to live in grace and dignity" said Suzi Hanna. "The quality of care here is the best".

DID YOU KNOW...

A horse in a ten acre field will cover ten miles a day.



WE GROW A LITTLE...

At the end of December 2007, we purchased an additional 20 acres bringing the total for the farm to 265 acres. We surround this new tract on three sides and will now begin to construct fences, gates, shelters and water lines which will enable us to rotate some of our existing fields.

To all those who contributed to this purchase a big thank you from the horses. If you wish to help make the new land habitable for our horses, please send a contribution to the above address.

\$113,758...IT AIN'T HAY

Actually it is hay and grain. That's the amount we spent on feeding our horses in 2007 – an average of \$865 per horse. Other expenses include veterinary costs of \$14,234, farrier \$8,485, utilities and telephone \$13,154, and insurance \$13,449. According to our CPA, the total cost of operating Mill Creek Farm was \$270,000 last year. Our income was \$258,000 meaning we incurred a deficit of over \$12,000. We had to transfer \$25,000 from our reserves to cover this shortage. Prices are rising daily and we need all the help we can to ensure our horses get the best care possible.

RECENT ARRIVALS...

Duke (left in picture), an Appaloosa came to Mill Creek Farm after being rescued by the Horse Protection Association of Florida last December. He was joined by Maggie Mae (right in picture), a Mustang, in February after she was seized by Animal Control in Baker County, North Florida. They immediately took a liking to each other and are seldom more than three or four feet apart. On Saturdays, they come to the fence together to be fed carrots by the visitors. Most people are surprised to find that both these horses are blind. They are two of a total of ten blind horses enjoying their retirement at Mill Creek Farm. Well, they say 'love is blind'!