

MILL CREEK FARM GAZETTE

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Ginny & Dottie Arrive

This month we welcomed Ginny and Dottie to Mill Creek Farm. They are sisters and came to us from a handicapped riding facility in South Florida.



Ginny (aka Go for Gold Ginny), is a very sweet 20-year-old Appaloosa mare who was used as a show horse in western and reining until 2000 when she entered the therapeutic riding program. She has a club foot and navicular in both front feet, but is getting around very well.



Dottie (aka Go for Gold Dotty), a 21-year-old Appaloosa mare, was a Western Pleasure show horse on the Appaloosa show circuit prior to joining Ginny as a therapeutic riding horse in 2009. She also has a club foot as well as a slight hole in her coffin bone.

Ginny and Dottie have acclimated well and are with their friends in Starfire's Pasture.

Special Update

Special retired here last November after working 17 years as a police horse. She served her last seven years with Lymphangitis (a condition that causes swelling in her left-rear leg). While it is something she will always have, she is doing well and enjoying every day of her retirement.



Welcome Bailey

Our newest canine member to RHH is our rescue girl, *Bailey*, a two-year-old red dachshund. She loves farm life, especially running in front of Paul's golf cart when he rides around to check on the horses. She is a lovely addition to our family!



Meet Our Oldest Resident

While a lady never likes to reveal her age, we think *Dakota* should be proud of being 42 years old. Dakota arrived at RHH on Oct. 29, 1998. She was originally rescued by the South Florida SPCA in 1996 after being rented out by the hour to run up and down a rocky road – while 10 mos. pregnant – and then had a rope tied around her hind leg at night; she still has the scar. Dakota was adopted by a family in Georgia. On the way there, the SPCA stopped by our farm to deliver a horse to us. We offered to take Dakota, but she was spoken for. In 1998 we received a call – Dakota had been found abused, undernourished and wary of humans. It took her awhile to trust again, but she is now one of the sweetest horses on the farm. She is also an example of why we provide horses a forever home – so we can ensure these wonderful creatures are loved and cared for the rest of their lives, as they so deserve.



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