The Retirement Home for Horses

MILL CREEK FARM
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Dear Friends

In May we welcomed Breeze, Badger and Everly to begin their much deserved retirement here; All the Horses had their hooves trimmed by our team of farriers; We showcase some of our wonderful volunteers that come out to help make our mission possible; We welcomed a new Team Member; And we share our Wildlife Picture of the Month.

— Mary and Paul Gregory, Cole, Caitlyn, Alina, The Volunteers and all the Horses
Retirement Home for Horses, Inc. at Mill Creek Farm

Welcome BREEZE

Breeze getting ready to begin his retirement

LESLIE CARPENTER Senior Animal Services at Osceola County Animal Services

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Breeze (far right) has settled right in with his new pasture mates. Collier (front), Camilla, R.C. , Eyore and Clariant

Breeze is a handsome and friendly 24 year old bay gelding who was rescued by Osceola County Animal Services after he was found in January abandoned by his owner at a boarding facility. He already loves the visitors and carrots that are coming his way! He has settled right in to his new life as a retiree.

BADGER AND EVERLY ARRIVE

Everly

Badger

Laurie escorts Badger off the trailer

Bridget from the South Florida SPCA brings out Everly

Laurie and Mary

Nora (front right) takes the dachshunds and the group to visit SPCA alumni.

Holly (far right) welcomes Bager and Everly

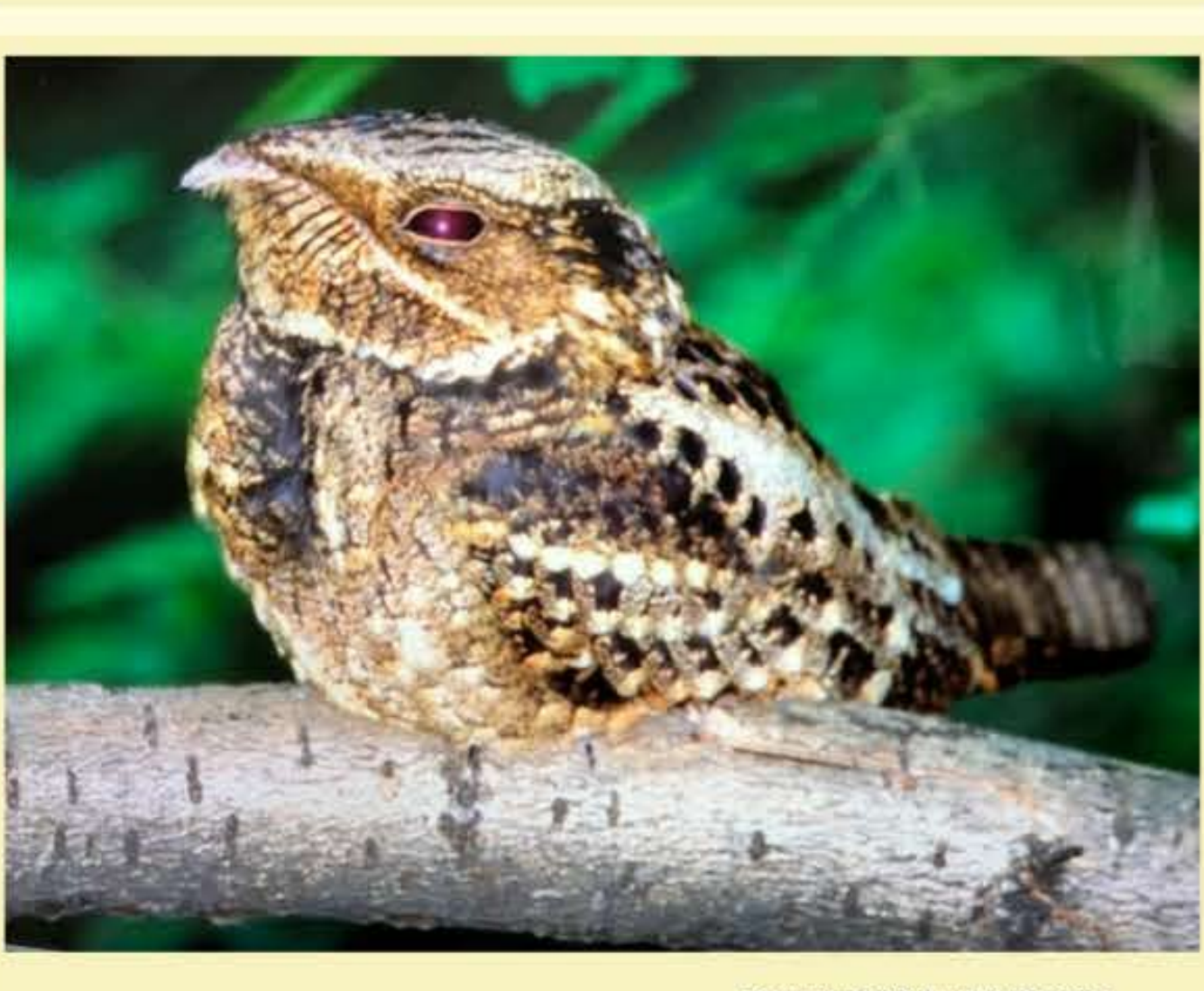
Everly and Badger have made new friends. Joan (Back Left) and Knox (Back Right)

BADGER, a 21 year old quarter horse gelding, was found in a flooded field in NW Miami. He was found with an elderly mare who sadly had to be euthanized. There was no dry land for them to stand on.

EVERLY, a 22 year old Paso fino mare, was found in a coral rock drainage ditch by a python hunter in the Everglades. She was unable to escape and Fire Rescue had to come out with a slide to be able to get her out.

We are extremely grateful to LAURIE WAGGONER, Founder and Director of Ranch Operations at the SOUTH FLORIDA SPCA and the great team there for saving the lives of these two beautiful horses.

Wildlife Picture of the Month
The CHUCK -WILL'S- WIDOW



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The lovely nighttime call of this bird, the Chuck-Will's Widow (*Caprimulgus Carolinensis*), on warm summer nights rewards our walks outside after the sun sets. The repeated and distinctive calls of the breeding males as they establish their territories and attract females are lovely to hear even if we can't see them. They are nighttime feeders, scooping up beetles and flying insects while on the wing. In the Fall they will head South and we will once again look forward to their return to Mill Creek Farm the following Summer.

Welcome Alina

Welcome Alina Farrell to our Team. Alina is on break from college and will be at the farm Sunday, Monday and Tuesday to help feed the horses, pick up and fill the feed buckets as well as other projects we are working on. We are happy she will be with us through the summer.

The Horses Love Our Volunteers

Our Incredible Volunteers help make our Mission to provide a Heathly, Safe and Forever Home for these and future Horses possible.

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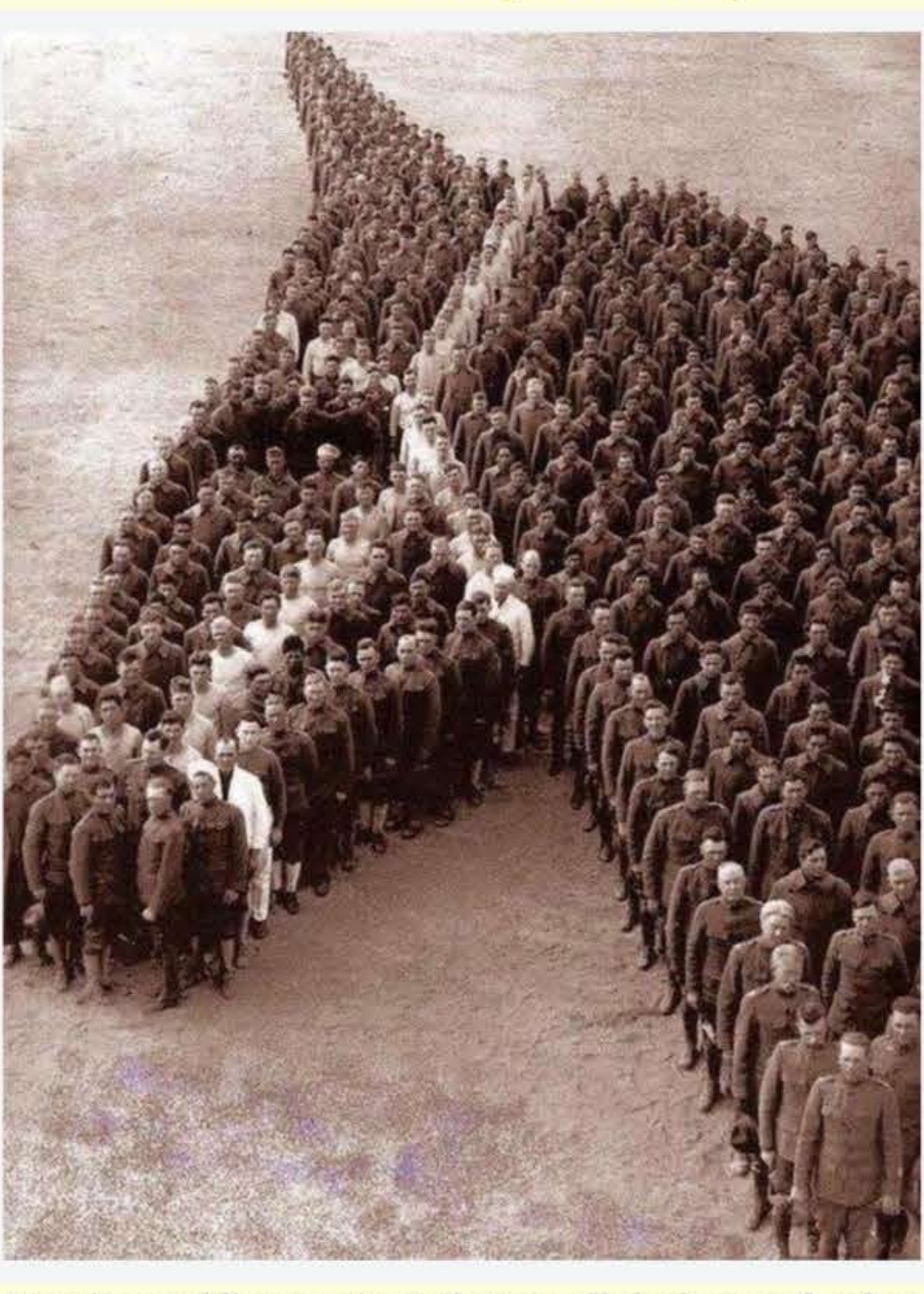
Memorial Day Memory



American soldiers paying tribute to all the horses that lost their lives in World War I. This was taken in 1918.

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By co-sponsoring one of these wonderful horses on an annual basis you can have a special relationship with your "retiree" while helping to contribute to the cost of care for our horses.

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