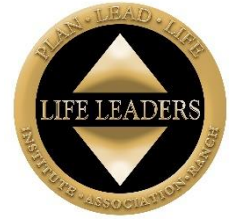




Compassion Ranch

*Animals getting second chances for life
inspiring character traits courage & compassion, patriotism & perseverance
aimed at callings & choices of people to plan & lead in life.*



To donors, volunteers, advocates, other friends--progress, plans, possibilities – November 5, 2023



Hank serving as the caparisoned horse for the funeral of Gen. Colin Powell (right).

Left: Hank the Tank practicing to walk as the riderless horse in America's first Veterans Day Parade in birth city, Birmingham, Alabama.



Hank the Tank is preparing to walk in America's oldest Veterans Day Parade on November 11 in birth city, Birmingham, presented by Compassion Ranch and Patriotism in Action.

Hank and Lincoln retired to Compassion Ranch pre-July 4

www.CompassionRanch.org

www.NationalVeteransDay.org

added links to our www.PatriotismInAction.us page and our www.VeteransDayFoundingEducation.us page.



Wounded Warrior one-year ago this month: we received a call of animal neglect near us. I visited and assessed, he was alone in a pasture with no hay and little grass. He likely would die during winter.

We had built a stall for when Lincoln arrived. This horse needed help.

Since then, he has gained over 100 pounds getting more grass, all the hay he wants, plus 6-7 pounds of high fat feed and a weight gain supplement daily. His ribs are almost covered.

He had an injury on his back left leg with scabs on the outside and inside of his leg, as well as both hips. Two veterinarians told us we have helped him heal more though his leg injury may never heal fully due to internal breaks affecting blood flow to the skin. We originally called him Spaniard though changed his name to Wounded Warrior in

honor of Disabled American Veterans and children with challenges from which they may not heal. Wounded Warrior surprises vet techs that he can still walk and even run with Hank the Tank and Lincoln, who joined him before July 4.

These three horses help tell our stories advocating compassion for those who need us:
Hank: Equine Metabolic Syndrome. Lincoln: PTSD. Wounded Warrior: physical injury.
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Plans and Part of Wish List

- ☆ **Two-stall barn with feed room:** to provide shelter for 3 donkeys & a pony before Winter.
- ☆ **Hay:** 50,000 pounds to feed for 5-6 months during late fall, winter, and early spring.
- ☆ **Student workers:** teens work & learn 1-2 afternoons to keep animal spaces clean plus more.
- ☆ **Sponsor food and care:** horse \$10/day; pony/donkey \$5 daily; dog/cat/goat \$1/day.
- ☆ **Pallet forks for tractor:** to off load and move 2,000 pounds of feed, lumber...on pallets.
- ☆ **Professional services needed part-time--**by people who care about animals and our mission:
 - ☆ **Animal caregiver:** help clean & trim hooves, involve volunteers; bonus: lab work for worms.
 - ☆ **Tree removal crew:** 1 big pine tree close to horse fence needs skilled crew to protect...
 - ☆ **Chain saw operator/s:** fallen trees/limbs to clear pastures for grass, trails, firewood...
- ☆ **Farm gates:** flat panels like used decades ago: 10-12 feet wide.
- ☆ **Washing and trimming stations** for horses: gravel, supplies....
- ☆ **Round pen:** exercise/train/gentle horses with student observation and emergency corral.

We want to do better for the animals and people:

- ☆ **Social Media:** follow, share posts with friends who value animal care and student development.
- ☆ **Advocacy:** call/write/recommend to donors, volunteers, journalists. Someone is looking for us.
- ☆ **Share info:** send our brochure (2 sheets) via email to friends who might want to know more.
- ☆ **Visit:** meet the animals, see progress, envision plans, consider your goals....
- ☆ **Equines:** groom mane, coat, tail as we trim hooves; pics of you...
- ☆ **Dogs:** brush, play...
- ☆ **Cats:** relax with felines on the cat porch using bed or sofa or cats in the barns may want rubs...

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*Do you have a calling or idea for working with us?
Would you like a call or visit?*

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