

Happy Trails Farm Animal Sanctuary

Horse Rescue Updates (Friday, Oct. 26th)

SADIE



Sadie, a sweet 6 year old Morgan mare who had a serious eye injury, had her eye removed at Cleveland Equine Clinic on Friday, October 19th. Surgery went wonderfully and there was no complications. She came home to Happy Trails the following day and began her healing process. She was vet checked again on Tuesday, October 23rd, and had her bandages changed. Everything is healing well and we expect a full recovery. She gets her stitches out next week. Sadie is in need of a permanent adoptive home, hopefully with her little pony friend, Fleury, who has become her 'seeing-eye' pony. She will need someone with a gentle hand and patience as she now learns that everything on her right side doesn't have to be scary. Eye removal surgery: \$500

FLEURY

Fleury, the sweet, 20+ year old pony who had her baby taken from



her at the auction, has now become Sadie's "seeing-eye" pony. The two girls have become very bonded with each other, with Sadie becoming more confident with Fleury's help. Fleury is trained to ride, to hitch both single and double, and is kid (and traffic) safe. Though we have had multiple inquiries about her, we hate to separate these two friends at this point. We would be thrilled if someone would consider adopting them together. Sadie should be able to work (pull or ride) once her eye heals. It will definitely take someone with confidence and patience to work with her to help her adjust to not being able to see on the one side of her. A confident handler will create a confident horse! Fleury is now on a healthy diet, had been dewormed, vaccinated, and is truly going to be a great little pony for some lucky family. Call us for more information on adopting these friends together!

AMITOLA

(AMITY)

Amitola (now nicknamed Amity), a 13 year old Belgian draft gelding, is now receiving proper



nutrition, has had his hooves trimmed, was vaccinated, and is responding well to our care givers. What a great guy! However, he has recently started showing signs of shaking his head — something else that we are now going to have looked at by the vet. He is fairly thin, but is eating well and drinking well. Until we put some weight on this young man and find out what his head-shaking is all about, we won't know if he will be a Pasture Pal or rideable. In the meantime, he doesn't have a personal sponsor, and neurological tests to rule out diseases like EPM or Wobblers Syndrome are sure to add up. He is very sweet to work with and hopefully will have a bright future ahead of him!

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WOODY

Woody arrived with a bad left hoof, so that needed addressed first. The blacksmith came out



right away and trimmed off the broken part of the hoof and planned to examine it closer in a few days. All the horses got their



Woody's hoof before trimming.

hooves trimmed on Thursday, October 25th and Woody's back hoof needs to be further examined by a vet. The blacksmith is concerned that the hoof itself is very

soft and it appears to have suffered some type of injury left untreated in the past. Parts of the hoof are broken away and much of the underneath material is simply gone from the bottom of the hoof. The vet is scheduled to come out today, Friday, October 26th to examine the hoof and determine if radiographs are needed or if corrective shoes are necessary to help this hoof situation heal. Blacksmith cost: \$35 Vet examina-



Woody's hoof after trimming.

tion today \$50; anticipated radiographs: \$120. Any special care or treatment will be an additional cost. He has also been vaccinated and dewormed. He will have his teeth floated next week. You can contribute to Woody's care, or you may consider adopting him as a Pasture Pal until it can be determined if his hoof can heal and he can be deemed rideable in the future. If it can heal correctly, this situation will take at least a year.

EDITON

Editon is the sweetest old guy you'll ever meet! He is about 20 to 22 years old - an incredibly



quiet Standardbred. Nothing spooks him and he keeps to himself in the pasture. After he gains some weight, we'll try him under saddle for a light rider. I think Ed would be thrilled to still have a job to do, even if it's just a nice walk or trot down an easy trail with a light rider. He will do anything you ask of him and is the ideal horse. Editon does not have a sponsor yet. He has now been vaccinated, dewormed, vet checked, and had his teeth (which were really bad) floated. He is now receiving proper nutrition to put some weight on him.



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BILLIONAIRE

Billionaire, a younger Belgian gelding draft horse, was surrendered to Happy Trails shaking very badly. He spent four days at East Holmes Vet Clinic where he was tested and treated for West Nile Virus. On day five, we brought



Billionaire home to Happy Trails since he was then stable enough to handle the trailer ride from Holmes County to Portage County.

Two days later, after test results came back, it ends up that this big, gentle soul tested negative for West Nile. A trip last Saturday to Equine Specialty Hospital in Burton resulted in an additional four day stay with testing for various neurological diseases - from EPM to Wobblers Syndrome and everything in between. We are awaiting results expected next week.

In the meantime, he is back at Happy Trails once again. Dr Cindy Jackson believes that Billionaire is a well-trained draft horse with great ground manners



and that we should be able to find him a home where he can have a good quality of life. Test results will further indicate any additional



treatment or special care. Billionaire's vet costs: East Holmes Vet Clinic: \$650; Equine Specialty Hospital: \$1,700 Here are extra pictures since we didn't have photos of him for our original article.

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DIAMOND

Diamond is a beautiful 22 year old white Percheron mare. Her back right leg is about three times as big



as her other leg. She has had her initial vet exam, had her hooves trimmed and was vaccinated. Next week she will get her teeth floated and her leg x-rayed. Diamond is a very nice lady who appears to have had this leg problem to deal with for quite some time. At this point, she is not limping or favoring it. We will do further research to see if there is anything at all we can do for the leg or to make sure that it is not uncomfortable for her in any way.

She is a gentle giant who will make a great family pet. She may be able to do some light riding in your backyard. Her ground manners are great and she is wonderful

to work with. She is hoping to find a family who will love her and treat her with kindness and dignity.

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- sending a check or money-order to Happy Trails, 5623 New Milford Rd., Ravenna, Ohio 44266
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