

Shining Example of Compassion – Happy Trails Style

Two of our California Hens Get Spa Treatment

Loretta and Ginny, two of the California hens developed foot problems and had to have some intensive care so Ilona Urban, a retired school teacher and part of our educational outreach program, took them home, set them up all comfy-cozy in her garage with straw and a heat lamp in a nice big pen. Each hen needed two 15-minute foot soaks a day in a betadine solution, wound flushing with a syringe and then silver nitrate cream applied.



This beautiful gal stands quietly to dry her feet and get meds applied

They have been perfect ladies throughout their care and seem to love their time in Ilona's laundry sink. After three weeks they



Of course, a selfie is a must when bonding with a feathered friend!

have the all clear to go back to Happy Trails and rejoin their friends. Ilona expresses the bond between her and her girls - "I am going to miss them so much. We have our routine all worked out and they greet me with soft sweet little sounds when I come out to feed them or bring them in for a soak. Loretta is more easily frightened than Ginny who is cool as a cucumber at all times.

While they soak, I do laundry. We have had some heart to heart talks and have solved most of the world's problems in the last few weeks."

Chickens are very wise.