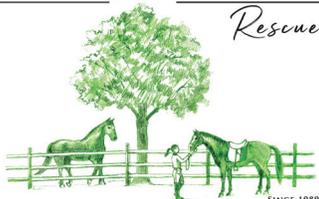


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Helping Horses & Kids Since 1989

SRF Marks the 35th Year Milestone!

On June 1, 2024, SRF will venture beyond thirty-five years of this ongoing effort to give these deserving animals a life after racing. More than 5,000 adoptions have been made, and so many dreams come true; given people meaning in their lives; raised children with kindness, compassion, and character; built families and homesteads and much more.

When SRF was founded some thought racing and SRF would hold hands and build on the public's want, stepping up to change the course of the lives of these majestic animals. That in turn would have been a positive for racing's image, and saved many of these noble warriors.

Five thousand adoptions have continued on page 3

The Celebration is Coming Save the Date!

Save the Date and join us on October 26, 2024!
More information will be coming.

RECENT ADOPTIONS



Casimir Hotshot	Hot Pistol	Enjoy The Show
Hurrikane Houdini	My Real Love	Lisa's Photo
Flashy Trick	Marilyn's Jo	Tag 9435 - Doja
My Happiness	Knights Of Honor	Victorious Win
ANKLBITER-	ILookLikeBrady	Goofy Bucky
ROCKETDOG	Trotten Socks	Bailey's Knight
Bourbon N Ginger	Keno Dave	Make A Scene
Tag # 311 - Thor	Snapitup	Uncle Milt
Get Over Liz	Hot Number	Linn-Side Liberty
Jus Trouble	Perfect Storm	Frazzleberry
Thunder on Friday	TE's Special Cam	Fox Valley Alpine
Super Tight	Bay Fishen Doc	Catch Lane
Don Henick	Melanie Del Azur	Royal's Starlight
PrincessofDarkness	Logamotion	Forever Sporty
Star Time Kid	Lets Go Get Em	Hokey Pokey
Tidewater Moses	Bring Iton Mr Rick	The Ideal Kind
Howards Pride	Joys Mutinee	Tag 9980 - Willow
Private Time	Grand Fellow	
Sharkskin	Tom Paine	



Nicole St. Pierre and her guy Willow Lane D Skijoring! What a blast, not just for adopters but the horses love it too. It doesn't take much to try it, Standards are usually game and already have most of the skills needed. If you get very ambitious there is an annual Triple Crown Skijoring competition in Maine!

Updated Mission Statement

Slaughter is such a profound issue for these noble horses, all horses. Without lifetime guardianship horses will always be at risk. Education and outreach are needed. That is what prompted SRF's new mission statement:

Our heartfelt mission is to rescue horses from the threat of slaughter, secure loving homes with the distinctive commitment to lifelong follow up and guardianship. We tirelessly promote a universal understanding that horses require a lifetime commitment of enduring care. Through the provision of resources, education and outreach to communities, individuals and other programs we meet their needs and continue our unwavering promise for a better world for horses.



Save This Date

Golf Outing Tuesday, May 28TH

Commemoratively 35 years of helping horses and kids, SRF invites all to join our 31st Annual Golf Outing on Tuesday, May 28, 2024 at the beautiful and private Battleground Country Club in Manalapan, NJ, it promises to be even more spectacular than ever! Individual golfers are \$245, foresome is \$980. Tee time is 12:30pm and cocktails and dinner at 5:30pm. Sponsorship levels are tax-deductible ranging from \$500 to \$10,000 and offer a very generous media package. Everyone is welcome and a fun time is guaranteed for all. Need more information, contact SRF at 609-738-3255



Nuke The Popcorn has a remarkable attitude! This stunning black beauty has been living through numerous foot abscesses repeatedly and was shipped off to a kill pen. SRF stepped up, took him in without any knowledge of his painfulness and for how long it existed, yet this guy keeps his head up and smiles through it all.

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Breeding Donations Are Appreciated

The tax-deductible donations of breedings is one of SRF's most important fundraiser every year and are very much appreciated. These breedings are available for sale throughout the season until the breeding sheds close in July. Some folks are concerned that more babies being born through SRF's fundraiser adds to the problem of more horses in need. Breedings are sold whether donated to SRF or sold by the owner. When SRF benefits, the funds are applied to help the horses in need. It is inevitable that all babies will not make it to the races, some may never make it to the finish line first, but nearly all will need a place to live out their lives. Please consider donating breedings and writing in a lifetime breeding specifically for SRF. Thank you to our wonderful donors. Contact Judy at 609 738 3255 or email her at SRFHorsesandkids@gmail.com to purchase or donate breedings.

Social Media Update

SRF is still limited, very limited on Facebook. Boosting is not available, and using the donate button is only temporary and sporadically available. SRF is two years into this difficult situation. The loss of donations due to the constraint continues to affect being able to raise funds for the needs of these horses.

SRF is on other social media but they are not funding streams.

Find us on TikTok: [adoptahorse_srf](https://www.tiktok.com/@adoptahorse_srf)
Instagram: [standardbred_retirement_fdtm](https://www.instagram.com/standardbred_retirement_fdtm)
Facebook: We have 3 pages:

- Standardbred Retirement Foundation-adoptahorse.org
- Standardbred Retirement Foundation-adoptahorse.org II
- SRF SOSS - Standardbred Retirement Foundation/SOSS Horses (rescue)

A Legacy of Love

Planned Giving refers to the process of making a charitable gift of your assets to a non-profit organization such as the Standardbred Retirement Foundation (SRF). It is philanthropy with a financial strategy for the donor to benefit you and SRF.

There are several ways to create a planned giving donation. You can plan a bequest, charitable trust and reminder trust, life insurance, retirement plans, or donation of real estate. SRF has a full page of information on its website on planned giving and philanthropy with a financial strategy. There are many ways to give to help the horses you love and to benefit from your own generosity.

Learn more at
<https://www.adoptahorse.org/planned-giving>



Look at Nuke's giggles after a little pain relief! He needs a sponsor until his abscess issues are resolved. Please consider how you can change his life to match his smiles.

American Association of Equine Practitioners

The Foundation For The Horse, a 501(c)3 organization, incorporated by the American Association of Equine Practitioners. It recognizes the need for the work of the SRF in the rural areas. A grant was recently awarded to SRF to bring good horse care to these areas through its Horse Sense Seminars.

SRF brings a hands-on approach, sharing good hoof care & shoeing, nutrition, general care, vaccination information and much more. Several Veterinarians will present and share throughout the day.

The next seminar is scheduled for April 6th, another one will be scheduled for the fall of 2024. The seminars will be held in Pennsylvania where there is a high population of use of Standardbreds as work horses.

Amateur Drivers Change Lives, They Get It!

SRF horses have the support of numerous amateur driver clubs across the country. Enjoying the sport with the horses is what it should be about and these folks get that! When the sport turned to a business it lost so much. The amateur driver groups love racing, respect the horses, and gain nothing but the sheer pleasure of it. SRF is very grateful for their support.

35th Year Milestone *con't fm cover*

been made since the barn door opened. Nearly 85% of the horses have been rescued from the slaughter line. After decades of implementing the mission, racing finally started a program, The Standardbred Transition Alliance (STA) accreditation programs that relinquishes the adopted horse. They are now free to resell them. It also requires programs to refrain from helping the trotters and pacers tagged for slaughter.

SRF's mission is one of welfare. It's the largest organization helping this breed. It continues forward on the path paved by kindness, and people with character, more horses will be given a chance to live, and live well. Some supporters were quite young when they took the journey with SRF decades ago. With you by our side we have more stories of compassion to write, thank you.

\$5K Winner in Honor of a Friend and His Standardbred

SRF's raffle to win \$5,000 is an important fundraising staple in its work, it helps feed, and provides care for their many needs. We are so full of appreciation for the fabulous support of both the spring and winter raffle.

It took until January 6, 2024, for the winner to read her email, she did not supply any other contact information. Lori Wright bought numerous tickets and that certainly paid off! Lori also has a long history in rescuing dogs in need. She very generously donated half gifted to SRF horses in honor of Roger King and his adopted SRF horse Cheyenne Lipton and the other half was to a dog rescue she assists, a. Thank you to everyone who made this successful again this past year, and friends who hit the ground helping to sell tickets!

Wish List

- Horse Sponsors, what wonderful help!
- Support for the endowment.
- Another location for an adoption center.
- Generator for a small office.
- Apple computer
- Items for our auctions.
- Wormer, vaccines & halters.
- A farm, a home of our own.
- Foster Homes and Adoption Partners. See Adoptahorse.org for info

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Yoga Anyone?



Bailey's Night complies easily with what is asked of him in his natural horsemanship training but, he clearly wonders what the heck this is about! Here he is stretching in his wonderful home, just like we do before our workouts. He is nearly asleep!

World Horse Expo

SRF will have a horse at the World Expo in Harrisburg, PA Feb 29th - March 3rd. The event offers a location known as Stallion Row. Be sure to come by to visit!

Naughty Nancy

Naughty Nancy was one of the longer residents at SRF. She came to the program in 2007, winner of \$85,934. What a wonderful life she had especially during her last seven years. She lived on forty acres with twenty friends and one boyfriend! Her life was simple and peaceful. There was grass for a good part of the year and water was natural and free flowing through the creek along her field.



At the age of twenty-nine, Nancy started to show some signs of discomfort. SRF kept eyes on her, and as it became easier to catch her when it was time for worming, hoof care, the dentist etc. that too alerted SRF to her diminishing will. It was time.

Luckily for Nancy and SRF she had partial sponsors for the last few years. She certainly was very grateful to have a wonderful life. We miss our old gal, she always had us in awe of her will and stamina.

Win ~ Win Pledge Form

Email: _____

Full Name of Donor: _____

Address: _____

City/St/Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Stable Name: _____

I authorize racetracks to deduct the following percentage from my purse earnings from horses owned by me and/or the stable listed above:

Percentage: _____ %

Your signature: _____

You may cancel this at any time, please send us written notice or call the office to confirm with a staff member. Please call the office at 609-738-3255

Racing Friends - A Great Way for Racing Friends to Help

SRF is asking everyone who has the privilege of owning a racehorse to participate in the Win * Win Program.

For a small tax-deductible gift through an automatic and simple process, SRF can help some of the tens of thousands of racehorses in need because there is no formal outlet when these horses can no longer compete.

The Win * Win Program directs racetracks to send a small gift to SRF from the earnings a horse makes for you.

- A purse of \$5000 with the tax-deductible gift of 2% winner means \$25 to help a horse. A purse of \$10,000 with a tax-deductible gift of 1% means \$100.
- You can do it right here right now, and you can cancel at any time.
 1. Choose a percent of any amount.
 2. Fill out the form on this page or AdoptaHorse.org
 3. SRF will provide the form to the racetracks.

It is very simple, is tax-deductible and will likely bring you a little luck.



A Great Horse Story: Sharing Our Lives Together

Uncle Milt began his life in Ontario with the intention of being a racehorse, but life took a few turns for him, as is the case for most horses.

Milt never raced and somehow this son of Castleton Success found his way to a gentleman in PA and then a young lady and then to SRF.

Milt was a gentle guy, had horsepower and great endurance when asked and only when asked, and possessed a very pleasant attitude; not much fazed this guy. SRF found him a caring home. He was 19 years old at the time. When veterinary follow-up forms were not being received, SRF investigated. The story told was the adopter had passed away. Milt was being fed by the family, but he was significantly underweight and his buddy was grossly overweight, hence, Milt's friend was not cooperating at feed time.

SRF brought him back to the program. After some rehabilitation, SRF's longest-standing foster home was ready to add another in need. Milt deserved some TLC. Brian and June H. were the perfect choice! Loving care for SRF horses had already spanned more than three decades when Brian realized his dream from childhood, owning a farm. As soon as they built their bit of heaven, they began the journey with SRF. Milt was in luck and off he went.

Recently one of Brian and June's other fosters, Jeremiah, passed away peacefully at the age of 34. He had a buddy, Cancun Time, who was in terrible distress over the loss of his friend. Cancun stopped eating, paced the fence line, and began other odd behavior, refusing to accept Milt as a new buddy. Chill Milt hadn't a care in the world, his usual demeanor, and wasn't concerned whether Cancun liked him or not.

Cancun's depression was worsening, SRF tried to assist and soon he was brought back to the program. By then he was ready to latch on to any horse, and he did. Alert Nelson, who had been recently gelded at the age of 9 became his sidekick. Comically, Cancun falls in love with every horse, just not Milt!

Brian's farm was now only home to Milt. He started to consider that after fostering and building his farm over decades, fixing fences and such, it might be time that someone helped to take care of him for a change! Coincidentally, Tara, Milt's caretaker from his earlier days contacted him to inquire about the horse.

He had once touched her heart. Need we say more, she quickly completed the paperwork to take him home and now sends photos of him and his new friend often. Milt will live out his last years there, he may be 29 but he still has a curvy physique; if we could color in the grey he would pass for a teenager!

SRF is very fortunate, as is Milt, to have a new foster home. Everyone is happy! Brian is preparing to sell his dream farm which includes a cat house he and June had built for the local strays. This farm is full of love, and it started its own journey when SRF started theirs in 1989. SRF and the friendship with Brian and June spans nearly half of their amazing lives and all of SRF's. It's been a wonderful ride for everyone, every step of the way!

We dedicate this newsletter to June, who recently passed. She and her love of animals will be greatly missed.



Eleven-year-old Mr. Wilson served as riding transportation every day for someone in rural PA. His head was tied up high and tight while the owner worked a full day. When SRF learned that he was to run through the New Holland auction to be turned over for a "fresh horse", it felt confident that resale for use was not in the cards for this guy. This distraught gelding now has his dignity and health, just look at him now! He is looking for a loving home and waits patiently with SRF in New Jersey.



Farewell to The Champ

For 13 years, Swingin Glory raced all along the Eastern seaboard and Midwest with 325 starts, 67 wins, 48 second place and 39 third-place finishes. He was a multiple stakes and late closer champion. For the past six years, SRF has provided a well-deserved retirement to the \$817,000 winner who never stopped giving until SRF was there for him in 2017.

His full life went from racing until May of 2008 to being used as a stud and likely as a workhorse. We were informed that he didn't stand commercially in the racing industry, but when SRF found him at the Sugar Creek Livestock auction, there were comments that he was the sire of many in Indiana and Ohio. Likely his babies are working in the rural area still.

At his age, it was highly unlikely that he would be purchased for anything other than for slaughter. A past owner paid to release him. He arrived in NJ where a veterinarian gifted the service to geld the good-feeling guy. After recovery, SRF took him in under its care and expense.

Swingin Glory had his own paddock with a friend close by since arriving. On the morning of December 14, 2023, he was humanely euthanized at the age of 29. Through general donations and fundraising events SRF managed his care since 2017.

SRF has more than 500 trotters and pacers under its care and expense. Swingin Glory was one who stood out with such earnings, but every horse deserves such a chance.



Swingin Glory found his dignity at SRF, thanks to the donors who make this work possible.



This little Standardbred mare presented in this emaciated condition at a livestock auction in Oklahoma. She had no identification, no freeze brand, no name, and was in foal. SRF removed her from the slaughter line and is giving her love and care, and a name. We can't wait to see her shine again, and she can't wait for a loving home!

One of the Several Helped During the Holiday Season

When another mare in foal was discovered tagged for slaughter, SRF stepped up with the support of donors. She was clearly a Standardbred, but she was not bearing a freezebrand or microchip. Likely she was bred in the rural areas for use as a working animal. This kind and patient little mare was emaciated. Located in rural Oklahoma, it took a while for an equine veterinarian to arrive to examine her. This lucky little mare had a prognosis for a good recovery from neglect; however, she was not in foal. There was some speculation by the veterinarian, but he did not share a reason. Foaling and raising a baby is not only expensive, it requires experience.

SRF had asked for names for the little one before knowing of the news. Names shared were: Holly, Noelle, Merry, Abby, Mary, Wretta, Kris, Pudding, Noggy, Be Bright, Carol, Sugarplum, Rosie, Blessed Bea, Snowflake, Jingle, Bella, Christmas Rose, one from a Rolling Stone's song, one in memory of Cara Mia (Italian translates to My Dear One in English)

SRF is grateful for the offers however, most required long transports, this little lady was not up to. She is now receiving good care with hope that she will become sound and healthy by spring to start her under saddle to find a loving home. This gal, Noelle, now has a name and SRF as her guardian.

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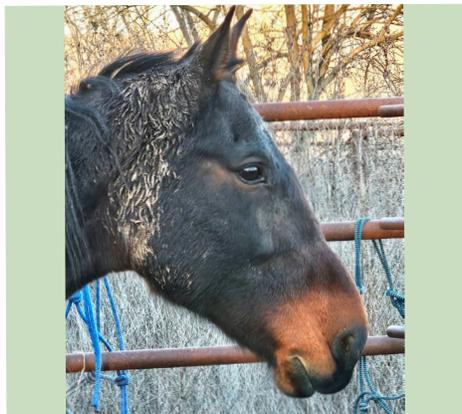
With 500 trotters and pacers under SRF's care and expense, it is alarming when we think of what it takes to provide for their needs: hay, grain, a piece of land to graze on, keeping their feet trimmed, their teeth in check, worming and medical care. Some will find homes, but well over 250 will likely remain with SRF for life, as they are unattractive to adopters due to age or injury. Please sponsor one who needs a friend. Any amount, as often as you wish, and for any horse or one that may reach out to you from the list below or on SRF's website, AdoptaHorse.org. Thank you so very much, our sponsors change the lives of these horses and are so very special. Here are a few in need:

Name	Name	Name	Name
Amadeus Seelster	Color Me Khaki	Miss Julia D	Spit Ball
Angelas Dream	Hello Andy	Ol Blue Eyes	Spokesman
Blu Meadow Andy	Hurry Up Jeannie	Pleasemesleazy	Toms Dusty Matt
Cambeaster	Jody's Pearl	Powerfull Patrick	TW JIM
CAMTURO	King Boogaloo	Psycho Chicken A	Way of Life A
Cheryl's Dream	Little Hero	Rob's Thunder	Whitesand Sakic
Cheyenne Taylor	Matt's Smokin Lil	Social Impact	Windsong Dolly

Our new Horse Sponsorship Program will share updates and send you a 4 x 6 photo of your new friend! So many are waiting for you, below are just a few! Don't forget Nuke The Popcorn on page 3, Noelle on page 6, and Mr. Wilson on pg 5!



Just More Flak and Jus Trouble (left) are buddies. Flak has an ankle the size of a softball, but his heart and snuggles are even bigger! Trouble is no trouble at all, but he is a pest!



Meet Noelle. Being emaciated and losing a foal has taken a toll on her, but SRF aims to lift her back up with your kind sponsorship. See page 6



There is always a clown in the classroom! Bodey has a few different ways to make us laugh. He swims in his water trough and rolls in every puddle. He's a favorite around here!

SPONSOR A HORSE

The average cost is \$400.00 per horse, per month. Currently, 250 trotters and pacers unlikely to find a home, are under SRF's full-care and needs sponsors. Help is greatly appreciated and is tax deductible.

- Savior \$_____choose your kindness
 \$400 Hero
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 \$25 Stewart

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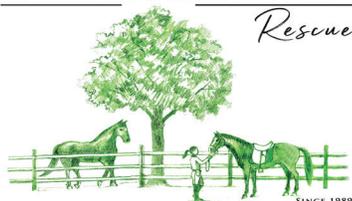
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SRF is Different ~ remaining a lifetime guardian.



Brian & June Heiser gave Uncle Milt a great life. Here is Tara with Milt and her pup, Bear. She said he likes to nuzzle him and when de does he cuddles up to his face and nickers!

Full Circle

Full Circle through the USTA permits anyone to make a note on the registration that they would be interested in the horse, particularly when the horse is no longer competing. If anyone wishes to do, SRF requests that these individuals start saving the dollar bills. SRF cannot financially accommodate every horse in Full Circle without help. Perhaps buy a coffee for yourself and stash the dollar and change for the horse that took care of you. It is the same with rescuing a horse. Paying to release a horse from shipping to slaughter is kind, but the real expense is their lifetime care.

SRF's Farm Event, Outstanding

SRF is very appreciative of the Newark, Philadelphia, and NJ State Police Mounted Units for such a heartwarming show at the Holiday at The Farm event. Their adopted horses brought smiles not only to the kids but to every adult sharing their day with us.

The horses entered the ring to patriotic music, paraded and then stood in the large paddock with their riders answering questions and sharing their work. That provided an engaging show of dignity. More enjoyment filled the day with line dancing, an auction, yummy food trucks, and support through activities from the local Millstone Elks!

By day's end the super temperament and unmatched manners of this breed won new adopters and another police mountie. Hokey Pokey found his home as a NJ State Police Sergeant!