A VISIT TO THE HORSES FOR ORPHANS PROJECT IN BRAZIL
by Shannon Brame

The boys’ eyes were wide with anticipation as the bags were opened and the Parelli equipment was presented. Two-star Licensed Parelli Professional Debbie Adcock had somehow managed to haul horse blankets, carrot sticks, telescoping poles, and various tack onto several planes, through four airports. After traveling for 2 days, everything had arrived safely. Their smiles were overwhelming. The cowboy hats that Debbie Lewis brought fit Douglas and Valdemir perfectly. Both boys stood tall and proud for photos. The other boys tried on and exchanged their new T-shirts and jeans. All of the sizes were just right. But for one boy, the new cowboy boots would be withheld for now. Once again, his behavior had gotten him into some trouble. There was still some work to be done. We had come to Brazil to work and assist in whatever ways we could to try and make a difference in the lives of these orphans. We could not have known upon our arrival that the greatest impact made in the next 2 weeks would be on our own hearts and lives. Read the rest of this incredible story here.

One of the young men involved in the Horses for Orphans project shows his relationship with the horses in their herd.

Debbie Adcock (standing center) is a Parelli Foundation scholarship recipient and currently works as the Foundation's bookkeeper, in addition to her status as a 2* Licensed Parelli Professional! Her dedication to "Pay It Forward" helps many!

Reminder: Heroes and Horsemanship grant application deadline is April 15th! Click here to apply.
Scholarship Applications Now Being Accepted!

2015 recipients:
Alessandra Fenzi, Katie Lund, Blanca Sassetti and McKenzie Courtney

Scholarship applications will be accepted through May 15th via our website at the link below. Career scholarships help in the development of future natural horsemanship professionals. Through scholarships, the Parelli Foundation is increasing the number of highly qualified instructors, horse development specialists, equine practitioners, and competitors who will touch the lives of students and equine enthusiasts around the world. Since the scholarship program's formal inception in July 2010, over 1 million dollars has been awarded to close to 200 deserving students. (Includes amounts awarded through our predecessor, the Horsemanship Fund.) We look forward to awarding more scholarships in 2019!

The scholarship program and its efforts are an integral part of the future of the Parelli Foundation.

Click to access more information and application

ETS Trail Challenge Fundraiser April 13-14

The **ETS Spring Obstacle Challenge** hosted by Beth Moran and Dede Conner is a Parelli Foundation fundraiser! Don’t miss this chance to have fun with your horse and fellow horsemen! 2* **Parelli Professional Nancy Slater** is offering workshops April 12. Email her to sign up.

2018 **Future of Horsemanship** scholarship recipients Garrett, Judith, and IrisAnne were in attendance at the Perry, GA PNH Inspiration Tour Stop this past weekend! Judith, a 1* Licensed Parelli Professional, is currently studying in PNH's Mastery program and was featured during the event with other professionals. Garrett was one
Garrett was featured in a lesson with Pat on Sunday.

We are so proud of this program and the incredible things these young horsemen are accomplishing!

Thank You to Our Dressage Summit Supporters!

Our time at the Two Worlds Together-Dressage Summit was a great success thanks to the generosity of many incredible supporters who donated to our silent auction!

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