Before a $12,000 Horse Welfare Program grant in late 2017, the Wildhorse Ranch Rescue staff in Gilbert, Ariz., used whatever Parelli products they could come by. 2018 was the turning point in being “positive, progressive, and natural,” per Pat Parelli.

Kim Meagher, founder and chairman, said: "While we’ve used the methods and held clinics here and there, we never had the funds to provide enough proper equipment and frequency of clinics for our volunteers and staff. With the Parelli Foundation grant, after 23 years, we are finally a 100% Parelli Natural Horsemanship Rescue! We removed all of the non-Parelli gear and outfitted our ranch with only Parelli equipment."

Ashley Dudas, a Licensed 2-Star Parelli Professional, was hired to hold weekly clinics except during extreme heat. Incidentally, while playing with one of the ranch’s rescues, Romeo, she became smitten and adopted him. The ranch created a so-called “Romeo Rescue Tour” for the pair to promote Parelli methods to adopters and existing horse owners. This was a proactive effort to stop a trend—that is, 85% of first-time owners give up their horses within 5 years of acquiring them. Read more here

Reminder: Future of Horsemanship scholarship application deadline is December 15th! Click here to apply.

Giving Tuesday Wrap-Up
Thanks to the incredible generosity of 49 donors, we raised over $6,700 on
Giving Tuesday! These funds will go far in supporting our programs in 2019! Thank you to all who shared and donated to the Parelli Foundation on #GivingTuesday!

Looking For That Special Gift? Look No Further Than Our Holiday Online Auction!

Bid on video coaching and other services from Parelli Professionals, plus great “horsey” gifts from Back In The Saddle, Arenus Health, and Stickman Creations! All proceeds benefit the Foundation.

Bid or use the “buy it now” option!

Bid on TWO Days with Pat Parelli!

We are excited to offer the chance to spend two full days with Pat Parelli at your choice of the Florida or Colorado PNH location!

SPCA of Texas Receives $5,000 Horse Welfare Grant

During our recent dinner reception event in Fort Worth our Board President, Laura D. Halloran, and Executive Director, Summer W. Bacharach, had the pleasure of presenting Lacey Halstead, Director of Equine Welfare for the SPCA of Texas with a $5,000 Horse Welfare Program grant! This grant marks the start of an incredible partnership that will bring more attention to how equine welfare programs, like that of the SPCA of Texas, literally save lives through the use of natural horsemanship methods in their training. The Parelli Foundation’s Horse Welfare Program serves horses and humans alike by funding education initiatives for horse rescue centers that improve the welfare of the horse and increase adoptability. Rescue center education raises awareness of how natural horsemanship can help horses and the SPCA of Texas is a shining example.

To date in 2018 the SPCA of Texas has taken in 282 horses through cruelty seizures and owner surrenders, rehomed an astounding 177 horses, and provided professional natural horsemanship training to 70 horses; preparing them for their new homes. We are proud to support their efforts that coincide
with our mission to "make the world a better place for horses and humans through natural horsemanship education".

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