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The Equine Times

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Dear supporters of the Bergen County Horse Rescue,

Welcome to another edition of The Equine Times newsletter! In this issue, we fantasize a bit about what a horse might say to us if it could talk. We're sure they would tell us 'thank you' for caring for a horse's mind, body and soul.



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If Horses Could Talk

It's always interesting to think of what animals might say if they could talk. That's just our human need to personify the things around us. Our pets would tell us how much they need our affection. Your cat might say how much it enjoys chasing the little red light you trace around the floor that it will never catch, and your dog might say it wasn't him who broke into the garage pantry and ripped through the bag of chow.

So, if a horse could talk, what would it say? Well, if it was an American Saddlebred/part-Arabian horse on a 1961-1966 sitcom, "Mr. Ed" then it might say things like "Wilburrrrr" and make wise-cracking remarks to its human keeper. But if it were a rescue horse living at the Bergen County Horse Rescue in Mahwah, N.J, it might say something completely different. Here are some things it might say:

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"Thank you for feeding me high-quality Timothy hay twice a day. It gives me the proper nutrients and fiber to aid in my proper diet, and it gives me my daily allowance of mastication time needed to keep my incisors in good condition. I would have multiple dental maladies if you weren't attentive to my eating regimen."

"Thank you for grooming me so that I may look my best. My feet need picking after I exercise and by cleaning out the debris from my hooves, I can trot properly and not experience posture and leg issues. I appreciate the care you give to my topical wounds and the loving attention you pay to my coat and mane."

"Thank you for sponsoring me. Your annual care affords me luxury items I might not have been able to afford through the rescue alone. The winter blankets keep me warm in the winter and on cool summer nights, and your support keeps my stomach filled and soul satisfied."

"Thank you for allowing me to roam free among the wide-open pastures in limitless sunlight on warm summer days. I receive plenty of exercise and my stamina has improved immeasurably. And thank you for giving me the opportunity fall asleep worry free, to the faint chirps of crickets

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under a sea of glimmering stars. I can rest easy, safe in the knowledge that my future here at the rescue is in your caring hands."

"Thank you for caring and thank you sharing. Please know that your contributions help care for my mind, body and soul, and it will forever be appreciated."

Wouldn't it inspire us to do more if horses could talk? But then again, horses really don't need to talk to convey their appreciation for the caring they're shown. You can see it in their eyes. What more you could ask for?

We hope you enjoyed this edition of The Equine Times. If you'd like to become a volunteer or sponsor one of our horses, please email us at info@bergencountyhorserescue.org. Your dollars go toward dental work, hay, grain and medicinal treatments, as well as general upkeep of the facilities. Any amount you can give helps our cause! Thank you.

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