

Happy Thanksgiving

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Important Dates

Oct. 31 - Deadline for submission of top 3 KHBIF Trail Obstacle scores (our scores have been sent)
Nov. 28 Barn Party at Charlie & Erin's (more info to come)
Nov. 30 Award of Excellence (youth), and RMHA Versatility events due to RMHA
Nov. 11 - Veteran's Day
Nov. 26 - Thanksgiving Day
Dec. 25 - Christmas Day
May 8-9, 2027 Peruvian Horse Show, World Equestrian Center, Ocala, FL

October News

Kentucky leaves have been slow to turn again this season. It has been terribly dry lately. According to our meteorologists, this week should be the peak color. There is a lot of color in the east and north east now. Ann Day has sent some beautiful photos - there was even one of the Northern Lights. She is currently in the Upper Peninsula of MI. It is beautiful! Ann will be stopping by SRF on her way to FL in November.



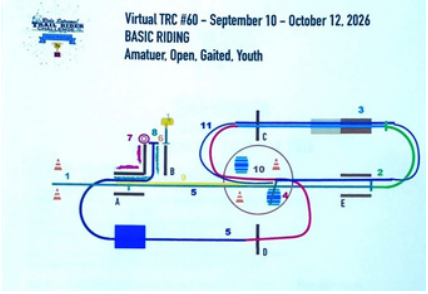
October is a great time to get out and have fun. Even though we have all gone somewhat different directions, we have had a blast. I had a "Cousin's Weekend" Oct. 1- 4. There were 6 of us who got a cabin in the Gorge. We told stories from our childhood and ate some wonderful food. It was great fun.

That same weekend Ms. Ragan Adkins became Mrs. Cameron Conley in a beautiful ceremony. Charlie, Mary Kelley, Julie and Bobby were all able to go. From the pictures, it looked like a perfect wedding. Congratulations to the happy couple!

The following Monday, Leah, Kelli, Vivian and Bob went trail riding at Cave Run. They took Ally, Shadow, Duncan, and Darlin'. They rode around the lake so they got to play in the water. How fun! Vivian was taking the picture so I don't have one of her. Kelli had never been on a trail ride before and Vivian wasn't experienced either. Their horses took good care of them, and it all turned out well. They have plans to go again.



Bob, Leah, and Ruby have been participating in Virtual Trail Obstacle Challenges which accumulate points for the trail portion of the KHBIF. Congratulations to Leah and Ally for their first place win on challenge #60 and to their reserve championship we learned about just this week.



The courses are quite challenging. They do come with descriptions as well as the pictures. The goal is to help riders become even more skilled with more participation. We were glad that Ruby was able to be home to complete her rides. Levi was able to join her as well. They were practicing "ponying" Shadow in the picture. I'm glad that went ok LOL



On October 16, we had a little get together and bonfire here at SRF. There wewre about 15 or 16 of us who came. We had been missing each other after show season.



There was lots to talk about to get caught up. Jeff Royer was doing great. His hand looked good. We talked to Mary Kelley about her her new place on Claibourne Farm. It finally became available and the updates were done inside. We are so excited for her!



October News Continued

There were several other trips in October. Bob and I spent one night in Hardinsburg to visit with family. Bobby and Julie went on a couple of side-by-side trips. Mary K. took a trip to VA to visit with her sister. Olivia's family spent a few days in FL. Julie and Mary Kelley did some trail riding. Several folks from our barn family attended the RMHA ride at True West Campground in Big South Fork. Julie, Mary Kelley, Olivia, Jeff and Karen (and their friend, Erin) and went and had a marvelous time. The weather was perfect! What a great adventure!





We were thankful everything went well with all the traveling and that the rides went smoothly.

If you all are friends are friends with Laura Hark-Plumley on Facebook, you have seen lots of beautiful fall riding. Many of her photos have been of "Sydney" who is actually Sydney's Little Honey that Laura purchased from Steve and Susan. It looks like she has done a lovely job of Laura. Sydney hadn't been on an actual trail ride prior to her purchase. She was well trained, though. Some might have considered her a "show horse" but it just goes to show the value of good training and the nature of Rockies. Laura is an avid trail rider and make it a point to ride daily. We are happy for this new partnership.

Vivian has been out west for a couple of weeks. We miss her coming to ride Darlin'. Leah and Kelli have continued coming two or three times a week. We sure enjoy their visits. Leah rides and Kelli has been taking some beautiful photos of Ally.



Ruby has been home a couple of times this month. It is always great to see her. She has been running and did especially well at her last meet in Knoxville, TN. She had a PR (Personal Record) of 20:50 in the 3 mile which was 30 seconds faster than her previous best. She is also enjoying the work she does with the Jaggers family who live about 30 minutes from school.

Erin set up at the Wool Festival in Falmouth as well as the SAFF in North Carolina this month. She has the most beautifully colored yarn. Several types are self-striping for hand made socks. Check her out her beautiful yarn on her website at hinkstonhandmade.com.

It's been a great month. We are looking forward to November and Thanksgiving. We pray God's richest blessing on our family and friends. We are forever thankful for you and the lives we live.



Laura and Sydney at Hocking Hills

Prayers Please

Please continue to pray for Kelli as she heals from surgery. She will not need chemo, and we are all so very thankful!

Brenda has been under the weather and not feeling well for a while. She went to the clinic on Saturday and learned she has pneumonia. We are praying for a quick recovery.

Our friend, Martha, had a bad car accident a couple of weeks ago. She has several broken ribs and a broken sternum. She is is out of the hospital, but is very sore from the accident.

Charlie's client, Kim, who is from FL, is having severe problems with her eye. Please pray that her surgery will be effective and she can see well once this is behind her.

Arizona Robert's husband, recently had a severe allergic reaction to mushrooms and had to be put in the hospital on a ventilator. He did get to go home last week. Please pray he recovers quickly and that it doesn't happen again.

We are so thankful for God's mercy and healing. May His hand of protection surround us.

Gratitude

"Gratitude can transform common days into thanksgivings, turn routine jobs into joy, and change ordinary opportunities into blessings.

-William Arthur Ward

A Message from Charlie

Masterpiece STABLES

The barn is coming right along. Stalls are finished and horse-ready. The cross ties and wash bay just need a few finishing touches. The bathroom walls and ceiling are up. The feed room is enclosed. We have had the electric meter and fuse panel installed and inspected. So, now what? Well, we need electricity and water in the barn which, hopefully, will happen within a couple of weeks. If these things do get done, I think it will be very possible to move horses into the barn in about three weeks. Electricity will be the main factor. I have access to water from my house, so filling buckets will not be an issue (should that be necessary. I will have a couple of paddocks for turn-out that will be made up of electric fence for now. I would like to get moved in and working out of the barn before I build a permanent working ring and paddocks, just to get a feel for how it will all work.

We are going to tentatively plan a barn opening/party for Saturday, November 28th about 10 a.m. We'll have lunch around noon. If folks want to bring a dessert, that would be great. It will be a very casual, all day, come as you can, kind of event. We would love to have you all come out. The barn is and will remain a work in progress, so there will be some things left undone at that time, but hey . . . we may just have to have another party in the spring.

Thank you all for your continued support, patience and understanding through this whole process. It truly means a lot.

~ *Charlie*



















Masterpiece
STABLES

As many of you may know, five years ago Erin and I were given the opportunity to buy a house and 50 acres. Several generations of the DeAtley family along with many beloved family members have resided on that road. It has been a long time goal for us to live in that area as well. The location is extraordinarily peaceful with breathtaking views in all directions with access to wooded trails and creeks, but the deep roots and family history that it holds for the DeAtley family is especially dear to us.

Our goal from the beginning has been to build a barn and move the training operation home. Our new location will have access to more outside riding, and I am confident it will allow us to produce even more high-quality, versatile, safe horses that SRF is known for due to increased exposure to various terrain, trail riding, and livestock.

We have thoroughly enjoyed our 25 years at Stoner Ridge Farm. Robert and Lyngle helped me learn so much throughout the years. Lyngle even had to show me how to put a halter on the first day I came to clean stalls. We have shared many memories and look forward to making new memories at a new location with a new name, *Masterpiece Stables*. This name reflects not only majestic views the property provides but It's also a reminder that the Master is at work in and for all. Thank you to everyone who has helped make this dream a reality.

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Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord.
Col. 3:23