
◆ The 777 Ranch Report ◆

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ANOTHER GOOD SUMMER AT THE 777 RANCH

First off, we'd like to thank those of you who contributed toward the needed panels, pens, and gates. They were put to use the first week of horsemanship camp in June as kids came to camp. It was a full week with 18 kids coming as far away as Ohio and then from Colorado and Utah. Pastor Tony Garren spoke that week on having a renewed mind by the Word of God. His wife Lynne was a great help in the kitchen as our regular help had to be out of town.

The second week of camp had 17 kids here from Maine, Virginia, Wyoming, Utah, and California. Pastor David Brock brought along his wife, new baby girl, and son and spoke much on salvation to a group who was not as familiar with the Bible and what God wants to communicate to us. Two young people accepted Christ as their Savior that week.

The third week was a smaller group of 12 from primarily Arizona and Utah, with four campers from week 2 wanting to come back. Our speaker, Pastor Jason LaFlamme from the UP of Michigan, was Brad and Julie's pastor during their college years. His pictures of snow clear to the roof of his house were meant to make us cool off during one of our hottest weeks! He was definitely in new territory but did a great job with the kids.

We are thankful for the many new campers as well as all the returnees. Thank you for your prayers for safety and for God's working in kids' hearts. Our counselors did a great job and were a real asset to the ministry – Sarah (1 week) from Indiana, Bethany (1 week) from Indiana, Tina (2 weeks) from Utah, and Elizabeth (1 week) from Texas. The guys' counselor Jade has been with us since spring and plans to continue helping with ranch work into the fall at least. A big help all summer has been Suzel from Switzerland. She leaves this week to go to Canada and then return to help with the adult horsemanship camps and with horse training.

Starting August 8 we had a week long horsemanship day camp for local kids 8-11. Some of these kids are already excited about getting to be a part of overnight camp in a year or two! With all the camps it is fun to watch them progress in their riding over the course of the week. Moms and dads and grandparents have been really supportive in their comments. One dad told us that this camping experience was ten times better than he expected! To God be the glory – for His help and strength!

Now we are looking forward to two weeks of adult horsemanship camp the first two weeks of September as folks come from as far away as Ohio to Oregon. Know of anyone wanting to experience a week of great fun and adventure for adults? Let them know about our website (www.777ranch.org) for the details. There are still a few spots!

Remaining Camp Schedule

August 26, 27

Richfield Bible Church Ladies' Retreat

September 4-10

Adult Horsemanship Extravaganza I
with Jeff Gore, Cowboy Poet and Singer
(currently full)

September 11-17

Adult Horsemanship Extravaganza II
with Jeff Gore, Cowboy Poet and Singer
(a few more spots are available)

October

Price Chapel Men's Retreat

October 14-16

Custom Camp

If you'd like to schedule your church group
for a fall or winter retreat,
give Katie a call at 435-749-9704..

Now What???

We're often asked at the end of horsemanship camps, "What do you do now?" So, in case you were wondering, read on. . . .

The adult horsemanship camps are different from the kids' camps in that while we do give some instruction, much of our week is spent on trails (some real and some made as we go) seeing the beauty of this area. There are Dutch oven meals to prepare, horses to doctor, cattle to push, and people to minister to.

One custom retreat in the fall will have around 40 and another will have around 60. That's a lot of food to fix and dishes to do! We usually provide trail rides, too! Plus there's the cleaning before and after—

Rick will be going to Canada for a week to help Elizabeth with a special open house for Bethany Homes, a part of Hope Mission in Alberta. (Katie and Genny will be staying home this time to catch up on correspondence, and lots of things left undone during the summer!)

And thrown in there will be the October cattle round-up to give all the new calves shots, to mark them with our brand, and to haul them to the desert for the winter. Now if cattle prices will just improve after November!!
