
◆ The 777 Ranch Report ◆

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2021 Calendar

May 7 and 8

"How the West Was Fun"
All Daughters' Getaway
Carol Bond

June 13-19

Youth Horsemanship Camp I
Pastor Jason LaFlamme

June 27-July 3

Youth Horsemanship Camp II
Pastor Marty Herron

July 11-17

Youth Horsemanship Camp III
"Coach" Randy Petersen

July 25-31

Youth Horsemanship Camp IV
Pastor Tony Garren

Day Camp for local kids ages 8-11
to be announced

As you can see, we are getting things in place for next summer. The speakers for these camps are verified, and Lord-willing, everyone will be able to come this year. Registrations for camp are already starting to come in, so don't put off saving your spot. Please note that there is no special camp scheduled this year, but there are four weeks of regular horsemanship camp being offered since everyone can still come for regular camp. We're looking forward to seeing you all!

In the late summer and fall of 2020, some of our adult retreats were cancelled due to Covid-19, but we're hopeful that they can be rescheduled this year. Those church deposits are still good for this year, so give Katie a call if you'd like to go ahead and reserve a spot in mid-August through fall of this coming camping season.

WELCOMED RELIEF!

As we mentioned in our last ranch report, we unexpectedly had a donor who committed to matching any funds given up to \$5,000 until March of 2021 to help with our shortfall due to Covid-19 impacting the number of camps we were able to hold. We are very grateful for those of you who have been giving to relieve this need and are happy to report that the \$5,000 goal was met and surpassed by Christmas. While we don't have all the bills paid that were accrued during 2020, we're so much closer than we were after summer was over. Thank you very much!

Arena Progress

Some of you have been keeping up with the progress on the arena via facebook and instagram and know the latest. A specifically designated gift was given toward the purchase of a pre-made roping arena modified to do cow horse also. Before winter hit hard, cement was poured for the corner posts and for light posts, and the arena was roughly set up. Those who've been at previous camps know how much we need the added arena space, and you're probably looking forward to the things we'll be able to do with more space to enhance the horsemanship program. We're excited as well!

A RANCH-LIFE SURPRISE AND A DISAPPOINTMENT

As happens sometimes, horses don't always stay where they belong. Such was the case with our two young stallions Ranger and Popeye who jumped a gate to get in a pen with younger horses. Long story short, we had a colt born to a three-year-old mare named Mesa. With the weather turning wet and snowy just before Christmas, she and her baby have enjoyed being in the barn arena. The markings are similar to Ranger's as a colt, but DNA testing will give the correct answer.

On a sad note, One-Eyed Jack died of what our vet determined to be heart failure. He had never been sick since we brought him with us from California twenty-five years ago, so it was quite a shock. His bloodlines are the foundation of the horse breeding program Mr. Rick began, so this is really the end of an era with his being the last direct son of the original stallion named Skip. We are hopeful that a few of our mares are in foal to him, but we'll have to wait until spring to know for sure.
