

# ◆ The 777 Ranch Report ◆

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## Calendar for 2011

June 5-11

Barn Raisin'  
(volunteer work week to get ready for summer camps)

June 6-July 2

Guy Ranch Hands—Session I

June 11

Western Family Fun Day  
and Cowboy Poetry Gathering

June 11-17

Adult Horsemanship Extravaganza  
Jeff Gore—speaker

June 19-25

Horsemanship Camp I  
David Brock—speaker

June 27-July 23

Gal Ranch Hands

July 2-July 30

Guy Ranch Hands—Session II

July 8-16

Michigan Work Team

July 18-22

Local Kids' Horsemanship Day Camp  
(ages 8-11)

July 24-30

Horsemanship Camp II  
Ron Ehman—speaker

August 18-20

Al Dunning Reining Horse Clinic

## Needs List

- Money to buy seed and fertilizer for three fields, to increase hay production needed for the livestock used in our programs
- canoes, rafts, or tubes
- Money for saddles
- A new PC
- Freezer (We've filled what freezer space we have with butchered steers for meat for camps.)

**Please note: All gifts to the 777 Ranch are tax-deductible.**

## What's Next at the 777 Ranch?

### Barn Raisin'—June 5-11

This week is named Barn Raisin', not because we need a barn erected, but because we need your help in getting ready for the summer. There will be plenty of projects to do and great fellowship while we're doing it. A group from a church in South Carolina is returning for at least their fourth time. Come join us with whatever skills you have. All we ask is that you have a heart to work and that you help out with the cost of food. Since this is a work camp, there will be no programs for children. Our speaker each evening will be a layman who will share his heart for the Lord and for missions.

### Western Family Fun Day and Cowboy Poetry Gathering—June 11

Because of a serious horse disease spreading in the Rocky Mountain states, we will not be having the team sorting competition. But there will be lots of other activities including a Dutch oven dessert cook-off, skeet shooting competition, trail rides, hay rides, western kids' games (even some for Mom and Dad to try), horseshoe tournaments, and cowboy old-time photos. The day will end with a BBQ dinner and a show featuring cowboy singer Jeff Gore from Texas, cowboy poet Rob Holley from Nevada, and more. To find out the details, including costs for certain events and the schedule, please view the flyer on our website.

### Adult Horsemanship Extravaganza—June 11-17

For college-aged and above, for those wanting some individualized instruction or help for a particular problem, for those wanting some time in the outdoors riding the trail, for those wanting a bit more excitement pushing cattle—this is the camp for you! Included in the cost is the event listed above on June 11.

### Al Dunning Reining Horse Clinic—August 18-20

There's room for only 14 riders per day to get specialized instruction from Al, world-famous horse trainer, but the clinic is open to spectators who want the benefit of hearing and seeing how to do things. More information is posted on our website. We're already been getting calls from the general public, so don't wait too long to reserve a spot if you're wanting to ride. Al is a committed Christian and invites those who are there for the clinic to come to a Bible study each night after the day's sessions.

## Camper Scholarships

As is the case each summer, we hear of some kids wanting or needing to come to camp but not having the means for a variety of reasons. We try to be careful to evaluate each case before awarding some or all of the camper fee as scholarships are available. As requested we send what resulted spiritually in that camper's life during camp. If you would like to help with a scholarship, please call Rick at 435-749-9016.

## How the West Was Fun!

We had a great time at the annual Mother/Daughter Retreat the beginning of May! Miss Carol, our speaker from Ironwood Camp, gave illustrations of horses she's known and their hurts, attitudes, and behaviors and drew application for us from the Bible. Her devotional at the campfire on "dressing" what we truly are was fun for the younger girls.

The highlights of Friday night included a melodrama and fun games in the arena for the younger and the older set. (Some said watching those who participated was the most fun!) Saturday's big game, the Cowgirl Marathon, got everyone involved doing whatever you can imagine! Mark your calendars for next year's camp on Mother's Day weekend if you're a daughter. You won't want to miss it!