

◆ The 777 Ranch Report ◆

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2014 Calendar

Wyoming Horse Expo in Douglas
April 25-27

"All Daughters" Retreat
May 9-10 with Brenda Bray

Adult Horsemanship Extravaganza I
May 23-29 with Jeff Gore

20th Annual Cowboy Poetry Gathering
May 31
with Jeff Gore, Ron Ehmann,
Jean Prescott, and more
(Check our website soon for details.)

South Carolina Work Team
May 31-June 7

Guys' Ranch Hand Session I
June 2-28

Teen Horsemanship Day Camp
June 9-13 (ages 12-18)

Girl Scout Group Custom Camp
June 13-17

Youth Horsemanship Camp I
June 22-28 with Ron Ehmann

Gals' Ranch Hand
June 30-July 26

Guys' Ranch Hand Session II
June 30-July 26

****Custom Retreat**
July 3-6

Youth Horsemanship Camp II
July 6-July 12

Kids' Horsemanship Day Camp
July 21-25 (ages 8-11)

****Custom Retreat**
July 31-August 2

****Cowgirl Ministries
Custom Ladies' Retreat**
August 8-10

****Richfield Custom Ladies' Retreat**
September 5-6

Adult Horsemanship Extravaganza II
September 14-20 with Jeff Gore

(**Custom camps are scheduled upon request by a particular group. Be sure to give Katie a call at 435-749-9704, if you're interested in reserving dates for your group. A custom camp can be designed to meet your particular needs.)

What's Next at the 777 Ranch?

If you're a lady, you won't want to miss our "All Daughters" Retreat coming up in about a month. (It's for you, even if you don't have a daughter to bring!) Our theme this year is "Life—A Juggling Act" with Brenda Bray as the speaker and all kinds of circus/carnival-type activities. Look on our website for the details and a registration form or email us or give us a call. May 2 is the cut-off date for registrations.

Because our first adult horsemanship camp is full, we are opening a second week **September 14-20**. This is a great time to try something you may always have dreamed of doing—riding in the great outdoors and getting some personalized help with your horseback riding skills. Don't delay reserving your spot as space is limited.

Saturday, May 31, marks our 20th annual **Cowboy Poetry Gathering**. It promises to be a great time of family fun, good food, and great entertainment.

Barn Raising this year is **May 16-May 22** (lodging available in cabins, lodge, and bunkhouses) or **June 2-June 7**. (Lodging in bunkhouses only). If you are interested in coming either of those two times, please give Rick a call to see what projects will be worked on. (435-749-9016)

Be sure to look on our website under "Programs" for brochures, registration forms, and information about the other camps we are having throughout the summer. The first youth horsemanship camp is filling up. You don't want to miss the deadlines for early registration discounts!

SPRING HAS SPRUNG

**Spring in Utah is a highly unpredictable time of year! This past week the dog's water froze! By the way, the snow pack looks good this year—a better water supply to water the crops needed for hay for the livestock. The last couple years of drought have hit us hard so we are really looking forward to a better year! But farming takes money—fuel for the tractors, fertilizer, and seed. The fields are plowed, but now they need to be planed and planted. If you'd like to help financially with this project, please mark your gift accordingly. Something most people don't consider is that without hay, our program cannot exist. Our horses are a valuable asset and we don't take them for granted. In fact, two weeks ago one of our horses was struck by lightning, a horse that was almost ready for us to use in our program. Needless to say, we are thankful that none of the rest of the horses were struck, a rather common occurrence when horses are together in a herd.

**As you can see on the calendar, we're headed to WY for the first time to advertise at another horse expo. There seemed to be a lot of interest in our adult horsemanship program at the expo in South Jordan, Utah, in mid-March. Thank you for praying for our efforts to let people know what we do.

A BIG PRAISE!—A special word of thanks to those who donated money toward a new microwave and a mixer for the kitchen in response to our needs list in our last ranch report! We're eager to put them to good use. Thank you for being a blessing!

REQUEST—Do you know of someone who would be a good counselor, someone who loves the Lord, loves young people, is mature, and has character? Let us know, if so.