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ASHA Youth Photo Contest
DEADLINE
All entries must be received in the ASHA office no later than November 30, 2007. Late entries will not be accepted!

ENTRY FORM
NAME: _________________________________________
ADDRESS: _____________________________________
TELEPHONE: _________________________________
ASHA MEMBER #: ______________________________
AGE: _____________
SIGNATURE OF PHOTOGRAPHER: ________________
SIGNATURE(S) OF PERSON(S) PHOTOGRAPHED: _____________________________
PHOTO TITLE: __________________________________
REGISTERED NAME OF SADDLEBRED PICTURED: _______________________________

RULES
❶ All entrants must be ASHA senior members, age 17 years or under by November 30, 2007.
❷ Photographs must be the entrant’s own work and must be taken by the youth member, not an adult.
❸ All photographs must be of a living American Saddlebred horse.
❹ Entries will not be returned. They will become the property of ASHA and may be reproduced in any manner by ASHA for publication, promotion, display, or distribution.
❺ All photos must be 8” x 10”, unmatted and unframed. All digital images should be submitted on disk or e-mailed to bnewell@asha.net. Please indicate in the subject line: Photo Contest Entry. Digital entries must be sized to approximately 8” x 10” and saved in .jpg format at medium compression with a resolution of 300dpi.
❻ You may submit as many photos as you like, however, a separate entry form must be taped to the back of each photo or included with disk or e-mail. Only one entry per contestant will be awarded a prize.
❼ Photos will be judged on creativity, originality and quality of photography. Judging will take place at ASHA, and winners will be notified no later than December 31, 2007.
❽ No entry fee.
❼ Two age divisions, 13 & under and 14-17.
❽ Photo may include individuals as well as other props. If photo includes a person(s), that person(s) must give written consent and sign waiver on entry form.

Return with photo to:
Youth Photo Contest, ASHA, 4083 Iron Works Parkway, Lexington, KY 40511
Thank You to our 2019 ASHA Youth Convention Sponsors

How it works

Participants keep track of the time they spend riding. Owning a horse is not a requirement to participate. Special Saddle Time awards will be given when you complete various hour levels.

- 20 hours: receive a patch and certificate
- 50 hours: receive a patch and lapel pin
- 150 hours: receive a patch and shirt
- 200 hours: receive a patch and tote bag
- 250 hours: receive a patch and award with a short story and photo in the ASHA youth newsletter, Junior Junction

Saddle Time Rules

- Must be a current and active ASHA member.
- Levels one through three do not have to be accumulated on American Saddlebreds.
- Levels four through six must be earned on registered American Saddlebreds.
- Time recorded begins upon ASHA’s receipt of enrollment fee. There is no time limit as long as membership stays active.
- Hours are recorded on the official hours log report by the honor system.
- Ownership of horse is not required.
- Hours will count in the following activities: trail riding, lessons, parades, drill teams and non-recognized events/shows.
- Hours will not count in the following activities: USEF recognized events/shows, competitive trail rides, endurance rides, driving, grooming and hot walking.
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1. What is your name, how old are you, and where do you live?
My name is Piper Hales, I'm nine years old and I live in Boaz, Alabama.

2. What are the names of your parents/guardians?
My parents are Alan and Bromleigh Hales.

3. What grade are you in, and what is the name of your school?
I'm in 4th grade at Boaz Intermediate School.

4. How long have you been riding?
I have been riding for almost 4 years.

5. Who is your instructor, and where is he/she located?
I ride with Jennifer Leech Campbell at Elite Riding Academy in Arab, Alabama.

6. How long did it take to earn your hours?
It has taken me almost 2 years to earn all my hours, many trips to the barn, and hours spend doing what I love.

7. What types of activities were completed in order to earn your hours (lessons, trail riding, etc.)?
I take riding lessons 2-3 times each week, and I get to show my horses at shows all year!

8. What did you like about participating in the Saddle Time program?
My favorite things about SaddleTime are reaching my goals, getting awards in the mail, and seeing how much time I get to spend at the barn riding my horses.

9. What do you like most about the American Saddlebred horse?
I love the American Saddlebred because they are beautiful, sweet, smart, and fun to ride. I especially love a smooth rack like my five gaited horses had or the perfect slow canter like my Big Mike has.

10. Who is your favorite horse and why?
My favorite horse is my show horse that I’ll be showing in equitation, VP In Arms (Arlo) because he is the most fun horse I’ve ever ridden.

11. Do you participate in other horse programs? (example: 4-H, ASIYP, etc.)
Right now I am working on the USEF lettering program.

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1. What is your name, how old are you, and where do you live?
My name is Sophia Besch, I’m 13 years old and I live in Tampa, Florida.

2. What are the names of your parents/guardians?
My parents are Kurt and Renae Besch.

3. What grade are you in, and what is the name of your school?
I’m in 7th grade at Academy at the Lakes.

4. How long have you been riding?
I have been riding for almost 8 years now.

5. Who is your instructor, and where is he/she located?
I ride with Maria Gilman and Emily Hillhouse at Judd Stables in Land O’ Lakes, Florida.

6. How long did it take to earn your hours?
It has taken me 1 year and 4 months to earn my hours for this program.

7. What types of activities were completed in order to earn your hours (lessons, trail riding, etc.)?
Mostly lessons, but I did some trail riding and showing also.

8. What did you like about participating in the Saddle Time program?
This program challenged me to spend more time riding, which I love!

9. What do you like most about the American Saddlebred horse?
I have been showing Saddlebreds in performance class for three years now, and I love everything about the American Saddlebred, from their versatility to the amazing feeling you get when you ride one!

10. Who is your favorite horse and why?
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ASHA Youth Awards 2018

ASHA YOUTH PHOTO CONTEST
Age 13 & under
Donovan Keledy, Temecula, CA
Age 14-20
Fallon Mieseler, Temecula, CA

ASHA JUNIOR JUDGING HIGH POINT AWARDS
Age 13 & under
Sarah Fouts, Louisville, KY
Age 14-20
Hannah Broughton, Lexington, KY

ASHA YOUTH AWARD-2018
Age 13 & under
Kendall Keledy, Temecula, CA
Age 14-20
Devin Sell, Georgetown, KY

ASHA YOUTH CLUB AWARDS
History
Biggins Bridle Bunch

Membership
Wallen West Golden Spurs & Blue Willow Farm Youth Club

Meetings and Programs
Trinity Trotters

Educational Activities
Wallen West Golden Spurs & Wingswept Walktrots

Promotions
Legacy Equestrians & Blue Willow Farm Youth Club

Community Service
Brannon Barnsters & Biggins Bridle Bunch

ASHA YOUTH CLUB OF THE YEAR
Biggins Bridle Bunch

FRANK OGLETREE AWARD
Alex Rudder, Lexington, KY

ASHA Youth Conference 2019
### ASHA Youth Academy Awards 2018

### ALABAMA
- **ERA STABLES**
  - Piper Hales- Silver
  - Hayden Potridge- Silver

### ROCKING S STABLES
- Kaitlyn Horrell- Bronze

### HEATHERMOOR FARM
- Shay Tabor- Bronze

### STEPPING STONE FARM
- Lizzie Plaia- Bronze
- Maryanne Herren- Silver
- Madelyn Shockey- Master Bronze
- Mackenzie Kasparian- Silver
- Kaylee Walters- Bronze
- Emily Katherine Tate- Bronze
- Caitlyn O’Connor- Silver
- Maggie Alvis- Silver

### INDIANA
- **TRINITY FARM**
  - James Harris- Bronze
  - Caiden Stilwell- Silver
  - Jennifer Harris- Master Bronze
  - Adriana Foster- Silver
  - Katharine States- Master Silver
  - Elizabeth Vinson- Gold
  - Michael Lentz- Master Bronze

### KENTUCKY
- **BIGGINS STABLES**
  - Kaden Willard- Master Bronze
  - Leslie Palmer- Bronze
  - Finley Paul- Bronze
  - Makenna Deaton- Master Bronze

### BRANNON STABLES
- Chloe Stockton- Gold
- Hannah Broughton- Master Gold
- McKenna McDonie- Silver
- Sydnee Stacy- Silver
- Avery Palmer- Bronze

### ROLLING HILLS FARM
- Bridget Underwood- Silver
- Madison Glaser- Bronze
- Morgan Glaser- Bronze

### BLUE WILLOW FARM
- Michaela Sargent- Bronze
- Tailani Price- Silver
- Hattie Steen- Silver
- Carl Lynn Akers- Master Gold
- Ellie Stevens- Gold
- Marissa Eberth- Bronze
- Addison Johnson- Bronze
- Lauren De Wet- Bronze
- Louis De Wet- Bronze
- Anna Murphy- Bronze
- Kaylee Anderson- Bronze
- Paige Johnson- Bronze

### LOUISVILLE EQUESTRIAN CENTER
- Mary Ann Evans- Gold
- Kim Hutchison-Gold
- Avery Kuzma- Bronze
- Andrew Stephens- Bronze
- Olivia Petrey- Silver
- Madison McDonald- Bronze
- Karoline Wagner- Gold
- Hailey Jaggars- Master Silver
- Jessica Ridgway- Master Bronze
- William Coon- Master Silver
- Hayden O’Connell- Master Silver
- Ashley Stagg- Master Bronze
- Paige Stagg- Master Bronze
- Rebecca DeVore- Bronze
- Layla Polsgrove- Bronze
- Alexis Harris- Silver
- Sara Fouts- Master Bronze
- Chandler Simpson- Bronze

### SINGING TREE STABLE
- Kayla Foster- Bronze

### WESTWIND FARM
- Addyson Hamby- Silver
- Isabella Sims- Silver
- Ava Sims- Bronze
- Elizabeth Collins- Bronze

### WINGSWEPT FARM
- Jaycee Hayslip Bronze
- Abby Moulton- Silver
- Emmaline Thompson- Silver
- Riley Thomas- Silver
- Addy Ellsworth- Bronze
- Daniella Giaquinto- Bronze
- Carrie Wagner- Bronze

### ASHA Youth Academy Awards 2018

### MICHIGAN
- **EXECUTIVE FARMS**
  - Lola Buchler- Bronze
  - Ireland Lambert- Bronze
  - Peyton Pollard- Bronze
  - Hendrick Hall- Bronze
  - MacKenzie Daly- Bronze

### NORTH CAROLINA
- **BAY VIEW STABLES**
  - Kayla Stovall- Bronze

### BOONE’S FARM
- Alexis Martini- Bronze
- Caroline Battaglia- Gold
- Hayden Collins- Bronze
- Lindsay Goodrich- Master Bronze
- Blair Robinson- Bronze
- Carter Rector- Bronze
- Margaret Lowry- Bronze

### FLORIDA
- **SUNCOAST STABLES**
  - Sarah Logan- Bronze
  - Liz Moser- Bronze
  - Kalista SPrague- Bronze
  - Ansley Tuggle- Bronze
  - Sara Morris- Bronze

### SARAH RUSSELL STABLES
- Emerson Long- Bronze
- Olivia Gilliland- Bronze

### ILLINOIS
- **WOODWIND FARM**
  - Alexandra Dalzell- Gold
  - Allison Smith-Silver
  - Bella Tisci- Bronze
  - Elana Smith-Gold
  - Kate Chambers- Bronze
  - Stacy Tisci- Bronze
  - Lucas Pflanz-Silver

### HIGH CALIBER STABLES
- Brooke Defore- Bronze
- Madison Gunter- Silver
- Leah Hitney- Gold
- Brooke Gunter- Silver
- Molly Gurling- Gold

### INGLESIDE FARM
- Ayleigh Apple- Bronze
- Isabel Richman- Silver
- Sophie Scheck- Bronze

### LEUNIX STABLES
- Michele Ziegler- Master Silver
- Alecia Price- Master Gold
- Madelyn Mijares- Silver
- Emma Wittgrefe- Bronze
- Sarah Wardell- Silver
- Laurie Brooks- Bronze

### LEUNIX STABLES
- Madeline Vinci- Bronze
- Elizabeth Vinci- Bronze
ASHA Youth Academy Awards 2018

Samantha Holyfield- Gold
Lily Asano- Bronze
Anna Asano- Bronze
Sophia Bradford- Silver
Macy Bradford- Silver
Haley Bowland- Bronze
Kendal Alexander- Bronze
Lyla Vanderspuy- Gold
Bella Rogers- Master Bronze
Gracie Donahue- Master Silver

LEGACY SADDLEBREDS
Alyssa Smith- Bronze
Kaylee Rush- Bronze
Laney Tarleton- Bronze
Jordan Hughes- Bronze
Kendyl Martin- Bronze
Olivia Allred- Bronze
Paisley Campbell- Bronze
Mai Graham- Bronze
Mackenzie Death- Bronze
Landri Rush- Bronze
Rebekah Baubie- Bronze
Preston Simmons- Silver
Megan Jobe- Silver
Marissa Hernandez- Thompson- Silver
Lawson Simmons- Silver
Elizabeth Jordan- Silver
Isabel Skains- Silver
Haley Yokeley- Silver
Cassidy Idol- Silver
Victoria Simos- Silver
Emily Baker- Gold
Gracie Bargiol- Gold
Heather Kolbiaz- Gold
Julia Barganier- Gold
Madison Lyon- Master Bronze
Lizzy Miller- Master Bronze
Caitlin Lyon- Master Bronze
Sara Baker- Master Gold
Victoria Voletto- Master Gold
Willard Dodson- Master Gold
Hayden Chase- Bronze
Addison Chase- Bronze
Sophie Wood- Bronze
Abby Dwiggins- Master Gold
Lauren Lavinder- Gold
BiBi Thomas- Master Gold

NEW HAMPSHIRE
CHASE FARM
Sofia Forti- Bronze
Jillian Balbat- Bronze
Sarah Gibelli- Bronze
Shelby Brown-Bronze
Madeline Fafel- Bronze
Chase Fitzpatrick- Bronze
Julia Miller- Bronze
Esme Ocker- Bronze
Caitlin Pagano- Bronze
Rebecca Simoneau- Silver
Kathryn Vital- Bronze
Morgan Vital- Bronze
Anika Morton- Bronze

TEENAGE
daybreak riding academy
Maren Walsh- Master Bronze

HARRIS RIDING ACADEMY
Lillian Stephenson- Bronze
Olivia Stephenson- Bronze
Catherine Denton- Bronze
Lauren Oswald- Silver
Ellie Hogan- Silver
Garrison Huddleston- Silver

WISCONSIN
KNOILLWOOD FARM
Paige Grunewald- Bronze
Emma Kleba- Bronzee
Florence Maas- Bronze
Sydney Marsh- Bronze
Rachel Morris- Bronze
McKaley Poston- Bronze
Samara Zwieg- Bronze
Mia Pipito- Silver
ASHA ACADEMY AWARDS OFFICIAL REPORT

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All results must be submitted to ASHA by October 31, one month following the end of each complete award year (October 1 - September 30)

Riding Instructor/Youth Club Advisor

Date
**World’s Championship Horse Show**
**ASHA Youth Activities**

**JUNIOR JUDGING CLINIC- SATURDAY**
Learn about what the judges in center ring are looking for when crowning a World Champion.
- Clinic in back warm up arena - 3 p.m.

**JUNIOR JUDGING- SUNDAY AND FRIDAY**
Walk in the shoes of a World's Championship Horse Show judge by participating in the Junior Judging Contest. Awards will be presented to winners in 13 & under and 14-20 age divisions.
- Jr. Judging - Sunday evening session/Friday morning session. Sec. 341, Row J&L
- Winners judging presentation - Friday evening, center ring

**ICE CREAM SOCIAL- SUNDAY**
Join us for an afternoon of ice cream and games to get to know the ASHA Youth!
- ASHA office - 3 p.m.

**COLLEGE NIGHT- MONDAY**
Join us for an evening of presentations from our industry's top professionals in the areas of veterinary, equine research, equine nutrition, breeding, and training. Meet in ASHA office.
- Barn tour - 2:30 p.m.
- Speakers begin - 3:20 p.m.
- Pizza - 5:30 p.m.

**GOLF CART DECORATING- THURSDAY**
Enter the ASHA Youth Golf Decorating Contest. Golf Carts will be judged and winners selected in a variety of categories including, best horse theme, home barn theme, and horses name.
- Judging - Thursday at noon
- $20 entry fee to benefit ASHA Scholarship Fund
- Sign up in ASHA office

**SOCIAL MEDIA CHALLENGE- ALL WEEK**
Let's get social! Throughout the week, show us your WCHS horse show pictures for a chance to be featured on our social media. We want to see what the WCHS means to you, how you show your horse love, and how you and your friends spend the week.
#WCHSJrJourney, #WCHSJrsocialscenes
ASHA Youth Club Happenings

Blue Willow Farm Youth Club

Blue Willow Farm Youth Club has just started its second year as an ASHA youth club! So far this year, members have participated in fundraisers to support the American Saddlebred Rescue and Youth Scholarships, meetings and activities, which have included learning parts of the bridle and grooming competitions. Many of our members are competing in academy and performance shows this year and we can’t wait for summer camp! We are looking forward to all of the fun things this year will bring!

ASHA Youth Club Happenings

Wallen West Golden Spurs

The month of December Wallen West Golden Spurs travelled to Del Mar, CA and enjoyed the festive atmosphere of the Jingle Bell Horse Show. The show was well attended and Kendall Kelley received the Richard K Walker II Memorial Trophy. The Pacific Coast Awards were given out Sunday morning. The Wallen West barn continued with the holiday spirit and hosted a Christmas party. Stalls were decorated and of course horses showed up in their holiday best as well. Our first meeting was held and officers were chosen during this time.

The UPHA Conference was held in California and some of our members enjoyed attending all the festivities. February took some of our members to Kentucky to attend the ASHA Youth Conference. First stop was Grey Ridge Farm visiting with Bret, Susi and Griffin Day. An incredible surprise was the opportunity to ride Reggie, the American Saddlebred Ambassador. The girls then went to Majestic Oaks Hackney barn where Rich and Maureen Campbell gave them a tour around the barn and they learned more about the diverse breed. They also had the opportunity to tour Desmar Stables and were recognized in the evening dinner for Membership and Educational Activities. Two of our members were awarded the ASHA Photo contest, Fallon Mieseler for 14-17, and Donovan Kelledy for 13 and under. Kendall Kelledy was recognized for 13 and under Youth Award. They enjoyed visiting the American Saddlebred Museum and then back to California.

Monthly meetings are held at the barn and every month birthdays are celebrated. In March we travel to Scottsdale, AZ and attended the Carousel Horse show. We hosted our first ASHA Junior Judging and had a lot of fun doing it. Everyone agreed to do it again. Back to California and preparing for our next horse show which is back in Del Mar, CA. Diamond Jubilee was at the beginning of April and we had some new team debuts. Everyone tried their best to stay dry and enjoy the show.

Our barn was busy this spring with our new arrivals. On February 2, Juliet arrived, she is out of Callaway’s Gettin’ Busy and by Undulata’s Nutcracker. On April 9, Armani came into this world, out of Callaway’s Gettin’ Busy and by Arrowhead’s Unlike Any other. On April 27 we welcomed Raevin out of Pennyrile and by Mountainview’s Heir to Fortune. We are anticipating one more to arrive out of CH Harlem’s Midnight Lace and Arrowhead’s Unlike Any Other. With all the breeding happening at our barn, our Youth Group has been able to see how life begins, the waiting, the worrying, the anticipation of the mare’s body preparing for the foal arrival. And best of all the foal arriving and taking their first breath, the miracle unfolding. We are so lucky to be a part of this truly special experience. Many of our meetings were wrapped around what to expect and even nutrition of the mare and foal.

ASHA Youth Club Happenings

Blue Willow Farm Youth Club

Blue Willow Farm Youth Club has just started its second year as an ASHA youth club! So far this year, members have participated in fundraisers to support the American Saddlebred Rescue and Youth Scholarships, meetings and activities, which have included learning parts of the bridle and grooming competitions. Many of our members are competing in academy and performance shows this year and we can’t wait for summer camp! We are looking forward to all of the fun things this year will bring!
**ASHA Youth Club Happenings**

**Legacy Equestrians Youth Club**

The Legacy Equestrians Youth Club of Legacy Saddlebreds has had a great start to 2019! Many of our members participated in a clinic with guest instructor, Betsy Webb on January 26-27. In February, it was time to celebrate the 2018 show season! We had our ASAC convention February 8-9 in Concord, NC. Many of our youth members were recognized for their ASHA Academy Medals, as well as ASAC High Point Awards. The following weekend, a few of our youth members were able to attend the ASHA Youth Conference in Lexington, KY, where they accepted the ASHA Academy Medals and Youth Club Promotions award on behalf of their fellow Legacy Equestrians.

In March, we had a youth club meeting where we did a lot of team building! Obstacle courses, relay races, and an escape room were just a few of the activities we had during this fun event. On Saturday, April 6, we hosted our Spring Fun Show to benefit JDRF, as one of our own youth club members lives with Type 1 diabetes. We were able to raise around $300 to kick off her fundraising goal for 2019. Many of our youth members participated in the show or helped with ribbons, getting horses ready, and getting the newer riders ready for their class.

On May 3, our resident movie star went on another adventure. Picasso, an American Saddlebred in the American Girl movie Saige Paints the Sky, went to one of the school's spring festivals. He greeted kids and adults alike, getting lots of love and attention while our youth members talked to them about riding lessons, camps, and birthday parties. On May 5, we collaborated with one of the local magazines for their monthly "Kid's Morning Out" event. We taught 79 evaluation lessons in three hours, and introduced even more to horses and the American Saddlebred. It gave the attendees more of an idea of what riding was about, and got many people to sign up for riding lessons going forward.

Throughout all of these fun events, our youth members have participated in helping with birthday parties, horse shows, and around the barn for lessons. This summer, many of our youth members will either attend one of our summer camps, and assist in introducing new campers to horses. Our Summer Fun Show is scheduled for August 24, which will benefit St. Jude’s Children’s Hospital as part of our Nationals Team’s fundraising goal for the National Academy Championships in November.

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**High Caliber Hot Shots**

The High Caliber Hot Shots kicked off 2019 with a Winter Fun Show in January. We had several other barns come and participate and it was a great day for everyone with a concession stand, a bake sale, and a lot of smiles! We had a number of Hot Shots attend the ASAC Convention, where it is always fun to get dressed up and dance!

In February, there were candy grams exchanged by our riders to both horses and other riders as a fundraiser -they were a fun surprise for everyone! Also in February many of our Hot Shots helped with our annual Adult Camp which was, in addition to being very wet, a lot of hard work and good times!

May brought Memorial Day and a MajORR Fun Day—with lessons being taught to many of our newer riders in special small groups by Mary and Evan. What better way to kick off the summer than with a bunch of lessons?

June 1 was our first ever summer fun show and it was an absolutely beautiful day to have it outside! Brittany Harris came from Tennessee to judge and it was a great day for our riders and our amazing lesson horses!

We are looking forward to a summer of barn work, High Caliber camps and experiences and just a lot of time at horse shows, with barn friends and our favorite horses!
ASHA Youth Club Happenings

Mane Attractions

This year has offered a lot of opportunities for Country Meadow Farm’s youth group, Mane Attractions, to learn and share their love for horses! Our focus is to have fun while promoting care and understanding for our hooved friends. At our farm, we encourage a commitment to develop horsemanship at any age, but it especially excites us to be able to pass it on to the youth, who have awing passion that inspire us; it’s perfect symbiosis.

Our monthly meetings offer hands on learning that cover various horse topics such as tack, grooming, horse care, etc. Two summer camps are taking place in June and July! These camps include riding daily as well as various horse activities, games, and crafts. Oh, and don’t forget your swimsuit for a hot day!

We also offer another great clinic, Attention to Details, which focuses on getting our young riders ready for their first shows. We help prepare riders with everything from what to expect the day of the show, attire and proper fit, what the judge looks for, practice workouts, diagonals, and positioning on and off the horse. We know showing can make anyone nervous, even adults, so we strive to help our young riders develop the confidence and determination to be a champion early on and for years to come.

Needless to say, summertime is usually busy at CMF, but that doesn’t stop us from trying to expand the youth group activities! We’re excited to promote the “Breed and Barn” at a Mokena Community Expo in October, and through our “Bring Your Family” and “Bring a Friend” day to the barn! This year we also started utilizing the American Saddlebred International Youth Program to expand their education by earning Achievement Badges. We’re looking forward to exploring new educational opportunities through this program!!

Brannon Barnsters

For the Brannon Barnsters, summer barn days are in full swing with summer camps. We have already wrapped up our first camp. Upcoming camps will be June 24 - 28 and July 15- 19. If anyone would like information they can either contact Nancy Brannon at 859-983-0857 or Devin Sell at 859-214-7532.

We’ll also be doing an informational booth at the Scott County Library promoting and educating the public on the American Saddlebred.

Also, in late July/early August our youth group will kick off our 2nd annual back to school supplies drive. All donations will again be made to The Gathering Place Mission in Georgetown (homeless shelter) for children of those residents.
ASHA Youth Club Happenings

Equitate Equestrians

Equitate Equestrians started the year off with a pizza party to announce the newly elected officers. We also did a youth club derby party for the 2019 Kentucky Derby and a fundraiser for pajamas and books for kids at the Des Moines Horse Show. Recently, we completed the first of three highway cleanups, and soon we'll have our first summer barn show.

On the back...

“Look Into My Eyes”
Photo by Donovan Kelley
Photo Contest Winner