

Spring 2024

Save the Date!

Join us for an Open House on Saturday, March 23rd from 12 pm – 3 pm! Enjoy a day on the farm with us where you’ll have a chance to meet our horses and our team. We look forward to seeing you!

New! Explore.org

Watch our horses eat, sleep, play, at any time of the day or night on a live camera! Take pictures, add your comments, and keep up to date on our horses, all from the comfort of your home.

We’re Expecting!

Our two Saddlebred mares, Harlem and Ember, are both expected to foal around the first week of March. Tune in for more baby updates!



Hi, I’m Grace!



READ MY PROFILE

Foal Watch Begins!

Harlem and Ember, our mothers-to-be, are due in early March and we're very excited! We were concerned about Harlem, who had grown quite large so quickly that we worried she may be carrying twins. Any equine expert will tell you that horses pregnant with twins present some very dangerous risks. Having twins is extremely difficult for the mare which often results in the death of one or both foals and in some cases the mother. In January, Dr. Maria Schnobrich and her assistant, Dr. Rachel Doenges, both theriogenologists from Rood and Riddle Equine Hospital, came to KYEAC and spent the day examining our pregnant mares, including a specialized type of ultrasound to determine the viability of the foals. Luckily, twins do not seem to be in our forecast. Using the ultrasound, the doctors could predict the amount of time left in the pregnancies, which gave us due dates and within a two week range. Anyone want to make a guess? We'll take any day as long as we have healthy babies and happy mommies!



Explore Live Video Feed at KYEAC



Harlem

We're so excited to offer this opportunity to watch KYEAC live! Our thanks go to Explore, a multimedia group, who installed live camera feeds on the farm including three new cameras. One camera is focused on field eight, where the pregnant moms are turned out prior to the foals' births, and where they will return when the foals are ready to be outside. When their delivery time is imminent, both mares will be brought into the barn where two more cameras are watching them around the clock.

Visit [Explore.org](https://www.explore.org) and search for the Kentucky Equine Adoption Center, and watch our horses walking, eating, sleeping, playing, running, at any time of the day or night on a live camera. Take pictures, make comments, keep up to date on how the horses are doing, all from your home. We're the only horse rescue to have this valuable resource, provided to us through a grant from the Annenberg Foundation. Explore is dedicated to finding and highlighting leaders and organizations "who have devoted their lives to extraordinary causes" ([Explore.org/about-us](https://www.explore.org/about-us)).

Not only can you watch what's happening on the farm with our horses, you can hear them as well. Our future plans include Q&A with our trainers, introductions to our horses, discussions about various horse issues, mini-lessons on horse care, and other topics to be determined. We're truly lucky to have our Explore friends!

How Do You Like Your Eggs?

We're talking about worm eggs! Our trainers recently attended a parasite-testing-and-control workshop taught by KYEAC board member Dr. Mary Rossano, Associate Professor, Department of Animal and Food Sciences at the University of Kentucky. Their goal is to enable KYEAC to control parasites by testing individual horses to determine their treatment.

Bots, ascarids, tapeworms, threadworms and strongyles are all common horse parasites. The most prevalent are strongyles, which are present in all adult horses that graze on pastures. While most adult horses will suffer little harm from small strongyles, some will experience intestinal issues and weight loss. Adult horses that are able to control small strongyles well themselves, consistently shed low numbers of parasite eggs in their manure and are not a large source of contamination in a pasture. The 10-20% of adult horses that shed higher numbers of eggs produces about 80% of the small strongyle contamination. By testing and identifying the high shedding horses and treating them, the pasture contamination will be reduced.

A common practice at many horse farms is to de-worm all the horses on a regular basis, following a schedule and rotating de-worming drugs, but not all horses need treatment that often. Modern parasite control plans use fecal testing and selective de-worming, which save money and slow the development of drug resistance.

Using a microscope, our trainers, Abby, Lacey, Bekah, and Rachel, learned to identify strongyle, tapeworm, and ascarid eggs, enabling them to determine which horses should be given de-worming medications. After testing our herd, they discovered that only about 5% of our horses were shedding enough eggs to require treatment. At \$10-\$20 a dose, this significantly reduces the cost of the medications, and testing is relatively inexpensive once the microscope is purchased. The supplies needed in addition to the microscope are easily obtainable and the slides are reusable. Testing our horses for parasites is economical and efficient, with an additional benefit of preventing the horses from unnecessary treatments that contribute to parasite resistance and upset tummies. We're proud of the "egg-cellent" KYEAC team!

We're Counting on Your Support

We need YOU! Any donation would mean the world to our horses, be it monetary or a physical item. We're no longer hosting tack sales, all donated tack will be used for our herd. We do accept the following: Equine medical supplies, feed/hay, and farm equipment. Our highest priority items are heated automatic waterers and muck carts! If you are able to donate, please consider filling out the card below or visit our website at kyeac.org/donate for more details regarding our high priority items. Thank you in advance for your support!



Yes! I want to donate to the Kentucky Equine Adoption Center (KYEAC) to help more equines!



Kentucky Equine
ADOPTION CENTER

Thank you for supporting us!

Every dollar goes directly toward the health and wellbeing of these equines that are in search of their new start. Our promise is to show them kindness and guide them to good health while they wait for their new family.

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Hats Off to Kentucky's Horse Industry Day is a celebration of the horse and its impact on the state of Kentucky, located at the Kentucky Horse Park on **Saturday, July 27th**, sponsored by Rood and Riddle Equine Hospital. Join us at the Kentucky Horse Park for a day of free family fun! For more details visit roodandriddle.com/hats-off-day/. Hats Off Day is also a way to help us raise money to support our mission of rescuing and rehoming Kentucky's unwanted horses. Rood and Riddle sponsors a buffet meal in a VIP tent overlooking the Grand Prix. Tickets to this charity event will be available soon and will be published on our website. In addition to your entry fee and meal, KYEAC will host a silent auction with dozens of items ranging from gift packages, to special halters, and everything in between. The culminating activity will be a live auction with high value items.



Cute & Cuddly Companions

Are you looking for a companion for your horse or human? Pictured below are just a few of our companion horses who are looking for their forever home. We love them all dearly, and we think you will love them too! For more information on any of these horses, please visit our website at kyeac.org/category/companion today. You may also call our office at (859) 881-5849 or email us at info@kyeac.org. Eager to fill out an application? Follow the link below, answer a few questions, and submit to begin the approval process! <https://form.jotform.com/231711475494156>



Sports Finale | 2004 Gray Tennessee Walking Horse Gelding



Loving Touch | 2016 Bay Thoroughbred Gelding



Snickers | 2001 Bay/White Pinto Grade Mare



Marley | 2011 Grey Molly Mule Pony