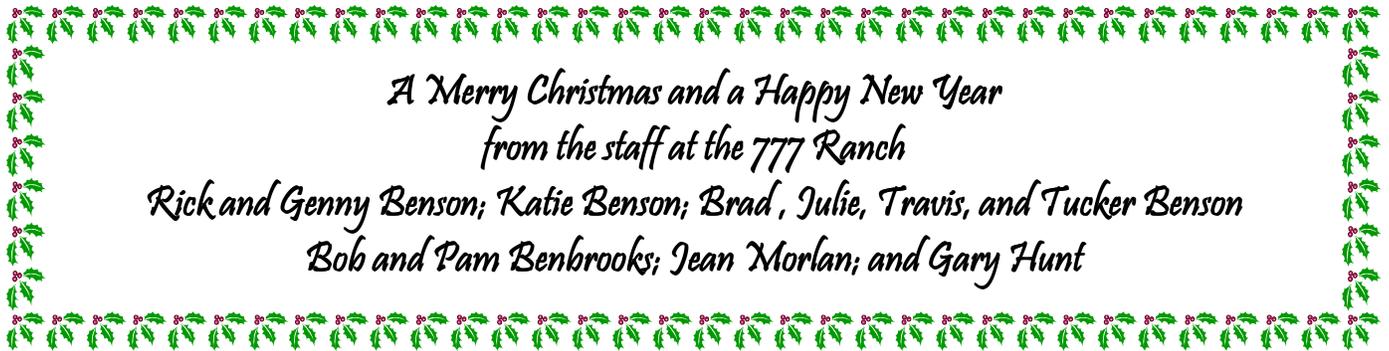


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*A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year
from the staff at the 777 Ranch*

*Rick and Genny Benson; Katie Benson; Brad, Julie, Travis, and Tucker Benson
Bob and Pam Benbrooks; Jean Morlan; and Gary Hunt*

A Busy Fall (Technically, winter doesn't officially begin for a few more days!)

With running camps, finishing farming (between rainstorms!!), and managing the cattle end of things, we had a busy fall. Two of the young men who came this summer stayed to help with fall roundup, along with the rest of the staff. The couples' work week from Georgia was a big blessing to us. The group chose to not only put the roof on the 50' x 100' equipment shop but to fund it as well. (That means the shooting range is still on the "To Do" list for next summer. If you'd be interested in coming to help with camp projects, give Rick a call at 435-749-9016.)

The winter schedule includes battling ice and equipment to get the livestock watered and fed, as well as making plans for next summer. Rick and Katie spent nearly two weeks in Las Vegas at Cowboy Christmas held in conjunction with the National Finals Rodeo. They had a booth to advertise youth and adult horsemanship camps. Many adults, in particular, showed interest in the adult camp. In fact, we've already received some phone calls to get more information. The man in charge of the booths from Cowboy Network Shopping interviewed Rick, but due to technical problems on the scheduled night, the interview did not air. It was nice, though, to know that our booth caught his attention. Some of the other vendors showed interest in the camps, too, and stopped in to talk. We'll know by this summer how effective this form of advertising proves to be as it was an expensive venture. March 14-16 Katie and Rick will again have a booth at the Utah Horse Expo. (Last summer several youth campers came as a result of this type of advertising in Utah, Idaho, and Colorado.) If you are interested in helping with advertising expenses, please let us hear from you as there are other conventions/horse expos at which we would like to advertise. Will you please pray with us for the Lord to send us campers to whom we can minister?

Summer Staff

Are you interested in serving on **summer staff** as a counselor or a support person? Or do you know of someone who might be a good prospect? If so, please contact Rick Benson at 435-749-9016. We are looking for young adults with a desire to serve the Lord by ministering to young people. Looking at the scheduled camps on the calendar will give you an idea of the types of camps and their duration. Maybe you're a schoolteacher looking for ministry opportunity in the summer or maybe you'll be home from Bible college and have some time before starting a summer job. Why not start praying now that God will provide needed staff for next summer?

Notes

—As you can see, the summer calendar is filling up already. If you're interested in scheduling a custom camp for your group in the spring, late summer, or fall, give Katie a call at 435-749-9704.

—Thank you for responding as to how you want to receive the ranch report. (Some forms did come through blank, though.) We appreciated your phone calls and notes of encouragement!

—Check out our facebook page using either the link on our website or facebook.com/777ranch where you can view summer photos. Even if you yourself don't have a facebook page, you can still view us.

2014 CALENDAR

Mother/Daughter Retreat
May 9-10

Adult Horsemanship Extravaganza
May 23-29

Cowboy Poetry Gathering
May 31

Guys' Ranch Hand I
June 2-28

Teen Horsemanship Day Camp
June 9-13

Horsemanship Camp I
June 22-28

Gals' Ranch Hand
June 30-July 26

Guys' Ranch Hand II
June 30-July 26

Custom Retreat
July 3-6

Horsemanship Camp II
July 6-July 12

Kids' Horsemanship Day Camp
July 21-25

Custom Retreat
July 31-August 2

Cowgirl Ministries Custom Ladies' Retreat
August 8-10

Richfield Bible Church Custom Ladies' Retreat
September 5-6