

Foundation News

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TO PRESERVE OPEN LAND, TO PROTECT AND IMPROVE WILDLIFE HABITAT, AND TO OFFER A PLACE FOR EQUESTRIAN PURPOSES



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2017 HORSE COUNTRY HOEDOWN

The 2017 Horse Country Hoedown was indeed a boot-stomping, toe-tapping, knee-slapping success! On Saturday, April 29, guests gathered at the Lyell's Meadow implement shed to celebrate and support The Walthour-Moss Foundation. The Hoedown, the Foundation's major annual fundraising event, was the most successful to date, netting over \$22,500 for Foundation operations.

A hearty "thank you" to our Horse Country Hoedown Hosts who gave generously to underwrite the event: Jackie and Rick Allenbaugh, Blue Moon Farm, Amy Bresky, Lin and John Burgess, Carol and Dan Butler, Cathy and David Carter, Dick Cavedo and Mary Schwab, Marianne and Jeff Chulay, Katie Cochran, Rhonda and Alan Dretel, Susan Gaines and Katie Gaines Frost, Shirley and John Gaither, Alice and Marshall Glass, Sharon and Jim Granito, Mary Griffith and Alex Martone, Martha and Tom Hart, Jean Rae and Hugh Hinton, Kendyl and Eric Janis, Rod Lynch and Knowlbrook Farms Inc., Stephen Later, Susan and Kris Lindamood, Corine and Peter Longanbach, Fred McCashin, Parker and Ed Minchin, Norman and Babette Minery, Carol Minker, Andrea and Dick Moore, Cindy and Dennis Paules, Rosa and Ralph Ronalter, Kim and Bryan Rosenberg, Irene and Mike Russell, Cameron and Lincoln Sadler, Neil Schwartzberg and Leigh Allen, Ginny and Keith Thomasson, Donna and Dick Verrilli, Kathy and Chris Virtue, Jane and John Wagstaff, Anne and Dick Webb, Caroline and Wade Young, and Elaine Zelch.

The implement shed, renovated in 2016, has become the perfect home for Foundation events. Guests enjoyed deviled eggs and shrimp cocktail hors d'oeuvres on the backside of the shed overlooking Lyell's Meadow before heading to the buffet line for delicious chicken, fried on site by White Rabbit Catering. To quench their thirst, guests chose from fabulous Italian wines from Bacco Selections and locally brewed beer from the Southern Pines Brewing Company. For the more adventurous, several flavors of moonshine-based cocktails were available. Special thanks to Jim Alley, who has served as a volunteer bartender each year for the Hoedown. After dinner, the AKM Band rocked the pasture with country and rock classics, and dancers filled the dance floor to kick up their heels.

Thank you to Leigh Allen and Kendyl Janis for leading the decorating team. Hurricane lamps on each table, ringed with elaeagnus from Betsy and Larry Best's Mapleshade Farm, provided a soft light for both dinner and dancing. The elaeagnus and longleaf pine accents throughout the shed were both simple and elegant.

Our volunteers are simply THE best! Thank you to the following Hoedown volunteers for making the 2017 Hoedown the best yet: Leigh Allen, Cindy Carr, Shari Du, Mary Guo, Christina Han, Maia Kantorowski, Stephen Later, Laura Lindamood, Susan Lindamood, Diane McKay, Andrea and Dick Moore, Dennis Paules, Caroline Plummer, Neil Schwartzberg, and Blair Spencer.

Funds raised at the 2017 Horse Country Hoedown will be used to preserve the forest and maintain the trails for our community.



LYELL McMERTY AND SHELLY TALK



LESLEY TREVOR, NICK ELLIS, JOHN TREVOR, EMILY CUMMIN, CRAMER HALL

Photos by Diane McKay

THE GINNIE AND PAPPY MOSS SOCIETY

Pledge Today to Become a Member



PAPPY AND GINNIE MOSS

Over the past 39 years, 95% of the funds for The Walthour-Moss Foundation's land acquisition campaigns have come from Ginnie and Pappy Moss Society members. Show your support for local land preservation by becoming a member of the Ginnie and Pappy Moss Society. Entry into the Moss Society is a pledge of \$1,000.00 a year for five years.

Why is Moss Society membership important? Its members are the backbone of conservation in our community. In addition, with their ongoing pledge of support, the Moss Society members ensure that The Walthour-Moss Foundation will have resources to address any known or unknown challenge that it may face in the future. A good example was the threat of a four-lane freeway thundering through our longleaf pine forest. This threat was met with organization of town meetings to garner community and political support from our towns and county, hiring of consultants to examine alternatives, and engaging a team to prepare the documentation that led to a place on the National Register of Historic Places for a large portion of the Foundation. Promise of ongoing financial support from Ginnie and Pappy Moss Society members allowed the Foundation to remain vigilant and to develop and implement strategies to meet this threat and any others that might arise.

The benefits of Moss Society membership to you are:

- ENTRY into a society of likeminded people who value undeveloped land and recognize its fundamental

importance to equestrian purposes, to clean air and water as well as to the country lifestyle that drew so many of us to this area.

- KNOWLEDGE that your pledge will help the Foundation meet future challenges to its very existence.
- PERSONAL SATISFACTION in keeping the tradition of land conservation alive in the current generation.
- REALIZATION that you help to support the land you use and enjoy.
- APPRECIATION from members of the community who use The Walthour-Moss Foundation for their equestrian and other pursuits.
- GRATITUDE from future generations for preserving over 4,000 acres of longleaf pine forest... a habitat that is as endangered as the rainforests!
- ANNUAL RECOGNITION of Moss Society membership in Foundation News and on the kiosks at Equestrian Road, Moor Meadow, and Magnolia Hill.
- PERMANENT RECOGNITION on the Ginnie and Pappy Moss Society plaque at Moor Meadow.

Join the Ginnie and Pappy Moss Society today. Call Landon Russell at 910-695-7811 to pledge your support. List your name with others who value land preservation in our community.



GINNIE MOSS

MOORE COUNTY HOUNDS JUMP REPAIR CREW



MCH JUMP CREW



Photos by Cameron Sadler

HARD AT WORK!

Thank you to the MCH Volunteer Jump Repair Crew!

Makayla Alexander
 Tayloe and Summer Compton
 Terry Cook
 Emily Cummin
 Josiah Derry
 Kate Jones
 Ryan Keenan
 Susan and Laura Lindamood
 Diane and Bill Logan
 David and Meredith Mannheim
 Antonio Martinez
 Anita O'Connor
 Priscilla and John Sabol
 Shelly Talk
 Cameron and Lincoln Sadler
 Neil Schwartzberg
 Nicole Zardus

SPRING TRAIL RIDE AND CARRIAGE DRIVE

The weather was warm and the skies were clear for the WMF Spring Trail Ride and Carriage drive held on Saturday, May 20. Forty-four riders and eight carriages turned out to follow two separately marked trails covering a total of ten miles of Walthour-Moss Foundation trails.

The four-mile carriage trail took drivers down Sheldon Road, across Homesite Hill to Firelane 1 and then on to Old Mail road before heading home via Firelane 2. The six-mile trail ride headed north out of Lyell's Meadow towards Firelane 3, crossed Firelane 1 ext., wound down to Edmisten Crossing and then up Sawmill Road, over to Gray Fox Crossing, Drop Crossing, Carter Crossing, and Muddy Crossing before ending up back at Lyell's Meadow.

Thank you to the trail marking team of Leslie Griewe, Susan Lindamood, Dana Norquist, and Irene Russell. The trails were *VERY* well marked and the course had varied terrain with hills, shade, and water crossings. Thank you to the Moore County Driving Club and to the Moore County Hounds for lending the arrows to mark the trails.

The entry fee for the Spring Trail Ride and Carriage Ride included a picnic lunch served on the back-side of the implement shed. Stephen Later served as grill-master. With help from David Carter, he served hotdogs and hamburgers to sixty-eight hungry participants.

Our sincerest thanks to our volunteers and donors! Angie Tally organized the registration table, Stephen Later and David Carter manned the grill, Neil Schwartzberg and Susan Lindamood organized the set up and clean up. Mary Guo, Claire Healy, and Grace Ann Mottola served as crossing guards. Additional thanks to Susan Lindamood and Irene Russell for supplying the lunch.



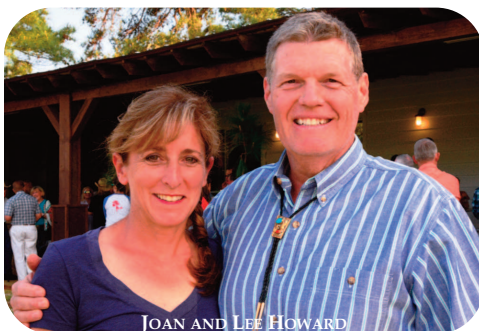
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AGGIE AND DAVID COHEN

2017 HORSE COUNTRY HOEDOWN



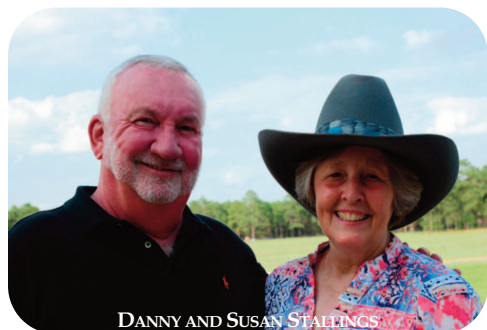
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MARGOT RAWLINGS



JOAN AND LEE HOWARD



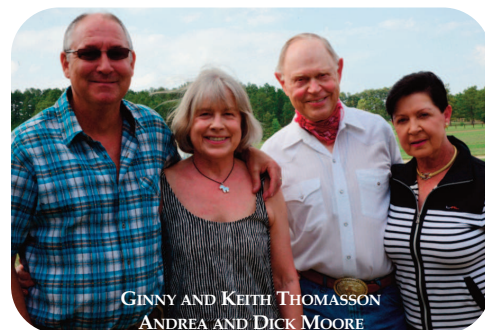
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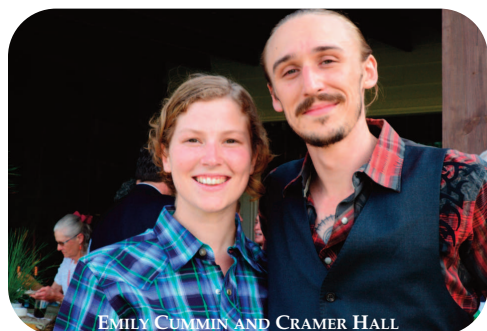
DANNY AND SUSAN STALLINGS



NANCY HOWE AND JOANIE BOWDEN



GINNY AND KEITH THOMASSON
ANDREA AND DICK MOORE



EMILY CUMMIN AND CRAMER HALL



CINDY PAULES AND GAYLE STAUNTON



KARLEEN HUBLEY AND DENNIS PAULES



DOTTIE GREENLEAF AND EDE GREENLEAF



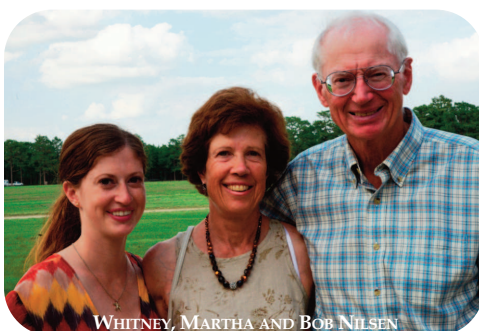
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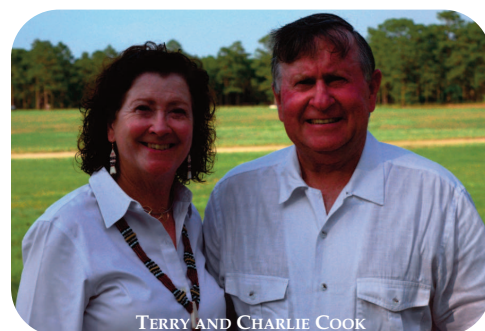
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TERRY AND CHARLIE COOK

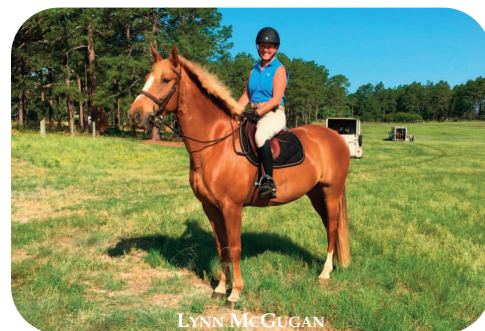
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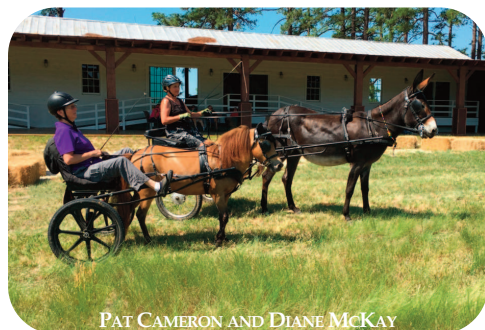
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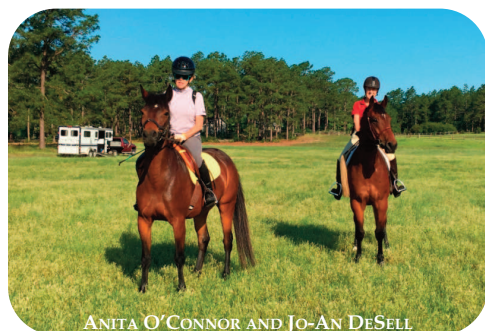
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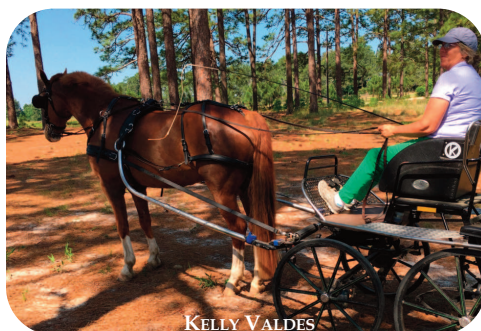
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BLAINE HOLLAND AND CAMERON SADLER



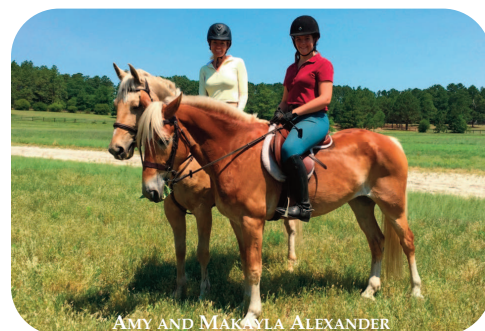
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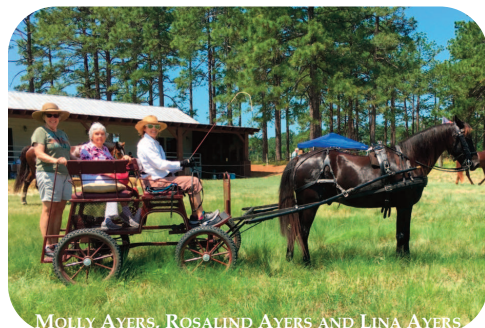
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KELLY VALDES



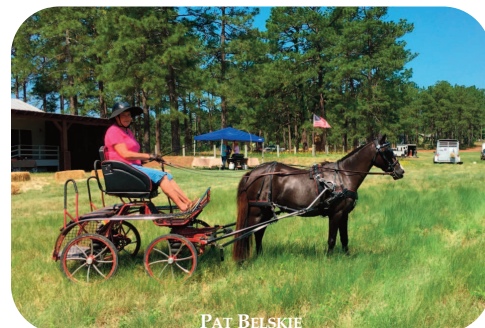
AMY AND MAKAYLA ALEXANDER



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TAYLOE COMPTON AND RICHARD MCCORMACK



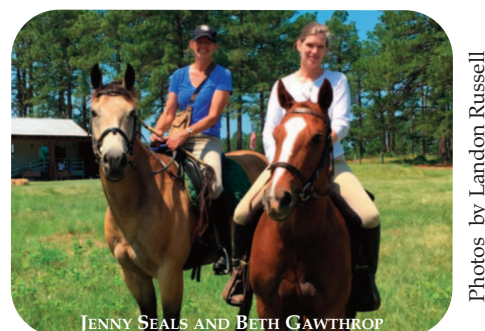
PAT BELSKIE



STEPHEN LATER



HEADED TO THE START



JENNY SEALS AND BETH GAWTHROP



Photo by Landon Russell

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FOUNDATION BIRDWALK WITH SUSAN CAMPBELL

On May 7, a group of avian enthusiasts met local ornithologist Susan Campbell for a bird walk in the Foundation. The weather was perfect: low humidity, low wind, and clear blue skies.

As the birders headed into the woods they encountered a stunning Red-headed Woodpecker foraging for breakfast. Next up they spotted a pair of Pine Warblers and watched as a Chipping Sparrow hopped down the path in front of them. They also saw a beautiful Indigo Bunting.

The group checked several nesting boxes and found three boxes filled with Eastern Bluebirds, one of which fledged as the box was opened and two boxes with Carolina Chickadees.

The word of the day for the group was "snag." A snag, which is another name for a standing, dead tree, provides nesting spots for various woodpeckers as well as Great Crested Flycatchers, wood ducks, squirrels and a variety of reptiles.

On the way back to the way back to the cars, the group was treated to a lively show of Northern Mocking birds as they hashed out a territorial dispute.

Thank you to Susan Campbell for leading the wonderful and informative walk. We can not wait to do it again!



Photo by Landon Russell

SHELDON ROAD EQUESTRIAN EASEMENT

WMF ACCESS UPDATE

Members of our community have protected and preserved access to the Foundation as well as historic neighborhood bridle trails by granting equestrian access easements over 10.8 linear miles of local trails. These equestrian accesses tie our community together and protect the equestrian nature of our community both now and for the future.

We are pleased to announce the newest Walthour-Moss Foundation equestrian access:

Sheldon Road

Mile Away Farm Inc. has granted a 2,000 foot equestrian access easement along Sheldon Road starting at Mile Away Lane.

If you have any questions about donating an equestrian access to The Walthour-Moss Foundation, please contact Landon Russell at 910-695-7811 or email director@walthour-moss.org.



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FUN DOG SHOW

SATURDAY, JUNE 10 9:00 am to 12:00 pm

PRIZES AND RIBBONS FOR EACH CLASS

- Best Coiffed
- Jr. Handler
- Look Alike
- Cutest
- Best Trick
- Waggiest Tail
- Best Rescue
- Best '6' Legs
- Senior Dog, (open to dogs 10 yrs+)
- Best in Show



Allie Conrad Photography

ADOPT A DOG!

CARING HEARTS FOR CANINES
WILL BE ON SITE WITH DOGS
LOOKING FOR FOREVER HOMES

THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS AND PRIZE DONORS

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ENTER ONLINE AT WWW.WALTHOUR-MOSS.ORG

Day of Show Registration opens at 8:00 am

Fun Dog Show begins at 9:00 am

\$5 per class

The Walthour-Moss Foundation
Lyell's Meadow, 225 Mile Away Lane, Southern Pines

For More Information

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www.walthour-moss.org.

Save the Dates!

June 10: Fun Dog Show

October 1: Horse Country Social

October 22: Trick and Treat Trail Ride

December 10: Save Our Forest Golf Tournament

FOR MORE INFORMATION

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