

Life Leaders Association and Patriotism in Action

Partners, Members, and Friends, *You Are Invited*

Thursday, June 27

9-10 a.m. arrival for refreshments then 10-11 program and activities
(this is our new date after June 8 was postponed)



Triple D
RANCH & FARM



Special guests

Joan Dunn, Bob and Nancy Barefield



Join us to honor Stretch & Joan and Bob & Nancy, plus Flag Day

10-10:30 Highlights:

- ◆ **Salute and Bow to the Flag**, American Patriot (Morgan Horse).
- ◆ **Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag** at the “**Barefield Patriotism in Action FlagPole**” flying our nation’s flag. Pledge led by Col. Bob (USA Retired) and Nancy Barefield, co-chairs, Patriotism in Action since 2006. Comment about Flag Day, Patriotism in Action, and the Alabama school character trait, “Patriotism” by Bob & Nancy.
- ◆ **Remember Stretch Dunn** (1943-2017) at the “**Dunn Dogwood**” (planted the day he passed). Comments by Joan.

10:30-11 Highlights:

- ◆ Enjoy social, snacks, optional activities.

Triple D Ranch and Farm

(home of Life Leaders Ranch Day programs for students, teachers, and mentors...)

354 County Road 33 / Calera, Alabama 35040

Reservation: please reply by June 24

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Directions Preview:

3 miles from Highway 31 and about 7 miles South of Calera and Montevallo.

Directions: I-65 South to Calera, right on Highway 31 South through Old Town Calera, enter Chilton County, right on County Road 33 at Tin Top BBQ, 3 miles (354 on mail box on right, turn left through gates and see the barn).



You can see the barn from the entrance gate.
Directions or info from David: 205-422-6484

Plan for the day:

9-10 arrive early for coffee, bottled water on ice, and breakfast snacks in the Farm House (including chocolate chip cookies or oreos, Stretch's favorites 😊)

10-10:30 brief program with David, Joan, Bob and Nancy, you (if you wish), closing by Melvin

10:30-11 Social at the picnic table, with watermelon and carrots (feed yourself and a horse, if you wish)

11-12 optional activities:

- Blueberries: enjoy those that have ripened (old blueberry orchard doubles as a paddock and arena)
- Meet my rescued fillies, Spirit and Storm (training corral): Karen Stone
- Enjoy the shade and social time at the picnic table
- Photo of you with a horse or at a spot you like (sent via text or email): Kyle Crider
- Video message from you about your progress with Life Leaders: Bob Selby
- Enjoy the porch chairs or swing (if the cats move over 😊)
- See Freedom Fence enclosures for ideas for dogs and cats
- Meet Star of the Bar ("[5000 mile trip to bring Star to Sweet Home Alabama](#)")
- Meet Indian Legend ("I wasn't wanted when I was born but I became a great horse...")
- Meet American Patriot (I can show you how to salute and bow to the flag)
- Take a bag of old horse manure for your garden (most over a year old)
- Walk through the woods on a trail (between the ponds): Kyle or David
- More on [Flag Day](#) you and teachers can use at Life Leaders web site

Attire suggestions: old, comfy boots or shoes (corral and areas you may walk are dirt and grass)

Just in case you are interested, when you return home, you will be near

- Montevallo: University of Montevallo, Alabama National Cemetery and American Village
- Calera: Tin Top BBQ, Wal-Mart and restaurants (I-65 and Hwy 31)
- Jemison: Petals from the Past (fruit trees and vines, flowers...)

Team:

Hosts: David Dyson, Melvin Smith, Karen Stone

Dunn Dogwood: David Dyson, Kyle Crider

Barefield Flag Pole: David Dyson, Mike Stone

Beverages and snacks: Karen Stone

Farm House, Pet Areas, Garden: Karen Stone

Photos: Kyle Crider

Video: Bob Selby

Life Leaders Future Events and Possibilities: David

I hope to see you. If I do anything to help you feel informed or to attend, please let me know.

It's hard to believe it has been 2+ years since Stretch passed. We planted a dogwood tree for him, and it is growing. Bob and Nancy do so much for the sake of patriotism, it will be good to thank them and attach an extra meaningful message to the new flag. The flagpole and US Flag will greet groups of students who can say the Pledge of Allegiance as part of their programs that can include personal leadership, planning for school and life, and character traits. And, I look forward to sharing the 20+ animals and the farm calling me to work evenings and weekends so animals and humans can live with more purpose and peace.

Thanks for your friendship and support of our callings,

David



Dr. David Dyson

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Life Leaders Institute (nonprofit, 7 callings: Plan for School and the 7 Areas of Life, Best-Self Leadership, Patriotism, Veterans Day Founding Education, Advance Alabama...):

www.LifeLeadersInstitute.org

Triple D Ranch and Farm (home of Life Leaders Ranch events for students, teachers, mentors, animal sanctuary, organic farm): www.TripleDRanchAndFarm.com