

“Inside the Thoroughbred Horse Business Start to Finish”

Richard Nolen, farm manager of Valley View Farm, will host a tour of Valley View, a mare and foal thoroughbred farm located outside Frankfort in Midway, Kentucky. Richard’s guests will visit the barns and Richard will explain how this part of the Central Kentucky thoroughbred business operates. He will give an overview of who the farm’s clientele are and how Valley View Farm functions.

The tour will include the 7:30 breakfast on the backside at Keeneland and a short tour of the Keeneland barns.

After leaving Keeneland the next stop will be Calumet Farm. Calumet is the only farm in the Central Kentucky area that is currently training horses for the track at the Central Kentucky location. You can visit Calumet and stand at the rail while the Calumet trainers breeze the horses in training. The tour will include visits to the Calumet barns and the Calumet Memorial Garden.

The Midway farm of Three Chimneys will also be on the tour. This farm is a stallion operation with track favorites Smarty Jones and Big Brown in residence. Recently, Big Brown started exercising under tack; depending on the timing of your visit he may be out and about. Lesser known generally, but a super star in the racing world and sire of Barbaro, Dynaformer stands at Three Chimneys. This stallion commands a \$150,000.00 stud fee.

Finally, the tour will also include the WinStar Farm in Versailles, Kentucky. The star of WinStar Farm is Distorted Humor, the number two horse on the current sire list with offspring that have earned over 8 million in earnings on the thoroughbred race circuit. WinStar Farm also has in residence Tiznow and Bluegrass Cat.

Your day will conclude back at Valley View Farm for dinner in the beautiful surroundings of the farm. The suggested date for the tour is in springtime preferably April, but Richard is available based upon the winning bidder’s schedule. The tour is for a party of four. The minimum bid is \$_____.