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<u>Cattle</u>- We are once again preparing our cattle for the Virginia State Fair. We will be taking two of our Milking Devon's Juno and Peach and their calves Oscar and Olivia as well as one of our Shorthorns, Kate and her calf Charlotte as well. Our staff will be hard at work over the next month getting the cattle ready. This includes halter training some of our newest additions, as well as a refresher on how to properly show cattle.

We also have a new addition to our cattle herd. We have recently acquired a Devon Bull from Ray Clark of Vermont who is the Director of Genetics and Breeding for the American Milking Devon Society. Having this bull will help expand our genetic pool for our cattle and further strengthen our herd.



<u>Cleveland Bays</u>- All our foals have finally arrived! Our three newest additions are doing well and enjoy playing together. Fudge, Isabella, Williamsburg Valiant aka Moose, and Williamsburg Fearnought aka Monty can all be seen daily behind the Randolph House. Our third foal

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Williamsburg Janus aka Mendel and his mom Willow will be at the Palace Pasture by the Gateway building. All of our Clevelands will be registered to both the Cleveland Bay Horse Society of the US, as well as in the UK. This registration requires all three of them to have "official" names as well as barn names as well as unique microchip numbers to identify them.

<u>Farrier</u>- All of our horses see our farrier every 5-6 weeks. Over the last few weeks our farrier Drew Morales has been working hard keeping our horses shod. Recently he has been working on a special case for us. Thomas, one of our riding horses, has developed a crack in his hoof. This can be a common occurrence in horses however Thomas has an extreme case. To attempt to fix this drew has given Thomas a special shoe that supports the inside of his hoof in order to take pressure of the side with the crack. He has also come up with a clever way to glue the crack back together in order to keep the integrity of his hoof.





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<u>Carriages</u>- After three years of work this the Red Carriage has been completed! It has been a long and exhaustive project requiring a large collaboration of departments, thanks to everyone involved. Both the Red and the Blue Carriage have received new upholstery from Rick's Upholstery in Gloucester and are ready to brave the elements once again.



Staff- Last but certainly not least, we have hired a new Supervisor. Undra Jeter as many of you will know as a Coachman, is our new Supervisor Journeyman Stud Groom. He will oversee daily barn operations as well as the training of our Cleveland Bays. Please wish him a Congratulations if you see him. We also have two new grooms, Anna Collins and April Farenkrogh. We will also like to say Thank you to our fantastic summer hires Anna, Shelby and Cathi, we wish you well!