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Frosted & Chatterbox Score in PA Derby & Cotillion

Frosted has battled head-to-head with the best of his crop this year. Unfortunately, this is the year of a Triple Crown champion, so the handsome gray colt has been a bridesmaid to American Pharoah. But in the \$1,000,000 Pennsylvania Derby (G2) on September 19 at Parx Racing, Frosted finally broke through on his own for the first time since his easy victory in the G1 Wood Memorial this past spring.

Frosted has deep Philadelphia ties: his dam, Fast Cookie, won the 2003 Cotillion Handicap (G2) while his father Tapit ran the final race of his career in the 2004 Pennsylvania Derby (G2). That pedigree made him almost destined to land in the Pennsylvania Derby winner's circle.

Despite the lack of a true superstar (American Pharoah) in the Pennsylvania Derby, it was still a tough race for Frosted. Ohio Derby winner Mr. Z set the early pace, just ahead of impressive Santa Anita allowance winner Iron Fist. Also in the bunched-up field were multiple graded stakes winners Madefromlucky, Upstart and Island Town.

Rounding the final turn, Iron Fist briefly took the lead before yielding to a determined Frosted, who quickly drew off to an easy victory under a hand ride by jockey Joel Rosario. Iron Fist ran a solid race to finish second, eight lengths ahead of third-place finisher Tommy Macho.

Frosted is owned by international sensation Godolphin Racing LLC and is trained by Kiaran McLaughlin. The 2015 edition
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Successful Fall Festival Cut Short by Quarantine



The 2015 Fall Festival of Racing was abruptly cut short when Parx Racing was quarantined for an outbreak of EHV-1. Until the gates were closed on October 3, the Fall Festival was successful in that the average starter per race had increased by more than two horses over the same timeframe as last year. Handle also increased across multiple categories, including average overall handle, daily handle and handle per race.

The Fall Festival also included an exciting day of racing on September 19 when Frosted took the Pennsylvania Derby (G2) and I'm a Chatterbox ran off with the Cotillion Stakes (G1). Fans and horsemen from around the country flocked to
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President's Message

Salvatore M. DeBunda, Esq.

The Fall Festival achieved many of the results that

we were hoping for when we established the event a few months ago. Parx Racing received great publicity, and a bump of two horses per race in average field size helped to boost overall handle. Local horsemen were greatly rewarded by the inflated purse money, including six local stakes victories and two on Pennsylvania Derby Day. I was beyond ecstatic when my own homebred, Discreet Seniorita, won her first career stakes race on Pennsylvania's Day at the Races. Thank you to our trainer, Ed Lehman, for a job well done.

It is a shame that the Fall Festival was cut short by the quarantine, but we felt that concluding the event early and spreading out the remaining purse money over the rest of the year was a fair choice, especially for our local horsemen. Hopefully everyone can

take advantage of the increased purse structure throughout the rest of 2015.

As we head into the winter months, Executive Director Mike Ballezzi and I will continue to work towards our ultimate goal of protecting local horsemen, especially since we still do not have a budget. We may also tweak or even move the Fall Festival next year, and we need to create even better positive publicity for Parx Racing.

On October 3rd, we inducted a new class into the Parx Racing Hall of Fame. Congratulations to all of our new members, especially John Pelino's family. It was an honor to present his induction plaque to his wife Karen, alongside my colleagues from Archer & Greiner. John was a truly integral part of making the PTHA what it is today. It was also a privilege to be there for the induction of Ed Lehman, who has been my trainer since day one in the industry, and saddled my very first winner, Change Ammo, at Garden State Park on

February 8, 1988.

I was also thrilled for the opportunity to present the trophies to the winning connections of this year's Pennsylvania Derby and Cotillion Stakes. Frosted has been knocking on the door all year against Triple Crown winner American Pharoah, so it was fantastic to see Kiaran McLaughlin and owner Godolphin Stable finally jump up and win our signature race. And of course, it was exciting when Fletcher and Carolyn Gray's I'm a Chatterbox captured the Grade 1 Cotillion. Larry Jones is an expert at conditioning great fillies and she is just thriving in his barn!

Best of luck to these athletes as they head into the Breeders' Cup World Championships at Keeneland Race Course. I would also like to wish my good friend Paul Conaway luck with his Pennsylvania-bred gelding Favorite Tale in the Breeders' Cup Sprint!

Successful Fall Festival Cut Short by Quarantine

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Bensalem to watch some of the top equine athletes in the nation compete for their share of more than \$3 million in purse money.

However, after the disappointing closure of the stable gates prevented ship-ins from entering the grounds, track management and horsemen decided that it was in the best interests of the horsemen to prematurely curtail the Fall Festival of Racing.

Commencing on Sunday, October 11, a new purse structure was implemented that would spread the remaining funds from the Fall Festival out over the rest of the live racing calendar year at Parx, set to run through December 22. Daily purses were bumped to approximately \$300,000, up from the prior amount of \$220,00 each day. The popular 40% owner bonus was also reinstated.

The revised purse structure allows Parx Racing to maintain an increased purse allocation for an extended period of time, with the goal being to help local horsemen.



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Parx Horsemen Around the Nation

Sept. 5 - **MARSHALL JENNEY H.**

Parx Racing, 5 furlongs (T)
1st - THIS AIN'T NO BULL
O: Matthew Schera
T: Michael V. Pino
J: Jorge Vargas, Jr.

Sept. 5 - **ROANOKE S.**

Parx Racing, 1 1/16 miles
3rd - GRASSHOPPIN
O: Michael W. Jester
T: Mario Serey, Jr.
J: Roberto Alvarado, Jr.

Sept. 5 - **DR. TERESA GAROFALO MEMORIAL S.**

Parx Racing, 7 furlongs
1st - DISCREET SENORITA
O: Rosemore Farms, Inc. & Dun Roamin Farms, Inc.
T: Edward Lehman
J: Frankie Pennington

Sept. 5 - **MRS. PENNY S.**

Parx Racing, 1 1/16 miles (T)
3rd - KEYSTONE KELLY
O: Thomas G. McClay
T: Ramon Preciado
J: Joshua Navarro

Sept. 6 - **MARK McDERMOTT S.**

Presque Isle Downs, 6 furlongs
2nd - MORNING FIRE
O: Stony Brook Stables
T: Keith Nations
J: Jacqueline Davis

Sept. 7 - **TURF AMAZON H.**

Parx Racing, 5 1/2 furlongs (T)
2nd - JOYA REAL
O: Pewter Stable
T: Kathleen A. DeMasi
J: Kendrick Carmouche
3rd - INSPIRED BY GRACE
O: Main Line Racing Stable, MarchFore T'breds & David Charlton
T: John C. Servis
J: Joshua Navarro

Sept. 11 - **CHRISTIECAT S.**

Belmont Park, 6 furlongs
2nd - DARLING SKY
O: Swilcan Stables & James Bonner
T: Robert E. Reid, Jr.
J: Maria Remedio

Sept. 19 - **ALPHABET SOUP H.**

Parx Racing, 1 1/16 miles (T)
1st - UNCLE DAVE
O: M-Z Racing Partnership
T: Marcos Zulueta
J: Jorge Vargas, Jr.

Sept. 19 - **BAYERN S.**

Parx Racing, 1 1/16 miles
2nd - CLASSIC GIACNROLL
O: Joseph E. Besecker & Lisa Guerrero
T: Juan Carlos Guerrero
J: Jorge Vargas, Jr.
3rd - GRASSHOPPIN
O: Michael W. Jester
T: Mario Serey, Jr.
J: Roberto Alvarado, Jr.

Sept. 19 - **GALLANT BOB S. (G3)**

Parx Racing, 6 furlongs
1st - TROUBLE KID
O: Barbara Hopkins
T: Ramon Preciado
J: Joshua Navarro

Sept. 19 - **RACHEL'S TURN S.**

Charles Town, 4 1/2 furlongs
2nd - R C'S DAISYDUKE
O: Robert L. Cole, Jr.
T: Scott A. Lake
J: G. Almodavor

Sept. 26 - **HALL OF FAME S.**

Parx Racing, 6 1/2 furlongs
2nd - BIRD OF TREY
O: JRita Young Thoroughbreds LLC
T: John C. Servis
J: Jorge Vargas, Jr.
3rd - DISCREET LOVER
O: Trin-Brook Stables, Inc.
T: Uriah St. Lewis
J: Mychel Sanchez

Oct. 3 - **ROAMIN RACHEL S.**

Parx Racing, 6 furlongs
1st - HEY KIDDO
O: J A G Racing & Jettany Thoroughbred Corp.
T: Ramon Preciado
J: Joshua Navarro
2nd - MONAGUSKA
O: Pewter Stable & Armand A. Delaperriere
T: Kathleen A. DeMasi
J: John Bisono

Oct. 3 - **WOODFORD S.**

Keeneland, 5 1/2 furlongs
1st - AMELIA'S WILD RIDE
O: Silver Trail Stables LLC
T: Ramon Preciado
J: Jose Lezcano

Oct. 10 - **WV BREEDERS' CLASSIC**

Charles Town, 6 1/2 furlongs
2nd - R C'S DAISYDUKE
O: Robert L. Cole, Jr.
T: Scott A. Lake
J: G. Almodavor

Oct. 10 - **PLUM PRETTY S.**

Parx Racing, 1 1/16 miles
2nd - PRIMO VIA
O: L. A. Thoroughbreds, et al
T: Philip T. Aristone
J: Eri Luis Vaz

Oct. 17 - **VALLEY FORGE S.**

Parx Racing, 6 furlongs
1st - TROUBLE KID
O: Barbara Hopkins
T: Ramon Preciado
J: Joshua Navarro
2nd - JAKE N ELWOOD
O: J A G Racing & Jettany Thoroughbred Corp.
T: Ramon Preciado
J: J D Acosta
3rd - RES JUDICATA
O: Someday Farm
T: John Servis
J: Jorge Vargas, Jr.

Important Notices

VOIDING OF CLAIMS

1. A claim will be void for any horse that dies during a race or is euthanized on the track following the race.
2. At the discretion of the claimant, claim will be void if the horse is vanned off the track due to unsoundness.
3. A claim will not be voided if the horse suffers solely from heat stroke or bleeding from the nostrils.

WAIVER CLAIMING

At the time of entry into a claiming race, the trainer must declare a horse ineligible to be claimed provided:

1. The horse has been laid off and has not started for a minimum of 120 calendar days since its last race; and
2. The horse is entered for a claiming price equal to or greater than the price at which it last started.

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The use of magna wave therapy devices is prohibited unless:

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- Each use of the device is reported on the daily treatment sheet submitted to the Commission as provided by 58 PA Code 163.452(d)

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At Parx Racing, any and all shavings used in stalls shall be purchased exclusively at the Horsemen's Purchasing Association. All other shavings are totally prohibited. Violators will be appropriately sanctioned.

POST TIME

Starting on Sunday, November 1st, post time will change to 12:25 PM.



On Owners Appreciation Day, the PTHA celebrated the owners of horses at Parx Racing. Each owner who had a horse entered on Saturday, September 12th received a gift bag in the paddock (*below, top left*) and all owners were invited to a free buffet luncheon in the grandstand. All winning owners also received a beautiful faux leather overnight bag filled with even more goodies (*below, middle right*).

The feature race was the fifteenth running of the \$200,000 PTHA President's Cup. Last year's winner, Margano (*below, #1*), was in the field

to defend his title, as well as multiple graded stakes winner Divine Oath. Margano had the hearts of fans, as he is a full brother to Kentucky Derby champion Barbaro. However, it was Matthew Schera's Cage Fighter who drew off to an easy victory, taking his first stakes win after knocking on the door all year in graded stakes competition. Cage Fighter is trained by Joseph Lawrence, II, and was ridden to victory by Joshua Navarro. PTHA President Sal DeBunda was on hand to present the trophy to the winning connections (*below, bottom*).



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2015 Owners Appreciation Day Winners



Edyanne

Owner: John Fanelli & King Star
Trainer: Juan Vazquez



Letsgotovegas

Owner: Class Personified Stable
& Steve Klesaris
Trainer: Marcos Zulueta



Dukati

Owner: Barbara Hopkins
Trainer: Ramon Preciado



Nurse John

Owner: Raphael B. Kissoon
Trainer: Raphael Kissoon



Sharp Quality

Owner: Marshall K. Gramm
Trainer: Abigail Adsit



His Freedom Reigns

Owner: Mario DeJesus Arriaga
Trainer: Carlos Milian



Hey Kiddo

Owner: J A G Racing & Jettany
Thoroughbred Corp.
Trainer: Ramon Preciado



Cage Fighter

Owner: Matthew Schera
Trainer: James Lawrence, II



Gray Not Bay

Owner: Run For Fun Racing
Trainer: Daniel Velazquez

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SMARTY JONES STAKES

The 2015 Fall Festival of Racing kicked off on August 29 and was highlighted by the Grade 3 Smarty Jones Stakes. Six talented young sophomores shipped to Parx Racing for their share of the \$300,000 purse. The odds-on favorite was Divining Rod, who finished second in the Preakness Stakes (G1) behind American Pharoah in May. Multiple stakes winner Souper Colossal drew the rail, and Parx Derby winner Bluegrass Singer also joined the field. But in the end, Island Town drew off to an easy 6 3/4-length victory under Brian Hernandez, Jr., for trainer Ian Wilkes.



GREENWOOD CUP



As a sophomore, Neck 'n Neck was a talented colt who was poised to become one of the top horses in the country. But after two straight graded stakes victories in late 2012, the son of Flower Alley tailed off and had not won another race going into the \$200,000 Greenwood Cup (G3) on Labor Day. However, despite his failure to find the winner's circle for nearly three years, Neck 'n Neck was always close, so the bettors made him the favorite. He did not disappoint, holding off Majestic Harbor by a half-length under Paco Lopez. Ian Wilkes trains the colt for Ted Mitzlaff.



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TURF MONSTER



Turf sprints often boast thrilling stretch drives, and this year's \$300,000 Turf Monster H. (G3) on Sept. 7 was no different. Four horses dashed for the wire, including Parx-based Amelia's Wild Ride and last year's winner Sharp Sensation. But in the end it was the favorite, Pure Sensation, who held off Mongolian Saturday to win by a nose. The gray gelding was ridden to victory by Kendrick Carmouche for owner Patricia Generazio and trainer Christophe Clement. Fan favorite Ben's Cat had a rough trip and ended up finishing fifth as the third choice.



GALLANT bob



The Preciado brothers just love the \$300,000 Gallant Bob Stakes (G3): last year Guadalupe Preciado won it with eventual Parx Racing Horse of the Year Favorite Tale, and this year Ramon Preciado saddled Trouble Kid to an exciting front-running score under Joshua Navarro. One of the longest shots on the board, Trouble Kid was coming off two straight runaway victories for owner Barbara Hopkins. The three-year-old gelding gamely held off the late charges of odds-on choice Limousine Liberal and multiple stakes winner Bayerd to win by a neck.



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TURF AMAZON

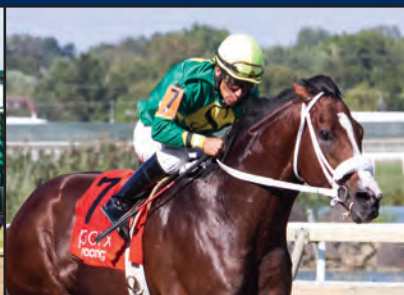


In the \$200,000 Turf Amazon on September 7, Richies Sweetheart drew off to win under E. T. Baird. She is trained by Larry Rivelli for Rivelli, Richard Ravin & Patricia's Hope LLC. Richies Sweetheart is a filly by Bring the Heat who was bred by Rivelli and Ravin.

For the second year in a row, Joya Real (1A) finished second for Pewter Stable and trainer Kate DeMasi. Inspired by Grace (below right) was a nose back in third for John Servis and the ownership group of Main Line Racing Stable, Marchfore Thoroughbreds & David Charlton.



BAYERN STAKES



Encryption annihilated the field in the inaugural running of the \$150,000 Bayern Stakes on Sept. 19 when he won by an emphatic 6 1/4 lengths. The 4yo bay colt was ridden by Paco Lopez for Kelly Breen and owner Stoneway Farm.

Locals Classic Giacnroll (8) & Grasshoppin (5) were second and third, respectively. The latter set the early pace, while Classic Giacnroll closed from last for Joseph Besecker, Lisa Guerrero & trainer J. Carlos Guerrero. Grasshoppin is owned by Michael Jester and trained by Mario Serey, Jr.



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Joya Real	Tuff Partners
Merry's Honor	Winchill
Merry Princess	

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HALL OF FAME S.

Full Salute took the first running of the \$150,000 Hall of Fame Stakes on Sept. 25 under Paco Lopez. Eddie Plesa, Jr. trains the two-year-old colt for owner Morris Bailey. The chestnut son of Speightstown came into the race off of two straight second place finishes in stakes events at Monmouth Park.

Bird of Trey (2, below) finished a length back in second after a troubled trip. He is trained locally by John Servis for JRita Thoroughbreds LLC.



Roamin Rachel Stakes

Hey Kiddo led from start to finish in the \$150,000 Roamin Rachel Stakes on October 3. The four-year-old Pennsylvania-bred daughter of Stonesider drew off to an easy 7 1/2-length victory for leading trainer Ramon Preciado. She is owned by J A G Racing & Jettany Thoroughbred Corporation and was ridden by Joshua Navarro. Finishing second was Pewter Stable & Armand Delaperriere's Monaguska, who was saddled by trainer Kate DeMasi (below left, giving instructions to rider John Bisono).

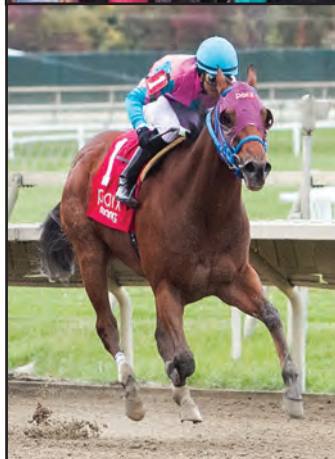


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VALLEY FORGE STAKES



Barbara Hopkins' Trouble Kid continued to make a claim for himself as Parx Racing's Claiming Horse of the Year when he rolled to an easy 3 1/4 length victory in the \$150,000 Valley Forge Stakes on October 17 under Joshua Navarro. Trainer Ramon Preciado saddled both the first and second place finishers in the Valley Forge. Favored Jake N Elwood was second for owners J A G Racing & Jettany Thoroughbred Corp, while Someday Farm's Res Judicata (below, middle) finished a fast-closing third. Res Judicata is also trained locally by John Servis.



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2015 Pennsylvania DERBY



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was the first Pennsylvania Derby win for all of Frosted's connections. Despite the win, it was still a tragic day for Godolphin Racing. Sheikh Rashid bin Mohammed bin Rashid al Maktoum, son of Godolphin's founder and the ruler of Dubai Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid al Maktoum, passed away earlier in the day of a heart attack at the young age of 33.

Also suffering from ill health that weekend was trainer D. Wayne Lukas, who sent out Mr. Z and also 2014 Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies heroine Take Charge Brandi in the Cotillion Stakes. Lukas was hospitalized early Saturday morning at the urging of track physician Dr. Brian Rizen, when his heart rate dropped dangerously low. He was kept at Aria-Torresdale Hospital for nearly a week and was fitted with a pacemaker before being released. While Lukas was hospitalized, Mr. Z ran fourth in the Pennsylvania Derby.



One race before the Pennsylvania Derby was the Grade 1 Cotillion Stakes, which has become one of the most prestigious races in the country for sophomore girls. The race drew an incredible field of eleven fillies, including Grade 1 winners Take Charge Brandi and Embellish the Lace. Favored was I'm a Chatterbox, whose tough luck had resulted in three straight on-the-board finishes in the nation's three toughest



Keith Nations helped with second-place finisher Iron Fist.



Third-place finisher **Tommy Macho** "photobombed" the PA Derby jockey photo.



The connections of **War Story** were excited to root him on.



Dick Jerardi & Laffit Pincay, Jr. hosted the live tv show on Comcast.



The Pennsylvania Derby winner's circle.

Cotillion

2015

filly races - the G1 Kentucky Oaks, G1 Coaching Club American Oaks, and the G1 Alabama Stakes. She actually crossed the wire first by a nose in the Coaching Club American Oaks but was disqualified for interference in the stretch.

But this time everything fell into place for the homebred daughter of Munnings. I'm a Chatterbox stalked just off the pace set by local filly Stroke Play before making her move at the top of the stretch and drawing off to win by two lengths.

As the chestnut filly jogged back to the winner's circle under rider Florent Geroux, trainer Larry Jones jokingly called out, "Is it official yet? No bumping this time!"

Luckily for breeders Fletcher and Carolyn Gray, I'm a Chatterbox was a \$30,000 RNA at the 2013 Keeneland Yearling Sale. When the Grays decided to keep her, they were rewarded with a first-time-out maiden score at Keeneland last October. They are now hoping for a successful return to the fabled Lexington track this month for an attempt in the Breeders' Cup Distaff.

History was made last year when the winners of the Pennsylvania Derby (Bayern) and Cotillion Stakes (Untapable) were crowned Breeders' Cup champions of the Classic and Distaff. It certainly could happen again in 2015 with the talented three-year-olds Frosted and I'm a Chatterbox. Only time will tell.



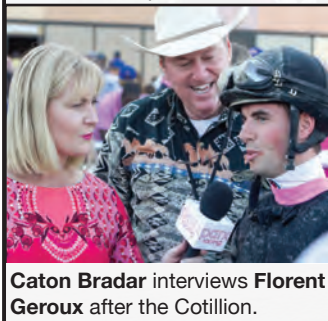
Florent Geroux celebrates aboard I'm a Chatterbox.



Greenwood Racing CEO **Tony Ricci** & PTHA President **Sal DeBunda** presented the Cotillion Handicap trophies.



The Cotillion winner's circle.



Caton Bradar interviews **Florent Geroux** after the Cotillion.



The Cotillion Stakes finish.

Photos: Nikki Sherman, Barbara Wedel/EQUI-PHOTO, Bill Denver/EQUI-PHOTO



On Saturday, October 3rd, Parx Racing and the PTHA inducted ten outstanding individuals into the Parx Racing Hall of Fame. In this fifth year of inductions, three horses, two owners, one trainer and one jockey, and three special achievement awards were presented to some of Parx Racing's most accomplished individuals. More photos and full biographies of each honoree may be found on the PTHA website, www.patha.org.

2015 Hall of Fame Committee

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Ben's Cat



Photo: EQUI-PHOTO

Ben's Cat has won 25 stakes in his career including multiple runnings of the Parx Dash & Turf Monster (G3) at Parx Racing. He is still competing.

Jostle



Photo: Coglianese Photos

Jostle was one of the top 3yo fillies of her generation. She was based at Philadelphia Park and even won the then-G2 Cotillion Handicap.

Mr. Nickerson



Photo: Kim Pratt

Mr. Nickerson was a multiple graded stakes winner who broke his maiden in 1988, won an allowance and was 2nd in a G3, all here at Philly Park.

Joseph E. Asbell

Joseph Asbell was a well-known New Jersey attorney who fell in love with horse racing. His stable included all types of horses, from claimers to stakes horses. He owned the stakes-placed horses Tsuzomin and Rhyad. The biggest year of his career came in 2008, when his horses won over \$700,000 and finished on the board in more than 50% of their starts. Most of his horses were trained by current Parx Hall of Fame member Philip Aristone. Asbell passed away on Oct. 17, 2010 at age 85.



Plumstead Stables



No owner in the history of our Bensalem oval has left a bigger mark on the sport of horse racing. Over the years, Plumstead Stables has collected more than ten Leading Owner titles at Philadelphia Park - an astounding feat. Plumstead is the breeding and ownership operation of Robert Seeger and his wife Roberta. They have owned such great horses as Tri for the Gold, as well as Philadelphia Park champions Golden Lake, Chase the Line, Lovelorn Lady and Stringtown Wonder.

Edward Lehman

Edward Lehman has been licensed in PA as an owner-trainer for over 35 years and was one of the first trainers to ship in to the new Keystone Racetrack from Atlantic City. Rod's Five Star was the best horse to be saddled by Lehman; the gelding earned over \$400,000 for his Silver Rod Stables, Inc. Lehman was also the early conditioner of eventual G1 winner Roamin Rachel and currently trains 2015 stakes winner Discreet Seniorita.



Kendrick Carmouche



Kendrick Carmouche has been a dominant force at Parx in recent years: he held the Leading Jockey title here for four straight years from 2008 - 2011, and in 2013 reclaimed his crown. He even finished third overall here last year despite moving his tack to NY midway through the year. Carmouche won the 2015 Turf Monster H. (G3) aboard Pure Sensation & the 2012 Smarty Jones Stakes (G3) on Easter Gift.

John Pelino

John Pelino was a crucial member of the team that negotiated the terms of a contract dispute between horsemen and track management in the mid-1990s. Pelino was known for his tough style of negotiating. He passed away in 2007 but his legacy is still present in the current law firm of Archer & Greiner.



Anthony D. Ricci



Anthony Ricci has been with Greenwood Racing, Inc. for more than twenty years and is an important member of the team that helped to propel Parx Racing into the spotlight over the years. He held the position of Chief Financial Officer at Greenwood Racing from 1993 - 2012 and was appointed Chief Executive Officer in January 2012. PTHA Executive Director Michael Ballezzi noted, "Tony Ricci is as important to the success of Parx Racing as the PTHA is important to the success of horsemen racing at Parx."

Jack Servis

Jack Servis was more than just a jockey's agent. He took each of his riders under his wing and taught them everything he knew. Those lessons extended beyond just the essentials of race riding, and he loved molding his jocks into intelligent superstars. Fellow inductee Kendrick Carmouche has said that if it wasn't for Servis, he would never have made it to the level of success he has seen today. And to this day, Jose Flores has a photo of Servis hanging on his refrigerator.



PA Breeders Cash in at Parx

Pennsylvania's Day at the Races on September 5 produced yet another series of exciting finishes and exuberant horsemen.

In the first of five stakes events, Matthew Schera's **This Ain't No Bull** immediately rewarded his new connections for their recent \$20,000 claim. This was the third straight year that the gelded son of Holy Bull - Disco Darlin' contested the \$100,000 Marshall Jenney Handicap; he also won the 2013 edition in his first stakes attempt while with Cavanaugh Breen Farm and Cynthia Reese. This Ain't No Bull is now trained by Michael Pino and was ridden in the 2015 Marshall Jenney by Jorge Vargas, Jr.

The \$100,000 Roanoke Stakes produced a heart-stopping finish that came down to the last few strides. Inside the final furlong, three horses charged to the wire, matching strides the whole way. However, it was the longest shot on the board, **Duff**, who slipped through on the rail for his third career stakes victory. The Candy Ride (ARG) colt gave owner The Elkstone Group LLC the win for trainer Ron Potts.

The \$100,000 Mrs. Penny Stakes drew so many entries that the race was split into two divisions. The first division produced yet another thrilling finish as Sajor Stable's **R Frosty One** held off Al's Gal to win by a desperate nose. The three-year-old daughter of Southern Success was ridden to victory by Pablo Morales for trainer Eduardo Rojas.

Graded stakes-winning Kitten's Joy mares finished 1-2 in the second division of the Mrs. Penny Stakes. **Kitten's Point** waited patiently under rider Alex Cintron before surging to the lead in deep stretch. Kitten's Point is a homebred for Augustin Stable, out of a Kingmambo mare. She is trained by Graham Motion. Finishing a solid second was Emotional Kitten for Ken & Sarah Ramsey.

The \$100,000 Dr. Teresa Garofalo Memorial turned into an absolute runaway. Ed Lehman trainee **Discreet Seniorita** stumbled at the start but quickly overcame the trouble and passed all competition in the stretch to win easily by 1 3/4 lengths. She was ridden by leading jockey Frankie Pennington for owners Rosemore Farms, Inc. and Dun Roamin Farms, Inc.

Two weeks after the big celebration of Pennsylvania-Breds, ten horses lined up to contest the \$100,000 Alphabet Soup Handicap on Pennsylvania Derby Day. M-Z Racing Partnership's **Uncle Dave** battled with favored Beyond Smart from start to finish, finally crossing the wire a head in front. The gelded son of Langfuhr was ridden by Jorge Vargas, Jr., for trainer Marcos Zulueta.

On October 10, **Bound** drew off easily in mid-stretch to win her second straight \$100,000 Plum Pretty Stakes under rider Julio Hernandez. T. Bernard Houghton trains her for owner Barlar LLC. Finishing second was Parx-based Primo Via, who is trained by Phil Aristone for L. A. Thoroughbreds, et al. Bound is a four-year-old daughter of Jump Start, out of the Skywalker mare China Sky.



This Ain't No Bull



Duff



R Frosty One



Kitten's Point



Discreet Seniorita

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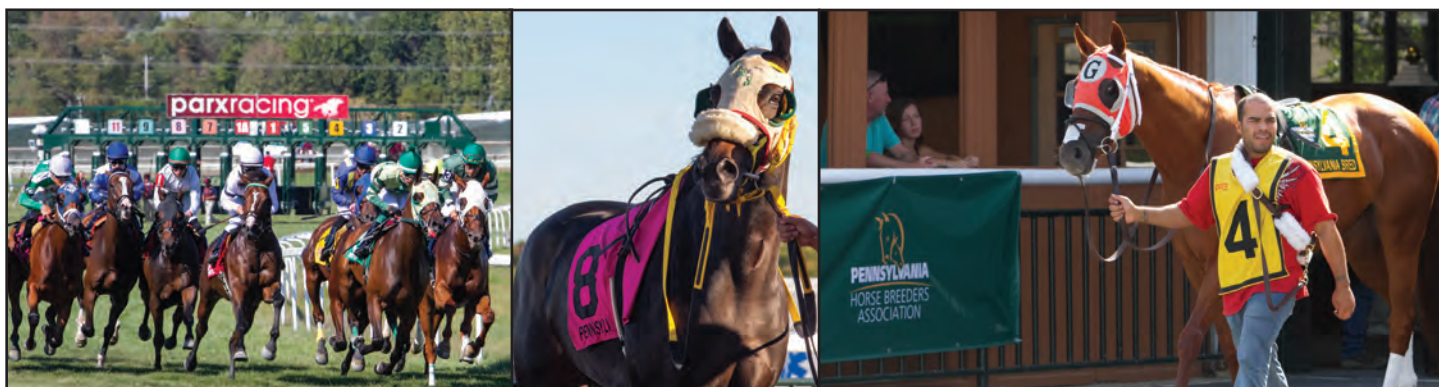
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Top: Uncle Dave leads the Alphabet Soup Handicap • PA-Bred Primo Via before the Roamin Rachel S. • PA-Bred Last Heartbreaker in the paddock
Bottom: Bound wins the Roamin Rachel S. • Jorge Vargas, Jr. celebrates aboard Uncle Dave • Trainer Danny Velazquez shows off his PHBA gift bag



Photos: Nikki Sherman



A Time to Give Thanks

Thoughts from Program Administrator Danielle Montgomery

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Every Autumn with the coming of Thanksgiving I look forward to the extra day to trail ride with family and friends, a tradition that makes me realize how blessed I am to have a family that understands my passion for horses and gives up so much in order that I can breathe horses every day.

We all have a reason to be thankful for horses. History would have many gaps without the help of our four legged friends, and now we cherish them and either make our living working with them or enjoying the sport so much we can't think of anything better than racing a Champion Racehorse.

We posed the question to our Turning for Home family and received some heartfelt replies:

"I am thankful to be able to do what I enjoy with the horses and I know I have a strong horse family in TFH that always has my back."

– Patti Burroughs of Five Point Farm

"I am thankful for the team of people TFH has built at Parx and the tireless hours Danielle, Nikki and (the PTHA) spend to ensure we as partner farms have all we need to rehabilitate and place these horses."

– Nicole Huttar of Jumping H Farm

"I am thankful to see so many horses that are retired go on to bigger and better things. I am so lucky to work with a group of people who all share this same passion of helping these horses become loving, patient, and respected partners in their new careers."

– Kelly Lupton of Black Oak Farm

"I am beyond thankful for the amazing group of horsemen/women who give their everything to see that these horses all have safe landings and second chances after their racing careers have ended. I truly believe there's a person for every horse, and I love being able to get the chance to change lives and find those people for our horses. Every horse that's walked through my doors has made a significant impact in my life in one way or another, and they all take a part of me with them when they do go on to their new homes. Not only is this a very rewarding experience, but the tightly knit family that we've all become makes the impossible, possible through a group effort."

– Rachel Hess of Track to Tranquility Equestrian

"I am thankful for these wonderful creatures we call racehorses! They have given me flight without wings! I am grateful to all of the people working together so hard to provide these beautiful horses who give their heart and soul everyday, new careers. I am thankful to be a part of the wonderful Turning For Home program. Thank you for helping give purpose to a cause and for allowing us to be part of the family. As we say in eventing - 'kick on!'"

– Lara Anderson of Full Gallop Farm

"I'm thankful for the opportunity to help some very deserving horses transition into a new career."

– Juli Schalick of Fox Run Farm

"I've spent my entire career spanning almost 45 years loving and working with OTTBs. I am so incredibly thankful for all they have taught me over the years about overcoming adversity and rising to the top in a different form. I'm now even more thankful to be involved with the Turning For Home family! There's so much diversity in our combined knowledge, specialties, and experience that it offers endless possibilities for so many horses that would simply be forgotten! God Bless the TFH family! Each and every one of us plays such an important role in the futures of so many horses! Thank you for allowing me to be part of the program!"

– Lynn Stokking of Lighted Way Equestrian

"I am thankful for the many horses who have come my way - those who have allowed me on their backs and have taught me so much over the years. I am VERY thankful for the one tool that REALLY helps the horses feel good, our pool! And I am thankful to have been able to not only assist and place them in new homes, but even more grateful to see the smiles on the faces of their new owners enjoying them after their time on the race track. Being able to place retired thoroughbreds from racing makes me so proud."

– Nina Bradley of Maui Meadow Farm

"A long time ago I started taking in OTTBs, finding their talents, like unwrapping a gift. It was so hard to move them on, for me, they all were etched deep in my heart. However, there were so many who needed help, I learned let go, make room for more. The joys, lifesavers, champions these horses became for their new owners clarified my decision. Thank you Turning For Home, I am thankful for your tireless efforts and how all these athletes get into new careers, be it pleasure or grand prix, by your diligence and watchful eyes."

– Kate Goldenberg of Safe Haven Equine



Bensalem Business Privilege/Mercantile Tax Returns & Local Services Tax Withholding

Advice from PTHA Controller Michael Colucci, CPA

Over the past few months, several trainers have received notices of "Compliance Review" from Bensalem Township, which has retained MuniServices, LLC to conduct these reviews. The notice starts out by stating that each and every business operating in Bensalem must be registered and must pay all applicable business taxes and license fees.

We recommend that any trainer who receives such a notice immediately discuss it with their tax advisor. If the advisor does not know of this Bensalem licensing and business tax, we suggest they contact:

MuniServices, LLC.
Lakeside Professional Campus
190 North Evergreen Avenue, Suite 205
Woodbury, NJ 08096
Phone: 800-800-8181

ALSO, IF YOU EMPLOY ANYONE WORKING IN BENSALEM TOWNSHIP, THAT EMPLOYEE IS SUBJECT TO A LOCAL SERVICES TAX. For example, Bensalem School District and Township levies a combined rate of \$52.00 per year on each employee who works in the Township. The Local Services Tax, or LST, is

withheld from each employee and must be remitted to MuniServices. General Information concerning all these taxes and licenses can be had by contacting MuniServices by phone or in writing.

Employee Local Earned Income Tax

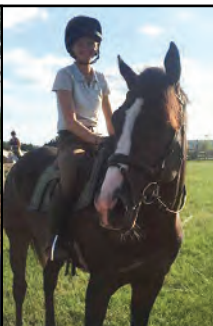
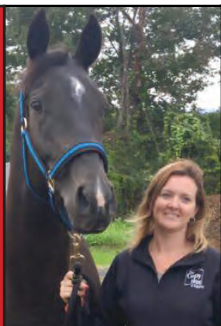
If you have employees working in Pennsylvania, you MUST utilize a "Residency Certification Form" when you hire a new employee or if an existing employee has a change of name or address. (P.S. Residency code for Bensalem Township is 090101). An individual employee's local Earned Income Tax (EIT) Rate is determined by comparing the employee's "Total Resident EIT Rate" (for the municipality in which the employee lives) to the "Work Location Non-Resident EIT Rate" (for the municipality in which the employee works). The applicable EIT rate owed and to be withheld is always the higher of the two rates.

Consult your payroll service or your accountant for proper handling of these forms and withholding taxes.

Recommended: Google "*Understanding PA Act 32 and Earned Income Tax*" Third listing from top: *Local Withholding Tax, Frequently Asked Questions.*

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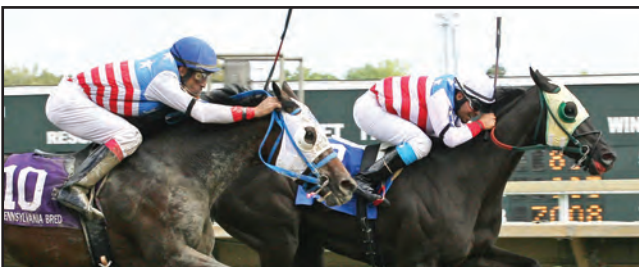
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Backstretch Views



Team Aristone was crowned champion of the PTHA Softball League for the second year in a row. Last year they were undefeated and this year they only lost a single game. The two playoff games that they won were done in dramatic come-from-behind fashion. Congratulations to everyone involved!



Chelley Céspedes had a very exciting day on September 13 when her sons **Jerry Ortega** and **Vladimir Céspedes** finished 1-2 in the amateur race! Jerry won aboard Ten Note Melody while Vladimir was second on Flattering Tales. Both are exercise riders here at Parx Racing.



Hailie Meckling, granddaughter of trainer **Susan Meckling**, won the Junior Equitation 13 & under division of the 2015 Colonial Classic in Harrisburg, PA, aboard Geronimo. Congratulations to the Meckling family!



Kelsey Parisi, a former assistant trainer at Parx, won the Equine Comeback Challenge at the PA National Horse Show. The challenge selects a small number of horses and trainers to compete in a 90-day transformation from retiring racehorse into a second career.

Do you have any news for Backstretch Views?

We're always on the lookout for backstretch views. Contact **Nikki Sherman**, Marketing & Publicity Director, in the Turning for Home office or send over an email to nsherman@patha.org.



Ron Finley, 61, passed away on September 18, 2015 after a brief illness. He owned Ron's Backstretch Cafe in our administration building here at Parx Racing. He will be greatly missed by all who knew him, especially his wife Debra, children Shannon and Jason, and the rest of his extended family.



Former trainer **Ron Musser**, 78, passed away on September 27, 2015. He leaves behind a large extended family that includes his wife Deborah, 4 children, 10 grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren. His son Dean is a blacksmith at Parx. In lieu of flowers, donations may be sent to St. John's Lutheran Church Food Cupboard, 3101 Tyson Ave., Philadelphia, PA 19149.



Dianne Jeannot, 64, passed away after a valiant battle with cancer on September 9, 2015. She had trained racehorses for more than 40 years. She is survived by three sisters. Memorial contributions may be sent to the American Cancer Society, 2310 Rte. 34, Ste. 1D, Manasquan, NJ 08736.



Carl Eisele, 86, passed away on Sept. 5, 2015. He owned the Eisele Feed Co. and was often on the backside at Parx. He leaves behind his wife Jutta, four children, 10 grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren. Memorial contributions may be made to any charity of the donor's choice in his name.



Turning for Home Night at The Haunted Hallows in Warminster, PA was a lot of fun! **Rachel Hess** of Partner Farm Track to Tranquility Equestrian Program even brought Regal Salutation (who was recently adopted by one of her students) & Make Your Move, who is currently available for adoption. It was exciting when **Steve Krebs** (bottom right) realized that his former trainee Make Your Move was one of the horses! Both OTTBs handled the evening like pros!





Chaplain's Corner

Chaplain Rick Bunker

- ⁸ I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go;
I will guide you with My eye.
⁹ Do not be like the horse *or* like the mule, *Which* have no understanding
Which must be harnessed with bit and bridle, Else they will not come near you.
- Habakkuk 2:4 (NASB)

I love the word picture in the Scripture above, especially the part "I will guide you with My eye." If you are close to someone they can communicate a lot with their eyes. A look off to the side in 'that' direction and you know where to go and sometimes even what to do. A wink, a rolling of the eyes, so many other expressions just done with the eyes can communicate volumes of information. If you don't know that person, hadn't talked about future plans and purposes, you wouldn't have a clue, or get the completely wrong idea of what they were meaning with a certain expression at a certain time.

Imagine the closeness that the LORD is calling us into that it is described as looking into one another's eyes and receiving direction and guidance in such a way as that. God certainly could have chosen to message us in a far, far less intimate manner, but God loves us and wants to communicate in this way with us – and can, if we let Him. This Psalm did

begin with directions to talk to the LORD, confess to the LORD, in order to have protection. David writes in verse 3 that, "When I kept silent, my bones grew old through my groaning all the day long." Later, "everyone who is godly shall pray to You."

We have a lot to pray about and much need for guidance in these challenging times. I pray that this quarantine be lifted quickly and that it never return. I pray that we have a mild December and are able to race every day that is scheduled until our last day on December 22nd. I pray that when we return in February that we have weather good enough to allow us to race every day on the schedule. I could pray much more, but there isn't much room this issue, so I end praying that we would pray for God's will for one another every day. I pray that you would know the great love and good will that God has for you forever and ever – Amen.

"We will think and talk like the person we listen to the most." - Anonymous

Upcoming Events & News



Saturday, October 31 (1:00 - 3:00 PM)
HARVEST HALLOWEEN PARTY
Located in the Recreation Hall



Friday, December 19 (1:00 - 3:00 PM)
CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY
Located in the Recreation Hall

THANKSGIVING DINNER FOR 10
Sign up in the Chaplain's Office by November 13th for a traditional Thanksgiving Dinner Box. It can serve up to 10 people!



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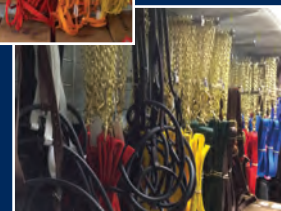
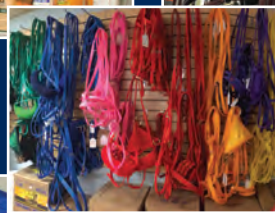
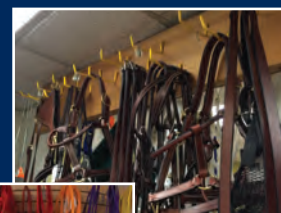
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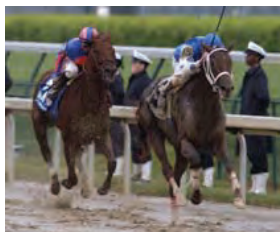
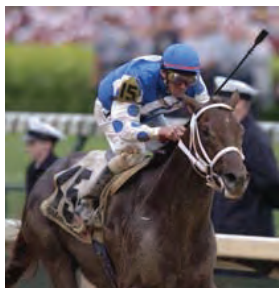
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