



# Boys & Girls Ranches of Alabama

## Ranch Round-Up Newsletter - Summer 2017

*"It's easier to build boys and girls than to repair men and women"*

## Summer Snap Shot

Summer was a time of both fun activities and educational opportunities for our Ranch boys and girls. This issue of the Ranch Round-Up Newsletter will share a few of the highlights.

### Volunteering

Volunteers make such a huge difference to our Ranches. A group of volunteers from Safelite Auto Glass planned a work day at the St. Clair County Boys Ranch this summer. They painted bedrooms and replaced electrical outlets and switches. They hung ceiling fans and painted the pool house and even took down several trees. A youth group from Hurlburt Air Force Field in Florida also came up to help out with many work projects for several days at the St. Clair Ranch.



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- Join a Ranch Support Group
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- Become a monthly donor
- Send an Honor or Memorial Gift in tribute to a loved one
- Participate in a special event
- Shop on Amazon.com and a .5% of your total can be donated if you select our charity through the Amazon Smile program. Click the link below to go directly to our page on Amazon.

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## Educational and Work Opportunities

Warm summer months don't mean that learning doesn't stop. Our staff and volunteers continue to work with the boys and girls to help them retain skills and build new ones. The Tallapoosa County girls visited the home of George Washington Carver, the Tuskegee Airmen Museum and Tuskegee University. They participated in a volunteer-led program called Reality Check which taught them about financial management. All of the Ranch youth learn the value of a good work ethic and participate in home and Ranch chores. The girls at the Tallapoosa County Girls Ranch shelled peas and shucked corn that were donated from local farmers over the summer. Several of the older youth at the Colbert Ranch also had part-time jobs in their communities over the summer.



A new project is underway at the Tallapoosa County Girls Ranch with special funding provided by the Sabel Family Foundation Fund and Keith and Janey Sabel. The project will renovate an older building on the Ranch into a new multi-use facility combining a state of the art learning center and fun activity zone.



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## Summer Fun Activities



Our Ranchers also had many opportunities to have fun and build memories over the summer. From activities on their Ranches and in their communities, to trips funded by generous supporters, our boys and girls had the chance to build bonds and great memories. Some of the fun activities they enjoyed included Vacation Bible School, fishing and swimming, boat rides, bowling, Talladega Raceway trip, the mountains, and the beach. There are many special supporters who helped with these fun activities as well as providing dinners and school supplies for our boys and girls at each of our Ranch locations.

