



Welcome to Strides of Strength Therapeutic Services **At Gaston Farm Road Equestrian Center**

Please drive slowly as you pull in and park because we have animals and children on our property. You checked in at the gate, so you are free to shop the vendors and roam the available activities. We hope you have a great time while supporting the amazing artisans and enjoy the great food from local food trucks. Please be mindful and keep food away from both the artisans booths and animals. **DO NOT FEED THE ANIMALS!**

2024 Strides of Strength Therapeutic Services Events:

Tiny Trotters - Two sessions: July 16&18th, and August 13&15th (registration required, limited spots available)

BBQ Dinner and Live Auction Fundraiser - Saturday, September 14th 6:30-10:30pm (ticket purchase required)

Holiday Open House & Wreath Sale - Sunday, December 1st 11:00am-4:00pm

2024 Chester County Ag+Art Tour Strides of Strength Therapeutic Services Schedule:

9:00 AM - Tour starts

10:30-11:00 AM - Round pen reading session 1

11:00-11:45 AM - Farm tour session 1 (starting point at end of driveway)

12:00-12:30 PM - Round pen reading session 2

12:30-1:00 PM - Guided grooming session 1

1:00-1:45 PM - Farm tour session 2

2:00-2:30 PM - Guided grooming session 2

3:40-3:45 PM - Last Chester County bus pick up

4:00 PM - Tour ends

2024 Chester County Ag+Art Tour at Strides of Strength Therapeutic Services:

Barry's Bracelets and More - Alice & Barry Coggins bracelets started out as a hobby for her retired Veteran husband and he produced so much they decided they needed to try selling it. Barry tried teaching Alice how to do the paracord bracelets and she could never catch on, but then Barry discovered Kumihimo weaving, which is an old Japanese technique that is done on a round disk with slots in it. He showed her how to do it once or twice and she took off doing it. They have branched out to necklaces, key rings, dog and cat collars, phone lanyards, and they even repair watches! This all started from an evening of exploring YouTube.

Cathy Tamke Art – Cathy loves to create art that will bring joy to your day and put a smile on your face. She paints mainly with acrylics, but also does colored pencil drawings, woodburning, and mixed media. Cathy's passion for art spans back to her childhood days, and she graduated with a BA in Studio Art from Rutgers University in NJ. Fast forward to today, she views life in a new way and is inspired by the beauty of the lush Carolina landscape and surrounding nature which is imminent in her latest works. She recently started her business, Cathy Tamke Art, and shows at local artisan fairs, venues, and on social media. She says: "When someone loves my art enough to purchase it, that's the best feeling of worth as an artist, and it encourages me to continue creating."

Concrete Garden Creations – Sculpture, Katie Cabaniss

Dianna Bessette's Glazed Expressions - has been offering pottery classes at Northside Community Center in Rock Hill, SC since 1992. Glazed Expressions was created in 1997. Dianna attends 12-15 craft and art shows in 4 states annually. Her work is both functional and decorative. Much of it is inspired by her daughter's work in marine biology as well as the textures and colors of nature.

Eco-Fly, LLC - Eco-Fly utilizes a sustainable and eco-friendly protein source to create healthy dog treats, cat treats, bird feed, and garden products such as: fertilizer, potting soil, and compost tea concentrate.

Lisette's Natural Soap - I make soap and personal care products like Magnesium oil as well as deodorant, to name a few. I started making soap to rid my house and the products my family uses of toxins. I wanted my family to be healthy and our skin is the biggest organ. What products we use get absorbed through our skin. Come stop by our booth and learn how to improve your health by using Pure, Simple and Clean products for your body.

Mary Sanford – A retired teacher from Charlotte, NC, who makes jewelry from semi precious stones, glass, wood and metal beads, and real coins from around the world. She silk knot pearls and create one of a kind necklaces, bracelets, and earrings.

Paul Williams - Paul Williams is a local industrial recycle artist from Lando, SC. He repurposes steel lids from 55 gallon drums into decorative wall art.

Well & Welded – Well & Welded is your go to for permanent jewelry! Hunter grew up in Texas on their family ranch and was always in the welding shop with her dad. When she first came across permanent jewelry, she knew immediately that she wanted to start up a business! Jewelry + Welding is right up her alley, and getting to interact with y'all and see your creativity come alive when customizing your piece is just the cherry on top! She hopes you enjoy it as much as she does!

West Wing Creations – A Christian owned fiber artist business, offering all handmade crochet plushies, wearables, home decor, as well as seasonal items! Founded in 2022, this journey has definitely been a beauty for ashes testimony. She loves creating pieces that she hopes to be heirloom treasures!

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We strive to provide comprehensive therapeutic programs utilizing a variety of professional restorative aids, nature based learning, and skilled equine movements to facilitate physical and emotional growth, learning, and healing.