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Secretariat's 41st Birthday!

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CAROLINE COUNTY WELCOMES PENNY CHENERY TO HEARTSTRINGS TO SECRETARIAT EVENT!

(Ruther Glen, VA) – Caroline County Visitor Center welcomed Penny Chenery, Kate Chenery Tweedy, and Leann Ladin for the *Heartstrings to Secretariat* event on Monday, March 28th. This event provided an opportunity for the family to reacquaint themselves with many members of the community involved with the Meadow and with the legendary thoroughbred, Secretariat.

Penny Chenery and Kate Chenery Tweedy delighted guests with unpublished stories of the early days at the Meadow. Riva Ridge, also foaled at the Meadow and winner of both the Kentucky Derby and the Belmont Stakes in 1972, holds a special place in the hearts of the Chenerys as the horse that initiated the back-to-back Kentucky Derby wins for the Meadow Stable. Secretariat's Triple Crown win in 1973 further solidified the reputation of the Meadow Stable broodmare bloodlines—a distinction still valued by the family today.



Kate Chenery Tweedy and Penny Chenery, and Leanne Ladin share stories of their experiences during the filming of the movie *Secretariat*.

Leanne Ladin was on hand to discuss the research of the recently released book *Secretariat's Meadow The Land, The Family, The Legend*, authored by both her and Kate Chenery Tweedy. Autographed copies of this book are available at the Crafters of Caroline Shop, located at the Carline County Visitor Center.

The Caroline County Visitor Center, located at 23724 Rogers Clark Boulevard in Ruther Glen is operated by the Caroline County Department of Economic Development & Tourism and is open Monday-Saturday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.