

Why See Lancaster? Series: Lancaster – A Great Place to Live and Visit **See Lancaster Reports - July 2006**

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As See Lancaster continues to inventory its assets and offerings to the local community and visitors, we have begun to assess where events can be held. The first sites that come to mind are Kilburnie, the Inn at Craig Farm; USC-Lancaster; the Lancaster County Council of the Arts Springs House Gallery, The Edwards-Scott House and Bob Doster's Backstreet Studio gallery and gardens. All are wonderful places for weddings and other events. Lancaster is fortunate to have a number of places that make attractive settings for that very special occasion.

See Lancaster has recently discovered another place, little-known yet and a jewel. The Coker Ranch, just off Taxahaw Road in the Southeast part of the county, is operated by Tracy Coker, an aspiring artist. Located east of Lancaster in a lovely setting of ponds, trees, and a swimming pool with an event deck, there is plenty of land for hiking, and the ponds are stocked for the casual fisherman. Coker Ranch is available for special events now, but in the future is to become another Bed & Breakfast for Lancaster County, offering plenty of space for large or small family affairs, business meetings, or just a getaway for individuals. Coker is renovating all the rooms in preparation for the B&B. The Master Suite is available now for visitors, or as an extra room for a large event.

One of Coker's goals is to have various artists in the area display their work, along with her own, in the main ballroom and entrance way. The setting is lovely and plans are being made to hold the first event in the near future. She is always looking for new artists who would like to exhibit.

Coker is available for tours and appointments. You can contact her at info@thecokerranch.com or call (704) 724-4818. A brochure is also available. We found Coker to be a gracious hostess who is looking forward to living, working and becoming known here in Lancaster County.