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HORSE OF THE YEAR CURLIN TO LANE'S END

The 2007 Horse of the Year and Champion 3-year-old colt CURLIN will enter stud in 2009 at Mr. and Mrs. William S. Farish's Lane's End Farm near Versailles, Kentucky. A classic winner of seven Grade 1 events, CURLIN is North America's richest racehorse with earnings of \$10,501,800.

Sired by Lane's End's leading sire Smart Strike, the four-year-old CURLIN won 11 of 16 starts with two seconds and two thirds. At age three, he captured three Grade 1 races, the Preakness Stakes, the Breeders' Cup Classic, and the Jockey Club Gold Cup.

Early this year, CURLIN traveled to the United Arab Emirates to win two races, including the Grade 1 Dubai World Cup. On his return, his campaign included victories in three additional Grade 1 races, the Stephen Foster Handicap, the Woodward Stakes, and a second win in the prestigious Jockey Club Gold Cup Stakes.

Will Farish said "The Jacksons are due great credit for allowing our sport to enjoy this great champion as a four-year-old. Many would have retired him after winning the Breeders' Cup Classic and Horse of the Year honors as a three-year-old. CURLIN's performance on the track, his pedigree, and his conformation make him the most exciting sire prospect to retire in many years. We are honored to have him join his champion sire Smart Strike at Lane's End."

Bred by Fares Farm Inc., CURLIN is out of the Deputy Minister mare Sherriff's Deputy. Most recently he carried the colors for Jess Jackson's Stonestreet Stables LLC and was trained by Steve Asmussen. Asmussen had this to say about his

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dominating star as he retires to stud, "CURLIN made his mark in the history books in so many ways: as a classic winner, as a colt who traveled to Dubai and captured the World Cup, and who returned to take three more Grade 1 races and tally record earnings. His physical and mental attitude is unparalleled and he retires perfectly sound."

In a recent Daily Racing Form column titled "It's always tough to see great ones go," Jay Hovdey wrote this tribute to CURLIN, "It must be hard to let go, to climb down from the giddy heights of campaigning America's best, most consistent racehorse for two solid seasons. And let there be no doubt . . . in an era of one-hit wonders, this horse was the real deal . . . CURLIN laid his big, gorgeous body down every time he ran, under all manner of circumstance, leaving behind a trail of loyal admirers to go along with an impressive pile of beaten opposition."

"After a stellar racing career, CURLIN is now in a position to carry on his iron horse bloodlines at Lane's End, the premier stallion farm in the nation. He is one of the best examples of the breed - fast, strong, and durable. I predict he will make a substantial contribution to our sport through his gene pool and I am looking forward to seeing his foals compete and possibly exceed his unequaled race record," said majority owner Jess Jackson.

Perhaps Steven Crist, Chairman and Publisher of the Daily Racing Form, summed CURLIN up best with this comment, "CURLIN is a first-ballot cinch for the Hall of Fame in 2014."

CURLIN will stand for \$75,000 stands and nurses in 2009.

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