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- **Early registration:**  
Within 365 days of foaling
- **Yearling registration:**  
Dec. 31 of yearling year
- **Stallion registration:**  
Feb. 15 of year breeding
- **Broodmare domicile:**  
Dec. 1 or 14 days after a public sale or entering state if being bred back to PA-sire

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## Weigelia: Durability in a well-proven stallion

by Emily Shields

If you look up “durable” in the dictionary, you might find a photo of Weigelia.

The son of Safely's Mark – Turning North, by Obligato was a study in longevity and class, and is passing these desirable traits down to his offspring. With 74% winners from starters and progeny earnings just short of 12 million, Weigelia has been a reliable member of the Pennsylvania stallion roster.

“If you look at his numbers, they speak for themselves,” said Barbara Wheeler of WynOaks Farm in Delta. “But he's our best kept secret.”

Weigelia was no secret on the racetrack, breaking his maiden by 9 ¼ lengths at Calder in October, 2003. He ran for a 40,000 tag that day, and although he was not claimed, breeder Shelley Huber sold him to Joseph Balsamo after the win. In the care of trainer Manuel Azpurua, Weigelia became a consistent face on the Florida circuit, winning a Calder allowance race at 36-1 that December, then trying graded company at Gulfstream Park.

Six months after his debut win, Weigelia picked up his first stakes victory in the 83,300 Padua Stables Sophomore Stakes at Tampa Bay Downs. He added the 40,000 Western Borders Stakes a month later, and two months after that scored in the Grade 3, 300,000 Carry Back Stakes.

Weigelia was good enough to hit the road,



and he proved he belonged with the best sophomore sprinters when third in the 150,000 Amsterdam Stakes (G2) and second, beaten a length and a half, in the 250,000 King's Bishop (G1) at Saratoga. He was consistent but frustrating, missing in stakes company at Keeneland before winning at Calder on November 13. That was his last win until June, 2005, when new trainer Michael Trombetta got him back into the winner's circle at Monmouth Park.

Gutty and hard knocking, Weigelia won the 2005 Jack Dudley Sprint, ran third in the Grade 2 Smile Sprint in 2006, and added both the Hockessin Stakes at Delaware Park and the Grade 3 Kenny Noe Jr. Handicap at Calder. His final win came in the 2007 Ponche Handicap, but he also placed in that year's Grade 3 Jaipur at Belmont Park. Weigelia continued to race through 2008, winning 13 of 48 starts with nine seconds and 11

third place efforts. He earned 1,007,708.

Around the time Wiegelia was done racing, Wheeler was looking for a stallion. "Ed Price was keeping an eye out for us," Wheeler recalled. "He came across Wiegelia, who was an eight-year-old coming off the track. We made an appointment to go look at him, and much to our surprise given his age, he was up on his hind feet with a big guy handling him. But he's always been like that, an in-your-face kind of horse; not mean or vicious but he wants to make sure you see him."

Wheeler and husband Chip were able to negotiate with Balsamo, who they already knew personally. "He was a client at our Maryland farm for years," Wheeler said, "and I think Joe wanted him to go to a good home."

Wiegelia doesn't sell himself on looks – according to Wheeler, he is "seemingly average to look at. He's just 16 hands and doesn't have that presence of a really big stallion."

But Wiegelia is a true professional. "He still manages to settle most of his mares on the first cover," Wheeler said. "He's so lickety-split in the breeding shed that he will basically walk himself up to the barn, do his job, and walk himself back to his stall."

Although sire Safely's Mark is not a household name, the son of Danzig and the Breeders' Cup winning mare Safely Kept won three of 10 starts in allowance company in

New York. Wiegelia's dam Turning North was a stakes winner with 19 top three efforts in 29 tries. Both of her foals to race were winners.

Armed with his back-class pedigree and his honesty on the track, Wiegelia entered stud in Pennsylvania in 2009. The results have been absolute: with 178 horses of racing age (minus the new crop of juveniles), 140 have raced and 103 have won. They earn an average of 4,121 per start and 85,160 per starter.

The big name under Wiegelia is Storm Advisory, an Oaklawn Park stakes winner who was also graded stakes placed at Gulfstream Park. Bred in partnership by Wyn Oaks Farm, Otto Draper, and Epona Equine LLC, Storm Advisory debuted in 2014 and is still in training, having run 84 times with 16 wins and 40 top three efforts. Talk about durable!

Stakes winner Smooth B, out of Katarica Disco, has run 39 times and has earned 528,288. Another remarkably consistent sort, he has 19 top three finishes in his career, and has run well all over the Mid Atlantic circuit, as well as New York. Stakes winners Disco Ebo and Fat Kat are his full sisters. Beren, out of Silmaril, is a five-time stakes winner at three different tracks with earnings are just short of half a million. Brenda's Way, Chippewawwhitechief, and Barracuda Wayne are all Wiegelia stakes winners.

"The best part about him is that if people

are looking to breed to race, you can count the checks coming in the door," Wheeler said. "The Weigelias seem to do it over any distance, any surface, and any kind of weather. He has proven himself over and over again at different tracks and surfaces. If you take a horse that ran short one time, then turn around and go two turns, they'll still show up!"

The Wheelers will send some 20 to 25 of their own mares to Wiegelia this spring, and will also be supporting new stallion Command Post, a stakes-placed son of Harlan's Holiday.

"We are testing the waters with him," Wheeler said of Command Post. "We like his babies and want to see how they are on the track."

Unlike Wiegelia, who is beyond proven at this point. "We've taken back a couple of the Weigelias off the track simply because they are so durable," Wheeler said. "We made Pink Princess and Isabella Swift broodmares, and Chippewawwhitechief retired sound and became one of our teasers."

With Wiegelia, breeders know what they are getting. "He stamps all of his foals the same," Wheeler said. "They aren't huge when they come out, which means they look like classic racehorses."

There's no more coveted prize than a true, durable racehorse.

## A few words from the Executive Secretary

A new breeding season begins in a couple of weeks and the excitement starts to build! Will this foal be the third PA-Bred to win the Kentucky Derby. Now is the time to get your mare ready for a PA Stallion. There's never been a better time to breed in Pennsylvania – 50% PA-Sired, PA-Bred Breeder Awards for all maiden races, 1st through 3rd, run in Pennsylvania (25% for all other PA-Breds). The PA-Bred program has paid out an average of almost 29 million the last nine years, offering 400 restricted races and 23 restricted stakes annually. How's that for stability! Remember, if you purchase a mare in foal at a public auction after Dec. 1, she must be brought into the state

within 14 days of purchase through foaling (60 days if purchased at an overseas sale). During the foaling year the foal or its dam must spend at least 90 days in the state in order for that foal to be eligible to become a registered PA-Bred. You can also bring in your mare anytime, stay 60 consecutive days through foaling and breed back to a PA Sire. That's the way to go!

After the 50% Maiden Breeder Awards, you'll receive 40% for the rest of your horse's career, whether you still own the horse or not. Wow! We have new exciting additions to our program like enhanced Stakes purses, PA-Sired, PA-Bred races along with a couple surprises.

You'll be able to find that PA Sire in our new 2022 Stallion and Boarding Farm Directory you should have received a few weeks ago – view or download a copy of the directory at [www.pabred.com](http://www.pabred.com).

Don't forget to fill out your membership form online by March 31 in order to receive voting privileges, an invitation to PA Day at the Races and a free subscription to the Mid-Atlantic Thoroughbred and the Trainer magazine.

We wish all of our breeders and stallion owners the best of luck in 2022! Go PA!!





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# PA-Bred Fund Statistics: Top Earners

January 1 through November 30, 2021

## LEADING EARNERS - TOTAL AWARDS

Breeder Name	Breeder	Stallion	Total	Breeder Name	Breeder	Stallion	Total
Northview StallionStation Inc	0	392,233	392,233	Susan C Quick	119,276	0	119,276
Glenn E Brok LLC	208,886	99,508	308,394	Richard Simoff	116,138	0	116,138
William J Solomon VMD	172,375	96,338	268,712	SW Young Racing LLC dba A1A Racing	85,964	28,817	114,781
Blackstone Farm LLC	252,023	156	252,179	Luana J Johnson	93,499	20,817	114,316
Uptowncharlybrown Stud LLC	190,138	47,722	237,861	Godstone Farm LLC	108,145	0	108,145
Arrowwood Farm Inc	232,742	0	232,742	Fantasy Lane Stable Inc	83,110	24,669	107,779
Wyn Oaks Farm LLC	46,479	146,066	192,545	Thomas G McClay	106,288	0	106,288
Sylmar Farm Inc	145,523	0	145,523	Nick J Polydoros	96,470	0	96,470
St. Omer's Farm	142,972	0	142,972	Angelo Zalalas	93,027	0	93,027
Patricia L Chapman	85,087	46,491	131,577	Richard N Miller	74,335	15,469	89,804
Pewter Stable	99,221	30,378	129,599	Mark Brown Grier	84,034	0	84,034
Barlar LLC	114,635	4,977	119,612	Donald L Brown Jr	69,479	11,673	81,152

## LEADING STALLIONS

Fund Money includes Stallion Awards only

Stallion Name	Stallion Owner / Manager	No. of Races	Award Total	Stallion Name	Stallion Owner / Manager	No. of Races	Award Total
Jump Start	Northview StallionStation Inc	519	189,919	Mad Flatter	Glenn E Brok LLC	105	25,697
Weigelia	Wyn Oaks Farm LLC	255	146,066	Bullsbay	Northview StallionStation Inc	78	22,698
El Padrino	Northview StallionStation Inc	201	87,042	Golddigger's Boy	Luana J Johnson	61	20,817
Uncle Lino	Northview StallionStation Inc	111	75,853	Emperor Tiberius	Richard N Miller	75	16,693
Uptowncharlybrown	Uptowncharlybrown Stud LLC	154	72,391	Lord Shanakill	William J Solomon VMD	79	15,599
Talent Search	Glenn E Brok LLC	162	71,480	Silver Train	Henry R Nothhaft	54	14,652
Smarty Jones	Patricia L Chapman	107	46,491	Cat Thief	Michael W Jester	32	14,473
Albert The Great	William J Solomon VMD	135	35,894	Messner	Donald L Brown Jr	26	11,673
Well Spelled	Godstone Farm LP	108	34,775	Il Villano	Chuck Russo	35	11,353
Last Gunfighter	William J Solomon VMD	104	30,419	Red Vine	DB Dojo LLC	20	8,983
Peace And Justice	S W Young Racing LLC dba A1A Racing	66	28,817	Flashy Bull	James E Hess	8	8,675
Winchill	Pewter Stable	33	27,917	Medallist	Northview StallionStation Inc	35	8,662

## LEADING HORSES

Fund Money includes: PA-Bred Races, Breeder and Stallion Awards and PA-Bred Owner-Bonus Payments

Horse	Pedigree	Breeder	Races	Restricted Stakes	Breeder Award	Stallion Award	Bonus	Total
Beren *	Weigelia - Silmaril	Susan C Quick	7	118,200	119,276	28,699	22,640	288,815
Wait For It *	Uptowncharlybrown - Kimberley Diamond	Fantasy Lane Stable Inc	5	157,380	81,790	20,448	3,600	263,218
Chub Wagon	Hey Chub - Takin the Plunge	Joe-Dan Farm Inc	5	190,200	54,240	0	0	244,440
You Must Chill *	Winchill - Only Me	Mark Brown Grier	6	109,500	84,034	21,009	14,400	228,943
Disco Ebo	Weigelia - Katarica Disco	St. Omer's Farm	4	115,200	88,164	20,316	3,360	227,040
Admiral Abe	Midshipman - Precious Penny	James Walker	8	59,400	53,894	0	50,592	163,886
Just One Time	Not This Time - Ida Clark	Warriors Reward	4	117,600	32,292	0	3,360	153,252
Ninetypercentbrynn *	Weigelia - Amblin Easy	LC Racing LLC	11	17,160	65,428	14,360	33,716	130,664
Precious	Fed Biz - Brilliant Sunshine	Newell Thoroughbreds Ltd	6	87,400	28,304	0	9,600	125,304
Trolley Ride *	Flashy Bull - Proudly Irish	Sandra Kim Eshleman	4	81,280	34,700	8,675	0	124,655
Marvalous Mike *	Uncle Lino - Restless Summer	Robert C Roffey Jr	8	19,600	64,600	14,986	22,160	121,346
Li'lbito'charm *	Smarty Jones - Li'lbito'sunshine	Nick J Polydoros	14	0	70,178	17,544	32,984	120,706
Hey Mamaluke *	Jump Start - Pu Dew	Joseph T Capriglione	2	62,160	29,100	7,275	0	98,535
Don't Call Me Mary *	El Padrino - Monette	Richard Simoff	1	59,400	29,700	7,425	0	96,525
Fortheluvofbourbon	Bourbon Courage - Nosubstituteforluv	Hidden Acres 4D Farm LLC	5	56,400	22,102	0	15,460	93,962
Champion By Design *	Jump Start - More Than This	Stephen M Hayes	3	57,600	28,800	7,200	0	93,600
Vault *	Jump Start - Di's Delight	Barlar LLC	2	57,000	28,500	7,125	0	92,625
I Am Redeemed	Redeemed - One Smart Philly	Lawrence Anthony Rebbeckchi Jr	6	58,200	25,980	0	7,200	91,380
Ravens Delight	Great Notion - Darn That Raven	Sylmar Farm Inc	6	69,090	20,261	0	1,156	90,507
Miss Dillingham *	Jump Start - Dillingham	Thomas G McClay	12	0	45,318	11,330	31,299	87,947
Billieanne *	El Padrino - Best Around	Richard Simoff	8	0	47,278	10,776	29,688	87,742
Prince Of Rain *	El Padrino - Cimarron Rain	Angelo Zalalas	9	9,400	47,788	11,459	16,032	84,679
Inspired Options *	Bullsbay - Spunky Sparrow	Cynthia M. Bartkowski	12	0	44,775	10,433	21,608	76,816
Morning Matcha	Central Banker - Home Ice	Crane Thoroughbred Services LLC	3	19,600	27,776	0	29,280	76,656

\*Denotes PA-sired