## **Kinder Kids Corner**

by John James

The Kinder Kids Corner highlights a youth who is involved in raising, showing and enjoying Kinder Goats.

his month we feature Lindy Collins. Lindy is twelve years old and lives in Charleston, South Carolina. Lindy has five goats: three does and two bucks. Their names are Cocoa, Pearl, Ambrose, Pistol, and Link. Lindy's family has owned their goats for three years.

Lindy participated in the 2017 Festival of Kinders in Liberty, North Carolina. Lindy won Junior Showmanship. The Collins' family junior buck, Kinder Korner Link, won his junior buck class. Their senior buck, Hope Hill Farm Pistol Posse, won Junior Grand Champion Buck at the 2017 Festival of Kinders

Lindy says her most exciting memory about her goats is when their first goats delivered. "It

exciting!" said Lindy. "My favorite thing about having Kinders is definitely playing with them but especially when babies are born because they're so cute!"

"I found out about Kinder goats because my mom read a blog post about how great, kind, amazing, and resourceful they are. We got on a waiting list. Our name came up quicker than expected, so we got them from Kinder Korner Goats," related Lindy.

"If I could improve herd/farm would love to have

> them graze on a pasture. We do not have one, and I think it would help the goats in the long run."

"We use our goats for milk and breeding. I couldn't bring myself to eat them. As an adult I will definitely have goats because I want to be a rural farm vet for ruminant animals, so even if I don't have any of my own I will definitely be working with them often.

> For other kids about thinking owning Kinder goats I would say that you have

to feed

them and help take care of them. They aren't just your parents' responsibility but yours also. I feed them one day of the week, because my family has six people we each pick a day."

Lindy stated, "My family's mentors for goat advice are definitely Kelsee Gibbs and Lisa LaRose. Every new goat owner needs a mentor."

If you would like to be featured in the KGBA Kids Corner or know a youth whom we can feature, contact fallfirefarm@gmail.com. Breeders may also contact the author for more information about the KGBA Youth Program and contributing a doe as part of the youth "Doe Chain" program.



