



**19th Running Of  
THE OPENING VERSE  
\$350,000  
(Listed)  
(Includes \$75,000 from KTDF)**

**FOR FOUR YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD** By subscription of \$100 each, which should accompany the nomination or by Supplementary Nomination of \$2,750 at time of entry. \$1,375 to pass the entry box; \$1,375 additional to start, with \$275,000 guaranteed plus an additional \$75,000 KTDF for KTDF eligible horses. After payment of 1% to all owners of horses finishing sixth through last, 62% of the remaining purse shall be paid to the owner of the winner, 20% to second, 10% to third, 5% to fourth and 3% to fifth. Weight 124 lbs. Non-winners of a Grade I or II stakes at a mile or over on the turf since October 6, allowed 2 lbs.; a graded sweepstakes at a mile or over on the turf since December 25, 4 lbs. The maximum number of starters for the Opening Verse will be determined at the time of entry dependent on rail placement. In the event this race overfills the preference will be given to graded stakes winners (in order I-II-III), then highest 2023-2024 turf and synthetic earnings. Any horse excluded from running because of the aforementioned preference shall be refunded the entry fee and supplementary nomination fee if applicable. Starters to be named through the entry box at the usual time of closing. All supplementary nominations will be required to pay entry and starting fees if they participate. Trophy to winning owner. (If this race is taken off of the turf it will be downgraded one grade level for this running only in accordance with American Graded Stakes Committee policy).

**ONE MILE (TURF)**

**TO BE RUN THURSDAY, MAY 2, 2024**

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<b>ACCREDIT</b>	b.h.6	Bob Grayson, Jr. and Pavel Matejka	Pavel Matejka
<b>AH JEEZ</b>	b.c.4	Mark Davis	Doug O'Neill
<b>BALNIKHOV (IRE)</b>	dk b/.g.5	Little Red Feather Racing , Madaket Stables, LLC and Old Bones Racing Stable, LLC	Philip D'Amato
<b>BEATBOX</b>	dk b/.h.6	Rob Comestro and Jeff Ganje	Cherie DeVaux
<b>BIG DREAMING</b>	b.h.7	Michael J. Maker	Michael J. Maker
<b>CAMP HOPE</b>	b.g.6	Walking L Thoroughbreds, LLC	Kenneth G. McPeek
<b>CARL SPACKLER (IRE)</b>	ch.c.4	E5 Racing Thoroughbreds LLC	Chad C. Brown
<b>CHASING THE CROWN</b>	ch.h.5	Paradise Farms Corp. , David Staudacher and Angelo Carlesimo	Michael J. Maker
<b>CHURCHTOWN</b>	b.g.5	William B. Harrigan and Mike Pietrangelo	Roger L. Attfield
<b>COUNTY FINAL</b>	gr/ro.g.6	Ken Copenhaver	Saffie A. Joseph, Jr.
<b>DARK SHIFT (GB)</b>	gr/ro.h.6	Craycroft Racing, LLC and Riverside Bloodstock, LLC	Conor Murphy
<b>DOMINICAN PIONEER</b>	dk b/.r.5	R. T. Racing Stable	Wesley A. Ward
<b>DOUBLE CLUTCH</b>	b.g.5	Calumet Farm	G. R. Arnold, II
<b>DYNAMIC ONE</b>	ch.h.6	Repole Stable , Phipps Stable and St. Elias Stable	Todd A. Pletcher
<b>EASTER (FR)</b>	b.g.6	Madaket Stables, LLC	Philip D'Amato
<b>EL KABONG</b>	b.h.6	Ashbrook Farm	G. R. Arnold, II
<b>EMMANUEL</b>	b.h.5	WinStar Farm, LLC and Siena Farm, LLC	Todd A. Pletcher
<b>EQUITIZE (GB)</b>	b.c.4	Klaravich Stables, Inc.	Chad C. Brown
<b>EVAN HARLAN</b>	dk b/.g.5	Sean Feld	Brendan P. Walsh
<b>FAIR DINKUM</b>	b.g.6	Brad Grady	Joe Sharp
<b>FORT WASHINGTON</b>	dk b/.h.5	Allen Stable, Inc. and Magic Cap Stables	Claude R. McGaughey, III
<b>FUNTASTIC AGAIN</b>	ch.c.4	Three Chimneys Farm, LLC	Wesley A. Ward
<b>GASOLINE</b>	ch.g.5	Harrell Ventures, LLC and CHC, INC.	Todd A. Pletcher
<b>GENTLE SOUL</b>	b.g.7	Martin Mueller, Don Ladd, Richard Reid, Joe Bowley and Arvydas Cieminis	W. Bret Calhoun
<b>GIGANTE</b>	b.c.4	Iapetus Racing and Diamond T Racing	Steven M. Asmussen
<b>GRAND SONATA</b>	dk b/.h.5	Whisper Hill Farm, LLC	Todd A. Pletcher
<b>GRAY'S FABLE</b>	gr/ro.g.9	Steve Goldfine, Kari Provost and Jeff Zlonis	Michael Stidham
<b>HARLAN ESTATE</b>	dk b/.g.6	Graham Grace Stables	D. Whitworth Beckman
<b>HIDDEN STASH</b>	ch.g.6	BBN Racing, LLC	Victoria H. Oliver
<b>ICE CHOCOLAT (BRZ)</b>	dk b/.g.6	Gary Barber, Wachtel Stable and Peter Deutsch	Mark E. Casse
<b>INTO THE SUNRISE</b>	b.g.6	Alastar Thoroughbred Company, LLC	Joe Sharp
<b>JOHNNY'S FIREBALL</b>	ch.g.6	AJ Suited Racing Stable, LLC , D C Racing and Brilliant Racing, LLC	Norm W. Casse
<b>KUBRICK (IRE)</b>	b.c.4	Peter M. Brant	Chad C. Brown
<b>KUPUNA</b>	dk b/.g.5	Wayne Sanders and Highlander Training Center	W. Bret Calhoun
<b>LINCOLN HIGHWAY</b>	dk b/.c.4	G. Watts Humphrey, Jr.	Victoria H. Oliver
<b>LOYAL COMPANY</b>	b.g.4	Godolphin, LLC	Brendan P. Walsh
<b>MAJOR BLUE</b>	b.c.4	Bob Ghent, Ann Ghent, Laurie Lukas and D. Wayne Lukas	D. Wayne Lukas
<b>MASEN (GB)</b>	b.g.6	Juddmonte	Chad C. Brown
<b>MO STASH</b>	b.c.4	BBN Racing, LLC	Victoria H. Oliver
<b>MR. WIRELESS</b>	b.g.6	Jon Lapczenski and JIL Stable	W. Bret Calhoun
<b>NEVER SURPRISED</b>	b.h.6	Repole Stable	Todd A. Pletcher
<b>QUALITY G</b>	gr/ro.g.5	Robert V. LaPenta	Todd A. Pletcher
<b>RECKONING FORCE</b>	b.g.4	Qatar Racing, LLC , Marc Detampel and Fergus Galvin	Brendan P. Walsh
<b>SANTORINI</b>	dk b/.c.4	Storyteller Racing , Dave Russel and Scott Catlett	Rodolphe Brisset
<b>SARATOGA FLASH</b>	dk b/.g.6	Dailey Double Racing, LLC	Saffie A. Joseph, Jr.
<b>SECRET STATEMENT</b>	b.f.4	Candie A. Baker, Robert E. Hoeweler and Jeff Monen	James E. Baker
<b>SHIRL'S SPEIGHT</b>	b.h.7	Charles E. Fipke	Roger L. Attfield
<b>SKYRO</b>	ch.g.6	Raroma Stable	Brian A. Lynch
<b>SMOKIN' T</b>	b.h.5	DATTT Stable	Claude R. McGaughey, III
<b>STITCHED</b>	b.h.5	Nathan McCauley, Michael W. Olszewski and William J. Minton	Gregory D. Foley
<b>STRONG QUALITY</b>	dk b/.h.5	Gary Barber and Kinsman Stable	Mark E. Casse
<b>SURLY FURIOUS</b>	b.g.6	Novogratz Racing Stables, Inc.	Glenn S. Wismer
<b>TALK OF THE NATION</b>	dk b/.c.4	Joseph Allen, LLC and CHC, Inc.	Todd A. Pletcher
<b>TIO MAGICO</b>	dk b/.g.6	Agave Racing Stable and Sam-Son Farm	Philip D'Amato
<b>TIVERTON (GB)</b>	b.g.4	M and J Thoroughbreds, LLC and Riverside Bloodstock, LLC	Conor Murphy
<b>TRACK MATE</b>	gr/ro.c.4	Calumet Farm	D. Wayne Lukas
<b>TURF KING (IRE)</b>	b.c.4	Wise Racing	Chad C. Brown
<b>TUT'S REVENGE</b>	ch.g.8	Flying P Stable	Michael J. Maker

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CLOSED WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10, 2024 WITH 59 NOMINATIONS\*  
\*PENDING LATE MAIL

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