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# Basket Bonanza

The ASHA Youth Committee is looking for Baskets from ASHA Youth Groups to auction during the ASHA Youth Auction at the World's Championship Horse Show. The Youth Auction is the activity ASHA sponsors during the Kentucky State Fair to raise funds for all youth programs and Scholarships.

*The Youth Group Basket sold for the highest bid will earn a free ASHA Youth Club Renewal from ASHA.*

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# Champions of Every Generation ASHA YOUTH

A Lovely Weekend in Lexington  
The 2009 ASHA Youth Conference

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**Above:** The Biggins Bridal Bunch received the 2008 Youth Club of the Year Award. **Below:** The youth pizza and dance party saw everyone out on the floor. **Opposite page top:** Youth compare their Youth Academy Awards medals. **Opposite page bottom left:** Clark Clouse was one of many who greeted the visiting youth along their way to various Saddlebred stables. **Opposite page bottom right:** ASHA Youth High Point Award recipients Gabrielle Clauser (13 and Under Division) and Hannah Vandeventer (14-20 Division).

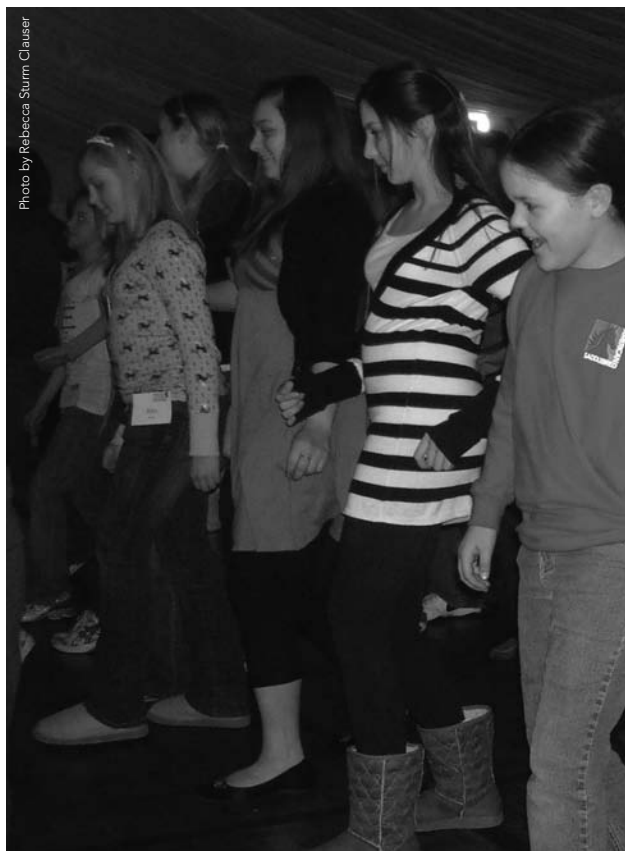


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Love was in the icy Lexington air on the weekend of February 14, 2009, but chocolate hearts and red roses were the last things on the minds of nearly 180 equine-obsessed youth who made the mass exodus to the Griffin Gate Marriott Resort on Newtown Pike (though the chocolate would have been nice!). The reason for this incredible gathering of kids from Arizona to New England was a common and reverberating love for the American Saddlebred.

The 2009 ASHA Youth Conference was more than just a free-for-all weekend in the Bluegrass State; it was a weekend of touring world famous Saddlebred farms, awarding accomplished youth clubs and junior members, reuniting with old friends, and making new ones. The eve of Valentine's Day began the weekend's festivities with the much anticipated pizza and dance party. Though the outside temperatures were frigid, the dancing, friendship, and Kentucky hospitality warmed the atmosphere of the already heated youth tent.

While the adults checked out the new exhibit at the American Saddlebred Museum, *Moments of Merit: Select Pieces of Saddlebred History*, ASHA Youth Members mingled about in the Griffin Gate lobby, viewing the impressive Youth Club scrapbooks on display, and perusing the 250 items of the ASHA Silent Auction. In the Youth tent, American Saddlebred International Youth Program (ASIYP) badges were completed, and various dance games were played until a dance instructor from Kentucky DanceSport – along with owner Maryta Montgomery, who by the way, also owns and shows Saddlebreds – took the dance floor with a dancing demonstration, followed by a group lesson for youth conference attendees. A new concept for this year, Kentucky DanceSport and Montgomery's presence



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added a fun twist on the evening. Germaine Johnson, Youth Chair, was very pleased with the results of the party, saying “The Friday night activities were a big hit. The Saddlebred Youth are not only talented riders, but they can dance too!” ASHA Youth danced the night away, and as always, the Friday night Pizza and Dance party made for a relaxing evening after a tiring day of travel, and a strong beginning to the 2009 Youth Conference.

Early the following morning, Johnson, along with Brenda Newell – two main reasons the Youth Conference was a huge success – were bright eyed and bushy tailed (or so they seemed), preparing the youth tent for the Academy Awards Breakfast. By eight o’clock, the fantastic breakfast buffet was overtaken by hungry conference goers, some still half asleep, but more than ready for a day of Saddlebred excitement.

Before the festivities of the morning began, however, a slideshow presentation was conducted by Sarah Hinds, in honor of thirteen-year-old Frances Neunuebel. Frances, a fellow Saddlebred enthusiast and junior exhibitor, spent the past year battling cancer. In 2008, at the previous year’s Youth Conference, attendees made supportive cards as she was just beginning her fight with the disease. One year, and many chemotherapy and radiation treatments later, Youth Conference goers watched a slideshow presentation highlighting the incredible year Frances had endured, and the trials and triumphs she experienced along the way, ultimately culminating in her victory over cancer. The immeasurable amount of support and encouragement Frances received from the Saddlebred community during her illness is no doubt what kept her going through the rough times. In addition to this, by overcoming her obstacles, Frances taught us the true definition of bravery.

With tears dried and composure regained, the focus turned to the Academy division. This is where it all begins, on seemingly dead-broke lesson horses, who, once in awhile, decide to be not so dead-broke. Red vests, helmets and martingales lead to bigger and better things, and only set the stage for what has the poten-



Photo by Kaelyn Donnelly

The youth field trips included stops at many various Saddlebred stables throughout the Lexington and surrounding areas.

tial to be a lifetime involvement with Saddlebreds. An impressive number of riders were awarded bronze, silver, or gold medals according to points earned by showing and placing in 2008. An elite group of riders who went above and beyond the protocol of an Academy rider were presented with the Academy Master Medal Award. This award is earned by not only showing and placing in Academy classes, but by becoming more engaged in the ASHA Youth activities such as ASIYP, ride-a-thons, and other equine related community service or work experience. All of the Academy riders have much to be proud of, regardless of the color of medal they received, and have a great incentive to continue their hard work in the saddle!

There was just a bit of excitement as youth and chaperones mingled around the lobby after the Awards Breakfast, anxiously waiting to board the buses they had selected to ride the previous night. As adult members and trainers made their way to forums and meetings, anxious youth members finally boarded buses and began the long awaited 2009 excursion, overwhelmed with the excitement of the day’s planned events.

Our tour began as the buses first lumbered down the drive of Tre and Emily Lee’s Prospect Lane Farm. The white barn

with green accents was only a prelude to the immaculate hallways of the barn’s interior, and the talent of its equine occupants. Tre, who began his training career with John T. Jones, has come into his own in the Saddlebred industry, training such young stars such as WC The Starwalker (SA Cloverleaf The Wildwalker x Cloverleaf Sea Flower), WC A Silver Charm (Santana’s Charm x R.R Silver Lady), WC Call Me Regal (CH Call Me Ringo x New York’s Crown Jewel) and the incredible, undefeated, two-time World’s Champion, WC Paranormal (Deep Blue x Yarbrough’s Strawberry Delight).

Tre began the day by presenting two talented and accomplished members of his show string: WC SA The Starwalker and Lady O’Lydia. Tre’s training of his horses could easily be viewed as an art; carefully and patiently, he begins a horse’s workout by simply walking the horse around, bending its body and working its head up gradually, allowing the horse to become happy in the bridle. The Starwalker, 2007 Three-Gaited 15.2 and Under World’s Champion, owned by Harold Denton of Conroe, Texas, was the first to be presented. After the warm-up ritual, The Starwalker proved his trainer’s methods to be worth the effort; the ten-year-old South African gelding proceeded to march squarely down the straightaways, with the trademark ele-

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gance shared by all of Tre's horses. Tre conveyed to the group what an important training tool the canter can be. With the lightest imaginable tension on the reins, Tre displayed The Starwalker's slow, rhythmic, in-place canter, which could easily have been mistaken for that of an equitation horse. Tre emphasized that the canter is a horse's natural gait, so any signs of lameness or issue with shoeing can usually be detected while a horse is cantering. He also expressed the importance of a horse's ability to trot squarely around a corner.

The second horse worked was the dainty light chestnut mare, Lady O'Lydia (Worthy's Prodigy x Lite Switch). This mare never backed an ear, and trotted off all fours with her chess piece head set and soft canter. Tre and Emily answered the many questions asked by those in attendance, and provided an overall educational and fascinating visit to Prospect Lane. Sincere thanks to the entire Prospect Lane staff for allowing the Youth Conference attendees to visit!

Clark and Sheila Clouse generously opened the doors of Clouse Stables to the Youth Conference and pulled out all the stops, presenting several of their exceptionally talented show string. Sheila led the tour, which began in the lounge of the immaculate barn, where folders containing history and photos of Clouse Stables were distributed to the mingling crowd for their perusal.

The second tour group of the morning witnessed first a powerful and exciting park-horse-turned-gaited-horse. This gelding had a neck and legs a mile long and he certainly knew where to put them, serving as a testament to Clark's talent in training gaited horses. Spooling Up (<sup>CH</sup>Top Spool x Dynamation) was presented next, a five-year-old, flaxen, big-going Park Pleasure gelding. His disposition and performance could cause some to mistake him for a horse twice his age. Justin Cowley brought the Clouse Stables tour to a grand conclusion by presenting his newly acquired Amateur Gentlemen's Five Gaited mount, Adrenaline Rush (Roseridge Heir x Worthy's Melody Game), a name that proved quite suitable for the five-year-old gelding. Justin had ridden Adrenaline Rush only



Photo by Rebecca Sturm Clouser

The impressive American Saddlebreds weren't the only animals to garner attention from the visiting youth.

three times before his Youth Conference debut, but this was not evident from their exciting performance.

The Clouses rounded out their barn tour by awarding several door prizes, and answering the various questions of the awed Youth members. Another favorite was the infamous <sup>CH</sup>Colonel Hoss (Catalyst x Paragon's Lasting Impression), presented by Clark to a subsequent tour group.

All four buses reconvened around noon for the much anticipated ASHA Youth Awards Luncheon hosted by Melissa Moore's Sunrise Stables. Melissa's brand new barn set the stage for a boxed lunch, Juvenile Choice Awards, Youth Club Awards, and recognition for various other accomplished youth members.

Months of Melissa and Sandy Backer's tireless efforts culminated with the awarding of dozens of incredible door prizes to lucky ticket holders. Just a few of the prizes collected and provided by Sandy and Melissa included William Woods University backpacks and clothing, Saddlebred

headbands, a certificate to a Stephens College summer camp, black and white advertisements in Show Ring Times, and tickets to the Shelby County Fair.

ASHA can be credited for the many awards made available to the motivated youth clubs and members. The ASHA Youth Award is given to accomplished 13 and under, and 14-17-year-olds who earn the most points for participating in activities such as ASIYP, Saddle Time, Youth Club involvement, and many other ASHA sponsored programs, as well as equine related work experience and community service. This year, Gabrielle Clouser of Monroe, Virginia won the 13 & Under division, and Hannah Vandeventer of Scottsdale, Arizona triumphed in the 14-17 division. The winners of the ASHA Youth Photo Contest were awarded engraved picture frames. The winner of the 13 and Under division was Michelle Porter of Phoenix, Arizona, with a photo titled "Double the Love." Sarah Hinds won the 14-17 division for the second





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Photo by Kaelyn Donnelly

The M.P. Saddlers from Hastings, Minnesota, received the 2008 Youth Club Community Service Award.



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Recipients of the the 2008 Youth Club Meetings and Programs Award included the Mighty Mallard Mustangs, of Georgetown, Kentucky.

consecutive year, her photo was titled "Peace and Tranquility." Both photos will appear on the covers of the next issue of *Junior Junction*.

The Showmanship at Halter division has a strong following in the Midwest, with all High Point winners hailing from either Wisconsin or Illinois. The Showmanship division tests an equestrian's ability to present a horse to the best of their ability, from the ground. Elizabeth Wildenberg, Lisa Simonis, Brianne Sells, and Melissa Sells were all Regional High Point Champions. Corie Jean Allen, also a Regional High Point winner, was the National High Point Champion for the second year in a row.

ASHA Youth Clubs are not only groups of Saddlebred kids out to have a good time, but also provide an opportunity for members to make new friends, further their equestrian talents, and make an impact in their communities and on the Sad-

dlebred breed. While all of the Youth Clubs in attendance were worthy of reward for their Membership, Community Service, Fundraising, Promotions, Educational Activities, History, and Meetings and Programs, a select group stood out above the rest. The Mighty Mallard Mustangs of Georgetown, Kentucky, and Desert Palms Diamondbacks of Cave Creek, Arizona, topped the list in Meetings and Programs.

Another tie was drawn in the Fund Raising category, between the Blue Willow Brigade of Versailles, Kentucky, and the White Star Showstoppers, of Scottsdale, Arizona. From Hastings, Minnesota, the M.P. Saddlers were deservedly given the Community Service award. Some of their many service projects included writing letters to soldiers, hosting a ride-a-thon, collecting food for a local food pantry, and selling rides to raise money for Saddlebred Rescue. The Tall Tails Youth Club of

Grand Blanc, Michigan was awarded the Membership award, along with an honorable mention for Promotions. Blue Willow Brigade snagged another win in the Promotions department. As in years past, the Biggins Bridle Bunch topped them all, winning the History and Educational Activities divisions, and ultimately being named the Youth Club of the Year, which was not a first for this exceptional club.

New this year was a special recognition for clubs with twelve or fewer members. Special recognition was given to DeEquus Stablemates of Cato, Wisconsin for their outstanding achievement in history, Destiny Riders of Pleasant Hill, Missouri and, Brannon Barnsters of Georgetown, Kentucky, for outstanding achievement in meetings and programs, and to Rock-N-Riders of Plain City, Ohio, who were recognized for their Educational activities. All ASHA Youth Clubs have much to be proud of, and will undoubtedly continue their hard work in years to come.

Junior members were also able to choose their favorite horse and rider teams from 2008, in ASHA's Juvenile Choice Awards program. Sixteen plaques were presented to Junior Exhibitors who were accomplished in the 2008 show ring.

As a grand finale to the Sunrise Stables visit, thanks to the requests of his adoring fans, Gothic Revival (Revival x Allusion) made an appearance with Melissa Moore at his side. "Gothic" made an appearance at the 2007 Youth Conference during the field trip to Sunrise Stables' previous location, and has been a favorite of many attendees ever since. The Three-Year-Old Fine Harness World's Champion of 2005 thoroughly enjoyed the attention of the crowd, from the non-stop snapping of the cameras to the group huddled around him back at his stall. The ASHA Awards Luncheon was the finale to all of the hard work of the previous year.

Jackie Schutt, who is no stranger to the Saddlebred scene, felt the Awards Luncheon was her favorite part of the Conference, saying "It was so fun and really exciting to see many of my friends receiving awards for their great accomplishments during the 2008 show season." Taylor Young, a first-time Conference at-

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tendee, expressed her feelings of the afternoon plain and simply, "Gothic Revival was AMAZING!" Melissa Moore and Sandy Backer are to be credited for all of their hard work in contributing to the success of this much anticipated Saddlebred function.

It was a bittersweet bus ride to the final field trip destination, as everyone aboard knew it would be the last stop on the journey that was the 2009 Youth Conference, and another year would pass before another was taken. Bret and Susi Day welcomed all to their Grey Ridge Farm in Versailles, Kentucky. The barn was a stately sight, yet had a welcoming feel upon passing through its doors. Bret Day, along with Ivy Johnson, Michelle Krentz, and Katie Sterba, all students at the University of Kentucky, greeted the final tour group of Conference goers.

It has been common knowledge to many in the horse industry that Bret Day simply has a way with harness horses. His success with greats such as Open Arms, A Cinderella Story, The Social Butterfly, and <sup>CH</sup>Revolver serves as ample evidence of his proven capabilities. Day stated that he truly appreciates a good fine harness horse, and considers training harness horses a passion. To share his appreciation for the harness horse, he first presented A Cinderella Story (Gypsy Santana x The

Glass Slipper), a brilliant chestnut mare, and a pleasure to watch. The six-year-old has already made a name for herself under Day's talented training, winning at shows such as the American Royal and Midwest Charity. "You can't make a fine harness horse," said Day, "they have to be one." A Cinderella Story certainly chose to be a harness horse and it is obvious that she loves her job!

Day presented Sunken Treasure (The Emerald Sea x Outrageous Fortune E.V.S) next, a thrilling little five-gaited gelding who is no stranger to the winner's circle, having garnered numerous titles with both Lindsey Shields and Drew Taylor Hewitt. Though a delicately built, small-framed horse, Sunken Treasure unquestionably believes he is the biggest and best horse in the barn. Never backing an ear, the dark chestnut son of The Emerald Sea trotted and racked like there was no tomorrow, and by the end, had hardly broken a sweat. By the time Sunken Treasure was led back to his stall, he was almost certainly added to the wish list of a majority of those in attendance.

Earlier in the day, Saddle Horse Report representative and equitation great, Michelle Krentz, presented <sup>CH</sup>Hero's Jumpin' Jack Flash (Haven's Hero x Kalarama's Holly Folly), Travis van Zetten's big, bold, and beautiful Five-

Gaited Pleasure horse. "I had an absolute blast riding for the kids. I think the barn tour was a very educational tool for them as they were able to speak with some of the best trainers in the industry and see them work their horses," said Michelle of the Youth Conference. Ivy Johnson rode her adorable Five-Gaited pony, Miss Outta My Way (Roseridge Heir x Worthy's Star Dust), most likely still on a high after their qualifying win at the American Royal. "I had so much fun riding for all the youth conference attendees, and I felt really honored to be able to do it! I always enjoyed going on the tour when I was younger so I was really excited to be able to ride!" said Ivy of her Youth Conference ride. Foster Roberts saw WC Bono (Desert's Supreme Memories x Mountain Maria BHF) on his visit to Grey Ridge, and said "My favorite part would probably have to be Grey Ridge Farm, because we got to see Bono come back from his injuries." Thanks to all of the Grey Ridge staff for an excellent tour!

Each field trip destination was full of surprises and Saddlebred excellence. The horses that usually seem to be miles away in horse magazines and in the show ring finally came alive before the very eyes of the enthusiastic Saddlebred youth. Germaine Johnson described it best, saying "The Youth really place these young train-

## JUVENILE CHOICE AWARDS

### Three Gaited 14-17

Ostentatiously ridden by Brittany McGinnis

### Three Gaited 13 and Under

Show Baby Show ridden by Christina Collis

### Five Gaited 14-17

Memorize ridden by Sarah Sessoms

### Five Gaited 13 and Under

Platinum's New Look ridden by Hunter Chancellor

### Country Pleasure 14-17

Ooh La Latte ridden by Sarah Lawson

### Country Pleasure 13 and Under

The Petite Princess ridden by Mollie Kregor

### Three Gaited Show Pleasure 14-17

<sup>CH</sup>Ninety-Eight Degrees ridden by Katherine Randall

### Three Gaited Show Pleasure 13 and Under

Can You Hear Me Now ridden by Hunter Chancellor

### Five Gaited Show Pleasure

<sup>CH</sup>Sunken Treasure ridden by Drew Taylor Hewitt

### Junior Exhibitor Pleasure Driving

<sup>CH</sup>May Issue driven by Rose Marie Wheeler

### Five Gaited Pony

Billy Jewel ridden by Allison Combs

### Three Gaited Pony

Manhattan's Irish Cream ridden by Lindsey Shields

### Equitation Walk/Trot 10 and Under

Clara McCool

### Equitation Walk/Trot/Canter 13 and Under

Belle Owen

### Equitation Walk/Trot/Canter 14-17

Ellen Medley Wright

### Pleasure Equitation 17 and Under

Deanna Lanigan

## ASHA SHOWMANSHIP AT HALTER

### High Point Regional Champions

#### Region 3/4

- Elizabeth Wildenberg, Brussels, WI – 16 points
- Lisa Simonis, Manitowa, WI – 11 points

### Region 5

- Corie Jean Allen, Kankakee, IL – 52 points
- Brianna Sells, Bourbonnais, IL - 30.5 points
- Melissa Sells, Bourbonnais, IL – 26 points

### National High Point Champion

Corie Jean Allen, Kankakee, IL

## ASHA YOUTH HIGH POINT AWARD

### 13 and Under Division

Gabrielle Clauser, Monroe, VA – 177 points

### 14-20 Division

Hannah Vandeventer, Scottsdale, AZ – 78 points



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ers up on a pedestal and it was so neat for me to get to watch the reaction of the youth when they met Melissa Moore, Bret Day, Tre Lee and Clark Clouse in person. These trainers are the “Rock Stars” of the Saddlebred Industry!”

The bus ride back to the Griffin Gate Marriott was a somber but satisfied one. The weekend was quickly coming to a close, and all that was left was the peak of the Saddlebred celebration, The Saddlebred Ball. Ivy Johnson was awarded the Frank Ogletree Youth Award, a prestigious award given to youth members who have contributed to the American Saddlebred and displayed a sportsmanlike attitude throughout their junior exhibitor years, criteria that Ivy definitely meets and exceeds.

If one were to casually ask how things went at the 2009 ASHA Youth Conference, it would be difficult to provide an adequate assessment without going into extreme detail. The fun and dancing of Friday night could not be left out, nor could the Academy Breakfast or Awards Luncheon, and one would



Photo by Rebecca Sturm Clauser

Several youth also attended the annual Saddlebred Ball, the finale of the Convention & Youth Conference.

be remiss not to mention any of the fantastic horses seen on the field trips. As a warning, any conversation regarding this year’s Youth Conference is liable to take up a good half hour. That being said, such a conversation certainly would not be

time spent in vain. For how can a single moment be wasted discussing a love not even Cupid can understand? We’re not talking red roses, chocolate hearts, or diamond rings...but the American Saddlebred! as

## ASHA YOUTH PHOTO CONTEST

- 13 and Under Division**  
 “Double the Love” by Michelle Porter, Phoenix, AZ
- 14-20 Division**  
 “Peace and Tranquility” by Sarah Hinds, Lake St. Louis, MO

## ASHA YOUTH CLUB AWARDS

- RECOGNITION FOR CLUBS WITH LESS THAN 12 MEMBERS**
- History**  
 DeEquus Stablemates, Cato, WI
- Meetings and Programs**  
 ■ Destiny Riders, Pleasant Hill, MO

- Brannon Barnsters, Georgetown, KY
- Educational Activities**  
 Rock-N- Riders, Plain City, OH

## ASHA 2008 YOUTH CLUB AWARDS

- Membership**  
 Tall Tails Youth Club, Grand Blanc, MI
- History**  
 Biggins Bridle Bunch, Simpsonville, KY
- Meetings and Programs**  
 ■ Mighty Mallard Mustangs, Georgetown, KY  
 ■ Desert Palms Diamondbacks, Cave Creek, AZ

- Educational Activities**  
 Biggins Bridle Bunch, Simpsonville, KY
- Community Service**  
 M.P. Saddlears, Hastings, MN
- Fund Raising**  
 ■ Blue Willow Brigade, Versailles, KY  
 ■ White Star Showstoppers, Scottsdale, AZ
- Promotions**  
 Blue Willow Brigade, Versailles, KY
- Honorable Mention**  
 Tall Tails Youth Club, Grand Blanc, MI
- Youth Club of the Year**  
 Biggins Bridle Bunch, Simpsonville, KY

## FRANK OGLETREE YOUTH AWARD

Ivy Johnson, Lexington, KY



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## Thank You to Our Auction Supporters and Volunteers

*At this year's Youth Auction, the first held during the Annual Convention & Youth Conference, the money raised totaled more than \$12,000 to support ASHA Youth programs and scholarships.*

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*Our apologies if anyone's name was omitted. We would appreciate any such omission being called to our attention.*

## ACADEMY AWARDS PROGRAM



ASHA is proud to offer this unique program. All instructors, advisors and horse show committees are encouraged to promote academy classes in their areas. The development and appreciation of horsemanship and sportsmanship in our beginning Saddle Seat riders will develop skill and appreciation for the American Saddlebred that will last a lifetime.

### Academy Awards Program Enrollment

ASHA membership is REQUIRED for participation in the Academy Awards program. For information on becoming a member, please contact ASHA at (859) 259-2742.

### Definition of Academy Class

An academy class is any class offered in a local tournament in which two or more stables are participating, or any class designated “academy” at an open show. To be eligible, participants in these classes must be riding a horse designated as a “school” horse, a horse used REGULARLY in lesson program instruction. Acceptable attire is jodhpurs or dark pants, boots, and dress shirt or sweatshirt bearing stable logo. Riding suits are unacceptable. Hard hats are optional.

### How Points Are Earned

*1 point: Participation in an academy riding or driving class.*

*1 point: Placing 2nd – 8th in an academy riding or driving class.*

*2 points: Placing 1st in an academy riding or driving class.*

Points will be tabulated throughout the show year, beginning October 1 and ending September 30 of the following year. An official point sheet verifying an individual’s participation and placement in academy classes must be signed by BOTH the rider and the instructor or Youth Club advisor, and submitted to ASHA by October 31 of the award year.

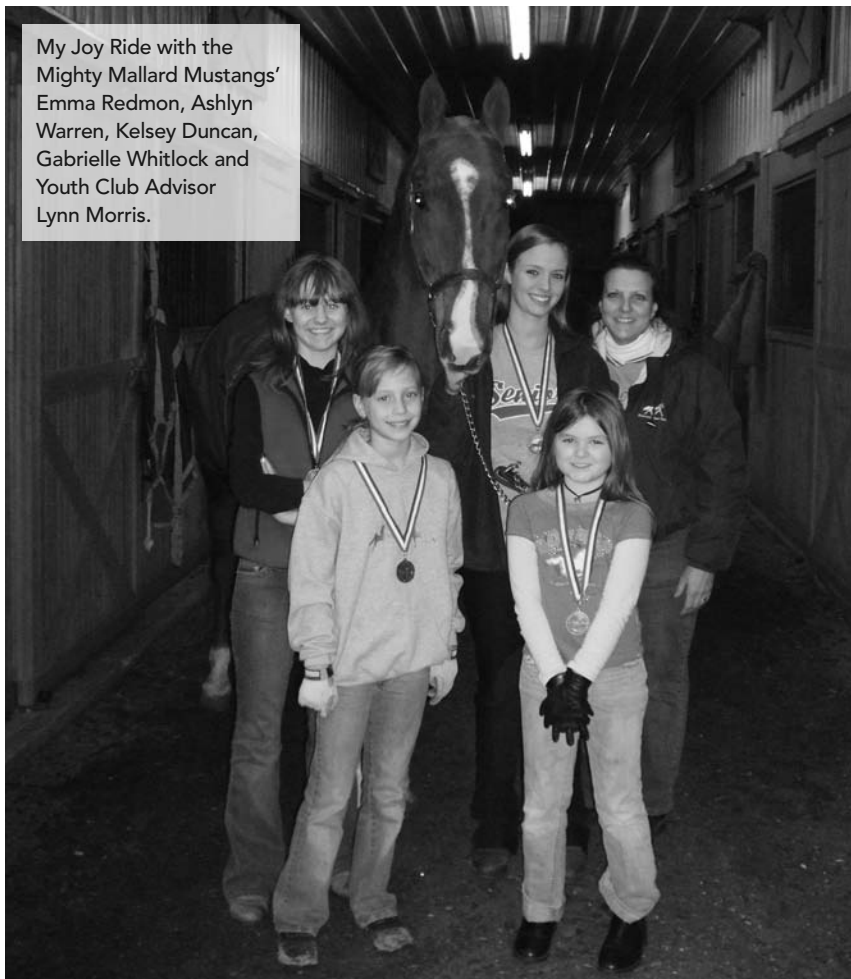
To qualify for an award, a total of 15 points must be accumulated during a single show year in either juvenile (17 and under) or adult (18 and over) divisions. Points earned in one year may NOT be carried forward into a subsequent show year.

### Awards

A bronze medallion will be awarded for earning 15 points in the first year of competition, a silver medallion for 15 points in the second year, and a gold for 15 points in each additional year. Only one medallion per year may be earned by an individual competitor.

# 2008 ACADEMY AWARDS

My Joy Ride with the Mighty Mallard Mustangs' Emma Redmon, Ashlyn Warren, Kelsey Duncan, Gabrielle Whitlock and Youth Club Advisor Lynn Morris.



Amanda Glavich

**Heathermoor Riding Academy**  
**Bronze:** Lily Smith  
 Caroline Dutton  
 Mattie Harden  
**Silver:** Katie Griffin  
 Suzanne Hillhouse  
 Taylor Wood  
**Gold:** Emily Hillhouse  
 Lindsey Angel  
 Jane Walsh

**Rocking S Farm**  
**Silver:** Kelsie Zuercher

**Stepping Stone Farm**  
**Silver:** Hannah Abrams

## ARIZONA

**White Star Showstoppers**  
**Bronze:** Ryan Kelledy  
 Ellary Lentz  
**Silver:** Halle Lentz

Nika Cornell  
 Cassidy Ball  
 Michelle Porter  
 Hallie Ungerson  
**Gold:** Joseph Kelledy  
 Christine Fitzgibbon  
 Brianne Kotek  
 Courtney Ball

## GEORGIA

**Pine Haven Stables**  
**Bronze:** Olivia Dixon

## ILLINOIS

**Huntoon Stables**  
**Bronze:**  
 Amanda Glavich  
**Gold:** Alyssa Weddell

**Linda Wallen Stables**  
**Bronze:** Melissa Sells  
**Silver:** Cole Allen  
**Gold:** Brianne Sells

**Krussell Stables**  
**Gold:** Beth McDermott  
 Rachel Starke  
 Allison McMillan

**Palos Hills / New Traditions**  
**Silver:** Rachel Thomas

**Woodwind Farm**  
**Gold:** Laura Sokolowski  
 Grace O'Brien  
 Emily McGurn

## INDIANA

**High Spirit Farm**  
**Gold:** Linsley Redifer

**Indian Creek**  
**Gold:** Brian Dowty

## KENTUCKY

**Betsy Webb Stables**  
**Bronze:** Macy Brangers  
 Madelyn Palazzo  
 Sadie Iovenko  
 Ava Greenberg  
 Hannah Thompson  
 Sara Jones  
**Silver:** Kathryn Stuart

Caroline Dolt  
 Aidan Greene  
 Kaitlin Kelly  
 Cynthia Westerfield  
**Gold:** Sydney Dunaway  
 Valerie Blackwell  
 Taylor Young  
 Laura Strong  
 Sarah Strong  
 Karissa Clark  
 Skylar Rueff  
 Sofia Brown  
 Gracie Sandlin  
 Mady Gill  
 Elena Meeks  
 Makayla James  
 Sarah Duncan

**Biggins Stable**  
**Bronze:** Allison Cloud  
 Kara Bekebrede  
 Annie Bennett  
**Gold:** Gina Paliafito

**Blue Willow Farm**  
**Bronze:**  
 Christina Prows-Lepera  
 Grace Shaftner  
**Silver:** Sydney Gardner  
 Olivia Ramsey  
**Gold:** Sarah Cornett  
 Carrie Brown  
**Master Bronze:**  
 Hailley Stantz

**Brannon Stables**  
**Bronze:**  
 Cheyanne Stacy  
 Meredith Murray  
 McKenzie Rogers  
 Jackie Post

Deb Rateri  
 Devin Sell  
 Keely Thomas  
**Gold:** Zoe Brannon

**Brannon Woods**  
**Silver:** Carisa Patterson

**Justa Mere Stables**  
**Gold:** Emma Gearon

**Mallard Farm**  
**Bronze:** Ashlyn Warren  
 Gabrielle Whitlock  
**Silver:** Kelsey Duncan  
 Emma Redmon

**Premier Stables**  
**Bronze:** Isabel Mitchell  
 Faith Brickzen  
**Silver:** Allyson Shown  
 Savannah Wojcik  
**Gold:** Emma Davis

**Shadow Run**  
**Bronze:** Morgan Lunsford  
 Olivia Bodart  
**Silver:** Mac Baker  
 Bethany Welch  
 Hayley Anderson

**Signature Stables**  
**Bronze:** McKenna Poe  
 Marek Poe  
 Sophia Giuffre  
**Silver:**  
 Morgan Rogers-Daub  
 Samantha Marshall  
 Addie Woodruff  
 Kate Melican

## ALABAMA

**Blue Crest Riding Academy**  
**Bronze:** Grace Kehoe  
 Caroline Lowe  
 Rachel Wamble  
 Emily Longshore  
 Ashlyn Seagle  
 Hanna Speese  
 Emma Cook



Stephanie Steele



Michaela Kratofil



Executive Farms' Emmie Neu, Cassie Neu, Gianna Desimone, Josie Neu and Carmen Gonzalez.



Karleigh Pluta



Alex Rankin



Libby Wicker



Aimee Labrie



Delynn Uttecht

## MICHIGAN

### Executive Farms Bronze:

Stephanie Steele  
Josie Neu

Cassie Neu  
Emmie Neu

Karleigh Pluta  
Megan Henry

Gianna Desimone  
**Silver:**

Carmen Gonzalez  
Rachel Czech

### Gold:

Michaela Kratofil

### Master Bronze:

Maggie McElroy

### Master Silver:

Christina McArthur  
Alexis Fenger

### Hightime Stables

#### Bronze:

Brittany Wendt

### Taylor Creek Stables

#### Bronze:

Libby Wicker

Aimee Labrie  
Krystal Murphy  
**Silver:**

Ashleigh Budrick  
Laurel Budrick

## MINNESOTA

### Lear Stables

#### Bronze:

Mya Lear-Tharaldson  
Alex Rankin

### Valiant Stables

#### Bronze:

Caitlyn Lilledahl

#### Silver:

Kendall Otto  
Marie Brown

Cheyenne Cairns  
**Gold:**

Bridget Epple

## NEBRASKA

### Cheradon Acres

#### Bronze:

Stephanie Stoley  
Amanda Tobin

Megan

Klostermeyer

Emily Brogna  
Samantha  
Bannister

#### Silver:

Alexis Rasmussen  
**Gold:**

Brandon Wingett

#### Master Bronze:

Delynn Uttecht

## NORTH CAROLINA

### Boones Farm

#### Bronze:

Tiffany Knox  
Olivia Knox

Harlie Lambert

#### Silver:

Mackenzie Todd  
Amy Cedrone

#### Gold:

Summer Blackwelder  
Alexandria

Cedrone

### Cash Lovell Stables

#### Bronze:

Felicia Elliott



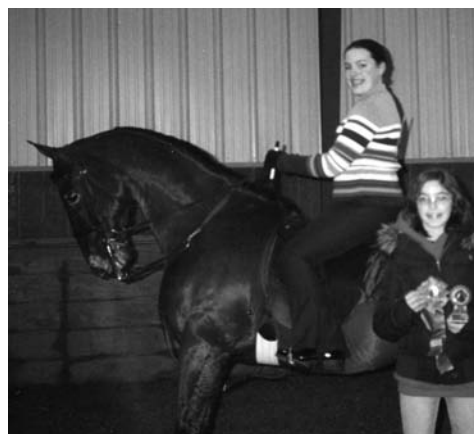
Krystal Murphy



Laurel Budrick



Emily Brogna



Ashleigh Budrick



Alexis Rasmussen



Mya Lear-Tharaldson



The Revelation Riders from Revelation Farm in New Jersey.



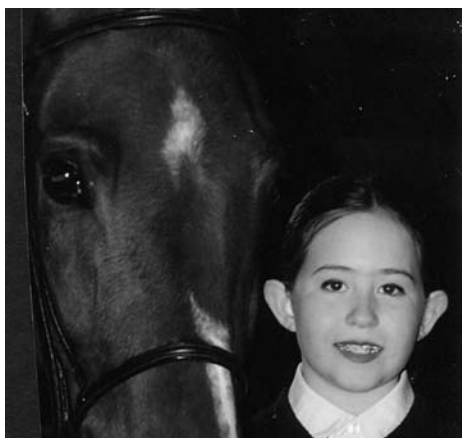
Stephanie Presuto, Jordyn Vallorosi, Jess Aroneo and Emily Streeter.



Jocelyn Weyer



Addisyn Gerber



Emily Teehan



Catherine Bernthal

Sydney Cearley  
 Macy Blake  
 Elaina Bullard  
 Gracyn Mansfield  
 Kim Stewart  
 Audrey Kim  
 Chloe Marion  
 Jozy Unal  
**Silver:**  
 Ashley Stewart  
 Chris Hawley  
 Ally Hibbitts  
 Cashlyn Lovell  
 Emily McKay  
**Gold:**  
 Allison Babson

**Crosswinds Farm**  
**Bronze:**  
 Destiny West  
 Jordan Peters  
 Merideth Pittman  
**Gold:**  
 Sydney Harper  
 Abigail Traywick  
**Master Bronze:**  
 Kayla Wilson  
 Jazmine Jones  
 Jessica Jones

Kinsey Broome  
**Master Silver:**  
 Areanna Torres  
**Deerfield Stables**  
**Bronze:**  
 Tammy Whitworth  
 Christopher  
 Bowman  
 Callie Bebbler  
 Audrey Sigmon  
 Anna Roseman  
**Silver:**  
 Anna Grace  
 Whitworth  
**Gold:** Kate Garwood

**Heritage Farms**  
**Bronze:**  
 Kelsey Cherry  
 Tess Garrison  
 Madison Scott  
**Silver:**  
 Jade Schweickert  
 Caitlyn Anderson  
 Savannah Cribbs  
 Tori Dufort  
 Dominique Ferri  
**Gold:** Piper Diaz

**Johnny Lucas**  
**Stable**  
**Bronze:**  
 Sarah Adams  
 Shelley Bradley  
**Silver:**  
 Jamie Bo Lucas  
 Elizabeth Harris  
 Rachel Payne

**Lenux Stables**  
**Bronze:** Elyse Moore  
 Haley Griffin  
 Grace Kelly  
 Maelee Dudan  
 Alexandra Tucci  
 Carley Packard  
 Kiersten Lockman

**NEW JERSEY**  
**Revelation Farm**  
**Bronze:**  
 Ally McHugh  
 Jordyn Vallorosi  
 Emily Streeter  
 Gillian Kramlick  
 Jess Aroneo  
 Rachel Danna  
 Stephanie Presuto





Alyssa Repp



McKenzie Stratman



Emma Metz

Joanna Ricci  
**Silver:** Sarah Hecht

## TEXAS

Milligan Stables  
**Bronze:**  
 Randi Barnes  
 Eric Bennett  
**Silver:** Lauren Amos  
 Mackenzie Hall  
**Gold:** Wylie Bul  
 Brenna Hurst  
 Denise Hurst  
 Kourtney Kern  
 Rebecca Barr

## VIRGINIA

Clinch Valley  
 Stables  
**Bronze:** Caitlyn Peal  
 Maddie  
 Blankenship  
 Morgan Rasnake

Countryside  
 Stables  
**Gold:**  
 Olivia McCraw

Windy Hill Farm  
**Bronze:**  
 Gabrielle Clauser

WISCONSIN  
 De Equus Stable  
**Bronze:**  
 Addisyn Gerber  
 Jocelyn Weyer  
**Silver:**  
 Emily Teehan

Equitate LLC  
**Bronze:**  
 McKenzie Stratman  
 Catherine Bernthal  
 Kaelynn Lesniak  
 Isabelle Spear  
**Silver:** Alyssa Repp  
 Emma Metz  
**Gold:** Brittany Esser  
 Savannah Schill  
**Master Bronze:**  
 Kara Seith

Knollwood Farm  
**Bronze:**  
 Savannah Brummer  
 Elizabeth

Janikowski  
 Jordan Vavra  
 Whitney Warsh  
**Silver:**  
 Rachel Ferrito  
 Emily Gutenkunst  
 Amber Nelson  
 Hannah Shepherd  
 Ramsey Skrepenski  
 Hailey Wegner  
 Gina Vilar  
**Gold:**  
 Sydney Budzinski  
 Shannon Wibbert  
**Master Bronze:**  
 Mackenzie  
 Christian  
 Allie Gutenkunst  
 Rachelle McDowell  
 Savannah Nickey  
 Adriel Ockelmann  
**Master Silver:**  
 Taylor McDowell  
 Abbey Reichertz  
 Melissa Smith

Madison Riding  
 Academy  
**Gold:** Katie Fleming



Kara Seith



Carmen Gonzalez



Cassie Neu



Brittany Esser



Kaelynn Lesniak

# ASHA ACADEMY AWARDS OFFICIAL POINT REPORT

— Please type or print clearly —

Name of rider: \_\_\_\_\_ ASHA membership # \_\_\_\_\_

Stable name/City/State: \_\_\_\_\_ Last medal received: \_\_\_\_\_

List classes/shows in which rider participated (refer to ASHA Academy Awards Rules and Point System):

Event	Location	Date	Description	Placing	Points Earned
1.					
2.					
3.					
4.					
5.					
6.					
7.					
8.					
9.					
10.					

All results must be submitted to ASHA by October 31, one month following the end of each complete award year. Please photocopy additional sheets or write ASHA for additional forms. Incomplete applications will be returned.

Riding Instructor/Youth Club Advisor \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Rider \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Return to: ASHA , 4083 Iron Works Parkway, Lexington, Kentucky 40511 859/259-2742

# ASHA ACADEMY MASTER MEDAL AWARD

*ASHA is proud to offer this award, which goes beyond the ASHA Academy Awards program. After participants in the Academy Awards Medal Program attain their first gold medal, they then have the option to continue with the Academy Awards program by earning gold medals on a yearly basis or enter the Academy Master Medal Awards Program, which encourages participation in promotion, education, and continued involvement with the American Saddlebred.*

## HOW POINTS ARE EARNED

Riding points are earned according to the rules of the Academy Awards Program. A list follows giving the options for activity points.

MASTER BRONZE: 20 riding points + 15 activity points

MASTER SILVER: 20 riding points + 20 activity points

MASTER GOLD: 20 riding points + 25 activity points

**Activity points can be accumulated from the following list. All points must involve a combination of no less than 3 different activities total.**

Participate in Junior/Adult judging or Showmanship at Halter – 5 points each

Enter the ASHA Youth Photo Contest (entries received by November 30 of award year) – 5 points

Give a speech to a Youth Club, organization, or class about the American Saddlebred – 5 points

Volunteer at a horse show – 5 points

(i.e. pass out ribbons, help stable or barn, assist other riders, concessions, etc.)

Be a member of an ASHA Youth Club – 5 points

Volunteer at an equine therapy riding program – 5 points

Participate in an ASHA Youth/ASHA Youth Club activity – 5 points

(i.e. assist with summer camp, assist with donation for annual ASHA Youth Auction at the Kentucky State Fair, etc.)

Participate at the ASHA Annual Meeting and Youth Conference – 5 points

Participate in ASHA Saddle Time Program

Complete level 1-3 – 5 points

Complete level 4-6 – 10 points

Participate in ASHA International Youth Program

Earn a Badge – 5 points

Enter an ASIYP activity/horsemanship competition – 10 points

Complete a level of ASIYP

Level 1 – 5 points

Level 2 – 10 points

Level 3 – 15 points

Points will be tabulated throughout the show year, beginning October 1 and ending September 30 of the following year. An official point sheet verifying an individual's participation and placement in academy classes and activities must be signed by BOTH the rider and the instructor or Youth Club advisor, and submitted to ASHA by October 31 of the award year.

To qualify for an award, a total of 20 riding points, plus the required number of activity points must be accumulated during a single show year in either juvenile (17 and under) or adult (18 and over) divisions. Points earned in one year may NOT be carried forward into a subsequent show year.

# MASTER MEDAL CHECKLIST

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ MEMBER NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_ TOTAL POINTS EARNED: \_\_\_\_\_

Points may be accumulated from the following list. All points must involve a combination of no less than 3 different activities total.

- Participate in the ASHA Annual Meeting or Youth Conference – 5 points

Describe: \_\_\_\_\_

- Participate in Junior/ Adult Judging contest – 5 points

Name of show and placing: \_\_\_\_\_

- Participate in Showmanship at Halter – 5 points

Name of shows and placings: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

- Enter the ASHA Youth Photo Contest – (entries received by November 30 of award year) – 5 points

- Give a speech to a Youth Club, organization or class about the American Saddlebred – 5 points

Name of Organization and leader/teacher: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

- Volunteer at a horse show (i.e. pass out ribbons, assist riders, help stable or barn, concessions) – 5 points

Name of show and how you helped: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

- Be a member of an ASHA Youth Club – 5 points

Name of club: \_\_\_\_\_

- Volunteer at an equine therapy riding program – 5 points

Name of organization and contact: \_\_\_\_\_

- Participate in an ASHA Youth /ASHA Youth Club activity (i.e. assist with summer camp, assist with donation for ASHA Youth Auction at Kentucky State Fair, etc.) – 5 points

Name of activity and leader or contact person: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Participate in ASHA Saddle Time Program

- Complete level 1-3 – 5 points       Complete level 4-6 – 10 points

Participate in ASHA International Youth Program

- Earn a badge – 5 points

Name of badge(s): \_\_\_\_\_

- Enter an ASIYP activity/horsemanship competition – 10 points

Name of Competition: \_\_\_\_\_

Complete a level of ASIYP

- Level 1 – 5 points       Level 2 – 10 points       Level 3 – 15 points

Please attach additional sheets as necessary to record activities.

# 2009 ASHA/USPC Annual Awards Program



Sign up now!

Areas in which participants can earn points include:

- Participating in Pony Club lessons/clinics
- Participating in a regional rally
- Participating in a national rally



Remind your Pony Club friends who ride American Saddlebred or Half-Saddlebred Horses to register for this exciting program.

All Pony Club activities throughout the current year will count toward points.

For more information about the *ASHA/USPC Awards Program* contact:  
The USPC office at (859) 254-7669 or the ASHA office at (859) 259-2742, Ext. 343.

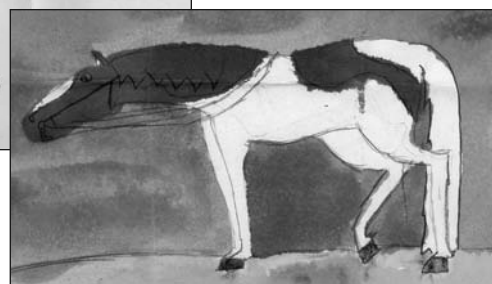
## READER CONTRIBUTIONS



◀◀◀ Cheyenne Cairns,  
age 12, Valiant Stables  
in Stillwater, MN.

Taylor-Anne Boadway,  
Birmingham, AL.  
▼▼▼

◀◀◀ Alexia Pletcher, age 11,  
Lapeer, MI.





# SaddleTime

The ASHA Saddle Time Riding Program is an incentive-based program that rewards you with recognition and gifts for doing what you already love to do. It works like this: you keep a log of hours spent riding registered American Saddlebred\* horses, and at the various hour levels, you receive special Saddle Time awards.

## Requirements:

- ⇒ Current/active ASHA Membership
- ⇒ \*Levels one through three do not have to be accumulated on Saddlebreds
- ⇒ Levels four through six must be earned on registered Saddlebreds
- ⇒ No time limit as long as membership stays active
- ⇒ Time recorded will begin upon receipt of enrollment fee and application
- ⇒ Hours will be recorded on an honor system
- ⇒ Hours required for each award are cumulative
- ⇒ Ownership of horse is not required

## Hours required and awards offered:

- 20 Patch and certificate
- 50 Patch and lapel pin
- 100 Patch and cap
- 150 Patch and T-shirt
- 200 Patch and tote bag
- 250 Patch and award, with an acknowledgement and photo in Junior Junction, the ASHA Youth newsletter

## Hours WILL count in the following activities:

- trail riding
- lessons
- parades
- drill teams
- non-recognized events/shows (only 15 minutes allowed per class)

## Hours WILL NOT count in the following activities:

- recognized events/shows
- grooming
- competitive trail rides
- driving
- endurance rides
- hot walking

## Saddle Time 2009

### NEW

### ENROLLMENTS

Lauren Amos  
 Alana Bloomfield  
 Lauren Comer  
 Irelynn Coy  
 Sydney Craig  
 Anthony Dawson  
 Elise Dygert  
 Sydney Gardner  
 Ashlynn Glancy  
 Ellie Grosspietch  
 Katie LeClaire  
 Chelsea Lowry  
 Josephine Manville  
 Remington Mealey  
 Kara Mohar  
 Bailee Patton  
 Katie Prows-Lepera  
 Samantha Sheets  
 Hailey Stantz  
 Rachel Starke  
 Reilly Voit  
 Laura Wood

### LEVEL ONE

Erinn DeMarco  
 Hannah Fowler  
 Amanda Isoda  
 Megan Klostermeyer  
 Alexia Pletcher  
 Lisa Simonis

### LEVEL TWO

Cassidy Ball  
 Samantha Bannister  
 Gabrielle Clauser  
 Alexandra Fischer  
 Erin Kennedy  
 Michaela Kratofil  
 Alyssa Weddell

### LEVEL THREE

Courtney Ball  
 Christine Fitzgibbon  
 Maria Gudger  
 Ella Lentz  
 Halle Lentz  
 Alexis Rasmussen

### LEVEL FOUR

Lindsey Beckett  
 Christy Stovall  
 Jackie Taylor



# SaddleTime

## RIDING PROGRAM APPLICATION

### Rider Information

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

ASHA Number (must be current member): \_\_\_\_\_

### Enrollment Fees

	Fees	Amount Paid
Levels One through Three	\$20.00	\$ _____
Levels Four through Six	\$20.00	\$ _____
TOTAL ENCLOSED		\$ _____

### Method of Payment

Check Payable to ASHA, MasterCard or Visa.

Credit Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

# Biggins honored

Boasting activity after activity and a great deal of community service work, the Biggins Bridle Bunch of Simpsonville, KY, was named ASHA's Youth Club of the Year for 2008 at the Youth Conference in February.

The group has spent a great deal of the year helping to raise funds for various causes. In July and August, members participated in the Saddlebred Rescue Raffle and sold more than half the tickets. The group also collected dog and cat food for the Kentucky Humane Society, showing their love for more than just Saddlebreds.

The Bunch's annual Ride-A-Thon raised \$1,250 for the ASHA Youth Scholarships that are awarded annually.

In November, the youth had a silent auction to offer riders a chance to bid on Junior Exhibitor show horses and lesson horses. They raised \$655 for the Home of the Innocents, a Louisville, KY, organization that provides shelter for families during critical times. Among the Bunch's other community service activities were a Dare to Care Food Drive, participation in the Making Strides 5K Breast Cancer walk and creating fleece blankets for Operation Blanket Louisville, which passes them out to homeless men and women during the winter.

During those winter months, the group's annual Christmas party once again showed their devotion to community service. The members bought Angel Tree gifts for four needy children, sang carols to



Members of Biggins Bridle Bunch of Simpsonville, KY, pose for a photo before taking part in Simpsonville's Fall Festival Parade. The group was honored as ASHA Youth Club of the Year.

neighbors, and decorated and delivered ornaments to the residents of the Oaklawn Nursing Home and Rehabilitation Center. The ornaments were decorated with the ASHA logo and website address.

The Biggins' youth also promoted Saddlebreds throughout the year, bringing their love of the breed to the masses. They walked in the Simpsonville Fall Festival Parade and also set up a booth, where they passed out information and held a silent auction and raffle for a free riding lesson.

In November, four members showed their horses both in hand and under saddle to allow 4-H members to learn how to judge Saddlebreds at a show. The group again set up a booth and raffled

off a free lesson.

Also during the winter months, members attended tournaments to prepare for the upcoming show season. Nearly 30 riders took part in the Gayle Lampe clinic in January to improve their skills.

As spring progressed, they learned how to braid tails, jog horses and ride bareback. In between all the activities, they also found time for some laidback fun dyeing Easter eggs at their holiday sleepover.

With show season coming up, the Bunch's members will be out and about, again raising the profile of the Saddlebred.

Congratulations to the Biggins Bridle Bunch on their accomplishments and selection as ASHA Youth Club of the Year.



Members of the group display their Saddlebred Christmas ornaments.



The group set up informational Saddlebred booths throughout the year.



# Club Happenings

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## White Star Show Stoppers

The White Star Show Stoppers of Cave Creek, AZ, recently raised more than \$1,100 during the group's fourth annual Easter Egg Hunt and Raffle. More than 100 people hunted for eggs, bought raffle tickets and enjoyed a buffet lunch. The funds will help the club and the philanthropic group Horses Help, which uses specially trained horses to work with people with disabilities.

The group and its members also were big winners at this year's American Saddlebred Association of Arizona awards ceremony, where they received 28 champion and reserve champion awards. White Star's riders swept the Academy Division. Champions were Brie Kotek, Courtney Ball, Michelle Porter, Halle Lentz, Hallie Ungerson, Emma Johnson and Bailey Shannon. Honored as reserve champions were Joe Kelledy, Ryan Kelledy, Christine Fitzgibbon, Ella Lentz, and Loren Kowalski.

The Junior Exhibitor classes were also all won by Show Stoppers. They included champions Gentry Beauclair (Five-Gaited), Hannah Roberts (Three-Gaited), Courtney Carlson (Show Pleasure), Hannah Vandeventer (Country Pleasure), Nicole Bokser (English Pleasure) and Jamie Katz (14-17 Equitation). Reserve champions were Erinn DeMarco (Five-Gaited) and Kirwan Kennedy (Show Pleasure). White Star rider Hannah Vandeventer and her horse News Stand were awarded "Horse of the Year" honors, too.

The Show Stoppers are under the direction of Matthew Roberts, owner/trainer; Marcia Everett, director of riding/trainer; Jolene Galvin, instructor; and Sabrina Ball, youth club advisor.



**Above:** The White Star Show Stoppers were big winners at the American Saddlebred Association of Arizona awards banquet earlier this year. **Below:** The group saw more than 100 people attend its fourth annual Easter Egg Hunt and Raffle, which benefits Horses Help.





**Above:** The Mighty Mallard Mustangs of Georgetown, KY, participated in the Colt and Filly Review Parade at Georgetown's Festival of the Horse in October. **Below:** The Mighty Mallard Mustangs' Kathryn Combs, Jessica Caldwell and Hannah Herbst present a \$500 check to ASHA's Jessica Fisher for the ASHA Youth to Youth Scholarship program. The group raised the funds, along with \$500 each for the American Saddlebred Museum and Saddlebred Rescue, by selling their Saddlebred Salsa.



### Mighty Mallard Mustangs

The Mighty Mallard Mustangs recently won ASHA's Meetings and Programs award for the second straight year, a culmination of months of fun activities for its members.

The group, which is from Georgetown, KY, showed off their Saddlebreds during the Colt and Filly Review Parade at October's Festival of the Horse. Younger members sported the Little Saddler's costumes and club member Jessie Caldwell and club co-advisor Maggie Haproff were a huge hit with the crowd in the Max and Maxine costumes. The farm also participated on horseback in the festival's Grand Parade, demonstrating the versatility of the breed by riding with both English and Western attire.

The following weekend, members Kelsey Duncan and Emma Redmon both participated in the Kentucky State Academy Finals and were crowned champions in their respective divisions.

The club members have also been busy selling their Saddlebred Salsa to raise funds for the ASHA Youth to Youth Scholarship Fund, American Saddlebred Museum and Saddlebred Rescue. Club members presented checks for \$500 each to the organizations in December.

And that wasn't the end of their generosity. The group donated nearly 200 toys to Toys for Tots at their annual potluck Christmas party.

And while the past months have seen many highs for the Mallard Farm family, it also sadly included the loss of beloved academy horse Macrame on Feb. 22. This former World Champion had been a fixture in the program for more than 12 years and carried many riders to blue ribbons including Natalie Combs, who went undefeated for her entire final year in academy classes. The group thanks Macrame's owner, Shawna Wallen, for sharing her special treasure of a horse with them.

### Desert Palms Diamondbacks

The Desert Palms Diamondbacks have been busy this spring competing in shows, learning more about Saddlebreds and volunteering.

The group kicked off the year by bringing home some blue ribbons from the Arizona National Horse Show. A month later, the members volunteered at Luv Shack Ranch, a rescue for neglected horses where they cleaned stalls and brushed and fed the horses.

During March, Desert Palms took 11 Academy riders and eight Junior Exhibitors to the Carousel Charity Horse Show, where many brought home their first blue ribbons. Also in March, the group gathered for an Easter egg hunt and barbecue. The members donated clothing and bedding for Big Brothers/Big Sisters, stacking the barn office full with bags.

Throughout all of this, group members have also been earning their tack, safety and grooming badges during monthly meetings.

### Winning Ways Whinnies

The Winning Ways Whinnies recently raised more than \$2,100 for breast cancer research by selling bracelets. The group, based in Tomball, Texas, said its top salesperson was Alyssa De Los Santos followed by Shelby Monroe. The group also honored Avery Barlow as its "hardest worker."

The Whinnies will soon begin to plan the third annual Winning Ways Farm Horse Show. Prepara-



**Left to right:** Sherry Frankel, Rosemarie Chambers and Alyssa De Los Santos.

tions will include a mini-clinic to discuss how to dress, how to fix hair and makeup, and learn how horses are prepared for shows. During the show, the Whinnies will again run a concession stand, which is among their best fundraisers of the year.

### Blue Willow Brigade

The Blue Willow Brigade in Versailles, KY, will be raising funds for the ASHA Youth to Youth Scholarship Program this year by selling dog toys that members crafted. The fleece toys went on sale at the Kentucky Spring Premier Horse Show during the first weekend of May and will be available at a number of other shows. During the show, the group also hosted a children's Kentucky Derby party with volleyball, football, music and much more.

### Knollwood Knockouts

Wisconsin's Knollwood Knockouts spent the holidays celebrating the Saddlebred.

The members took part in a Secret Santa game for the school's horses. The lesson horses had their stalls decorated and received treats each week from their secret admirers. As Christmas neared, they received a larger gift and learned the identity of their Secret Santas. So many members took part that several show and retired show horses were added to the game.

In early December, the Knockouts held their annual Christmas party and also elected officers. Officers for 2009 are President Emily Wiersma, Vice President Andra Mudlitz and Secretary Sydney Budzinski.

The party itself was more than just the usual holiday get-together. It began with a scavenger hunt, which took teams of Knockouts all through the barns, into the arena and even across the pastures. The water trough in the lower pasture was a particularly tough find. After pizza and treats, the evening concluded with a game of Red Rover in the arena.

The next day, the Knockouts started their service project and went shopping for their adopted family.

On Saturday, Dec. 13, the students decorated Wedgie



**Above:** Lauren Lockett of the Desert Palms Diamondbacks wears a bridle during a tack badge meeting. **Below:** Blue Willow Brigade members craft dog toys to sell to benefit the ASHA Youth to Youth Scholarship Program.



and Forest with bells, bows and lights, while they donned their own Santa hats and warm clothes for caroling.

In January, the group celebrated its 2008 accomplishments with its annual banquet, which was attended by more than 140 people.

Among the highlights were reminiscing about many of the year's activities like a rose sale to benefit Saddlebred Rescue, a car wash supporting the ASAW Scholarship fund and the time spent painting new fences at the farm.

Awards were handed out and included the introduction of 20 ASHA Academy Award recipients. The group also highlighted some of the new combinations that will be showing under the Knollwood banner in 2009. These include Alli Gutenkunst, who will be graduating from the academy ranks and debuting in pleasure equitation on the talented <sup>CH</sup>Louisville Lass. Emily Mayer will also be leaving the academy world and showing the personable <sup>CH</sup>Callaway's Don't Panic in pleasure equitation, and Shelby Hader will enter the show horse world aboard her mother's ambitious horse Summerize.

### Rackin' Riders

The Taylor Creek Stables Rackin' Riders Youth Club in Grand Blanc, MI, has been busy raising money over the past few months to help Saddlebred shows and causes.

The group has raised more than \$600

to support the American Saddlebred Horse Association of Michigan's Motor City Classic Horse Show. The group raised more than \$200 in March alone by selling concessions and raffle tickets at the Michigan Instructors Association winter academy shows. In December, the group raised \$90 to donate to Saddlebred Rescue, too.

Also, more than 20 members headed to East Lansing, MI, in mid-March to attend the Michigan State Stallion Expo. The trip allowed the members to see different breeds up close and also watch a variety of demonstrations like team roping and reining.

The group also has a new logo, which was designed by President Aimee Labrie. Labrie also has earned the distinction of winning the first Saddlebred Rescue T-shirt design contest. Aimee's selection received 26 out of the 32 votes cast for the two finalists, whose work was chosen from 11 designs submitted.



**Above:** Members of the Rackin' Riders visited the Michigan State Stallion Expo in mid-March. **Below:** Rackin' Riders President Aimee Labrie, shown with CF Chief's Mood Swings, has designed a new logo for the group, as well as a T-shirt for Saddlebred Rescue.



Saddlebred Rescue



Saving Hope Spreading Love Saving Lives



Wisconsin's Knollwood Knockouts pose with Wedgie before going caroling during the holidays. The group also held a Secret Santa contest with each member selecting a horse and offering treats weekly through the holiday and culminating in a larger gift during the week of Christmas.

# Summer Camps

*School is ending and it's time to start scheduling your summer plans. Between the horse shows and vacations, consider signing up for a summer camp at a Saddlebred barn.*

## ALABAMA

### HEATHERMOOR FARM RIDING ACADEMY

Leeds, Alabama  
Day Camps: 8AM-3PM  
Beginner-Intermediate  
May 25-29, June 8-12, June 15-19,  
June 22-26, June 29-July 3,  
July 6-10, July 20-24, July 27-31,  
August 3-7  
Contact: Danielle Nolasco,  
205-702-4372,  
www.heathermoorfarm.com

## ARIZONA

### DESERT PALMS

Cave Creek, Arizona  
Day Camp: 9AM-3PM  
June 8-11, June 22-25, June 29-July 2,  
July 13-16, July 20-23  
December 28-31 (overnight camp)  
Contact: Michelle McVey or  
Erin Rae Smith, 480-239-4896,  
michelle@desertpalms.net or  
erinrae@desertpalms.net,  
www.desertpalms.net

## WHITE STAR STABLES

Cave Creek, Arizona  
Day Camp 8AM-11AM  
June 2-5, June 9-12, June 23-26  
July 14-17, July 28-31, August 4-7  
Contact: Marcia Everett, 480-419-8010  
(barn), 847-612-0298 (cell),  
www.whitestarstables.com

## CALIFORNIA

### RANCHO DEL MAR

San Diego, CA  
Day Camp (overnight available for those  
out of town): June 22-26, July 13-17,  
July 28- August 1, Camp Horse Show  
on August 1st  
Contact: Beth Piper, 760-749-9912

## ILLINOIS

### NEW TRADITIONS RIDING ACADEMY AT PALOS HILLS RIDING STABLES

Palos Hills, Illinois  
Day Camps: 10AM-4PM  
Beginner: June 15-19, June 29-July 3,  
July 6-10, July 13-17, August 3-7  
Advanced Beginner: June 22-26, June  
29-July 3, July 27-31  
Teen Camp: July 6-10  
Intermediate: June 22-26, July 20-24,  
July 27-31  
Advanced: July 27-31  
Contact: Martha Thompson-Hoyt,  
708-598-7718,  
www.newtraditionsridingacademy.com

## KENTUCKY

### BETSY WEBB STABLES

Louisville, Kentucky  
Day Camp: 9AM-4PM  
Small Fry: June 8-12  
Horse Lovers I: June 15-19  
Horse Lovers II: June 22-26  
Mommy & Me: June 22-25 (9AM-12PM)  
Intermediate: June 29-July 3  
Overnight Riding Adventure: July 13-17  
Horse Lovers III: July 27-31  
Contact: Betsy Webb/Denise Ridgeway,  
502-244-7667

### BIGGINS STABLE

Simpsonville, Kentucky  
Day and Overnight Camp: June 22-27  
Contact: Renee Biggins, 502-722-5068

## BLUE WILLOW FARM

Versailles, Kentucky  
Day Camp: 9AM-3PM  
June 22-26 (all ages),  
July 20-24 (all ages)  
Contact: Andrea Steponaitis/  
Julie Kaufman, 859-873-2339,  
www.bluewillowfarm.org

## WALNUT WAY FARM

Simpsonville, Kentucky  
Day Camp: 9AM-3:30 PM  
June 15-19 (day camp)  
July 27-31 (day and overnight camp)  
Contact: Suzanne Human,  
502-633-6311 (farm),  
www.walnutwayfarm.com

## PREMIER STABLES

Simpsonville, Kentucky  
Advanced Camp: June 22-27  
Day Camp: 8:30AM-3PM  
June 16-19 (ages 8 & over)  
July 14-17 (ages 8 & under)  
Contact: Katie Case or Sarah Byers,  
502-722-5737

## SHADOW RUN

Nicholasville, Kentucky  
Option of overnight or day attendance  
June 27-July 1, August 1-5  
Contact: Nancy Becker or  
Stephanie Sedlako, 859-881-9588  
(stable), 859-881-0942 (home),  
www.shadowrunllc.com

## SIGNATURE STABLES AT ROCK CREEK RIDING CLUB

Louisville, Kentucky  
Day Camp: 9AM-4PM  
June 22-26 (ages 10 and under)  
July 20-24 (ages 10 and under)  
July 6-10 (ages 11-17)  
Contact: Michelle McMahan,  
502-893-7792,  
www.signaturestablesandfarm.com

## ZUBROD STABLES

Prospect, Kentucky  
Day Camps: 10AM-4PM  
June 22-24 (all ages)  
July 27-29 (all ages)  
Overnight Camps by appointment  
Contact: Cindy Zubrod, 502-228-3377

## LOUISIANA

### CASCADE STABLES IN AUDUBON PARK

New Orleans, Louisiana  
Day Camp: 9AM-3PM (before & after  
care available)  
June 1-5, June 8-12, June 15-19,  
June 22-26, June 29-July 3, July 6-10,  
July 13-17, July 20-24, July 27-31,  
August 3-7  
Contact: Elise Hagenow, 504-891-2256,  
inquiry@cascadestables.net,  
www.cascadestables.net

## MICHIGAN

### EXECUTIVE FARMS

Grand Blanc, Michigan  
Day Camps: 8AM- 12PM  
June 22-25, July 20-23, August 10-13  
Contact: Jodi Higdon, 810-636-7000

## NORTH CAROLINA

### CASH LOVELL STABLES

Winston Salem, North Carolina  
Day Camp: 9AM-1PM  
Little Tots 3-5 Year Olds: June 29-July 1  
Beginner to Intermediate: July 6-10 and  
July 20-24  
Contact: Parker Lovell, 336-971-9388,  
parker@cashlovellstables.com,  
parklv9@aol.com

## HERITAGE FARM

Winston Salem, North Carolina  
June 22-24: Day Camp 9AM-12PM  
July 6-9: Day Camp 9AM-2PM  
August 1: Day Camp 10AM- 5PM  
Contact: Anne Allred, 336-784-8419,  
www.TheLessonBarn.com

## OHIO

### LOST FORTUNE STABLES

London, Ohio  
Day Camp: 9AM-4PM  
June 23-25  
Contact: Colleen Martin, 614-374-6149

## TENNESSEE

### CAYLOR STABLES

Chattanooga, Tennessee  
Day Camp: 8AM-12PM  
Advanced Camp: July 8-10  
Intermediate Camp: July 15-17  
Beginner Camp: July 22-24  
Contact: Kathy Caylor, 423-894-4722

## TEXAS

### SGF WINNING WAYS FARM

Houston, Texas  
Day Camp: 9AM-3PM  
Youth Camp: June 29-July 3, July 13-  
17, July 27-31, August 3-7  
Contact: May Chadick, 281-357-1573,  
sgfwww@sbcglobal.net,  
www.sgfwinningways.com

## VIRGINIA

### WINDY HILL STABLES

Monroe, Virginia  
Camps throughout the summer.  
Please call for dates and times.  
Contact: Carolyn Folkers, 434-386-4350

# Junior Judging

To hold a Junior Judging event, contact Brenda Newell at (859) 259-2742, Ext. 343 or e-mail [b.newell@asha.net](mailto:b.newell@asha.net)

## RIVER RIDGE HORSE SHOW

APRIL 22-25, 2009

### Ages 13 & Under

1. Monica Tolliver
2. Michelle Haley
3. Selena Quintana
4. Erin Wilbur

### Ages 14-17

1. Alona Vrona
2. Emily Gillespie
3. Jackie Tighe
4. Hannah Nelsen
5. Lauren Becks
6. Reba Whitacre

## 2008 MICHIGAN JUNIOR JUDGING ASHAM HIGH POINT AWARDS

**Champion:** Cassidy Dolby

**Reserve:** Libby Wicker

## ASHAM HORSE SHOW

1. Cassidy Dolby
2. Jenna Daniels
3. Libby Wicker

## SWARTZ CREEK

1. Krystal Murphy
2. Cassidy Dolby
3. Katie McAuliffe

ASHAM High  
Point Reserve  
Champion  
Libby Wicker



The Junior Judging winners at the Swartz Creek Horse Show show off their prizes.

## 2008 IASPHA YEAR-END RESULTS

### Ages 13 & Under

1. Alexandra Fischer, Elgin, IL
2. Monica Caporelli, North Aurora, IL
3. Allie Tanzillo, Bartlett, IL
4. Cole Allen, Kankakee, IL
5. Melissa Sells, Kankakee, IL
6. Laura Tovar, Delafield, WI

### Ages 14-20

1. Corie Allen, Kankakee, IL
2. Claire Mogren, Sycamore, IL
3. Caroline Stephenson, Wheaton, IL
4. Alyssa Tanzillo, Bartlett, IL
5. Lissy Wedell, Batavia, IL
6. BriAnne Sells, Bourbonnais, IL

## 2008 NATIONAL ACADEMY FINALS

### Ages 13-17

**Champion:** Arielle Clauser, Amherst, VA

### Ages 12 & Under

**Champion:** Gabrielle Clauser, Amherst, VA  
**2. (Tie)** Emma Cook, Birmingham, AL  
 and Rachel Wamble, Helena, AL

3. **(Tie)** Caroline Lowe, Columbiana, AL  
 and Morgan Rasnake, Bluefield, VA
4. Morgan Alley, Tazewell, VA
5. Ashlyn Seagle, Chelsea, AL
6. Maddie Blankenship, Tazewell, VA

## National Academy Championship Junior Judging Grand Champion:

Gabrielle "Gabbie" Clauser, Amherst, VA

## IASPHA SPRING WARM-UP CLOVERDALE, INDIANA MARCH 21-22, 2009

### Ages 13 & Under

1. Brooklyn Glavach
2. Cole Allen
3. Sydney Savage
4. Amanda Glavach
5. Brooke Huhn
6. Hadley Shapland

### Ages 14-17

1. Corie Jean Allen
2. Marissa Marron
3. Stephanie Koener
4. Alyssa Wedell
5. Kristin Rhodes



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**March 18-22:** Pin Oak Charity Horse Show, Katy, TX, Beth Snider, (502) 314-7960, bethandscott@kih.net

**April 8-11:** Oklahoma Centennial, Oklahoma City, OK, Scarlett Mattson, (270) 547-2407, scarlett@bbtel.com

**April 22-25:** River Ridge Charity Horse Show, Columbus, OH, Barbara Dunham, (740) 259-4239, shosec1@aol.com

**May 13-16:** Asheville Lions Club Benefit, Fletcher, NC, Ray Cloninger, (704) 489-2000, kcloninger@aol.com

**May 28-30:** Nebraska Charity Horse Show, Lincoln, NE, Sue DeBoer, (402) 553-7699, sqr9@aol.com

**June 16-20:** Midwest Charity Horse Show, Springfield, IL, Judy Kjellander, (217) 793-0670, judybkj@aol.com

**June 16-19:** Charity Fair Horse Show, Del Mar, CA, Harriet Landrum, (805) 968-9304, hipharriet@hotmail.com

**June 24-27:** Tanbark Calvacade of Roses, St. Paul, MN, Sally Snyder Tesch, (763) 559-4896, sstesch@juno.com

**June 24-27:** Syracuse International, Syracuse, NY, Julie Kritzler, (315) 736-1928, wkritzler8799@mybluelight.com

**July 16-18:** Denver Queen City Horse Show, Denver, CO, Stacey Kipper, (303) 619-8699, stacey0975@aol.com

**July 21-25:** Blue Ridge Classic Horse Show, Fletcher, NC, Liz Holmes, (919) 563-5992, lizholmes@mebtel.net

**October 15-18:** Calvary Episcopal, Columbia, MO, Lenard Davenport, (417) 864-5310, lendavenport@prodigy.net

**October 22-25:** Mid America Mane Event, Springfield, IL, Cheryl Rangel, (847) 537-4743, tracesct@aol.com

**November 17-21\*:** UPHA / American Royal, Kansas City, MO, Paulette Orth, (816) 569-4019, pauletteo@americanroyal.com

**\*Finals to be held at the American Royal.**

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