# JUNIOR JUNIOTION

SPRING/SUMMER 2017

AMERICAN SADDLEBRED HORSE ASSOCIATION YOUTH

#### **ASHA Youth Photo Contest**

ASHA also recognizes the artistic side of our junior members through our annual ASHA Youth Photo Contest. Photographs of a living American Saddlebred horse are to be taken by an ASHA junior member. (Sorry, no model horses!) You may submit as many photographs as you like, and awards are given in two age divisions, 13 & under and 14-20. So, ready, get set, shoot! Send in your photo before November 30. Contact Brenda Newell for your entry form by e-mailing b.newell@asha.net.

#### Rules

All entrants must be ASHA junior members age 20 years or under by November 30.

Photographs must be the entrant's own work and must be taken by the youth member, not an adult. All photographs must be of a living American Saddlebred horse.

Entries will not be returned. They will become the property of ASHA and may be reproduced in any manner by ASHA for publication, promotion, display, or distribution.

All photos must be 8 x 10, unmatted and unframed. All digital images should be submitted on disk or e-mailed to b.newell@asha.net. Please indicate in the subject line: Photo Contest Entry. Digital entries must be sized to approximately 8" x 10" and saved in .jpg format at medium compression with a resolution of 300 dpi.

You may submit as many photos as you like; however, a separate entry form must be taped to the back of each photo or included with disk or e-mail. Only one entry per contestant will be awarded a prize.

Photos will be judged on creativity, originality and quality of photography. Judging will take place at ASHA, and winners will be notified no later than December 31. No entry fee.

Two age divisions, 13 & under and 14-20.

Photo may include individuals as well as other props. If photo includes a person(s), that person(s) must give written consent and sign waiver on entry form.



"Casting Shadows" Division: Age 14-20

Madison DoCabo, Huntersville, NC

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#### FEBRUARY 17-18, 2016 CLARION LEXINGTON NEWTOWN

#### **FRIDAY**

#### **REGISTRATION BEGINS AT 4:30**

6:00 Pizza Party

7:00 A roundtable of adults who grew up in Youth Clubs share their experiences and where they are today

8:00-10:00 Games

#### **SATURDAY**

| 6:30-8:00  | Breakfast (hotel complimentary breakfast)  |
|------------|--|
| 8:30       | Buses leave for field trip to Simpsonville |
| 9:30-10:30 | Rose Stables                               |
| 11:00      | Monnington Farm                            |
| 12:00-1:30 | Lunch hosted by Marc of Charm &            |
|            | Riverdreams LLC                            |
| 2:00       | Buses depart for Lexington                 |
| 7:00-11:00 | ASHA Youth Gala                            |



# GROWING SADDLE BRED

# FRIDAY NIGHT ACTIVITIES

n February 17, over 200 youth and adults arrived at the Clarion Hotel Newtown in Lexington for the annual ASHA Youth Conference. At check in, the youth received tee shirts and backpacks filled with goodies including a book written by Linda Wallen titled "The Horse Trainer's Daughter" and magnets which were donated by the Minnesota Saddlebred Horse Association, and went along with our theme of "Growing Up Saddlebred". Shortly after our Friday evening activities began with a pizza party. Next in line, was the panel discussion on "Growing Up Saddlebred" which included two former ASHA Youth Scholarship recipients and one Frank Ogletree recipient. Alex Browning and Sondra Warren both ASHA Youth Scholarship Award recipients talked about growing up with horses and how the ASHA Youth Scholarship helped them to achieve their career goals. Kaelyn Donnelly was a Frank Ogletree recipient and rode with Betsy Webb Stables, where she and Sondra were in the club together and have remained friends. Sondra is now employed at Legacy Saddlebreds. Kaelyn has her own design company, Kaelyn Donnelly Design

& Marketing. She has designed the tee shirts we have given out at the youth conference for the past three years! Alex received his degree in Marketing, and comes back each year to help us with the conference. After the discussion, we started Minute to Win It games, but not without a surprise first for the adults. Everyone was divided into teams and we announced that the adults would get to play this year. So each team picked an adult and they didn't realize until they were in the center of the room, and Alex brought out the inflatable bouncy horses, that they were going to be in a horse show! The youth were timed and had to make a bun for their rider, then design and make either a riding coat and hat or a vest depending on if the rider had shown in a suit before. They were all very creative! The show began as they went around the "ring" on their horses with announcer Germaine Johnson calling for walk, trot, and canter and the line up with the crowd cheering! The winner of the first class was Nancy Brannon and the second class winner was Sarah Tompkins. We had some door prizes to award, then we began the Minute to Win It games. There was a lot of excitement and prizes awarded.







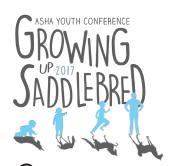












# ROSE STABLES

aturday morning we left the hotel on four charter buses for Simpsonville. Our first stop was Rose Stables where we were greeted by Gerhardt, Sarah and "Little G" Roos with a continental breakfast and given the opportunity to name a foal that should be arriving soon. The foal is out of Dance the Dance and Undulata's Nutcracker. Once the decision is made, ASHA will send out the announcement. Some door prizes were given, as well as each child receiving a gift upon arrival. First on the list of horses previewed for us was Seven Spanish Angels ridden by Gerhardt. This horse is owned by Grace Cutting and will be shown in the Park Pleasure Jr.

Exhibitor division this year. Next was Roselane's Nite Show who won Reserve this year at Louisville in the County Fair Walk Trot class. After a drawing for door prizes, Kaleigh McCarty rode Volpaia for us. Volpaia will debut this year in the Jr. Exhibitor Five-Gaited Show Pleasure division. Caramel Popcorn who was the In Hand World Champion for 2016 was the next horse Gerhardt brought out to show us. Copper and Kings was ridden by Alayna Applegate who hopes to show him this year in the Park division. Last to be shown but no less from the cheering section was Andrew Nader on three year old, Say Amen Again.





















# MONNINGTON FORM

e then loaded the buses and traveled down the road to Monnington. Carolyn and Gary Koch owners of Marc Of Charm were our very gracious hosts for lunch. Upon arrival, we were greeted with drinks and a very elegant cheese board. The barn was totally transformed with nicely decorated tables and a wonderful spread for lunch in the center of the arena. But the icing on the cake, was the candy store they had built at the end of the arena for the youth to "shop" for their desserts. The candy store featured a rotating tower of assorted cupcakes, bowls and bowls of candies, hot chocolate and flavored coffees. It was treat for all! After lunch Lionel came out on Marc Of

Charm and I think everyone in the room had cold chills! The crowd was cheering, clapping and lots of pictures being taken as Lionel rode Marc around us. Marc was definitely in his element! Afterwards, the youth were given signed posters, and were given the opportunity for a group photo with Marc. The ASHA Academy Awards were also presented during the luncheon with many in attendance to accept their award. For more on the Academy Awards program go to www.asha.net/clubs/youthawards/ After the visit to the candy store for dessert, we loaded the buses to go back to the hotel to prepare for the ASHA Youth Awards Gala. There was still talk about the visits the next day at breakfast!













# YOUTH AWARDS GALA

The ASHA Youth Awards Gala featured a Kentucky themed buffet followed by the presentation of our youth awards and the ASHA Youth Club Awards. Following the awards presentation, well even before the music started, the kids were on the dance floor! Our DJ, Jonathan Scott played a variety of music for the youth to dance. During the dance, Brenda Newell was throwing out more door prizes onto the dance

floor, with the youth all into trying to catch a prize! It was nearing the end and the youth were still begging for more music! It was an awesome weekend, a reunion of old friends and making some new, lots of award recognition, educational activities and lots of fun. This was the third year the Youth conference has been stand-alone (separate from the ASHA Annual Meeting) and continues to grow with this being the highest in attendance! Thank you so much to all of our sponsors who helped make this a success!











## FRANK OGLETREE YOUTH AWARD 2016

#### Caroline & Eleanor Rainbolt-Forbes, Oklahoma City, OK

This award honors one youth each year who has exhibited a sportsmanlike attitude throughout his or her show career. Nominees must be active ASHA Junior Members who have demonstrated participation and achievement within the show ring, exhibited positive personal characteristics, as well as having served as true role models for their peers.



#### SHOWMANSHIP AT HALTER-2016

NATIONAL HIGH POINT WINNER Shelby Balmas, Stanfield, NC

HIGHPOINT REGIONAL CHAMPIONS

REGION 6 REGION 9 Camryn Mallery, Goodrich, MI Shelby Balmas, Stanfield, NC

#### ASHA YOUTH AWARD-2016

AGE14-20 AGE 13 & Under Ashley Jeppeson, New Market, Ontario, CN Kendall Kelledy, Phoenix, AZ

#### JUNIOR JUDGING HIGH POINT AWARDS-2016

KENTUCKY AGE 14-20 AGE 13 & Under

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#### ASHA YOUTH PHOTO CONTEST-2016

AGE 14-20 AGE 13 & Under Madison DoCabo, Huntersville, NC Kendall Kelledy, Phoenix, AZ

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FRANK OGLETREE YOUTH AWARD 2016
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# USEF JUNIOR HIGH & HIGH SCHOOL EQUESTRIAN ATHLETE PROGRAM

The Junior High & High School Equestrian Athlete program is open to equestrian athletes in all breeds or disciplines who are enrolled in grades 5-12, and are USEF members. The program will honor junior high & high school equestrians who document their training and competition involvement by awarding patches and pins, which are designed to be worn as a symbol of achievement.

Let everyone know you are a USEF Junior High or High School Equestrian Athlete and wear your patch and pins with pride!





#### **ALABAMA**

#### **ROCKING S FARM**

GRACE DIKEMAN- SILVER KAITLYN SHEBS- SILVER

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ELLISON LANG- BRONZE JENNIFER MITCHELL GOLD- GEORGIA

#### **SOUTHERN LEGACY STABLES**

**EMILY EGNER - BRONZE** 

#### **CALIFORNIA**

#### **WALLEN WEST FARM**

FALLON MIESLER- BRONZE

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JENNA PEGRAM- BRONZE
KIM HUTCHISON- SILVER
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ASHLEY STEGALL- SILVER
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SAMANTHA TISO- BRONZE
OLIVIA BAILEY- BRONZE
PAMELA TRUTER- BRONZE
AVA CASSIDY - SILVER
RILEY GOAD- SILVER
KAITLYN GASKILL- SILVER
ELLA NELMS- SILVER
MAREN WALSH- SILVER
REBEKAH CHITWOOD- GOLD

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| All results must be submitted to ASHA by October 31, one month following the end of each complete award year (October 1-September 30) | by October 31, one month following the | e end of each complete a | ward year (Octol | oer 1-September 30) |

Return to: ASHA 4083 Iron Works Parkway, Lexington, KY 40511 FAX: 859-259-1628

Riding Instructor/Youth Club Advisor

# A S H A A C A D E M Y 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 - 5 points

Compete level 2 or 3 - 10 points

Participate in ASHA International Youth Program

Earn a Badge – 5 points

Enter an 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:   | MEM  | MBER NUMBER:            | TOTAL POINTS EARNED:                                    |  |
|---|--|-------------------------|---|--|
| ☐ Participate in the ASHA   | from the following list. All po<br>Annual Meeting or Youth Cor | nference – 5 points     | ination of no less than 3 different activities total.   |  |
|   | ılt Judging contest – 5 points                                 |                         |   |  |
|   | s:   |                         |   |  |
| ☐ Enter the ASHA Youth P  | noto Contest – (entries recei                                  | ved by November 30 of a | ward year) – 5 points                                   |  |
| Give a speech to a Youth Name of Organization and I                     | Club, organization or class eader/teacher:                     | about the American Sadd | dlebred – 5 points                                      |  |
|   |  |                         | arn, concessions) – 5 points                            |  |
| ☐ Be a member of an ASH<br>Name of club:                                | A Youth Club – 5 points  |                         |   |  |
|   | erapy riding program – 5 po<br>ontact:                         |                         |   |  |
| Kentucky State Fair, etc.) -  | 5 points   | •                       | er camp, assist with donation for ASHA Youth Auction at |  |
| Participate in ASHA Saddle  ☐ Level 1-3 – 5 points                      | -  |                         |   |  |
| Participate in ASHA Interna ☐ Earn a badge – 5 points Name of badge(s): | tional Youth Program   |                         |   |  |
|   | anship competition – 10 poin                                   |                         |   |  |
| Complete a level of ASIYP  Level 1 – 5 points                           | ☐ Level 2 – 10 points  | ☐ Level 3 – 15 points   | s   |  |

Please attach additional sheets as necessary to record activities.



# NEW AWARDS AND LEVELS

20 Hours-Level 1-certificate and Saddle Time window cling

50 Hours-Level 2-certificate and Saddle Time cup

100 Hours-Level 3-certificate and Saddle Time cap

150 Hours-Level 4- certificate and Saddle Time tee shirt

200 Hours-Level 5-certificate and tablet bag

250 Hours-Level 6-certificate and plaque and feature in Junior Junction





# ASHA SADDLE TIME RIDING PROGRAM APPLICATION

American Saddlebred Horse Association ● 4093 Iron Works Parkway ● Lexington, KY 40511 (859) 259-2742 ● FAX (859) 259-1628 ● E-mail saddlebred@asha.net

#### Rider Information

|                                  | Maci Information                |             |
|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------|
| Name:                            |                                 |             |
| Address:                         |                                 |             |
|                                  |                                 |             |
| ASHA Number (must be current mem | ber):                           |             |
|                                  | Enrollment Fees                 |             |
|                                  | Fees                            | Amount Paid |
| Levels One through Three         | \$20.00                         | \$          |
| Levels Four through Six          | \$20.00                         | \$          |
| TOTAL ENCLOSED                   |                                 | \$          |
|                                  | Method of Payment               |             |
| Chec                             | k Payable to ASHA, Mastercard o | or Visa.    |
| Credit Card Number:              |                                 | Exp. Date:  |
| Print Name:                      |                                 |             |
| Signature:                       |                                 | Date:       |
|                                  |                                 |             |



#### **SADDLETIME 2017**

#### **NEW ENROLL**

Julia Alster Liza Aronson Morgan Ballentine Kendall Barrett Anna Beasley Victoria Belpedio Hannah Broughton Sara Carrillo Kate Chambers Hannah Champion Isabella Charon Emma Cook Finn Cooper Stella Dillard Samantha Dunn **Emily Egner** Sara Evans Kylee Gibby Erika Greeson Amalia Hanley Emma Grace Hardin Laney Henley Emma Holowiti George Howard Blair Huff Alexandra Hughes Eden Hughes Nicole Jackson Ashley Juneac Hannah Karlick Kendall Kelledy **Audrey Kim** 

Tatum Luevano Demi Macadam Grace McDonell Grace McFarland Lucy Mellema Rachel Hilts Ella Manssen Fallon Miesler Shannah Moore Samantha Nelson Katelyn O'Laughlin Laurel Pack Madison Reed Lilly Raye Riggins Nicole Rodriguez Danielle Rogers Lilliana Romero **Emily Saczek** Sausha Saunders Ellie Schmidt Jade Schweickert Allison Smith Elena Smith Brenna Smith **Emma Soucy** Christina Spiliotis Nissa Sultan Faith Tittle Jessica Traft Mary Trexler Alexandra Varveris Ariana Varveris Erica Vrabec

Gena Wright
Sydney Young
Taylor Young
Tyler Wenzel
Michele Ziegler
Connor Zieman

#### **LEVEL 1**

Lauren Amos Lauren Amos Elizabeth Banks Carolyn Baker Sara Baker Libby Bowen McKinsey Denney Amber Esch Sarah Esch Stella Frechette Paige Greeson Piper Hales Sara Honeycutt Brooklyn Kapella Kali Lachner Gabrielle Lowell Jackie Mayor Maddie Mayor Sophie Mears Anna Merola Lizzy Miller Grace Mize **Emily Moorefield** Allie Poovey Isabel Richman

Emma Robinson Morgan Robinson Camryn Silverton Elizabeth Stewart Isabelle Walters Emma Katherine Warren Halle Workman Anthony Wilkins

#### **LEVEL 2**

Madison Austin Bjorn Brinkley Camille Brinkley Scarlett Brinkley Stephanie Bush Alexa Dahl Paige Greeson Carrie Hester Bella Hocker Kristina Leverett Asher Mabe Elizabeth Marshall Kaeli McCarty Kennedy Pfafman **Brooke Phelan** Liam Purtle Emmi Randolph Lilliana Romero Laney Shafer Lorelei Shafer Emma Soucy Ramsey Trask Laura Wood

#### **LEVEL 3**

Isabelle Andresen Chloe Ball Shelby Balmas Samantha Bannister Mercedez Bohigian **Emilie Dorrestein** Ava Girton Maria Gudger Claire Hankins Drew Mallery Erin McNaughton Emma Phelan Samantha Rankin Anna Sanders Kamryn Smith **Emily Vicari** 

#### **LEVEL 4**

Brooke Keadle Maya Spindler

#### **LEVEL 5**

Jordan Bartosiak Nicole Bigelow Madison DoCabo Marissa Franklin Laura Plant

#### **LEVEL 6**

Bella Hodge 4/4/2017 Brianna Tolkacz 1/20/2017 Brittany Wendt 10/18/2016 Isabelle Fuchs 5/31/2016 Allison Burt 5/31/2016 Macy Blake 3/15/2016 Sydney Beason 3/15/16 Carmen Gonzalez 1/16/2016

#### How it works

Participants keep track of the time they spend riding. Owning a horse is not a requirement to participate. Special Saddle Time awards will be given when you complete various hour levels.

#### **Saddle Time Rules**

Must be a current and active member of ASHA.

Levels one through three do not have to be accumulated on American Saddlebreds.

Levels four through six must be earned on registered American Saddlebreds.

Time recorded begins upon ASHA's receipt of enrollment fee. There is no time limit as long as membership stays active. Hours are recorded on the official hours log report by the honor system. Hours required for each award are cumulative.

Ownership of horse is not required.

Hours will count in the following activities: trail riding, lessons, parades, drill teams and non-recognized events/shows. Hours will not count in the following activities: USEF recognized events/shows, competitive trail rides, endurance rides, driving, grooming and hot walking.

#### Saddle Time Awards

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#### **ASHA Saddle Time**

# **BELLA HODGE**

What is your name, how old are you, and where do your live?

My name is Bella Hodge, I am 13 years old and live in Keene, Kentucky.

What are the names of your parents/guardians?

Max and Sonya Hodge are my parents. I have three younger sisters: Lilly,

Mary Mabel and Estella.

What grade are you in, and what is the name of your school?

I am in the 8th grade at West Middle.

How long have you been riding?

Before I could even crawl, I sat on a horse, and have been taking lessons for almost 8 years.

Who is your instructor, and where is he/she located? .

My trainers are Larry Hodge, Kelly Self and Danny Lockhart at Kalarama in Springfield, KY. Lillian Shively in Harrodsburg, Kentucky and Stephanie Brannon in Nicholasville, Kentucky are my instructors.

How long did it take to earn your hours?

It has taken me a little over two years to complete Saddle Time.

What types of activities were completed in order to earn your hours (lessons, trail riding, etc.)?

My hours were earned through the following activities: lessons, shows, ride behinds, trail rides and even a parade ride.

What did you like about participating in the Saddle Time program?

I liked participating in the Saddle Time program because it challenged me to set and achieve goals while working toward the various levels.

What do you like most about the American Saddlebred horse?

American Saddlebreds are awesome. I love everything about them, especially their power, motion and versatility!

Who is your favorite horse and why?

Two Sweet to Kiss is my favorite horse because of her presence and style in and out of the show ring. My grandfather is her trainer and has been showing her in the Open Five-Gaited division for the last several years. I have gotten to see him develop her since she first arrived at Kalarama into one of the top challengers for the Five-Gaited World's Grand Championship.

Do you participate in other horse programs? (example: 4-H, ASIYP, etc.)

I love attending and participating in ASHA Youth sponsored activities from judging to art/photo contests, to golf cart decorating and youth conferences! The past two years, I've lettered and continue to participate in the USEF Equestrian Athlete Program. I volunteer with the University of Kentucky Saddleseat Team as well as the Wingswept Walktrots Youth Club. I am a junior member of the Woodford Hounds/Long Run Hounds ( a fox hunting club)



#### **ASHA Saddle Time**

# BRIANNA TOLKACZ

What is your name, how old are you, and where do your live?

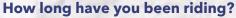
Briana "Brie" Tolkacz, I'm 15 and live in Centennial, Colorado

What are the names of your parents/guardians?

My parents are Tom and Kari Tolkacz



I am a freshman at Regis Jesuit High School



I started riding a Western horse named Trouble when I was 3.

#### Who is your instructor, and where is he/she located?

I ride at Parker Valley Farm with Tom and Jamie Volz. They are awesome!

#### How long did it take to earn your hours?

I started tracking hours in 2013

What types of activities were completed in order to earn your hours (lessons, trail riding, etc.)?

Lessons, trail rides, camps, clinics and riding for fun.

#### What did you like about participating in the Saddle Time program?

I am very goal oriented and once I started I was determined to finish!

#### What do you like most about the American Saddlebred horse?

Their grace, style and their personalities! All American Saddlebreds are fun and amazing!

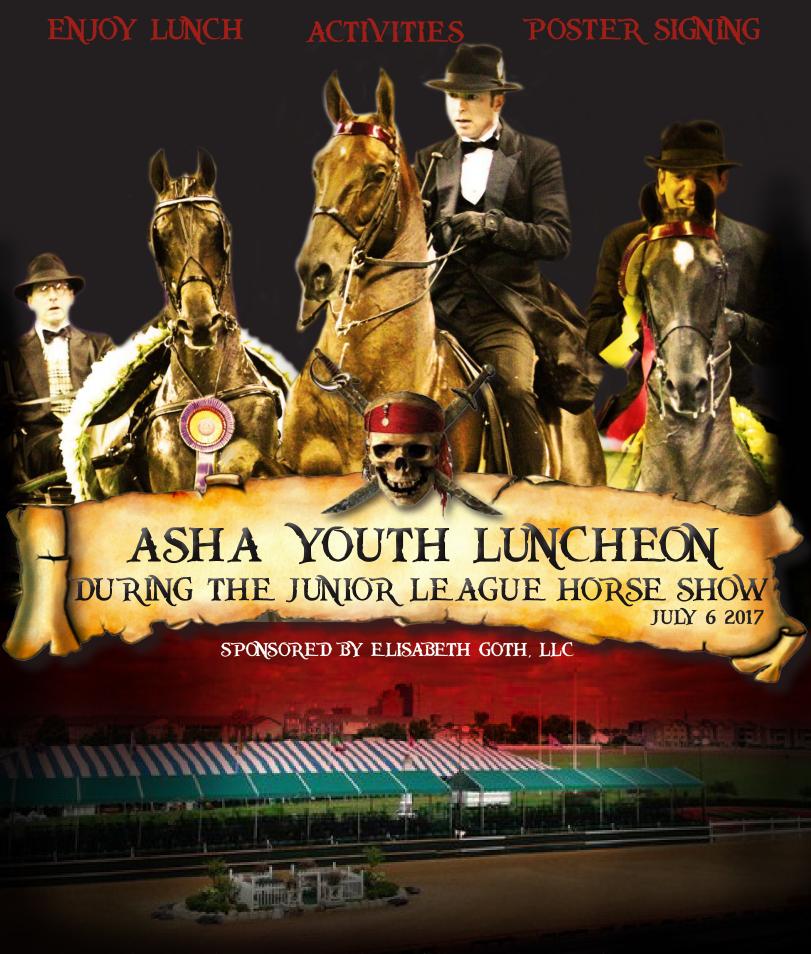
#### Who is your favorite horse and why?

One of my favorites is "Max". He is no longer with us but I still feel his presence.

#### Do you participate in other horse programs? (example: 4-H, ASIYP, etc.)

I am also a member of the Colorado American Saddlebred Horse Association and the PVF Pony Pals Youth Club. I was voted Juvenile Sportsperson of the Year in 2015 and Juvenile Volunteer of the Year in 2016 by the Colorado American Saddlebred Horse Association. I volunteered at Parker Valley Farms over the past three summers assisting with horse camps for beginner and intermediate riders. I was also Vice President of the PVF Pony Pals in 2016. Our club focuses on supporting our teammates, volunteering and supporting local causes and providing fun team building activities.





Join us in the Round Barn at the Red Mile following the Thursday Morning Session

## 2017

## ASHA YOUTH DRIVING CHALLENGE SCHEDULE

**MARCH 16-19** 

**MARCH 31-APRIL 2** 

APRIL 6-9

**APRIL 27-30** 

**APRIL 27-30** 

**MAY 10-13** 

**MAY 19-21** 

**MAY 20-21** 

**MAY 25-28** 

**JUNE 1-3** 

**JUNE 2-4** 

**JUNE 13-17** 

**JUNE 28-JULY 1** 

**JUNE 28-JULY 1** 

**JULY 6-8** 

**JULY 12-16** 

**SEPTEMBER 1-3** 

**OCTOBER 6-8** 

**SEPTEMBER 8-10** 

**OCTOBER 19-22** 

**OCTOBER 27-29** 

**CAROUSEL CHARITY HORSE SHOW** 

CHILDREN'S BENEFIT HORSE SHOW

**DIAMOND JUBILEE HORSE SHOW** 

**DES MOINES SPRINGFEST** 

**BIG D CHARITY HORSE SHOW** 

**UPHA CHAPTER 5** 

NY STATE HORSE BREEDERS HORSE SHOW

TASHA SPRING CLASSIC

**MADISON CLASSIC** 

NEBRASKA CHARITY HORSE SHOW

SUMMERFEST HORSE SHOW

MIDWEST CHARITY HORSE SHOW

SYRACUSE INTERNATIONAL HORSE SHOW

TANBARK CALVACADE OF ROSES

SANTA BARBARA NATIONAL

DENVER QUEEN CITY HORSE SHOWNRETOUCHE

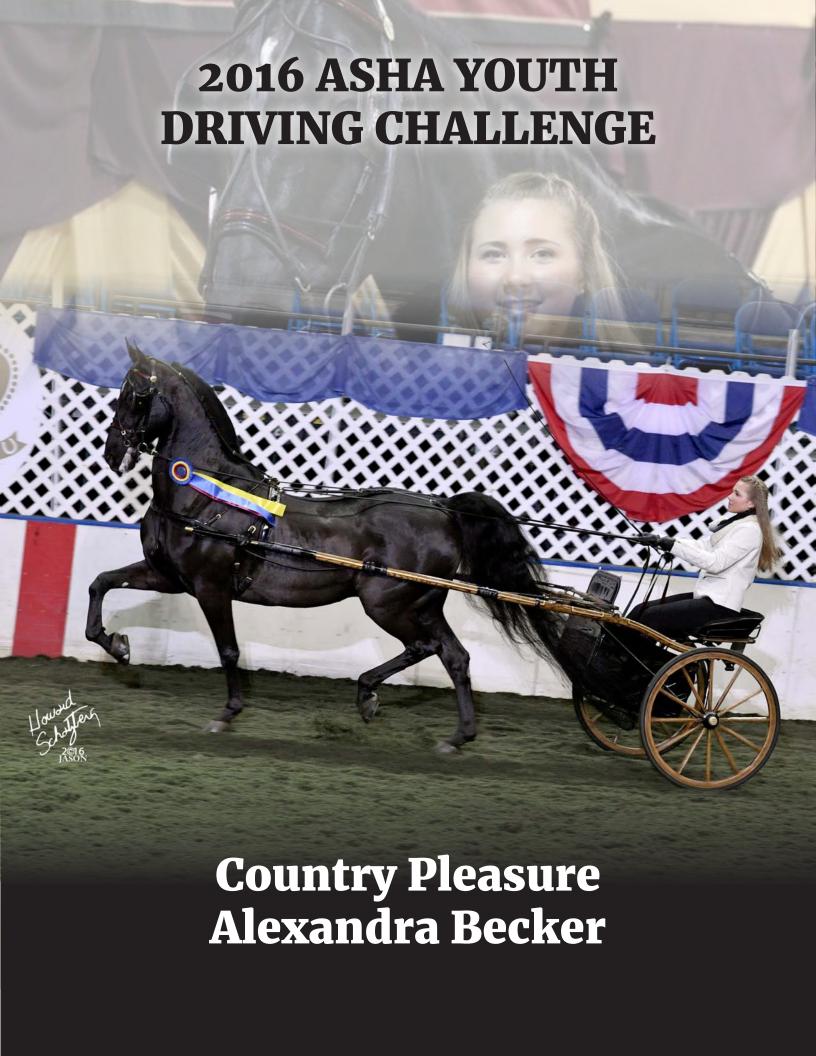
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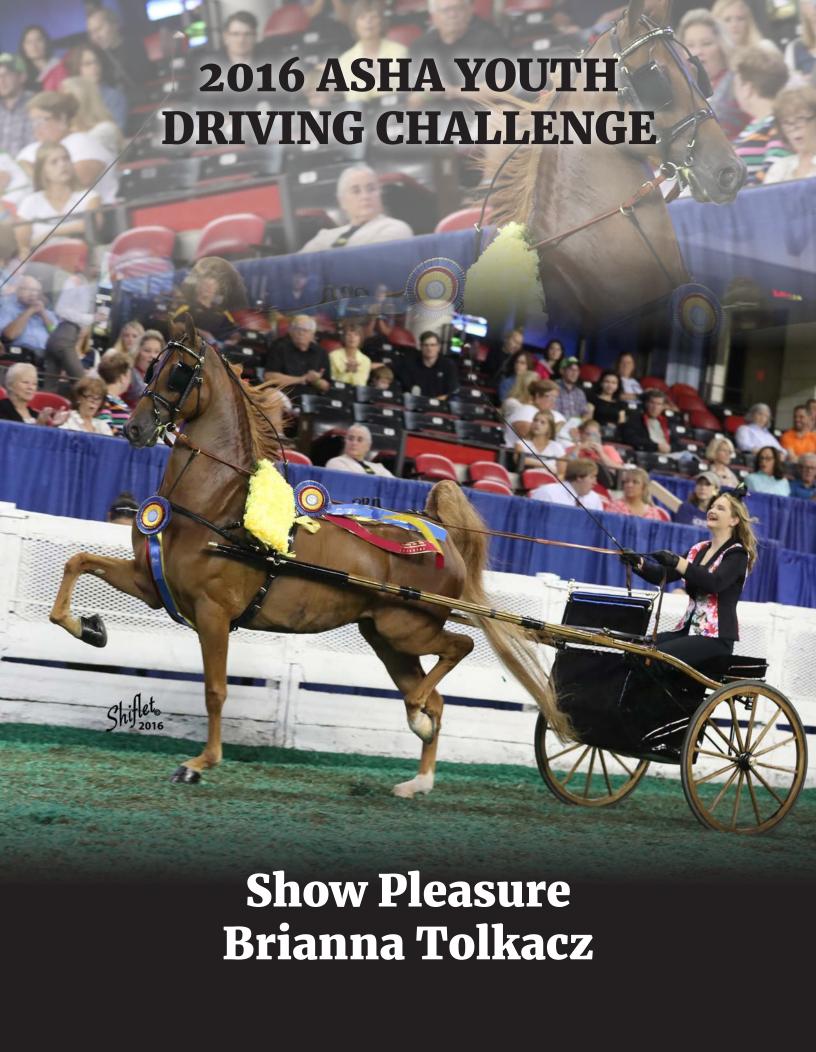
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**CENTRAL STATES FALL CLASSIC HORSE SHOW** 





#### CLUB HAPPENINGS .....

#### **ABBY ROAD**

Since starting our
"Achievements
Challenge" in 2016, Abby
Road Riders, Peculiar,
Mo., have really stepped
up their game. Sarah
Krueger, Instructor,
created an incentive
program for riders to
push themselves further
not only in horseback
riding skills, but



showmanship skills and the ability to demonstrate knowledge in grooming, tacking and equipment. Certificates and prizes are awarded as each level is achieved. Congratulations to the following 1st Quarter Riders!

















#### **BIGGINS BRIDLE BUNCH**

Simpsonville, KY By Renee Biggins

It's been a fun, exciting and busy year for the Biggins Bridle Bunch youth club. We have grown in membership and have been very active in the community. The winter club meetings and activities included "Adopt a County Road", winter tournaments, snack sales, fundraising and service projects. The KASPHA Awards banquet was very popular as well as the ASHA Youth convention. Biggins Bridle Bunch was recognized for Outstanding History at the Convention. Several members received medals as well! The group had a great time on the field trips, and dancing the night away at the Youth Gala! The winter Youth club meetings were informative, educational and fun filled (and even candy filled Pinatas).

Spring has brought about excitement for the show season to begin. We kicked things off at the Spring Warm-Up show in Cloverdale, IN then next at the KY Spring Premier in Lexington. Both shows were very successful for several members. We are always eager

to learn and Do our best! The Youth participated in a barn wide fun show which included Egg and Spoon, Pole Bending and Ride-A-Buck classes. The Corn Cob class was a funny one too! May will be busy at the Shelby County Fairgrounds with several members showing in both performance and Academy classes.

The Youth club has many plans for this year including, Summer Camp, the ASHA Scholarship ride-a-thon, The World Championship Horse Show at the KY State fairgrounds, Jr. Judging, a canned Food Drive for Operation Care, collecting for the Humane Society, Christmas party, caroling on Horseback and Silent Auction benefitting the Home of the Innocents. Many more activities, parties and service projects are in the works this year! It's going to be another great year at Biggins Stables!







#### CHEVAL SADDLE CLUB

Peculiar, MO By Kelly Abbott

The Cheval Saddle Club has spent much of this wet winter planning for our upcoming spring and summer events! The girls set a goal to ride their horses in local parades this year instead of riding in a float as we've done in the past. So, we had a local clinician put on a two-part Parade Series for the girls to get their horses ready to be part of the upcoming Gilroy Memorial Day Parade. With all the rain California had this winter, we had to re-schedule both dates due to the weather, but the girls had a lot of fun learning how to prepare their mounts for this exciting activity! They were all given homework to practice after the clinic to ensure their horses would be ready for the excitement of being in a parade.

Most of this winter's club meetings were spent planning our June Horse Camping trip to Rancho

Oso in Santa Barbara, CA. Club members have been setting dates, choosing activities, and creating a fundraising plan to make this trip happen. The girls decided to make their fundraiser into a fun equestrian activity, so we will be having a Ride-athon! Instead of going out on the trail for the Ride-a-thon, they decided to stay at the ranch and set up arena activities and a trail course. They have planned different Play Day activities for the arena, and have been busy planning and building the trail obstacles for the back pasture.

The girls are currently collecting pledges for the Ride-a-thon on Saturday, May 27th. The proceeds will help pay for our Horse Camping trip and parade supplies. The club has also decided to send a percentage of the proceeds to support the ASHA Youth Scholarship fund.

We are looking forward to our Ride-a-thon, the Memorial Day Parade, our Summer Horse Camping Trip, and much more this summer!



#### **EQUITATE EQUESTRIANS**





### Spring 2017

Equitate, LLC Ixonia, Wisconsin

2016 Oconomowoc Christmas Parade

The officers, members, and families of the Equitate Equestrians Youth Club of Equitate, LLC in Ixonia, Wisconsin have had an awesome winter and start of spring!

We started the season off with our bi-annual participation in the Oconomowoc Christmas Parade. Members along with the rest of their families were able to come out and enjoy the fun!



This year we had lots of riders participate as little saddlers, "leadline riders" riding stick horses, or just walking along side everyone

else handing out candy canes to all of our admirers. This years parade started out later than usual, with it already being dark by the start of the parade, we were able to incorporate lights into our float and even onto



horses blanket! After the parade, participants as well as others gathered back at the barn for a Christmas potluck and games for many more hours. Needless to say, it was a night to remember!

More recently, we hosted an Easter egg hunt for all of the children in the barn. Over 300 eggs were filled and hidden with candy, as well as special

"glitter" eggs that had exciting toys inside!



With spring quickly coming to a close, we are planning our first highway clean-up of the year and are already planning for our summer barn show coming up in august where we plan to host some exciting fundraisers to benefit various charities! No matter what we are very excited for the year ahead!

#### **GREENWOOD FARMS RACK STARS**

Ankeny, IA By Erica Zielin Wurm

Greenfield Farm's Rack Stars started the year with a bowling party for our monthly Friday Fun nights - monthly get-togethers for youth, and open to their friends and family. May's event is tie-dying Greenfield Farm t-shirts to wear at Summerfest in June. We have lots of other events planned for this year, including field trips and educational sessions.

Our youth group is making candy jars to sell at horse shows, open houses, and various community events.

The money earned will go toward our youth group's 125th year Youth Scholarship donation, supporting a horse rescue, and building a fund to supplement travel expenses for our youth attending the annual Youth Conference. They've been very popular so far :-)

Greenfield Farm had attended two shows so far this month, the Spring Tune-Up and Des Moines Springfest. Our youth group was represented by riders in divisions ranging from leadline, to 5-gaited show pleasure!















#### HIGH CALIBER HOT SHOTS

Greensboro, NC By Lauren Blue

The High Caliber Hot Shots have enjoyed a busy start to 2017! They celebrated the new year by being part of the Ride Into the New Year Overnight Camp, where they enjoyed challenges with silly string and glow sticks in addition to a midnight toast on horseback, creating a group skit and group lessons with Mary. The American Saddlebred Association of the Carolinas was held February 10th and 11th in Concord, NC, and many of our Hot Shots were in attendance to participate in the ASAC Youth activities and accept awards in both the Academy and Performance Divisions, including the ASHA Academy Award Medals.

Later in February, the Hot Shots hosted the Mid Atlantic Saddlebred Event to raise money of Make-A-Wish of Central and Western NC. Hot Shots helped sell raffle tickets, volunteered at the booths, kept the auctioneers organized and promoted the Saddlebred and High Caliber Stables to the public in attendance.

This special evening raised over \$10,000 for Make-A-Wish of Central and Western NC. The Mid Atlantic Saddlebred Event kicks off the High Caliber Adult Camp weekend, where High Caliber hosts over 40 adults from all over the country for a weekend full of riding and activities. The Hot Shots are an integral part of the camp running smoothly and our many lesson horses getting cared for during the busy weekend.

Right after Adult Camp ends our show season begins -and with almost 20 Academy riders, we rely on our experienced Hot Shots to help our Academy Saturdays stay organized. For the week of St.

Patrick's Day, there was a special "Pot of Gold" with fun prizes for riders wearing green, including the lucky "Pick Your Lesson Horse" coin! The Hot Shots helped support local Easter Egg Hunts by providing Easter Eggs they filled with toy horses and free riding lesson coupons. We are enjoying the warmer weather and are looking ahead to the fun-filled summer of camps and horse shows!











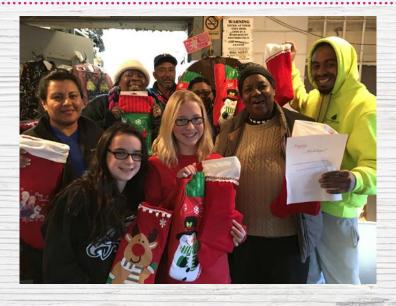
#### CLUB HAPPENINGS .....

#### **HEAD OVER HOOVES**

Raleigh, North Carolina BY: Beth Richman

The Head Over Hooves Youth Club made the holidays much brighter for kids in need in Raleigh, North Carolina. We held a collection at the farm for children's stocking stuffers so that we could make stockings for the Helping Hand Mission in Raleigh. Helping Hand Mission assists families in need on a one-on-one basis with food, clothing, furniture and shelter. We collected enough candy, hair accessories, socks, gloves and of course toys to make 40 stockings! The staff at Helping Hand were all smiles when we delivered them!









#### LEGACY EQUESTRIANS

Winston Salem, NC By Ashley Pate

Our first youth club meeting was on February 5, 2017. At that meeting the kids watched the documentary movie called Harry & Snowman with popcorn, soda and snacks! The kids learned a little about the other side of the horse world involving rescue, which many knew nothing about and how just because one person gives up on a horse, it doesn't mean that you have to or that the horse isn't worth anything anymore. The kids were very touched by this movie.

On February 10-12, Legacy Saddlebreds took 9 of our Legacy Equestrians Youth Club members to the ASHA Youth Convention in Lexington, Kentucky to accept their Academy medals from the 2016 Show season! Our group had a fabulous time touring the barns and participating in the convention and we also took them to the American Saddlebred Museum while we were there and the Kentucky Horse Park! The kids, and adults all had a blast and couldn't believe that American Saddlebreds have been used for so long and in so many different ways! They were excited to hear from the staff that an American Saddlebred was coming to the Kentucky Horse Park Hall of Champions for retirement and the next week when we got home we found out it was CHBono!

2017. This meeting was a Community Service Project for the Legacy Equestrians. The youth club invited kids from the Baptist Children's Home to come out and learn about horses. The kids got a tour of the lesson barn and training barn, learned how to groom, lead and take care of a horse and learned a little bit about the American Saddlebred in general. The youth club was very humbled by this experience and excited to be able to teach their knowledge of horses to other kids.

At the Raleigh Spring Premier Horse Show we helped raise money for ASAC and ASHA Youth by selling tee shirts and having a Meet and Greet in our Barn area with the American Saddlebred "Picasso" from the American Girl Movie "Saige Paints the Sky". We also that same day had a "Tape your Trainer" event to raise money for ASHA Youth. Kids and Parents paid \$1 per strip of tape to tape their trainer to the barn wall and enjoyed every minute of it!

Our upcoming Events include our Legacy Saddlebreds Fun Show and Kentucky Derby Party which is on May 6th and we are attending the Festival of the Horse in Monroe, NC on May 21st. In July we will be taking our older Legacy Equestrians to TN for a trail ride excursion weekend while our younger ones go to Ogburn Stables for a fun trail riding day!















#### CLUB HAPPENINGS .....

#### THE RACKIN RIDERS

Davison, MI By Billie Mallery

The club kicked off the year with a grand holiday party on New Year's Day at Taylor Creek Stables. Great food was enjoyed, and a silent auction was held for the Rackin' Rider's Horse Art project...the artwork was on display gallery style, of a "painting" made by each of the barn's horses. 52 pieces in all! It took the Rackin' Riders 2-3 months to complete the art project. Every piece sold, and the money raised went to the club treasury for future projects.

The January meeting focused on what to do for minor injuries/emergencies, colic, and what the normal respiration, pulse and temperature is for a horse. The members got a hands-on demonstration of how to find these.

In mid-January, several of the members attended the ASHAM Awards Banquet, where they had a nice dinner, the awards ceremony, and finished the evening with dancing to D.J. music.

Also in January, an educational field trip was well-attended at the Saginaw Valley Equine Clinic, where a seminar with several areas of equine care were highlighted, including horse dentistry, de-worming programs and reproduction.

In February, our group was honored at the ASHA Youth Conference with 3 Awards: Youth Club of the Year, Outstanding Achievement in Promotions, and Outstanding Achievement in Meetings & Programs. Congratulations Rackin' RIders!

Also in February, emphasis on education: Horse Show Learning Series Part 1. Sena Bowling and Lauren Greenwald explained all the different show divisions with an intense seminar and demonstrations of each style of riding. The youth came away with a new level of understanding about what they are watching in the show ring, and will continue to build on that knowledge throughout the year.

March: Horse Show Learning Series Part 2, with the "Stock Your Caboodle" meeting. Beginning riders were shown what was needed to come to a show all prepared. Products were available for purchase from hairspray to makeup, and everything in between! And drawings were held for a few items to add to their collection. We also made elastic pant cuffs for all the members.

The Taylor Creek Winter Fun Show was held in March. This show gave the opportunity to the youth (and parents as well), to judge alongside the official judge. Scoresheets were handed out for those who wanted to test their knowledge of the different divisions. The Rackin' Riders also ran a bake sale in the lounge. The show was a real success, and the members are looking forward to the Academy Shows coming up this summer.

Grand Opening: Wes and Sena Bowling will be running the lesson/academy program in an additional location. A grand opening party is planned for early summer at Silver Lake Stables in Linden, MI. It's an exciting adventure as the Rackin' Riders group will soon be growing!

July 4th Freedom Festival Parade in Fenton, MI. Plans are underway to take some of the beautiful Saddlebreds through this very popular parade, while passing out literature about the new Silver Lake Stables lesson program, Rackin' Riders Youth Club, and the American Saddlebred in general. This will bring exposure to a whole new audience for Taylor Creek Stables and The Rackin' Riders.

Amidst a busy show season, many more activities have been planned for the year. We will continue working hard to promote the wonderful American Saddlebred, as Youth Club of the Year!





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#### **WALLEN WEST GOLDEN SPURS**

Temecula, California by Fallon Mieseler

Wallen West Golden Spurs have had a busy year! This has been the first full year having our youth group, the Golden Spurs. We really have enjoyed coming together as a youth group, not only in our activities but as a busy and exciting time in the show ring.

Wallen West Golden Spurs had the opportunity to set up a booth at Galway Downs and promote our wonderful American Saddlebreds in October. We brought along two of our horses showing the differences between Academy and Performance riding, the crowd loved it. Wallen West headed to the California Futurity in Las Vegas. The Golden Spurs sold show bows to raise money for our club. We also volunteered our time to help with the haunted stalls set up by Bonnie Farris for all the kids to enjoy We participated in the costume class dressed as the Wallen West Circus with our trick Saddlebred, Someone Pinch Me performing on the teeter totter. Kendall Kelledy and Ashley Jeppesen went on to the Royal in Kansas City, enjoying meeting new people and the overall Kansas experience. The beginning of December brought us back to Del Mar, California to enjoy the Jingle Bell Horse show. Many of our riders showed and placed well, but more importantly had a lot of fun doing it. Wallen West was Reserve Champion for best decorated tack room. For the first time, Wallen West brought members of the Golden Spurs to attend the ASHA Youth Conference. We visited the American Saddlebred Museum and shared the experience with our barn family face timing them from Kentucky to share the bronze of Dick Wallen. The Golden Spurs, along with many others had the amazing opportunity to tour Rose Stables and Monnington Farm. We were warmly welcomed into their barns and shown many outstanding American Saddlebreds. Lionel Ferreira rode the remarkable WGC Marc of Charm and it was a memory that will remain with us all, as well as receiving my bronze Academy Award at Monnington Farm. Riverdreams LLC provided everyone an incredible brunch complete with a sweet shop that was out of this world. The Wallen West Golden Spurs received awards at the conference which



included; Ashley Jeppesen - High Point award 14-17 and Kendall Kelledy - High Point Award 13 and under. Kendall was also awarded for taking the winning photo for the ASHA Youth Photo Contest for 13 and under. We were all very proud that the Wallen West Golden Spurs won the Membership award that night as well! We met a lot of wonderful people and had an incredible trip with memories to last a lifetime.

We recently had the addition of our newest American Saddlebred to our barn, RWC Pennyrile, owned by the Kelledy Family. Pennyrile arrived while we were in Kentucky, and Kendall was in for the surprise of her life when she opened her stall. We are so excited to have another American Saddlebred at Wallen West Farms.

In March, we participated in the Carousel Charity Horse Show in Arizona. It was really special for me personally as Carousel was my first time showing out of Academy. I had the privilege to ride American Saddlebred, Lismore's Felix the Cat in the show ring. While there, Ashley Jeppesen and I both participated in this years Elizabeth Goth Driving Challenge. While in Arizona, the Wallen West Golden Spurs visited the Arizona American Saddlebred Foundation. Catherine Gottschalk and her husband, Barry introduced us to many of their American Saddlebreds and explained how they help repurpose the American Saddlebreds to do other things once they retire from show life. We brought them towels and treats for the horses and spent some time learning about the great work they are doing for these American Saddlebreds, who we love so much. In April, we attended the Diamond Jubilee Horse Show, in Del Mar. Two of our Golden Spurs, Kaitlyn Jackson and Kendall Kelledy, both received awards. Kaitlyn was Reserve Champion SCHC ASB Junior Champion with her horse, My Minuet and Kendall was Reserve Champion SCHC Walk/Trot award with her horse Schroeder.

We are preparing to go to the Spotlight Horse Show next month in San Marcos, CA. We are really proud of how far the Golden Spurs have come in our first year and look forward to all the great things ahead!



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#### TRINITY TROTTERS

Clayton, IN By Mary Lynn Foster

Our Trinity Trotters attended the ASHA Youth Conference in February as our big trip for the year so far. In March they gathered and did some junior judging at the IASHA Spring Warm-up lead by Katie States. Katie gave a presentation on what to look for in classes and the group 'judged' several classes to see how their judging stacked up to the show judge. Lots of learning and a great opportunity for the club when they participated in the barn tours during the ASHA Youth Conference. Great memories!!









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#### THE PRIDE AT LION HEART RIDING ACADEMY

Jefferson City, Missouri BY Katie Coup

We were busy this winter with trips to the Columbia Public Schools' Adventure Club- we even took two horses to one of the schools so kids could actually pet a Saddlebred! We are also preparing for the Boone County Historical Society Barn Tour in October, which will bring dozens, if not hundreds, of people to our farm. Our Drill Team is hard at work creating a new routine to demonstrate and we'll have lots of fun activities for kids.

