



## Your TDF Update: December 2017

Maya Angelou said, "When we give cheerfully and accept gratefully, everyone is blessed."

During this holiday season, we are grateful to know donors who give cheerfully and generously, and also to have so many grant recipients who gratefully and graciously accept those gifts. Thanks to all of you who have made our year a wonderful one!

[Make your donation today](#)

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### \$10,000 Awarded to U.S. Dressage Instructors

The 2017 Major Anders Lindgren Scholarships have been awarded to Heidi Chote, Ali Perkins, and Eliza Sydnor Romm. Recipients will use the funds to train in a concentrated amount of time in order to improve teaching, riding, and training skills.

[Read more about the recipients.](#)

Photo: Eliza Sydnor Romm, credit to High Times Photography



We invite YOU to become a  
Sustaining Partner of  
The Dressage Foundation

**Sarah Martin,  
Sustaining Partner of TDF:**

"In a world where your day is made up of doing what you want to do most- ride and teach, be in the presence of horses all day - I HAD to become a monthly donor to TDF! For as little as \$10 a month...are you kidding? Pay it forward to keep balance in your life, and know the amazing education TDF enables is helped a tiny bit (or a lot a bit) by you!"

**Pay it forward with your monthly donation.  
Support TDF and see how you can impact  
dressage on ANY level!**



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## TDF Awards Grants for USDF/USEF Young Rider Graduate Program

Congrats to the eight young professionals who have received grants from the Captain Jack Fritz Young Professionals Fund! Recipients will use the grants to attend the USDF/USEF Young Rider Graduate Program held in Florida in January.

[Read the News](#)

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## We Want to Hear from YOU!

Jenny and Jane from TDF had a great time at the USDF Convention earlier this month. It was wonderful catching up with grant recipients, donors, and volunteers alike. If you didn't hear about our strategic plan survey, now is your chance to let your voice be heard and change the future of American dressage!

[I want my voice to be heard in this 5 minute survey.](#)



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## Tax Advantages of Stock Gifts

This year, with the U.S. stock market at record highs, you may have highly appreciated stock. Did you know that you may be able to take a tax deduction for the full market value of the current high price if you donate stock to TDF? This is a terrific time to consider this option! Contact Jenny Johnson at 402-434-8585 or [jenny@dressagefoundation.org](mailto:jenny@dressagefoundation.org) for details on how to donate stock. (Please consult your tax professional for more information on tax advantages of stock gifts.)



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## He's Only Just Begun - A Century Club Story

"My daughter, Sara, and Miss Madison have both been kind and patient teachers. Moreover, I developed a rapport with Miss Madison, whose high energy level and intense work ethic made it fun for me to learn dressage. Sara jokes that Madison and I are cut from the same cloth - completely unaware of the numbers that are somehow our ages, and still enthusiastic to go that literal extra mile. Dressage took me back to my younger days riding in Arizona, but now with a whole new set of skills. Best of all, I got to learn it all from my wonderful daughter, though I expect she'll be saying 'Hey Dad, you've only just begun!'" - Robert Roberson and Miss Madison (NY), Century Club Team #321 [Meet TDF's Century Club Members](#)  
Thanks to all of the Century Club sponsors, including [Platinum Performance!](#)



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## Upcoming Grant Deadlines

Upcoming grant application deadlines include:

2/1: Continuing Education for Instructors Fund

2/10: Carolyn Van Cise Fund for MI Youth and Young Adults

2/15: Karen Skvarla Fund for Young Professionals

[View the List of TDF Grants and Deadlines](#)



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