

NODA News

A full-page photograph of a rider on a brown horse with a white blaze, performing in a dressage arena. The rider is wearing a light blue polo shirt, white breeches, black boots, a dark helmet, and sunglasses. The horse is in motion, and the background shows a wooden fence and trees.

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Celebrating 50 Years



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Second Monday of the Month
Panera Bread, 6130 Kruse Road, Solon

NEXT MEETING

October 14, 6-8 pm

Greetings from the President

Hello Everyone,

October is here but the weather hasn't really noticed yet. Yes, some leaves are turning, and nights can be chilly, but we have had some nice warm sunny days! My furnace hasn't had to kick on and that really is a plus!

The last **NODA schooling shows weekend** includes the October 5th NODA Schooling Dressage Show and the October 6th 2019 NODA Schooling Show Series Championship at Chagrin Valley Farms. I wish for everyone successful and fun rides . . . fun in a good way!

Remember after your last show to submit your scores for applicable **NODA Year-end Awards**. *You must apply for an award or scholarship to have a chance to win it.* Visit www.nodarider.org/YE-Awards.htm for complete awards list, criteria, and competition report form. With only four (4) NODA Bucks earned in 2019, you can apply for numerous awards. **Deadline to apply is October 14!** Don't miss your chance to shine and win awards at the annual NODA Banquet Celebration on November.



President, Barb
Soukup & Hero



HELP WANTED! We are actively seeking a qualified candidate to be our next NODA webmaster, e-News Editor, and Facebook Co-Administrator. Since 2006, Linda Cooley, has managed our website, e-News, and Facebook page. In November, she will be retiring from these volunteer responsibilities. If you would like to be an integral contributor to the success of NODA, AND you have website design/creation/webmaster experience – this job is for you! Learn more at www.nodarider.org/Volunteer-Opportunities.htm.



On October 26th and 27th, USDF L Education Program, Session C will be held at Topline Stables at Waldon in Aurora. USDF Instructor will be Sue Curry Shaffer. Auditors Are encouraged to attend. Pre-registration is required. Session C details at www.nodarider.org/Education.htm.

The end of September left us with some sad news. NODA Member and past President, Dagmar Zimmerman, passed away. ([See page 8](#)). Dagmar had many accomplishments, and she was very special to NODA. Our November NODA News will feature an article. Please keep her family in your prayers. (Right: Dagmar receives the 2014 NODA Lifetime Achievement Award from Fran Cverna)



It's NODA Election Time for the 2020/2021 term. Voting for the NODA Executive Board will take place in October. You can vote ONLINE on the website or by US Mail. Please be sure to take the time to vote!

**Take care and Happy Halloween!
Barb**

Cover: Holly Taylor and Benedictine IHF owned by Debra Smith, were Second Level Open Champions with 70.357% at the July NODA Recognized Shows Weekend. They also placed 5th at the 2019 Great American/USDF Region 2 Dressage Championships at Waterloo Hunt Club, Grass Lake, Michigan. Photo courtesy of Sabine Walker

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Annual Awards Banquet

NODA invites you to celebrate their
golden anniversary and awards banquet with them.

Invitations to follow via US Postal Mail

Buffet Brunch, Awards, Raffles, Freebies, Silent Auction and Fun for All!

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24, 2019 • 11 AM TO 2 PM

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RSVP Kindly respond by: November 1, 2019

Names: _____

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Recipients' signatures will be required for all revolving trophies.

If you think you may win a year-end award and cannot attend the banquet, we ask that you make
arrangements to have your award/ribbon picked up that day.

Silent & Chinese Auctions

We will be auctioning some amazing items/baskets.

You will not want to miss out on the bidding! Check or Cash only

Raffle Ticket Opportunities

Renew your NODA membership at the banquet and get a free Raffle Ticket!

Support The Geauga County Dog Shelter located in Chardon and get a free Raffle Ticket!

Raffle tickets for NODA Membership Sign-up and for donations to the Geauga County Dog Shelter will be
used for special drawings throughout the event.

Donations for Geauga County Dog Shelter

We are asking our banquet attendees once again to kindly remember our canine and feline friends in need by
bringing much-needed supplies for The Geauga County Dog Shelter located on Merritt Road in Chardon,
Ohio. There will be a convenient spot set up at the banquet to drop off your donations.

The Geauga County Dog Shelter is a no-kill shelter. Their wish list includes canned/dry dog and cat food,
treats, laundry soap, bleach, paper towels, blankets, sheets, towels, leashes, collars, medical supplies, cleaning
and office supplies, printer paper, fine-tip dry erase markers, and of course, cash and kennel sponsorships.

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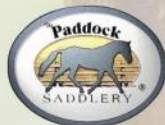
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NODA Members Will Vote for Officers for the 2020/2021 Term

Members Will Vote On-Line for 14 days from October 21st through November 3rd

NODA Parliamentarian Dee Liebenthal opened nominations for the officer positions of the NODA Executive Board for the two year term beginning January 1, 2020 at the September 6 Annual Open Board Meeting at the Point East Condo Association, Beachwood. Executive positions include the president, vice president, treasurer, and secretary. Nominations were also accepted for the five director at large positions.

Slate of Candidates

Executive Board:

President, one to be elected

Janice Lawrenz
Niki Sackman

Vice President, one to be elected

Rachel Aderhold

Treasurer, one to be elected

Dee Liebenthal

Recording Secretary, one to be elected Patti Valencic

Director at Large, five to be elected

Christine Thompson
Mary Lou Gallagher
Dale Lappert
Kathy Kirchner
Arielle Brodkey



NODA members will be voting for the 2020/21 slate of candidates Online
Watch Your email and social media for additional information and notifications

Those members without an email will be mailed a Ballot

**Officers will be announced at the NODA Banquet on November 24, 2019
and begin their terms on January 1, 2020.**

Two Candidates Run for NODA President - Read Their Biographies

Term: January 1, 2020 through December 31 , 2021

Candidate for NODA President, Janice Lawrenz:

Although I've been riding since age 4, I began learning dressage as a Lake Erie College student in 1994. I'll admit, this former H/J rider hated it at first. But, I grew to love the precision of the sport, and the partnership that is created between horse and rider. My first horse, Ensigne, was an OTTB, and we progressed as a team from Training level through Intermediaire I. (The score wasn't the best, but I certainly didn't embarrass myself.) My current horse, Aidenandabettin (another OTTB), is currently schooling Second level. I try to balance my "barn time" with my "real job" of Surgical Technology Program Director at Lakeland Community College. I also stay current in my profession by scrubbing open heart surgery cases at Cleveland Clinic when I can!

What makes NODA great is the tradition of volunteerism among its members. By volunteering, I have learned a tremendous amount about our sport. I began volunteering in the mid-1990s at schooling shows, then at the recognized competition. I then got involved with the NODA Board, as Newsletter Editor. I was then elected to the Executive Board: I've served the NODA members as past Secretary, Vice President and

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President. I have also logged several years as manager of the NODA Recognized competitions. My volunteerism allowed me to be a past recipient of The Dressage Foundation's Gifted Scholarship (for Region 2), which I used for an intensive week-long clinic with Major Miguel Tavora. I have learned from great teachers and friends (not going to name-drop...you know who you are!), and I believe each of us can learn something from everyone we meet.

Past Executive Board member, elected to multiple positions over the years: Secretary, VP, and past President.
 Past Chair: Education, Newsletter Editor, Recognized Show committees.
 Organized many adult clinics and symposia, including Reg 2 Adult Symposium.
 Past NODA Recognized Show manager
 Competed through FEI levels
 Currently schooling second level with OTTB Aidenandabettin

Since 1969, we have built a strong, supportive and diverse community in Northern Ohio. As dressage riders, we have a camaraderie between professionals, adult amateurs and juniors, that I've not found anywhere else in the equestrian world. From the beginner taking their first dressage lesson to the seasoned FEI rider, our members support each other. We may be on different paths, but our destination is the same: betterment of horse and rider. I would like you to consider re-electing me as NODA President. I believe that with strong leadership, teamwork and transparency, we can maintain our strength and grow into the future.

Candidate for NODA President, Niki Sackman:

I first became a NODA member in 1994 for a short period of time. Then in 2007 I jumped in with both feet becoming very active in the organization and the dressage community. I started out showing and volunteering at most of the shows and my love of dressage and volunteering grew from there. I have served in many positions over the years and have a good understanding of the overall organization.

December 2007-2011	NODA Newsletter Editor (2011 USDF Award Winning)
2012-2015	NODA Vice President and NODA Recognized Show Chairman
2016-2019	NODA Director at Large
August 2017-current	NODA Schooling Show Secretary (7 shows annually)
2007-2019	volunteer at many shows, both schooling and recognized
2008-2009, 2012, 2013, 2017 to Present	NODA Schooling Show Committee
2008 & 2009 NODA	Recognized Shows Announcer
2009-2015 NODA	Recognized Shows, prepared show program and advertiser coordinator
2008 NODA	Recognized Show Silent Auction Committee
2010-2011	NODA Policies and Procedures Committee
2010 -2011, 2019	NODA Banquet Committee
2009-2010, 2016, 2017	Classical Attraction Dressage Society (CADS) volunteer
2012-current	The Dressage Foundation state representative for Ohio
2012-current	The Dressage Foundation's The Gifted Memorial Fund committee member
2012-current	Dream on Farm's schooling show manager (4 shows annually) & coordinated various clinics

My future goals include the desire to become a certified show secretary. I currently own an 18 year old American Paint Horse, Mercedes Colortyme (aka: Raina), who I have owned since she was six and have been blessed to compete her in both classical dressage through 1st Level and schooling 2nd Level and western dressage through Level 4 which is the highest level offered in western dressage. I also enjoy trail riding with her. I have owned many horses since childhood and grew up riding 4-H (all the disciplines) and then eventually hunters before discovering my love of dressage.

In my professional career I have worked for a municipal government for over 20 years and am a Master Municipal Clerk and serve as the city's records manager and document management software (OnBase by Hyland Software) system administrator. I oversee five boards and commissions, handle police and fire civil service testing, and work in the Department of Planning and Economic Development with a focus on urban planning and computer software. Prior to 1998 I had an interesting resume, owning my own landscape design and maintenance business; managing an A circuit hunter farm and professional groom; insurance claims; custom art framing; and yes, even this off the wall career – a mechanic for a Chevy dealer working on their rental fleet doing oil changes, exhaust jobs, brakes job and delivery processing of new vehicles off the car carriers and completed Chevy's Service Advisor program at the time. I'm definitely well-rounded and not afraid of a challenge or trying something new. I would love the opportunity to become NODA's President.

**Dagmar Zimmerman
Longtime NODA Member and
Supporter of Dressage,
Passed Away September 17, 2019**

Dagmar Zimmerman, NODA member of 47 years, has passed away. She was on the Board of Directors in 1973, was NODA President 1974-1976, was a Technical Advisor 1977-1979, President again 1980-1983, and Vice President 1984-1985. Dagmar received the NODA Lifetime Achievement Award in 2014.

Obituary; DAGMAR H. ZIMMERMAN (nee Druschky), age 78. Beloved wife of James; dearest mother of Karen Davidson (nee Zimmerman) (Richard); loving grandmother of Bryan Simcox (Monica), James Davidson and Joseph Davidson. In lieu of flowers, donations in memory of Dagmar may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105.

NODA expresses sincere condolences to Dagmar's family and friends and will honor Dagmar's memory and her contributions to dressage and the equestrian community in a future edition of the *NODA News*.



***Congratulations to NODA Members Competing in the
Great American Insurance Group/USDF Region 2 Dressage Championships
Waterloo Hunt Club in Grass Lake, Michigan
September 11– 15, 2019***

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Alexander Weeks**

Jr/Young Rider Spotlight

Valarie Grava Rides Her First Solo Dressage Test

Photos by Janeen Grava



Above left: Jr/YR, Valarie Grava, with her coach, Anne McClintock, rode her first solo dressage test, Introductory Test A , on her 6 year old Welsh Cob, RRF Minuit - Minnie, on Sunday, September 8 at Fair Winds Farm with a score of 62.188 %.



Above center: Valarie and Minnie were spotted out and about on the showgrounds; hand grazing, watching other rides, and enjoying each others company before preparing for their ride in the indoor arena under Judge Kerry Petty (r).



Above right: Val Celebrates with her parents, Janeen and Pete Grava, on the porch swing at Fair Winds Farm.

NODA celebrates all their Jr/Young riders. Share your successes in training and showing with your horse! Send photos in jpg format to mosie-editor@nodarider.org

2019 Fair Winds Farm Show Wrap-up

by Sally Burton, Schooling Show Chair

The Fair Winds show on Sunday, September 8, 2019, was a great success! The venue was well prepared and ready for us, the weather was perfect, the judges super informative and the volunteers were amazing- always ready to step in to do extra work.

We are very grateful to Sarah McEachern and the entire staff at Fair Winds for hosting us! Special thanks to our Judges, Sue Machin "L" and Kerry Petty "r", who were so helpful with comments and advice. Our competitors took having limited stabling with good humor and trailer tied their horses or brought a friend to hold them. This show was a pleasure from beginning to end.

We could not have a successful show without all of our volunteers

Many thanks to ring set up crew who came on Saturday: Lea and Marie Dornack, B.J. Hartman, Victoria Patterson-Pirko, Diana Shale, and Linda Toll.

To our show crew: Rachel Aderhold, Arielle Brodkey, Erin Clark Amy Craig, Diane Jackson, Kathy Kirchner, Janice Lawrenz, Nancy Ludwig, Alyssa Moran, Molly Reeves, Beth Scalabrino, Jennifer Tulleners, Barb Tuskas and Taya Workum-Byers.

And finally a big thanks to everyone who stayed after to tear down the rings: Erin Clark, Halle Clause and Mark, Sarah Freeman, Judy Jacobsen, Alyssa Moran, Victoria Patterson-Pirko, Linda Toll, and Jennifer Tulleners.

We love our volunteers and are so thankful for everyone who pitches in, big or small we couldn't do it without you!

See you at the October 5-6 Schooling Show Championship Weekend!



Northern Ohio Dressage Association



SILENT AUCTION DONATIONS & ADVERTISING OPPORTUNITIES

2019 NODA Celebration and Awards Banquet

Sunday, November 24

Holiday Inn, Independence Ohio

Silent Auction Donations may be in the form of cash, individual item, service, or gift basket. For additional donation information or questions, contact Patty Keim, Banquet Committee Chair, at SilentAuction@nodarider.org or (330) 350-2775.

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- "Thank You" from the podium at the Banquet
- "Thank you" Listed in the January Newsletter

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\$200 - \$299 Donation Value

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NODA's annual Schooling Show Prize list provides Advertisers with six months of advertising throughout the show season. There are over 400-500 prize lists printed, mailed and available at local stables and tack shops. The online version with your AD is will also be accessed often throughout the show season. The prize lists are shared with other equestrians and used as a reference throughout the show season.

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SUBMISSION DEADLINE October 26

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2019 NODA ANNUAL BANQUET CELEBRATION



** SILENT AUCTION CONTEST **

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For Your Stable, Organization, Family, Or Friends

- **Donate an ITEM or BASKET to the Silent Auction**
- **Donor of the item/basket which brings the highest profit (Price Item Purchased For - Value of Item) wins a Pizza Party valued up to \$250!**



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Adult Amateur Spotlight

Heidi Miller

My name is Heidi Miller. I'm co-editor of the *NODA News* and I have two horses. The one many of you have seen me on is Merlin, my Gray, full Arabian, who is 14hh.

I also own Tucker a.k.a. Got That Right, a sweet half Arab/half Saddlebred gelding who is 15.3 hh. I like to tell everyone that Tucker has 2 speeds; fast and mock 10 and that he also has ADD. It's always a struggle to slow him down, but dressage is good to keep his focus. I feel like Tucker's size also fits me better, but his speed just intimidates me. We are working on that and I have gotten better communication with him, which has helped our confidence as a team. As I am a timid rider, building confidence is important and my trainer, Anne McClintock, has helped me and has helped greatly with him. Unfortunately, finances have kept me from showing this year.

NODA celebrates all of our members and would like to share your training and showing experiences in our Member Spotlights! See the instructions below.



Heidi Miller showing her Tucker aka Got That Right, a Chestnut, 15.3 hh, half Arab/half Saddlebred gelding at the main ring at Randolph in 2017. Photo by Emily Bevan

Member Spotlight

photos and bios wanted

Hey, NODA Members!

Let's get to know each other
and our horses

Tell us a little about you and your horse.

Why did you get into dressage? What is your dream for you and this horse? Have you had a training or showing success you'd like to share? Have you had a fun experience others might enjoy?

Include your horse's name, age, breed, color, gender, and owner (if applicable) and your name as you would like it to appear in print. Please also include if you are a professional, adult amateur, young rider, or junior rider.

Keep your submission to **300 words or less, in word format**. Please also include a picture of you and your horse(s) which must be sent as JPG file. Be sure to include who took the photo. We will use a couple of them in the newsletter each month.



Send to Heidi-Editor@nodarider.org by the 10th of the Month (Submissions included as space allows.)

USDF L Education Program Part 1, Session B

Notes From a Silent Auditor

by Mosie Welch

Participants and silent auditors settled into their seats each morning in the theater at Walden Inn and Spa and during the afternoon of demo rides at Endeavor Farm in Hudson, Ohio to review “Gaits, Paces, Movements, and Figures.” Mornings were spent viewing and evaluating video movements and rides guided by USEF S Judge Trenna Atkins who is on the faculty of the L Education program and by Mike Osinski, FEI4*/USEF S Judge who is training to be an instructor for the L Education Program. Afternoons we were treated to demonstration riders who generously rode movements and full tests to be judged, discussed, and evaluated by program participants. Atkins started the day with an overview and advised participants to fully engaged in the program; ask questions, discuss, and learn – because there are no evaluations in Part 1 of the L Education Program. Then Atkins, assisted by Osinski spent two days providing an overview of gaits, movements, scoring and developing comments for Training through Second Level. I’m sharing highlights and will touch on what I learned about appreciation, too!

Some notes on gaits. Atkins emphasized that a “judge needs to judge the essence of the movement based on the quality of the gaits.” A horse that has purity and clarity of rhythm is sufficient and should score a 6. To get a better score, the horse must show some combination of improved freedom of the shoulders, suppleness, scope or amplitude, and reach or range of motion. That is why a 6 moving horse will rarely get more than a 6 on a “brilliant movement,” a movement requiring engagement and suspension, but “may get higher on non-brilliant movements” such as a halt, rein back, or turn on the haunches.”

The Free Walk and the Stretchy Circle took center stage and lots of time, yet again. Because stretching

is important, I will recap the discussion. Atkins stated that the point of the “Free Walk and Stretchy Circle is stretching the frame. Can the horse keep his balance while he puts his head and neck out with the throatlatch open.” In order to stretch the frame and use his back the horse must “be able to flex their hips and push from the hindquarters while using the front legs to maintain the lift of the shoulders and back.” High scores go to the swinging back and the lifting back. So, what are some of the common problems’ judges see in the stretch work?



Trenna Atkins, center and Mike Osinski, left discuss scores of the last test with L program participants while Patti Valencic warms Tony up for the next test ride.

When a horse is “behind the vertical or the nostril is behind the eye” the nuchal ligament is tight and the horse is not stretching. When the nuchal ligament stretches the distance increases between the wither and the poll. So, a short neck is often a failure to allow the horse to stretch and will often get the comment “allow stretch.” Sometimes a horse goes from “above the bit (in the work before the stretch) into contact and an overall gait improvement in the stretchy circle” which is also a sign that the rider is using too much hand in the other work. Sometimes a horse rushes into the free walk and falls on the forehand which is often a sign that “the rider is using the reins to manage the horse. Mike Osinski reminded us that” a clear stretch can still be too low if it restricts the shoulder and swing of the back.” The purpose is not neck stretch alone. Also consider the retake of your reins and try for a gradual collection of contact that makes it look like your horse is seeking the contact.

Lengthening and Medium Gaits: The reason a horse covers more ground in a gait is because of suspension or “how much time a horse spends in the air – suspension matters.” Judges look for “ground cover, suspension, no loss of tempo or rhythm.” When a horse lengthens, they do need pushing power in both the front and hind end—but where is the power going? Front legs must continue to lift the wither and back and propel the horse forward.

Remember, “over 50% of balance and forward movement is from the lift of the forehand.” The hind legs must push up and forward off the ground, propelling the horse over the ground. Do not reward a horse that is rushing and not pushing or going quick with no lengthening shown. A horse that pushes backward off the ground with hocks out is exhibiting “a loss of the lift of the shoulders, loses balance and the ability to carry weight and is not working over their back.” Remember, a clear transition is required at both ends of a lengthened gait— especially at second level.

A second level medium should “stretch through the neck, be fairly uphill, stay in balance, and show clear transitions before and after.” During a medium gait at second level, “the rider should try not to lose self-carriage and balance for a hurried medium. Building strength takes time. The “rocking horse look in the canter is a sign the horse is not in self carriage.” Atkins stated that “a rider should NEVER do full extended gaits except in a test.” They are hard on the horse. Atkins said if you want to build strength, “hill work really helps.” She also told us that In Europe lower level tests are competed in the short arena because “they don’t expect horses to be able to carry in a lengthening across the full diagonal – the USEF has tried to compensate by using short diagonals at the lower levels.”

Collection and Second Level: Second Level,” includes the entire Pyramid of Training, balancing aids, and transitions without hesitation.” Of course, it includes collection and Atkins said emphatically, on the subject of collection, “Read your rulebook!” She also told us collection has “less ground cover with pushing power that elevates each step higher overall with an accentuated cadence and a period of suspension.” The poll must be the highest point and participants should “use the nostril and eye as an indicator of vertical”. Collection with lack of straightness, or loss of balance, tilting head, behind the vertical, or a dropped back” indicate an avoidance of the difficulty” and the score must go down.

Appreciation: What struck me about this session was that both Atkins and Osinski, like Marilyn Heath who instructed session A, all who have judged national and international level riders, expressed a solid recognition and acknowledgement of what was positive in each horse and rider pair; on video and in person. The judges exhibited this not by giving away scores, but in how they approached scoring and commenting on movements and

tests. They also respectfully shared their scoring differences and reasoning – and truly, they were never more than a point apart. A common phrase when hearing the judges’ score and comment were the words, “I appreciate.” For instance, when judging a second level medium, one judge said, “I appreciate this horse has a fairly uphill medium and maintained the balance in the lengthening, but I have to lower the score because it took time to develop and the transitions in and out of collection are not clear.”

The judges also showed respect to the L Program Participants, whose comments and scores could be very high or very low as this is a learning program. The judges wanted to hear participants’ reasoning and made the point that a person must judge what they see from where they are sitting, but it should generally be within one point of other judges. Atkins said, in judging the axiom is,

“If you THINK you saw it – ignore it.
If you KNOW you saw it- mention it!”

Atkins and Osinski encouraged participants to develop a clear system of commenting on the essence of each movement in a test and what needs improvement so the rider can understand what they could go home and work on. In other words, “why didn’t the movement get a 10?” Then the judges encouraged participants to use the further remarks on the score sheet to say something kind or positive and offer any further improvements needed without teaching.

With this in mind, I went home and reread all my tests from this season- looking for how judges phrase their comments and what the judges “appreciated.” I reread comments such as, “Some good moments—work on your posting...” or “So much quality and potential! Get him more in front of your leg. You are working way too hard,” and thought it must be so difficult to stay upbeat while watching eager adult amateurs for eight hours at a time and remain positive while dispensing nuggets of concrete advice. As a silent auditor, I have come to recognize how challenging it is to judge a test in real time and respect the appreciation for each horse and rider that has been at the core of the L Education program. Come audit Session C, on October 26 and 27. Preregistration is required, see pages 16 and 17 of this newsletter.

The USDF L Education Program is designed with several goals in mind:

Provide trainers, instructors, competitors and spectators' insight into the evaluative techniques of judging dressage.

To prepare and evaluate candidates who wish to pursue entry into the USEF 'r' Judge Training Program.

To provide continuing education for licensed judges and L graduates.



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2019 L Education Program

Hosted by Northern Ohio Dressage Association

October 26th & 27th

"Basics , Collective Marks—Gaits, Impulsion, Submission and the Rider"

Instructor—Sue Curry Shafer * Session C—USDF#103126

Location—Topline Stables

1109 Aurora Hudson Rd., Aurora, OH 44202



Sue Curry Shafer is a USEF "S" Dressage Judge, and a member of the USDF L Faculty. She owns Fairwind Farm in the beautiful Wine Country of Santa Rosa, CA. Sue and her students have been successful for many years in all levels of dressage from Training Level to Grand Prix. Sue has been instrumental in helping many of her riders achieve their goals with multiple students earning their Bronze, Silver and Gold Medals.

She has competed at the FEI levels for over 20 years and has had multiple horses in the top ten nationally. Sue is a sought-after clinician and respected judge.

She has been assistant director for the USEF Para Equestrian Forum at the Dressage Affaire in Del Mar, commentator for both the Dressage Affaire and for the Dressage in the Wine Country. She's a successful breeder of Oldenburgs. Many of Donnerschlag's offspring are now competing through the FEI level.

Most importantly she is known for her empathetic and positive touch in bringing out the best in riders and their partners. Sue was published in Dressage Today's March 2014 Edition. In 2018 was awarded the prestigious Sonoma Horse Council Equus Award.

Why be a Silent Auditor?

NODA is offering a wonderful opportunity on October 26th and 27th for all riders, teachers coaches, trainers, barn managers, boarders, veterinarians, farriers, those who love horses, those who love dressage, those who are new to dressage, those who have been riding all their lives and anyone who seeks education and inspiration in their journey of riding.

The opportunity offered is to a silent auditor in the L Education Program with instructor Sue Perry Shaffer who will be teaching session C at Topline Stables October 26th and 27th. As an auditor, you will have the education and understanding of basics, collective marks, gaits, impulsion, submission and the rider of dressage and a taste of what judging dressage is all about. This is the third in a series of three sessions.

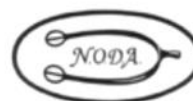
So why be a silent auditor? The answer to that question is why not. Why not surround yourself with like-minded people who all share in your interest? Why not educate yourself with an instructor who has a lifetime of experience and expertise in the world of dressage? Why not take advantage of knowledge and understanding of dressage at a level only offered through the L Education Program? Why not take advantage of this program at a venue that is in your backyard and that has graciously offered their support? Why not invest two days of your time to come away with invaluable education and pearls of ideas to inspire your love of dressage? Why not set aside 2 days for a life changing weekend?



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LUNCH INCLUDED

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Saturday, October 26, 2019 Sunday, October 27, 2019

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Print Name _____ Date _____

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Nick Wagman Receives TDF's Patsy Albers Award

The Dressage Foundation has announced that Nick Wagman is the recipient of the 2019 Patsy Albers Award, established in 2012 in special remembrance of Patsy. The \$1,000 award provides financial support for continuing education and training to a High Performance rider.

Nick Wagman of San Diego, California, and Don John, an 11-year-old KWPN owned by Beverly Gepfer, captured the USEF Grand Prix Dressage National Championship at the recent U.S. Dressage Festival of Champions held at Lamplight Equestrian Center. The Patsy Albers Award is given to the highest placing Grand Prix rider at the Championships who also competed for the U.S. at a previous North American Youth Championship.



Photo by Andrea Evans/US Equestrian

About his lifelong commitment to the sport, Wagman shared, "I've been riding dressage most of my life. To have competed at the North American Youth Championship (then NAYRC) in 1993 and now be riding Grand Prix alongside America's other top riders, is just proof that this sport is a lifelong endeavor. It takes so much to be able to pursue the top. I'm honored and grateful to receive the generous Patsy Albers Award. Thank you!"

Beverly Gepfer, owner of Don John, said, "Nick is an amazing horse trainer and the bonds he has created between himself and the horses he rides is something almost inexplicable! He is a talented man and we are so lucky to be able to support his dreams in riding our horses."

Patsy Albers, one of the nation's best known figures at dressage shows across the country, passed away in October 2012. She was a longtime supporter and Chef d'Equipe of the North American Junior/Young Rider Championship (NAJYRC) Region 1 team. She was also very involved at the prestigious Dressage at Devon where she served for many years as the FEI Event Director. Her expertise also extended into management, officiating, and volunteering, for which she was honored multiple times.

The Patsy Albers Award was established by Janine Malone and other friends of Patsy, with personal donations from friends, family, colleagues, and admirers of Patsy Albers. Beginning in 2013, one Award will be available annually to the highest placing dressage rider at the USEF High Performance Championships (Intermediare I or Grand Prix), who was also a rider competing for the U.S. at a North American Junior/Young Rider Championship. A preference will be given to those competing at Grand Prix and will provide financial support for continuing education and training. The Award is \$1,000.

For more information about the Patsy Albers Award or The Dressage Foundation, please contact Jenny Johnson at (402) 434-8585, by email at jenny@dressagefoundation.org, or visit www.dressagefoundation.org.

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NODA Fair Winds Farm Dressage Schooling Show September 8, 2019

Judges: Kerry Petty (r) and Sue Machin (L w/Dist.)

NODA High Point Awards

Intro Level: Jill Winters, Miro, Intro A- AA, 72.188%
Training/First Level: Isabella Paspalovski, Remco F. (Voltaire), Training 2 JR/YR, 78.793%
Second Level & Above: Megan Barnhizer, Fascination Starr, Third 3, 67.000%
Western Dressage: Tamara Roberts, Chips Eternal Skip, Basic Level Test 4, 70.200%

TIP High Point Awards

Intro Level: Jill Winters, Miro, Intro Test A AA, 72.188%
Training Level: Mary E. Whitely, Set In Stone, Training Level Test 2 AA, 64.683%
First Level: Sue Hines, Flyin Four Shoes, First Level Test 3 Open, 73.472%

Introductory Test A Adult Amateur

(C) Petty (r),
 1 Jill Winters Miro 72.188%
 2 Lesley Matt Sirius the Warhorse 70.963%
 3 Gale Browning Winterstern 6 67.500%
 4 Katie Wrona The Instigator 66.875%

Introductory Walk-Trot Test B Adult Amateur

(C) Machin (L w/Dist),
 1 Gale Browning Winterstern 6 65.313%
 2 Anne Peterlin Long Live the King 64.063%
 3 Katie Wrona The Instigator 62.813%
 4 Jill Winters Miro 59.063%
 5 Lesley Matt Sirius the Warhorse 54.063%

Introductory Walk-Trot Test C Adult Amateur

(C) Machin (L w/Dist),
 1 Kellyjo Kerr Reba 63.000%
 2 Michele Thomas Beauty of the Knight 57.250%

Introductory Walk-Trot Test C Adult Amateur

(C) Petty (r),
 1 Anne Peterlin Long Live the King 67.750%

Introductory Test A Jr/YR

(C) Petty (r),
 1 Valerie Grava RRF Minuit - Minnie 62.188%

Introductory Test A Open

(C) Machin (L w/Dist),
 1 Rachel Aderhold Docs Artful Sun 62.188%
 2 Michelle Dojlidko Bel Amour V 59.375%

Introductory Test B Open

(C) Petty (r),
 1 Michelle Dojlidko Bel Amour V 57.188%

Training Level Test 1 Adult Amateur

(C) Machin (L w/Dist),
 1 Barbara Tuskas Rondee Voo 68.462%
 2 Mary Crowley Spark's Fancy Lena 59.231%
 3 Courtney McIntyre Roustabout 53.269%

Training Level Test 1 Adult Amateur

(C) Petty (r),
 1 Sharon Lewis Supreme 71.346%
 2 Elena Braun Matisse 61.923%
 3 Lisa Profughi Triple Carmel Latte 60.577%
 4 Pam White Casey's Artful Treasure 58.269%
 5 Mary Pierson Chips and Chocolate 57.500%

Training Level Test 1 Adult Amateur

(C) Petty (r),
 1 Kellyjo Kerr Reba 66.731%
 2 Michele Thomas Beauty of the Knight 61.731%

Training Level Test 2 Adult Amateur

(C) Machin (L w/Dist),
 1 Elena Braun Matisse 67.759%
 2 Sharon Lewis Supreme 66.552%
 3 Lisa Profughi Triple Carmel Latte 59.828%
 4 Lorri Wolfe I am the King 56.724%
 5 Pam White Casey's Artful Treasure 54.483%
 6 Mary Pierson Chips and Chocolate 53.966%

Training Level Test 2 Adult Amateur

(C) Petty (r),
 1 Jennifer Tulleners Sherman 75.172%
 2 Mary Whitely Set in Stone 64.483%
 3 Mary Crowley Spark's Fancy Lena 57.931%
 4 Colleen Welder Ivy Blue 57.414%
 5 Courtney McIntyre Roustabout 57.241%
 6 Charlene Tillman Kurt Ali Khan 57.241%
 Kathleen Loveland Just Doin It (Falien) 55.517%

Training Level Test 3 Adult Amateur

(C) Machin (L w/Dist),
 1 Jennifer Tulleners Sherman 66.034%
 2 Mary Whitely Set in Stone 63.103%
 3 Charlene Tillman Kurt Ali Khan 60.517%
 4 Kathleen Loveland Just Doin It (Falien) 58.276%
 5 Colleen Welder Ivy Blue 56.724%

NODA Fair Winds Farm Dressage Schooling Show September 8, 2019

Judges: Kerry Petty (r) and Sue Machin (L w/Dist.)

Training Level Test 3 Adult Amateur

(C) Petty (r),

1	Barbara Tuskas	Rondee Voo	69.828%
2	Courtney McIntyre	Roustabout	56.724%

Training Level Test 3 Adult Amateur

(C) Petty (r),

1	Mosie Welch	Aleksandr Robyn	64.483%
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Training Level, Test 1 Jr/YR

(C) Machin (L w/Dist),

1	Savanna Siegel	Zips Magic Cowboy	59.423%
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Training Level Test 2 Jr/YR

(C) Petty (r),

1	Isabella Paspalovski	Remco F. (Voltaire)	78.793%
2	Savanna Siegel	Zips Magic Cowboy	66.034%

Training Level Test 3 Jr/YR

(C) Machin (L w/Dist),

1	Isabella Paspalovski	Remco F. (Voltaire)	66.379%
2	Brooke Fronk	R B Magic Chant	63.966%

Training Level Test 1 Open

(C) Petty (r),

1	Rachel Jelen	Thatcher	64.808%
2	Danielle Hebler	Ravenstar	64.231%
3	Sue Stasiak	Lonneke	62.308%

Training Level Test 2 Open

(C) Machin (L w/Dist),

1	Anne McClintock	RRF Minuit - Minnie	61.897%
2	Rachel Jelen	Thatcher	59.655%
3	Sue Stasiak	Lonneke	57.241%

Training Level Test 3 Open

(C) Petty (r),

1	Sarah Freeman	Worth the Wait	71.034%
2	Anne McClintock	RRF Minuit - Minnie	66.034%
3	Sue Stasiak	Lonneke	57.414%

Training Level Test 3 Open

(C) Petty (r),

1	Kris Ropp	Winterstern 6	64.138%
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First Level Test 1 Adult Amateur

(C) Machin (L w/Dist),

1	Tracey Fronk	R B Magic Chant	64.138%
2	Mosie Welch	Aleksandr Robyn	61.034%
3	Kimberly Zemba	Odin	59.483%
4	Alicia Gunther	Rhapsody of New Horizons	58.621%

First Level Test 2 Adult Amateur

(C) Petty (r),

1	Agatha Smithers	Fizzical Therapy	67.000%
2	Sally Burton	Rhapsody	66.429%
3	Alicia Gunther	Rhapsody of New Horizons	66.000%
4	Kimberly Zemba	Odin	65.286%
5	Lea Wojtkiewicz	Winter Sky	61.286%
6	Kathi Agens	Mercedes	60.714%

First Level Test 3 Adult Amateur

(C) Machin (L w/Dist),

1	Agatha Smithers	Fizzical Therapy	65.833%
2	Sally Burton	Rhapsody	63.750%
3	Lea Wojtkiewicz	Winter Sky	60.833%
4	Erin Clark	Crossed Sabres	60.694%
5	Kathi Agens	Mercedes	55.972%

First Level Test 2 Jr/YR

(C) Machin (L w/Dist),

1	Mallory Palagyi	Elita	63.143%
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First Level Test 3 Jr/YR

(C) Petty (r),

1	Mallory Palagyi	Elita	66.806%
2	Diana Shale	Spot On Doolittle	65.833%

First Level Test 1 Open

(C) Petty (r),

1	April Woodward	Everybody Talks	62.586%
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First Level Test 2 Open

(C) Machin (L w/Dist),

1	Sarah Freeman	Worth the Wait	64.714%
2	Anne McClintock	Don Bagheero	62.286%
3	April Woodward	Everybody Talks	59.429%

First Level Test 2 Open

(C) Machin (L w/Dist),

Sue Hines	Flyin Four Shoes	70.429%
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First Level Test 3 Open

(C) Petty (r),

1	Tina Brown	Princess Gothic	66.389%
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First Level Test 3 Open

(C) Petty (r),

1	Sue Hines	Flyin Four Shoes	73.472%
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Second Level Test 1

(C) Machin (L w/Dist),

1	Anne McClintock	She's a Spitfire	60.270%
2	Diana Shale	Spot On Doolittle	60.270%
3	Tina Brown	Princess Gothic	58.919%
4	Patti Valencic	Fox Meadow Dancer	58.514%

Second Level Test 3

(C) Petty (r),

1	Erin Clark	Crossed Sabres	62.390%
2	Anne McClintock	She's a Spitfire	62.262%

Third Level Test 1

(C) Petty (r),

1	Peggi Ignagni	Rey Jay Ron	64.324%
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Third Level Test 2

(C) Machin (L w/Dist),

1	Peggi Ignagni	Rey Jay Ron	54.868%
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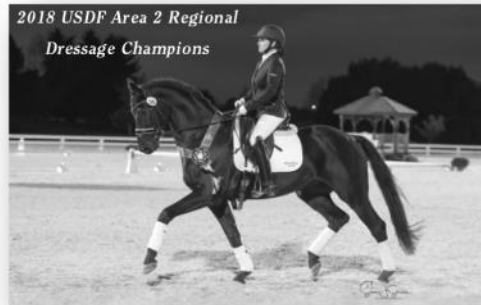
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Third Level Test 3

(C) Petty (r),

1 Megan Barnhizer	Fascination Starr	67.000%
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Dressage Seat Equitation

(C) Machin (L w/Dist),

1 Erin Clark	Crossed Sabres	81.500%
2 Jennifer Tulleners	Sherman	78.000%

Western Seat Equitation

(C) Machin (L w/Dist),

1 Tamara Roberts	Chips Eternal Skip	82.000%
2 Halle Clause	Master the Art	76.000%
3 Judy Jacobsen	Lady's Couragous Champ	73.000%

Western Intro Level Test 1

(C) Petty (r),

1 Josephine Cooper	Arwen's Arrow	68.409%
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Western-Intro Level Test 2

(C) Machin (L w/Dist),

1 Josephine Cooper	Arwen's Arrow	64.167%
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Western-Intro Level Test 3

(C) Petty (r),

1 Rachel Aderhold	Docs Artful Sun	58.500%
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Western Intro Level Test 4

(C) Machin (L w/Dist),

1 Rachel Aderhold	Docs Artful Sun	57.857%
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Western Basic Level Test 3

(C) Petty (r),

1 Skylar Young	KMA Sky Me To The Moon	68.000%
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Western Basic Level Test 4

(C) Machin (L w/Dist),

1 Tamara Roberts	Chips Eternal Skip	70.200%
2 Halle Clause	Master the Art	64.200%
3 Judy Jacobsen	Lady's Couragous Champ	58.600%
4 Skylar Young	KMA Sky Me To The Moon	52.600%

Western Level One Test 1

(C) Petty (r),

1 Skylar Young	La Bella Luna	69.630%
2 Tamara Roberts	Chips Eternal Skip	66.481%

Western Level One Test 4

(C) Petty (r),

1 Judy Jacobsen	Lady's Couragous Champ	62.885%
2 Skylar Young	La Bella Luna	61.731%

Western Level One Test 4

(C) Petty (r),

1 Sara Justice	Piccolo	69.231%
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Western Dressage Level 2 Test 1

(C) Machin (L w/Dist),

1 Sara Justice	Piccolo	59.808%
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Leadline

(C) Burton

1 Addison Strosnider	Docs Artful Sun
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Chloe, the cat, helps Judge Kerry Petty (r) and scribe, Kathy Kirchner, in the indoor arena at Fair Winds Farm. Photo by Sally Burton

Right top: Gate keeper, Molly Reeves (center with blue folder) keeps riders informed and provides a smile and encouragement to all! NODA appreciates each and every volunteer. Photo by Mosie Welch



Right below: NODA members are greeted with a smile in the office, and as usual, Niki Sackman tabulates with a smile. Photo by Mosie Welch





Membership News

by Fran Cverna, Membership

NODA's 2019 Membership Year runs from 12/1/2018 – 11/30/2019

Thank you to everyone who has renewed for 2019

As of 9/16/2019, we have 318 members
196 Adult Amateurs, 46 Youth, & 76 Professionals
88 new members this year

Welcome new member Michelle Dojlidko!

REMINDER! NODA's Dues will increase in 2020

Adult Amateur or Professional	\$49	Youth	\$35
Golden-Ager (at least 75 years old)	\$24	Additional Family Member	\$20

November is our membership renewal campaign month!

The new NODA membership year will start December 1 for 2020!

Renewing at the NODA Awards Banquet is easy!

or mail in the form that will be in the November newsletter,
or renew online! We plan to have online renewal available by the end of October!
(There will be a \$2 processing fee for online renewals.)



NOTES FROM NODA'S HISTORICAL ARCHIVES

by Fran Cverna, Historian

1969 TO 2019: NODA CELEBRATES 50 YEARS OF DRESSAGE IN NORTHEAST OHIO

NODA's First Schooling Show Championship was 28 years ago!

CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW CAPS '91 SCHOOLING SHOW SERIES (Reprinted from November 1991 NODA Newsletter)

For the first time ever, the NODA schooling show series was capped off with a championship show held October 20 [1991] at Chagrin Valley Farm. Thirty-three of the 46 qualified horses and riders competed before judge Valerie Knight of New York.

In each division, Test 2 was ridden as a warm and Test 4 determined the champion. "Everyone had a good time and were glad they came," said Mary Lou Gallagher, schooling show chair. "Also, everyone liked Chagrin Valley Farm." Gallagher noted that next year the rules will be adjusted so more people are eligible at First and Second Levels.

Laura Jennings from Mantua won the Novice Training Level Championship aboard Hansie, a 17-year-old Anglo Arab gelding. Laura, a sixth grader at Crestwood Middle School, is instructed by Lynn Fry. "I think it turned out really well," she said of her winning ride. "The ride before he was not bending well and wasn't paying attention but we worked on it."

Debra Macomber from Kent is no newcomer to the Training Level champion ranks. This year riding her 5-year-old Trakehner gelding Konkord she won not only the schooling show championship in this division but the Dressage '91 championship as well. "I was real happy with my test," said Debra, owner of three Stride Rite shoe stores. "When he's on, he's very good. The only thing I wasn't happy with was my last halt." She has trained with Diane Braden for the last 2 1/2 years.

It's been more than plain luck for Denise Lengyel of Concord who piloted her 11-year-old TB gelding. Luck, to the First Level championship. According to Denise, at a recent clinic, Michael Poulin said this horse has an "international mind." However, it was only a year and a half ago that Luck began his dressage career. He had raced until he was six, then was brought to South Farm to be made a hunter, and when that didn't pan out, Denise bought him. She trains with Joan Harris and looks forward to Second Level next year.

Just three years ago Dr. Ursula Stanton-Hicks and Mister Mike, a 13-year-old Trakehner gelding, came to Bainbridge from Dusseldorf, Germany. At the Schooling Show Championship they won Second Level. Mister Mike lives at Birchmont Farm and Ursula trains with Dagmar Zimmerman. Ursula, a medical researcher, shows at both recognized and schooling shows.

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NEXT BOARD MEETING: October, 14, 2019, 6 - 8 PM

Panera Bread, 6130 Kruse Road, Solon

NODA welcomes member comments, concerns, ideas, and questions regarding NODA activities, shows, and policies.

Please contact your member representative at MemberRep@NodaRider.org

Calendar of Events

(**) *Schooling Show Scores ELIGIBLE for 2019 NODA Year-End Awards*

(**) Oct 5 NODA Schooling Show

Chagrin Valley Farms www.NodaRider.org

Chagrin Falls, OH

Nov 2-3 Dressage Clinic with Jan Ebeling

Topline Stables at Walden www.topline-stables.com

Aurora, OH

(**) Oct 6 NODA Schooling Show Championship

Chagrin Valley Farms www.NodaRider.org

Chagrin Falls, OH

Nov 7 –10 2019 US Dressage Finals

[2019 USDF/USEF Recognized Shows Calendar](#)

Kentucky Horse Park, Lexington Kentucky

Oct 11 - 13 Dressage Clinic With Charles De Kunffy

Topline Stables at Walden www.topline-stables.com

Aurora, OH

Nov 24 NODA Awards Banquet Celebration Brunch

See Page 4 for invitation and RSVP information

Holiday Inn—Independence Ohio

Oct 14 NODA Year-end Awards Application Deadline

Visit www.nodarider.org/YE-Awards.htm for complete awards list, criteria, and competition report form.

(**) Dec 1 Dressage Schooling Show

Chagrin Valley Farms www.ChagrinValleyFarms.com

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Oct 26 - 27 USDF "L" Education Program [Part 1, Session C](#)

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Hosted by NODA at Topline Stables at Walden

Aurora, OH

Dec 9—10 Daniel Stewart Riding Clinic & Symposium

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