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# NODA News

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# Greetings from the President

### Hello and Happy Spring to all!

I hope everyone survived St Patrick's Day festivities, and the ushering in of Spring in March. Here's hoping the temperatures keep rising, the trails dry out, the show season successfully begins, and our horses shed out to nice shiny coats. Ok, it's Ohio, we may still have some chilly days, but I'm keeping my thoughts toward a good spring with warm temps and beautiful fresh flowers and foliage. April also is the time all our snow birds return to our area, hopefully to



Barb Soukup & Hero

increase activity in the equine community with lessons, clinics and filling our shows.

On a personal note, I would like to thank a couple of snow birds: Linda Cooley for trusting the care of her beautiful KnightHawke to me while she was away, and Heidi Kohl for trusting me to work with her students while she was away. KnightHawke is a fun mare to ride and a hard worker. Heidi's students were enthusiastic and a pleasure to teach. It was truly an honor and a pleasure for me to work with them all. So, I again say - thank you Linda and Heidi!

For NODA, there has been much accomplished for 2019. Here are a few of the highlights shared at the March NODA board meeting.

- The NODA Schooling Show Series is set. A Dressage Ride-a-Test Clinic is scheduled for July 6, before the July 7 show.
- The 2019 Schooling Show Series Prize List, which includes the 2019 NODA Year-End Awards Program criteria, has been mailed to 2019 members and posted on the NODA website <u>SCHOOLING Shows</u> and <u>Year-End AWARDS</u> pages.
- The NODA Dressage Camp & More for Adult Riders is organized and full of excited campers!
- A 50<sup>th</sup> NODA Anniversary Party for members and their families is being organized. Kathy Kirchner, Member Representative, is coordinating a committee for the party. Betsy Rebar Sell has graciously offered the use of her beautiful farm for this event. Keep your eyes and ears open for more details as they become available.
- A well-attended and fun "Pizza, Pop, & Painting Party" for NODA Youth members and non-members was held March 30 at Rocky River Stables. It was organized by Christa Sandy, Jr/YR Liaison, and Jennifer Cooper, Newsletter Advertising Editor. Thank you, Margaret McElhany, for sharing Rocky River Stables facility for this party and supporting NODA. Good news! Christa is planning more terrific youth programs and events. Details will be shared when available.
- The USDF L Education Program, Part 1 hosted by NODA will begin in May with the first of three sessions. The 15 available Participant slots are almost full. If you wish to participate, I encourage you to register now. Auditors are welcome and encouraged to attend. Note that Auditors must also pre-register due to limited auditor space at our three host stable facilities. This program is a very valuable learning experience. I highly recommend it to everyone riders, competitors, instructors, trainers, stable owners, and dressage lovers. Volunteers will be needed for each clinic (a great way to guarantee a spot to listen to the clinic!). Registration forms and information are on the EDUCATION page of the website, the NODA Facebook page, and in this newsletter!

#### Happy April to all! Barb

Cover Photo: NODA Youth Member, Lauren Heba, relaxing with her 12-year-old, grade pony, Holly Berry at Rocky River Stables where she boards.

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**2019 L Education Program** Hosted by Northern Ohio Dressage Association

# May 18th -19th "Rules & Biomechanics"

Session A, USDF# 103124 Location Jeffrey and Holly Taylor's Blue Ridge Farm 37511 Sugar Ridge Road, North Ridgeville, Ohio 44039 Instructor - Marilyn Heath USEF S Judge

*Marilyn Heath* is an "S" Judge from Venice, Florida. She received her "r" in 1979 and her "S" rating in 1989. In addition to judging, she also enjoys teaching horses and riders of



all levels with an emphasis on correct basics and harmony between horse and rider.

She is involved with judge education, has been on the L Program faculty since the early 1990's, and was Chairman of the "L" Program Committee for 9 years. She is also involved in judge education for USEF licensed judges.

She was the 2013 recipient of the USDF Lifetime Achievement Award in recognition of her long years of involvement with the "L" Program and judge education.

Marilyn has earned her Gold, Silver, and Bronze Medals, was long listed by the USET in 1986, 1987, and 1988. She represented the USET when she competed at the World Championships in Cedar Valley, Ontario in 1986. She and Tudor Star subsequently won the Bengt Lundquist trophy at Intermediare 1 and Grand Prix Levels, and the USDF Vintage Cup awards at Intermediare 2 and Grand Prix.

# Why be a Silent Auditor?

NODA is offering a wonderful opportunity on May 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> 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 be a silent auditor in the L Education Program with instructor Marilyn Heath who will be teaching session A at Blue Ridge Farm May 18t<sup>h</sup> and 19t<sup>h</sup>. As an auditor, you will have the education of understanding the biomechanics of dressage and a taste of what judging dressage is all about. This is the first session 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 life time 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 who is in our backyard and who 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 \$75.00/day for a life changing weekend?



# For more details & applications visit the NODA website www.nodarider.org/Education.htm

\$750.00 NODA members all three session - \$275.00 single sessions \$900.00 Non-NODA participants all three sessions - \$325.00 single session Cost for Auditors (Lunch Included) \$60 NODA Members for 2 day session \$75 NON-NODA Attendee 2 day session

**AUDITORS WELCOME!** 

# **USEF Safe Sport Policy**

The USDF has adopted the USEF Safe Sport Policy, promoting the safety and welfare of horses and athletes. USDF is committed to providing information, resources, and a protocol so that all members of the equestrian community have awareness, tools, and a support structure to ensure a safe and positive environment for equestrians to develop their skills.

The USEF and USDF depends on the eyes and ears of its athletes, coaches, and designees to support its Safe Sport policies. It is requested that all who participate in equestrian sport become familiar with the content of the USEF Safe Sport Policy, the U.S. Center for Safe Sport's Safe Sport Code, complete the Safe Sport Training modules, and be mindful of its guidelines during training sessions and competitions.

Information on the Protecting Young Victim from Sexual Abuse and Safe Sport Authorization Act of 2017 can be found on the USEF Safe Sport website. The website also provides information for a 24 Hour Helpline, reporting protocols and many other important resources.

As part of the USDF Safe Sport Initiative, USDF Certified Instructors and L Graduates are required to complete the Safe Sport Training provided by the U.S. Center for Safe Sport, along with other identified volunteers working with our youth.

To complete the Safe Sport Training modules, you must visit the USEF website, log in, and the link to the Safe Sport Training modules will be in your USEF Membership dashboard. Once registered, there are three activities that must be completed to complete the training:

- Sexual Misconduct Awareness Education
- Mandatory Reporting
- Emotional and Physical Misconduct

If you are required to complete the training and are not a member of USEF, contact <u>USDF</u> for further instructions.

Questions concerning the Safe Sport training and reporting can be directed to USEF.

# All USEF members 18-years-old and older, with a Competing Membership, must complete <u>SafeSport Training</u> in order to be Eligible to Participate in USEF Activities

Lexington, KY – The US Equestrian Federation (USEF) announced a <u>rule change</u> on Tuesday, August 28, 2018 requiring that effective January 1, 2019 all USEF members 18-years-old and older, with a Competing Membership, must complete <u>SafeSport Training</u> in order to be eligible to participate in USEF activities, including competitions.

Please note, there are three modules to the training and all three must be completed in order to satisfy the requirement. The SafeSport Refresher course does not have to be completed until 1 year from the day you complete the three modules in the SafeSport Training.

To provide further guidance, below are a list of Frequently Asked Questions regarding the new rule change which can be accessed by following this link

www.usef.org/media/press-releases/frequently-asked-questions-us-center-for

The information on Safe Sport is reprinted from the USEF and USDF websites



Showroom Hours: Monday - Friday: 9:30 am - 6:30 pm • Saturday: 9:30 am - 5:00 pm • Sunday: Closed

# WALKING AT NIGHT

A poem by Elizabeth Poliner

Sometimes the horses grazing in the nearby pastures come to the fence

and we talk. Or I do, and they seem to listen. Last night, the pastures empty,

I walked to the stables, stood before one extraordinary body

then the next: massive, lean, muscular, gleaming

as if just polished, muzzles pressed forward as I approached,

and me too, pressing forward, eager for another visit. In the dark

I have told the horses my fears and dreams. Have told them

I am leaving soon. Said hello, sweet to see you,

have reached out to them as they gather close, wait in turn

to nuzzle. Someone has loved these horses, who come near so readily

to calm a stranger offering only the sugar

of her prayers. That we are never alone is something I want to believe

and have come to believe, while alone, deep in the night,

taking the path that leads to the horses.

 "Walking At Night" is reprinted by permission of the author and first appeared in *The Sun Magazine*,
 February 2019. For more information about Elizabeth Poliner and her works go to her website at <u>www.elizabethpoliner.com</u>.



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# **Schooling Show News**

by Sally Burton, Schooling Show Manager

# It's almost time! Schooling show season is right around the corner

**Our first show is May 12 at Chagrin Valley Farms**. Opening date is April 17! Please note the open dates, as our shows fill very quickly and you do not want to miss out. *Plan to enter on line, using horseshow office, to avoid being closed out of the shows.* 

**Prize List:** By now, everyone should have received their prize list. PLEASE read it! Niki Sackman, show secretary, has worked very hard to make this document more user -friendly, more accurate and less confusing. You will notice she added a table of contents to the booklet, and the online version has direct links you can click to take you right to the page you need.

**Changes to NOTE for 2019:** To meet the needs of our competitors and to keep the quality judges we hire we needed to make some changes this season.

- *Prices increased for both the office fee and class* fees : Office fee- \$15, Equitation- \$15, and all other classes \$25.
- All classes will be ridden in the large ring- so please practice accordingly
- Qualifying scores for the Championship show have been increased:
   63% for all classes through 1st level 70% for equitation classes 58% for 2nd level and above
- Volunteer requirements for the Championship show remain and if you ride TWO or MORE horses, you need to
  volunteer one shift for each horse (proxies are allowed)
- NODA no longer offers novice classes, prix caprilli classes or team competitions

**Call for volunteers!** Sign up Genius is up and running and can be accessed by going to the NODA website, clicking on the Schooling Show link and clicking on the yellow Volunteer Sign-up Link. You are needed! In order for our shows to run effectively we need volunteers- please sign up online or contact Sally Burton if you have any questions.

### Volunteer Hours Required to qualify for the

**Championship Show:** Remember that you need to work one shift in order to ride in the Championship show if you qualify, and you need 4 hours of volunteer time to apply for any year end awards. In addition to earning the NODA bucks, we have a lot of fun at the shows and you can learn a lot by watching and listening!

This year we are excited to return to Chagrin Valley Farms, Rocky River and South Farm, and add Fair Winds Farm to our show venues. We have hired great judges with a wealth of knowledge.

> Please contact Sally with questions <u>schoolingshow@nodarider.org</u> We are looking forward to a wonderful season!

**Dressage and More Camp Update:** Camp filled very quickly! At the time this publication went to press we are full with three riders on the waiting list. We look forward to a lot of fun, laughter, learning and adventures at Stone Gate Farm May 30-Jun 2, 2019. If you would like to be added to the wait list please contact Sally Burton or Patty Keim to get on the list.

Nort	hern Ohio Dressage Association Celebrating 50 Years
-	2019 Schooling Show Series
May 12	NODA Dressage Schooling Show Chagrin Valley Farms, Chagrin Falls, Ohio
June 9	NODA Dressage Schooling Show South Farm, Middleton, Ohio
July 7	NODA Dressage Schooling Show Chagrin Valley Farms, Chagrin Falls, Ohio
Aug 11	NODA Dressage Schooling Show Rocky River Stables, Rocky River, Ohio
Sept 8	NODA Dressage Schooling Show Fair Winds Farm, Auburn Township, Ohio
Oct 5	NODA Dressage Schooling Show Chagrin Valley Farms, Chagrin Falls, Ohio
Oct 6	NODA Dressage Schooling Show Series Championship Chagrin Valley Farms, Chagrin Falls, Ohio
For The	e Prize List Please Visit NODA's Website www.nodarider.org



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# NODA Appreciates These Volunteers for working to bring

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# All NODA Members, Professionals and Amateurs, are eligible to list their services and equestrian related businesses! DEADLINE: Extended to April 26

Send the following information about your services

Carolyn Van Cise Fund

Name and /or Business Name Website or Facebook page Address and Contact information A description of your services

to

### Heidi Miller, NODA Member Services Directory at directory@nodarider.org

Services include (but are not limited to) boarding stables, professional riding instruction and horse training, horse transport, farrier, acupuncture, chiropractic, massage and bodywork, saddle fitting and tack sales, custom rider apparel, custom browbands, embroidery, grooming, braiding, horse and farm sitting

### Services will be listed on NODA's website on the NODA Member Horse Services Directory

### Following are examples of NODA member services:

Barbara L. Soukup (Professional, "L" Dressage Judge with Distinction, USDF Bronze and Silver Medalist) BaR S Ranch 12121 Old State Rd, Chardon OH 44024 440-339-3980 <u>barbsoukup@aol.com</u> or <u>barsranch@windstream.net</u> Instruction and training in dressage (will travel), boarding, sales, clinics

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# Junior and Young Rider News

# **USDF Youth Convention Scholarship Applications Due August 31**

This scholarship was established with the goals of providing financial assistance to young dressage enthusiasts wanting to attend the USDF convention and increasing youth attendance at the convention.

Up to four scholarships will be awarded to youth USDF Participating Members, age 21 and younger, to help defray the expenses associated with attending the USDF convention. Each scholarship will be up to \$1,000. One-half of the funds will be paid to the recipient prior to convention, and the remainder of the scholarship will be reimbursed following convention.

Each scholarship recipient will be required to submit an essay about their trip to convention as well as all receipts to receive final reimbursement.

The funds may be used to cover transportation, hotel, and registration fees. Each scholarship winner will also receive a 50% discount on the cost of USDF Convention Registration. The Convention registration discount does not include additional meal tickets, transportation tickets, or special events that require a separate ticket. The recipient is required to attend the USDF Youth Educational Session and is encouraged to attend the Youth Programs Committee meeting, the FEI Jr/YR Committee meeting and all USDF University Education sessions. The scholarship recipient is solely responsible for their behavior and actions during the trip and parental/guardian supervision is required for any youth legally defined as a minor.

The Youth Programs Advisory Subcommittee selects the winners by assessing characteristics that include participation in USDF and/or dressage related activities, written communication skills, desire to learn, ability to utilize knowledge, and overall impression. **Application Due Date: August 31st.** Find more information at: www.usdf.org/docs/awards/other-awards/scholarshipUSDFYouthConventionScholarshipApplication.pdf

# US Equestrian Lettering Program Available for Students in Grades 5-12

You don't have to be a record setting quarterback, point guard or track star to letter in junior high or high school sports anymore. The **USEF** is writing a new chapter in the recognition of student athletes – one that honors Equestrians.

The US Equestrian Athlete Lettering Program is open to equestrian athletes in all breeds or disciplines who are currently members of US Equestrian or become US Equestrian members.

**USEF has changed the requirements!** Students participating in the program need to record 100 hours of riding/ driving/training or three competitions of any level or type to complete the requirements for that year. The program runs from June 1-May 31 of each year and will honor those who document their training and competition involvement by awarding emblems and pins.

**Students may apply retroactively for previous years if they are still in grades 5-12** and can provide verification for each year. Seniors must submit all documentation by June 15 of their graduating year.

Learn More - View our NEW program requirements and FAQs www.usef.org/forms-pubs/2puL6-uiDiE/faqs-requirements

Questions? E-mail <u>lettering@usef.org</u> or call 859-258-2472.

# NODA Adult Member Spotlight

### Adult Amateur member, Jacqueline Seagle shares her 2019 Western Dressage Goals

HI! My name is Jacqueline Seagle, and I am an adult amateur. My horse is a six year old QH X Belgian Draft gelding that I have owned for almost 2 years. Phoenix is the second horse that I have shown in Western Dressage, I rode Classical Dressage prior to that. We board and train at Jerik's Show Horses in Pierpont, OH.



My riding goals for 2019:

- 1) Show Phoenix at Basic Level, which is a move up from Intro last year
- 2) Continue to work through the Clinton Anderson Intermediate and Advanced horse training series
- 3) Ride 4 times per week, no excuses!
- 4) Do some trail riding, North Chagrin Reservation is my favorite place to trail ride

NODA would like to highlight our Adult Amateur members and their goals and successes. Please send your submissions with a photo to <u>mosie-editor@nodarider.org</u>. Submissions will be printed as space permits.

# Professional member, Anne McClintock is awarded a NODA Professional Grant

NODA's board reviewed Ann McClintock's grant application and voted unanimously at the March board meeting to award Anne a NODA Professional Grant of \$400 to be used toward her participation in the USDF L Education Program to be hosted by NODA in 2019. Anne was notified by NODA's vice president, Arielle Brodkey following the meeting.



Anne McClintock is celebrating the ribbons she won with the Dutch Warmblood gelding, Rens, owned by Dee Liebenthal.

Anne responded, "The grant is greatly appreciated, It really helps make my goals a reality! "Professionals awarded grants are required to "give back" to NODA membership by sharing what they have gained by writing an article for the NODA Newsletter, presenting a clinic or seminar, or providing another educational opportunity for members. Anne shared that she plans to offer a clinic for NODA members around Thanksgiving of 2019 or early spring of 2020.

The NODA Professional Grant fund is designated to help further the professional horseperson's education at seminars, USEF or USDF events, program or functions (excludes riding clinics). NODA will reimburse half the event cost up to \$400. Applicant must be Member in good standing with NODA and a "professional" horse person as defined by the USEF rule book. Completed application should be e-mailed to Arielle Brodkey at <u>VP@nodarider.org</u>.

# **NODA Professional Grants & Amateur Scholarships**

# **NODA Member Professionals** are Eligible for Grant Funds up to \$400!

Grants are available for 50% reimbursement of event participation

NODA Membership is required to apply

The applicant must be a "professional" horse person as defined in the USEF rule book

# Youth & Adult Amateur Scholarships **Available for NODA Members**

NODA offers four (4) amateur scholarships annually in the amount of \$250 each

NODA membership is required to apply

Visit www.NodaRider.org/Scholarships.htm For complete details and forms

**Monthly NODA Board Meetings** 

All Members Welcome to Attend

**Mark your Calendars** 

# NEXT BOARD MEETING April 8, 2019, 6 - 8 PM

**Panera Bread** 6130 Kruse Road, Solon Ohio

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

Please contact your member representative at MemberRep@nodarider.org

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# **The Grand Prix Extra Special**

### by Lauren Wade, DVM and Friends

In 2019 the United States Dressage Federation (USDF) and the United States Equestrian Federation (USEF) published updated dressage tests -USDF Introductory Level & USEF Training though Fourth Levels. These tests work to build on the principles of good dressage riding and training and to showcase the partnership between a horse and rider at each level. Each test is developed by committee and are well thought out and carefully constructed. Over the course of 20 years of showing, my horse show friends and I have been working on another test. This test is a culmination many, but not all, the unintentional and bad moments (despite years of dedicated riding and good training) we have experienced. This test showcases the mistakes, horrible moments, and failures that can occur when a flight animal and a human whose brain has momentarily left the sand box, come together to be judged. This test has been developed by a "committee" of my friends. While the movements are not carefully thought out, the test has been gleefully constructed for our amusement and to help assuage the embarrassment some of the movements have caused. All of these moments HAVE happened in the show ring.

### I present to you our version of "THE GRAND PRIX EXTRA SPECIAL"

Enter Working Tranter (yes you read that correctly – trot + canter = tranter)

Near X Halt. Rear. Stomp a foot. Salute. Proceed towards the judge's booth

Before the test begins, while trotting around the outside of the ring – spook, spin, and Immediately trot out at A.

- 3. HSEVK Weave down the long side in an extended Trallop (trot + gallop = trallop) **4. Before A** Attempt to slow down to trot 5. A Cross canter Between A & F Attempt flying change. Demonstrate Flying Buck. 6. Laugh (points will be deducted for lack of a sense of humor) Circle to regain control. Knock down fence. 7. B 8. HXF Change rein on the diagonal. Spook from fence you knocked down. 9. Α Down Center line. Turn Left. For no reason. Just suddenly turn left. 10. E Pull up as sharply as possible at edge of the arena 11. ESH Walk 12. MXK Free walk – horse must scratch leg between X and K 13. K Attempt collected walk. Instead execute 13 half steps 14. A Begin Piaffe. REAR (bonus points given for showing as much belly as Possible) 15. F Collected porpoise left lead (the porpoise is a rolling bucking gait) 16. B Circle 20 meters in porpoise. Halt, run backwards into your reader 17. J Make an egg shape of any size (yes J isn't a letter normally found in dressage) Insert flapping stock tie in your mouth A medley of 1/2/3/and or 4 tempi changes Before X No changes after X
- 18. KXM 19. H

Spook. Spin to the left.

- Completely lose control
- 20. V Stop to manure

1. A

2. C

- 21. A **Down Centerline**
- 22. C Halt, Salute, Cry, Apologize to the Judge Leave the arena at A with a vice grip on your reins so that you do not die Proceed to the lunging ring. Allow horse to gallop on the lunge line for 40 minutes.



### **Collective Marks:** Lack of Harmony, Creativity in use of legs, Unacceptance of the aids, Staying on course

I admit that my horses and I added movements 3, 7,8,12, 18, and 21 to this test. I'm also the one who jumped into the ring before the test (at the USDF National Championships no less). I will not share who added the rest of the movements. They know who they are.

### The next time you have a ride that you aren't proud of, do not become discouraged. Pick the worst part of the test and add a movement to your own version of the Grand Prix Extra Special!





Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, Ohio, West Virginia, Wisconsin

# Region 2 Catherine B. Jacob Schooling Show Year End Award Program

An overview of the award guidelines are presented below. If you're interested in participating in the 2019 Region 2, Catherine B Jacob Schooling Show Year End Awards, please download and review the guidelines document, registration, and result form.

# Region 2 Show Year is from November 1 to October 31 of the following year

# PURPOSE at REGIONAL and LOCAL LEVEL

- To help provide funds for Region 2 sponsored GMO Educational Fund.
- To establish a standard set of dressage classes throughout the region that will count toward Region 2 Catherine B. Jacob Schooling Show Year end Program Awards.
- To encourage local competition managers to put together a series of schooling dressage competitions that will provide competitions with standard quality of classes and judges.
- To allow local competitor's scores to be recognized on a regional level without leaving their home area.
- To encourage competitors to improve their skills, gain show experience, and confidence to move up to USDF/ USEF rated shows.
- To encourage a venue to educate and train a base of show volunteers: scribes, gatekeepers, scorers, bit checkers, etc. for local and USDF/USEF recognized shows.
- To encourage riders to join a local GMO (Group Member Organization of USDF).

# HORSE/RIDER ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- Competitor must be a current or new member of a local GMO to compete for Region 2 Catherine B. Jacob Schooling Show Year End Awards Program.
- Competitor is responsible for following the rules and completing the requirements of the schooling shows.
- Competitor MUST send a completed Region 2 Catherine B. Jacob Schooling Show Registration Form for each horse/rider combination to the Region 2 Points Person with a check for \$25.00 for each level or \$45.00 for two adjacent levels, BEFORE their scores are eligible.

# Scores submitted must be postmarked by NOVEMBER 5

Show year will be from November 1 to October 31 of the following year.

# 2018 Year End Schooling Show Award Results

Congratulations to the winners and all who participated in the 2018 Region 2 Schooling Show Awards Program. A special thanks to Cathy Jacobs who administers and manages the program.

For further information go to <u>www.usdfregion2.org/awards.html</u>

Or contact: Catherine B. Jacob at <u>cathbjacob5@gmail.com</u> or (513) 335-0009

USDF Region 2 Director, Debby Savage Debby-Savage@msn.com USDF Region 2 Web Site Manager, Anna Cluxton <u>AMCluxton@gmail.com</u>



# **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 3/18/2019, we have 253 members; 165 Adult Amateurs, 31 Youth, and 57 Professionals **Overall 49 New Members Have Joined NODA** 

### Welcome (& Welcome Back) New Members Nancy Baker, Karis Brennan, Kathleen Cronk, Tami Glover, Kristin Hermann,

Stephanie Kiroff, Penny Krug, Sarah Pruzan,

Sabrina Siegel, Savanna Siegel, Ariel Wyatt



NOTES FROM NODA'S HISTORICAL ARCHIVES by Fran Cverna, Historian

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

**NODA Historical Archives from April 1974**; The minutes below from 1974 tell us that NODA was incorporated as a legal entity by 1974. The Recognized Show was called the "Summer Show." Schooling Shows were offered. The American Dressage Institute (ADI) was in existence. (ADI no longer exists. AHSA eventually became USEF. USDF came into existence in 1973.) The NODA Constitution, aka By-Laws, underwent one of many revisions in 1974.

# NORTHERN OHIO DRESSAGE ASSOCIATION- Minutes April 10, 1974

The meeting was called to order by the President, Dagmar Zimmerman. The minutes were approved as read. The treasurer's report was given. We have a balance of \$1,335.07. It was moved and seconded that a gift of \$25.00 value be sent to Mr. David Freed, our attorney, who so generously helped us to incorporate without charge. The motion carried. Jan Madorsky will do the shopping.

The June NODA Summer Show prize lists have been printed and are ready to be mailed. Charlie Shaver reported that we still have not received an official contract from Lake Erie to use the equestrian center. It was suggested that Preston Nash or Jim Pelowski be contacted before the prize lists are mailed.

Because of the change in the ADI Board of Directors, it was decided that future donations would be put to good use and NODA will send \$25.00. The motion passed.

The following motions to amend the constitution were seconded and passed:

1.) Article IV : Change "Board of Directors" to "Trustees".

2.) Article V : Change quorum to mean 15 members instead of 1/3 the membership.

3.) By-Laws: The amount of the dues changed to \$10.00 for senior members, \$7.00 for Junior members (18 years or under), and \$15.00 for a family membership.

It was noted that the 1974 AHSA Tests will be used in the April schooling show.

The meeting was then adjourned so that Mrs. Temple could review the new AHSA tests for the membership. Her lecture was very much appreciated by all.

Respectfully submitted, Patti Ferris, Secretary

### A Joke after the History Lesson:

- **Q:** How do you get the best ever dressage performance from your horse?
- A: Ride him at home with no one watching!

NODA	NODA is a United States Dressage Federation Group Member Organization (GMO)				
Northern Ohio Dressage Association <u>2019</u> Membership Form NODA membership runs 12/1/2018 through 11/30/2019	A portion of your NODA membership dues go towards your group membership in USDF. A USDF Group Membership (GM) makes you eligible for USDF Rider Awards. Group Members may participate in recognized shows without the payment of USDF non-member fees, are eligible to earn university credits, receive member discount rates for USDF events, and receive the <i>USDF Connection</i> magazine. (Supporting Family members do not receive a subscription to the <i>USDF Connection</i> – one magazine per "family.") See <u>www.nodarider.org</u> or <u>www.usdf.org</u> for eligibility to qualify for USDF regional and national championships. Note that Participating Membership in USDF is needed to compete in USDF Regional Championships.				
Important INFORMATION:					
$\rightarrow$ The printed Schooling Show Prize List which inclu	des the Year-End Awards P	rogram details is mailed to members who join before May 1, 2019.			
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USDF Executive Director Stephan Hienzsch added, "Platinum Performance has been a strong supporter of USDF, its programs, and the dressage community for many years, and we are thrilled that they are continuing on as a sponsor of these championships."

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(\*\*) Apr 13 CADS Winter Dressage Schooling Show Series www.CadsDressage.org Brecksville Stables, Brecksville, OH

(\*\*) May 12 NODA Schooling Show at Chagrin Valley Farms www.NodaRider.org Chagrin Falls, OH

> May 18 – 19 USDF "L" Education Program Hosted by NODA - <u>Part 1, Session A</u> Blue Ridge Farm, North Ridgeville, OH

(\*\*) May 26 Dream On Farm Schooling Dressage Show www.dreamonfarm.com Columbia Station, Ohio

May 30 - Jun 2 NODA Dressage Camp & More for Adult Amateurs <u>www.NodaRider.org</u> Stone Gate Farm, Hanoverton, OH

(\*\*) Jun 9 NODA Schooling Show at South Farm www.NodaRider.org Middlefield, OH

(\*\*) Jun 15 LEC Dressage Derby of Ohio I www.LEC.edu/Equine-Events Lake Erie College Equestrian Center, Concord, OH

(\*\*) Jun 16 LEC Dressage Derby of Ohio II <u>www.LEC.edu/Equine-Events</u> Lake Erie College Equestrian Center, Concord, OH

(\*\*) Jun 23 Dream On Farm Schooling Dressage Show www.dreamonfarm.com Columbia Station, Ohio Jul 6 NODA Ride-a-Test Clinic at Chagrin Valley Farms www.NodaRider.org Chagrin Falls, OH

(\*\*) Jul 7 NODA Schooling Show at Chagrin Valley Farms www.NodaRider.org Chagrin Falls, OH

(\*\*) Jul 20 NODA Dressage 2019 Show www.NodaRider.org USEF/USDF Recognized Chagrin Valley Farms, Chagrin Falls, OH

(\*\*) Aug 11 NODA Schooling Show at Rocky River Stables www.NodaRider.org Rocky River, Ohio

> Aug 17—18 USDF "L" Education Program Hosted by NODA—<u>Part 1, Session B</u> Endeavor Farm, Hudson, Ohio

(\*\*) Aug 18 Dream On Farm Schooling Dressage Show www.dreamonfarm.com Columbia Station, Ohio

(\*\*) Sep 8 NODA Schooling show at Fair Winds Farm www.NodaRider.org Chagrin Falls, OH

(\*\*) Sep 14 Western Dressage Schooling Show <u>Www.BuckeyeEquestrianEvents.com</u> Eden park Equestrian Complex, Sunbury OH

(\*\*) Sept 22 Dream on Farm Schooling Dressage Show Championship

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