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The Board of Directors met November 11 and I can report on some of the items we discussed. We had a financially successful Fall Show in spite of the wet weather.

Margaret Rich and Bill Melendez have been working on the Spring Show schedule and judges so the prize list will be ready for print by February., Scottsdale. Once again we are working with the San Joaquin Valley Club of Region 2 for a 4 day show at the LAEC, March 24 - 27.

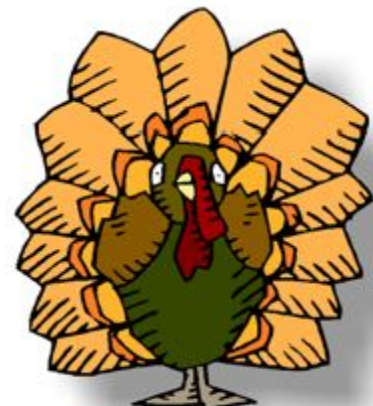
Kathy Callahan-Smith and I are getting ready to go to the AHA Convention November 18-21 in Tulsa, OK. We discussed with the Board the resolutions that will be voted on. You can see them at the AHA website under Membership/Convention/Resolutions.

Nominations for the 2016 Board of Directors and Delegates are confirmed. Correction to the prior notice: Director term is 2 years (not 3). The slate is in this issue.

Due to a scheduling conflict we do not have the Glen Oaks Community Center available for our Christmas Party so in order to accommodate the last minute change we will be combining with the Green Acres Party on Sunday, December 13. See the Green Acres flyer included in this issue.

Have a Happy Thanksgiving and I hope to see you all at the Christmas Party!

Leslie Smith
President



Membership

We are sorry to report our Membership Chairman, Jenny Morgan, fell and broke her hip on November 13 so we do not have a membership report for this month. Cards would be welcomed sent to: Ms. Jenny Morgan, PO Box 892674, Temecula, CA 92374.



Schedule of Events

November 2015

- 28 AHANC Thanksgiving Weekend Show
Rancho Murieta, CA
Kathryne Heath 916-517-8227

December 2015

- 1 RCAHA Board of Directors Meeting
Green Acres Ranch 7:00 p.m. **Please note date
change due to conflict with the Judges/Exhibitors School
3 - 6 Desert Classic All Arab Show
Scottsdale, AZ
Melanni Herschberger 480-443-3372

2016 Show Dates

January 22 - 24 Southern California Half Arabian Club show
at the LAEC, Burbank. (No SEAHA show this year)

March 24 - 27 RCAHA/AHASJV Region 1 & 2 Qualifier,
Region 2 Sport Horse and Dressage Championships at the
LAEC, Burbank

April 8 - 10 Fiesta Del Mar Show at the Del Mar Fairgrounds

May 18 - 20 Region 1 Championship Show at the Del Mar
Fairgrounds



RCAHA Board Election Nominations

The following people have agreed to represent RCAHA on the 2016 Board of Directors. Voting by Ballot will take place at the Christmas Party (see page 4). Nominations can be taken from the floor.

President: Bill Melendez

Vice President: Denise Nelson-Finster

Secretary: Vandi Reeves (incumbent)

Treasurer: Christian Umemoto

Director - 1 Yr Term: Kathy Callahan-Smith

Director - 2 Yr Term: Katherine Rich Elzig (incumbent)

Director - 2-Yr Term: Lynne Chevallier

Debbie Moss has one more year as Director. Kathy Callahan-Smith will fill the one year left on Faye Hall's term. Leslie Smith is Past President.

Delegate candidates are:

Leslie Smith and Kathy Callahan-Smith

We currently have one more opening for delegate and alternate. Any new Letter of Intent should be sent to Leslie to present to the Board at the December meeting.

USEF Rule Effective 12-1-15

All horses entering an approved competition grounds must have proof of Flu/Rhino Vaccination given within the last 6 months. See USEF rules for complete information on what is required and acceptable as proof.

Ranch Pleasure is an approved AHA Class for Shows and Regional Competitions for 2016

Bits and Pieces

Starting in 1917, Dr. Harry Wegeworth, founder of what is now the San Diego Zoo, rode his Arabian stallion, La Sed, up and down the canyons and brush covered mesas of Balboa Park, laying out in his mind where the exhibits would go. He lobbied the San Diego City Council to permanently designate land in Balboa Park for the Zoo and was finally successful in 1921. (excerpt from 100 Years of the San Diego Zoo, ZOONOOZ, November 2015)



Dr. Harry Wegeworth riding his Arabian stallion La Sed circa 1920

Letters of Intent

Following are two Letters of Intent received by the Board of Directors for the position of Delegate representing RCAHA at the AHA Convention during 2016.

RCAHA Board of Directors & Members:

I feel it is very important for RCAHA to have strong delegate representation at both Region 1 meetings and the AHA convention. I would like to continue as your delegate for RCAHA. I was a delegate in the late 80's and for RCAHA in the early 90's and again from 2013 to the present. There is still a lot of work to be done. I have been raising Arabians for almost 30 years. I have been volunteering to work our shows and served on the Board for many years, showed a little, raced for 10 years and admire our breed for the wonderful diversity and qualities it offers. I feel I can represent all of our members whether they show, do endurance, racing or just enjoy their horses. I have the best interest of our Arabians in mind. I would appreciate your support.

Thank you,
Leslie Smith

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RCAHA Board of Directors and Members:

As a long time member of RCAHA, a current RCAHA Delegate, Vice Director for Region One, Vice Chair for the AHA Judges and Stewards Committee as well as several other AHA committees, I would like to be considered as a delegate for RCAHA in 2016.

Thank you,
Kathy Callahan-Smith

Diana Bein would like to be considered for Delegate. She's been a member for many years and served Region 1 well also. She's willing to serve as Alternate if a Delegate can't attend because she's at Convention on the Credentials Committee.

Remember! There are still Delegate and Alternate positions available. If you would like to represent RCAHA at the 2016 AHA Convention, please submit your Letter of Intent to Leslie Smith, President prior to the December 1st Board of Directors Meeting so you can be placed on the official ballot.

If you have any questions about the Delegate position, please contact Leslie, Vandi or Kathy, our current delegates for more information.

Remember!! Vote for the 2016 Board of Directors and Delegates at the December 13th Christmas Party!!

Reminder

Please note the December Board of Directors Meeting date was changed to Tuesday, December 1, 2015 at Green Acres at 7:00 p.m. Our former date conflicts with the Judges and Exhibitors School.

Arabian Horse Foundation Funding Research

The Arabian Horse Foundation announced \$11,000 funding grants to support research projects studying Equine Metabolic Syndrome, Juvenile Idiopathic Epilepsy and hoof imbalance and lameness.

Dr. Samantha Brooks at the University of Florida (Gainesville) is working with heritable disease in the Arabian Horse and working with genetic mapping to discover genetic markers for Equine Metabolic Syndrome (EMS) and Juvenile Idiopathic Epilepsy (JIE) so carrier individuals can be identified.

Dr. Babak Faramarzi at Western University is studying the effect of hoof imbalance and lameness in horses before and after hoof trimming. This study may lead to additional work to evaluate the effects of different trimming and shoeing practices currently used in the show ring.

RCAHA and Green Acres Ranch Christmas Party Invitation

Join us for the Green Acres Ranch Annual

Christmas Party & Cookie Exchange

Please join us for dinner and dancing on the patio.

5:00 PM-8:00 PM

Sunday, Dec. 13th, 2015

Last names A-Q Please bring a Dessert

Last names R-Z Please bring an Appetizer

Homemade Cookie Exchange

If you want to participate in our cookie exchange, then please bring 6 dozen home made cookies 5 dozen to trade and 1 dozen to taste. (no store bought cookies please)

Please RSVP by calling the office
at 951-302-6045 by December 9th

Please note, if your last name ends in A through Q, please bring a dessert for dinner. If your last name ends in R through Z, please bring an appetizer. The Cookie Exchange looks like lots of fun! If you want to participate, bring 6 dozen home-made cookies of your favorite recipe - one to eat and 5 to swap. You might want to bring extra copies of the recipe with you that night!

Don't Forget!! Please call the office on 951-302-6045 to RSVP by December 9th.



Happy Thanksgiving!

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A photograph of a woman with blonde hair, wearing a blue jacket and dark pants, riding a dark-colored horse. The horse is adorned with a red and white floral garland. The woman is smiling and looking towards the camera. The background is a dark, textured green.

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