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President's Message:

Greetings from your new president! I'd like to take a few minutes to introduce myself and tell you a bit about my goals for LDA in 2011. First, my name is Holly Winkeljohn and I am primarily a hunt seat instructor with a passion for dressage. Worried yet? I am a full time instructor with approximately 40 students, the vast majority of whom are under the age of 16 and ride hunters. I grew up showing hunters and it is only in the past 7 years that my personal interest has turned to dressage. In those seven years my eyes have been opened to wonders of better communication with a horse and the miracle of lightness! Oh, what I missed in my youth! It is a lesson that I feel compelled to pass along to my students, and one that has greatly improved the talent of

all of my lesson horses as well as the skill of my riders. It doesn't change the fact that my students are young and will forever love to jump, but the dose of dressage work they receive with every lesson has greatly improved their jumping. And every once in a while I get a convert who wants to test out the dressage show ring. LDA welcomes all of them with open arms. Let's continue to spread the word!

As you can probably imagine, I have a vested interest in young riders. One of my many goals for 2011 is to make LDA as youth friendly as possible. Young riders are the future of our sport and need to be encouraged! On that note, LDA has a new officer position. We'd like to

welcome Ashlyn Pavlock as our youth coordinator. Ashlyn I hope to have many young riders joining you at future shows. But it's not just young riders who are welcomed into LDA. Just as I wish that I had been exposed to dressage at an earlier time in my life, I feel that there are many riders out there who would like an introduction to dressage. Hopefully LDA will be able to provide that introduction to curious riders in 2011. Here's to an exciting year!

LDA AWARDS NEWS

The awards banquet was a great success and here are the results of the winners for 2010:

LDA Rider Award (most scores on different horses in all 3 Shows): Kathleen Mitchell-Jacket

Appreciation Award (showed in 2 of 3 shows, but not enough scores to submit): Lori Ismail, Mary O'Toole, Barbara Green-

lee, Amy Emerson, Suzanne Myers, Marcie Lipscomb and Brianny Marra.

Perfect Attendance Award: Barbara Greenlee, Ashlyn Pavlock and Marcie Lipscomb.

Intro Champion: Judy Clark

Intro JYR Champion: Ashlyn Pavlock

Intro JYR Reserve Champion: Andi Edwards

William Starbucks Award: Emily Yarborough

Many thanks to Jean White for appearing as our Guest Speaker at the Awards Celebration.



Lauren DeNeve

NEW EVENT TRAINER IN PLANT CITY

Black Dog Farm announces training available with Two Star Event Trainer/Rider, Lauren DeNeve, at Black Dog Farm. We know some of our LDA members are eventer riders as well as dressage only riders!

Lauren is from Texas, where she competed on the Area V team for NAYRC for Eventing. As a junior, she was 1st in the nation in 2001 at Preliminary.

Lauren was a working student for Kyle Carter and David and Karen O'Connor. She has ridden with Mike Huber and Jim Graham. Lauren has competed her horse Maven at Interna-

tional Three Day Competitions at the 2* Level.

Lauren started in Pony Club and has helped kids achieve their "A" rating. She has actively coached students competing from Beginner Novice up to Preliminary. She is also a fantastic horse trainer, bringing her own horses up the ranks and showing young horses for clients.

Lauren is actively training with other professionals in all three phases to further her skills as a rider and coach. Lauren rides with Bill Woods (Dressage), Debbie Stephens (Stadium)

and Karen O'Connor (overall strategy and Cross Country).

Lauren will be actively competing this season. Additional information can be found on the website for Black Dog Farm, www.blackdogconnemara.com.



Lauren DeNeve

USDF BASKET NEWS LDA

Greetings,

Just wanted to share the final outcome of the GMO basket that was sent to the USDF annual convention in Jacksonville this past December. Thank you to all of those that donated items. As you can see, it was a challenge to arrange them all in the basket! Here's a list of the items and who donated them. See if you

can find all the items listed in the picture of the basket. I assure you they are all there:) and don't worry, I removed any price tags before the wrapping the basket.

Here are the items that made up the basket, along with who donated them for LDA:

Lindy Blythe- Tissue box, Lindt chocolates, Tylenol extra strength, SportsCreme pain reliever

Susan Buchanon- 2 small glass horses, rock soap. Lakeland swan ornament, 2 Lakeland swan Notecards, 2 vet-wrap bandages, 2 back pain patches, basket

Gail Adams: yellow Hermes polo wraps

GMO Basket Continued

Karin Rychak: LDA blue ribbons, Tri-Care wound treatment for horses.

Rita- 2 horse necklaces, 2 aromatherapy mineral bath packets, magnet, Jeweled Martini glass compact mirror, Resistance exercise bands, blank journal, Epsom salts. A note about our GMO and our theme for 2010.

LDA also would like to thank Rita's who works at FedEx for donating the cost of overnight shipping.

Submitted by Rita Mouradian



HATS OFF!

Nancy Cole & Paraselene

Earned their USDF Bronze Medal in 2010! Nancy was able to personally receive her award this year in at the Convention in Jacksonville, Florida.



Julie Wall Hicks & Beau

Arabian Regionals

Champion – 1st Level Amateur
 Reserve Champion – 2nd Level Amateur
 Top 5 (3rd) – 1st Level Open

USDF All Breeds – Arabian

1st Level – Open (67.33% median score)
 1st Level – Amateur (67.33% median score)

USEF Horse of the Year

National 6th: Arabian Dressage Amateur 2nd Level through 4th Level
 Region 12: Champion: Arabian Dressage 1st level, Reserve Champion: Arabian Dressage Amateur 1st Level, Reserve Champion: Arabian Dressage Amateur 2nd Level through 4th Level.



Pictured: Julie & Rohara Beaujolais+
 Photos by Barb

USDF CONVENTION AWARDS COMMITTEE

The USDF Convention in Jacksonville, FL was held in early December of 2010. The convention was well attended and had speakers on almost every topic: Competition management, competitor rule changes, judging, GMO's, Technical Delegates and awards.

I participated in meetings for Awards, Competition Management and Technical Delegates.

For our Region within the USDF (Region 3), I sit on the National Awards Committee. This committee works on equivalencies and general awards. (For example, if FEI JYR tests change, we change their USEF equivalent for recognition towards receiving bronze, silver or gold medals). We also look at the Horse of the Year and HOY Level awards.

This year we voted to limit the HOY Level awards to a horse to two consecutive levels. For HOY awards in coming years, the HOY awards cannot be earned in lower levels than previous years unless the horse is shown by a new rider.

If you have any questions regarding national USEF and USDF awards, please contact Beth Davidson.



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Come Ride With Us!



CONSIDER JOINING LDA!

Membership Year is December 1, 2010 to November 30, 2011. You must be a member for points to count for year end awards.

We are on the web at
[lakeladdressage.com!](http://lakeladdressage.com)

Scribing Tips

From the USDF Guide for Scribes

Conversations between judge and scribe:

- The judge must watch the test. The scribe does not comment on the judge's decision.
- Don't volunteer information about competitors and their horses.
- Wait for the judge to set the tone as to whether conversations between rides are encouraged.

Watching the Test:

- Scribes should focus on

recording scores and comments.

The scoring process:

- Scribes legibly record scores. Do not worry about co-efficient.
- Scores are written in the first column.
- Collective marks at the end of the test are filled out by the judge.

The Scores:

- Will range from 0-10. Errors will be penalized and a deduction of 2 points given. The scribe should write the word

error and circle it for the scorer to see.

Before the Show:

- Familiarize yourself with basic dressage terms and study abbreviations commonly used.
- Ask to sit with another scribe and watch them for a while before scribing solo the first time!

Many shows have volunteers for their scribing positions, and we thank you for coming to your local shows and helping with the show process. We hope you have fun while you are learning about dressage!



REMEMBRANCES

Patty Klein

Former member of LDA who was killed in a car accident just before the new year.

