

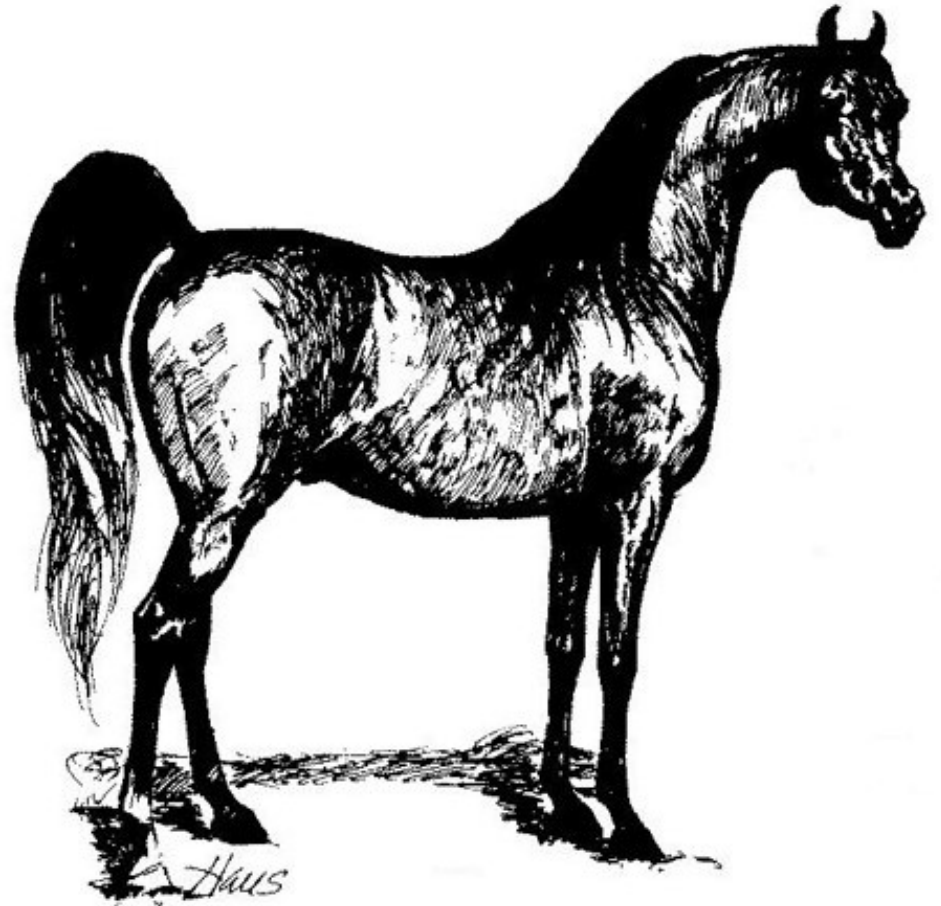
***Club Volunteer
Service Awards***



Donna Kearney – San Diego AHA

Donna is a board member, member of our show committee and convention delegate. She stepped up at the last minute to attend the 2022 convention when a primary delegate was unable to travel to South Carolina. She is the first person to help out whenever our club is in need of a volunteer. Most recently she volunteered at our AVS show in May and our Ranch Rail clinic in September. She also volunteered each day at the Region 1 Championship show last May. She dedicates countless hours promoting the Arabian Horse in our community and the success of our local community events is in large part due to Donna's contributions.

Rich Whitley – San Diego AHA President



Lynne Chevallier – Rancho California AHA

Lynne has been a valued member of the RCAHA board for many years. We can always count on her assistance at our horse shows, and she plans a wonderful Christmas party for our club. Lynne manages to assist us even though she is busy with her business, California Costumes, and the illness and passing this year of her husband, Glen. We are so lucky to have you, Lynne!

Debbie Moss – Rancho California AHA President



Katherine Rich-Elzig – Ranch California AHA

Katherine has served as my Vice-President of the RCAHA board for many years in spite of her busy training show business and raising three daughters. Her knowledge of horses, her status as a “R” judge and her achievement of her gold medal in Dressage is invaluable to the club, and especially advantageous when planning our horse shows. We appreciate you, Katherine!

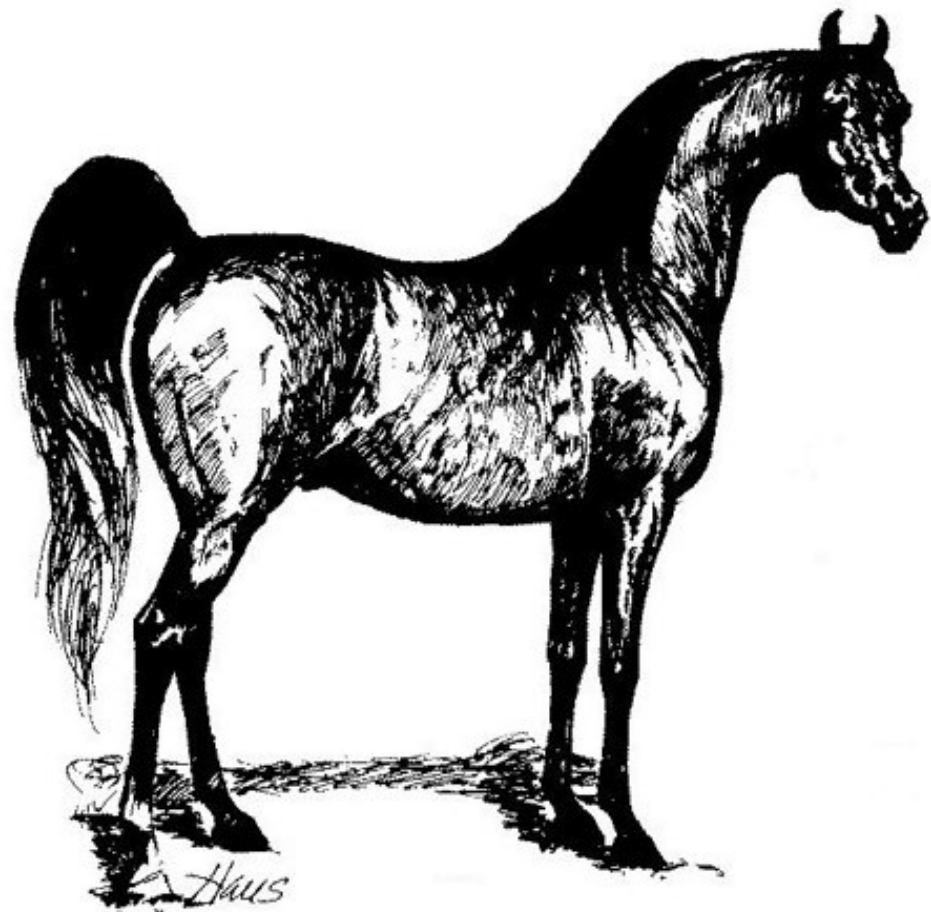
Debbie Moss – Rancho California AHA President



Elizabeth Haven Aulestia – AHA of San Fernando Valley

Liz organized two Hippology Hunger Games Youth events. In addition, she coordinated the Carla Jo Bailey Equine Biomechanics Clinic and the testing and training for our 2023 Youth Judging team, which she also volunteered and coached as well.

Nedra Johnson – AHA of San Fernando Valley Vice-President



Natalie Zavala – AHA of San Fernando Valley

Natalie not only coached the 2023 Hippology and Judging team but she also independently set up three clinics with local professional trainers as training for the kids. She is also competing at U.S. Nationals in the judging competition as well. She was our Treasurer last year and did an amazing job. She also volunteered at our club tens trip and organized and managed our local fun show.

Nedra Johnson – AHA of San Fernando Valley Vice-President



Jim Gift – AHA of San Joaquin Valley

Jim Gift has provided outstanding support and effort to our club for over 25 years. He has held multiple positions of leadership including time as president, vice-president, and treasurer. Jim has supported our yearly show with his time. This show has usually been held outside of our immediate area, so involvement has included extra time and expense with travel. He has also been a delegate multiple times and has attended both regional meetings and the convention for our club. His time and effort for our club has been important to the success of our shows and the effectiveness and communication of our club to the regional and national level. Jim has consistently provided his time, effort, and resources to support the Arabian horse through our club and is greatly deserving of this award.

Kathleen Lagrutta - AHA of San Joaquin Valley President



Rae Rankin – Mother Lode AHA

Rae takes care of our newsletter and website and is the editor of “The Tailings” and has made it into a combined schedule of club events, equine management articles to help new potential horse enthusiasts and special interest articles to attract new horse owners to Arabian horses. Rae does all the club notifications by way of blasts, does the entries for our annual Fuzzy Wuzzy horse show and represents us at the California Horse Expo. We have a much better website that encourages people interested in horsemanship to look at our Mother Lode Club.

Sue Rich – Mother Lode AHA President



Lynn Curl – Red Bluff AHA

Lynn is our selection due to the longevity as a member of Red Bluff AHA. Lynn has served many years as a show committee member. Helping the show with the silent auction and youth director. She has continued as a member and as a show competitor. Her dedication to the Arabian horse and to AHA are to be commended. We thank her for her participation and membership. Her calm demeanor and pleasant attitude extend to the Region 3 Championship as well. She has been a recorder for many years.

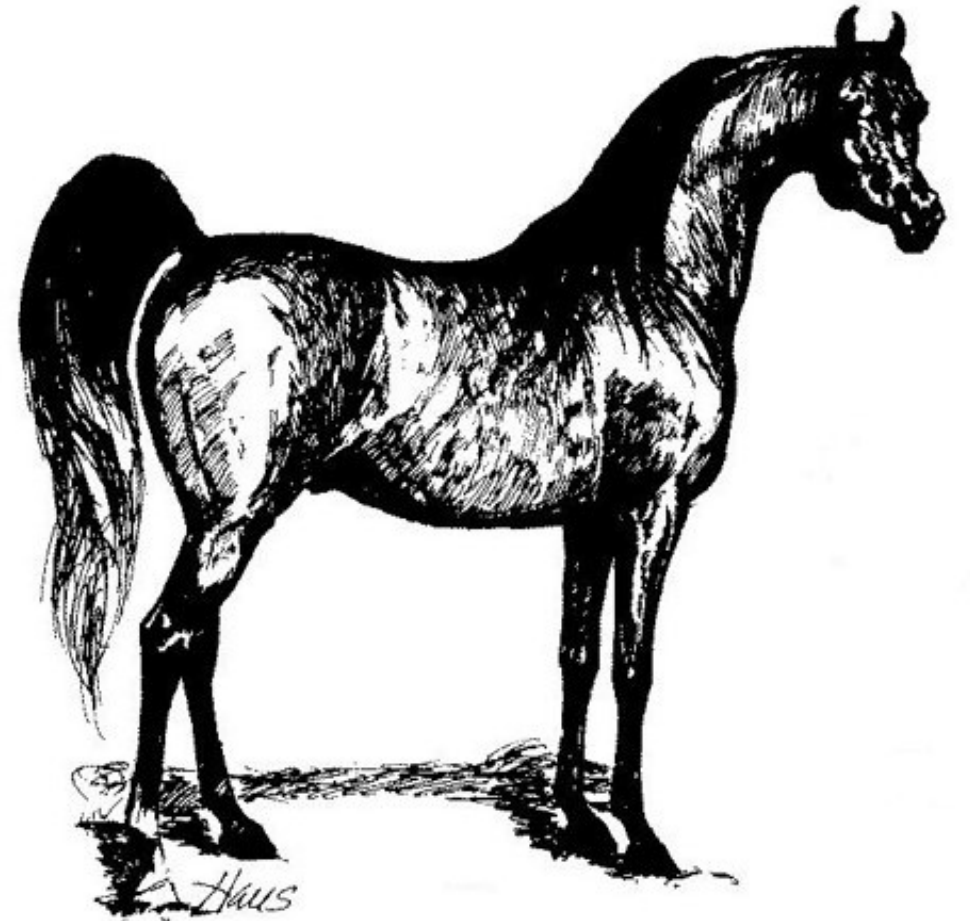
Pam Bingham – Red Bluff AHA President



Theresa Bell – Gold Coast AHA

Theresa is a relatively new member of Gold Coast AHA, joining our club in August 2020. She has had a love of the Arabian since growing up and now has horses of her own. The same year she joined Gold Coast Theresa was nominated and elected to our board of directors for a two-year term. Theresa brought positive, upbeat energy to the board, much needed as CoVid had changed how things worked. This year she accepted another nomination to run for the board. Theresa is always volunteering to help with various club events. Despite her busy schedule as an Athletic Assistant at school she is always ready to volunteer at our Schooling Shows. She is willing and eager to learn more tasks and duties and works hard at all she takes on. Theresa has taken on the duties of ring steward at our shows and has learned how to scribe for ranch riding classes. Theresa has an infectious smile and cheery personality. Her motto is “stronger than yesterday, and a little better than the day before”. Her eagerness to continue to grow and push the limits of life herself has helped to keep the spirit of our core group of volunteers at Gold Coast positive. We are proud to nominate her for the Club Volunteer Service Award.

Gloria Fenske – Gold Coast AHA President



Bridget Fitzpatrick – Comstock AHA

Long time Comstock Arabian Horse Association member (since she was 12!), Bridget exemplifies all the attributes of an outstanding club member, giving time, talent, skills, persistence, and knowledge abundantly and with humor. She has served as an active delegate to the AHA Convention for several years. Bridget has obtained promotional grants for our club show. She has artistic talent in designing “Save the Date” cards for promoting the show and has an expansive imagination in producing show advertisements. Bridget has hosted two club shows at her facility and has promoted the breed with her annual “Horse Camps”. She has in depth involvement in the AHA TAIL program and has participated in local community “Meet the Arabian Horse” events. We appreciate her for her loving and generous sharing of her time, skills, facility, and horses with her many beginners as well as long term riders. For these reasons and many more, we recognize her for the Club Volunteer Service Award!

Jon Skiles – Comstock AHA President



Kelly Waltos – Arabian Horse Breeders Association of Oregon

Kelly is a tireless volunteer for our club. She has chaired the membership committee resulting in retention and recruitment of members. She never fails to volunteer for various projects from year to year. Most recently she was a member of our clinic committee. She helped organize the clinic which included taking care of our clinician, collecting the income, putting together documentation for the income/expense report, and helping the days of the clinic with everything imaginable. The clinic was a resounding success with wonderful reviews from the clinician and participants. Kelly and her family are always a resource for club events and projects. She shows her own horses and promotes the breed at every opportunity. She has earned this well-deserved recognition!

Cassandra Richard - Arabian Horse Breeders Association of Oregon President



Tim Paulsen – Daffodil AHA of Washington

Tim has been our go to support for setup and tear down at our show for at least a decade. He is always there to make sure that we have everything needed for our show. Whether it is getting us the best contact for walkie-talkies, putting together a 6-foot horseshoe made of Daffodil flowers or doing our general heavy lifting, he is there prepared to take on the task. Without his support, we would not be able to put on a successful show and be able to give our exhibitors the opportunity to have a local show to participate at.

Shannon Bedell - Daffodil AHA of Washington President



Sara Stewart – Daffodil AHA of Washington

In addition to being a past delegate for the club, Sara has consistently helped with special projects for our club, including helping provide prizes for our youth fundraiser the “Trainer Equitation Challenge”. Sara created awards to be given not just to our winner but several other categories that helped promote the event and get us further participants. This event ended up raising over \$1500 to help support our Regional Youth activities including our youth grant program which gives funds to first time regional and national exhibitors.

Shannon Bedell - Daffodil AHA of Washington President



Barbara Tibbs - Emerald Empire AHC

Locally, Barbara holds the offices of The Emerald Empire Arabian Horse Association membership chair and youth advisor. As the membership chair, she writes the club newsletter, has built our entire website (eeahc.org) and is administrator of The EEAHC Facebook page and group pages. As our youth advisor, in April, she along with her sister, Laurie, gave a very informative talk on horse judging for all local youth at the EEAHC judging seminar. This seminar covered what to expect when taking part in a judging contest as well as some basics on judging conformation and giving oral reasons. In just the last few weeks, Barbara put together a video class of western pleasure horses for the Arabian Horse Association for their upcoming virtual online youth judging practice, and I am sure she will be organizing some of our youth members to participate. Barbara has many more events to her credit, too many to cover here. I and other members of the Emerald Empire Arabian Horse Association thank you and truly appreciate you!

Laurie Tibbs - Emerald Empire AHC President



Tiffany Rauch – Montana AHA

Tiffany is one of our newest members of the club. She joined the crew at SC Stables in Billings and quickly joined the fun. With mentoring from the SC Crew, she found her new love, “JoJo” – Mobster In Roses a Half-Arabian and quickly jumped into training for Ranch Riding, Reining and her latest, Cowboy Mounted Shooting. She is game for anything and with that said, does whatever is needed to assist the club. Tiffany helps with the background details for the local show. She became an Alternate for the 2022 AHA Convention and did so eagerly learning more about AHA as a whole. When there was an opening for Secretary on the club’s board, Tiffany once again stepped up on the plate and accepted the position. Tiffany is a wonderful addition to our club and the Arabian Horse Association!

Nancy Rhode – Montana AHA President



Eloisa Statham – AHA of Arizona

Eloisa is an incredible volunteer and is always willing to take on a project. In the last year she has helped man the Amateur booth at the Breeders Finals show, supplied the food for both winter and spring trail rides, provided food for participants in the Parada Del Sol Parade, setup and participated in the presentation of the Arabian horses at the annual Polo Championships. In addition, she is the Dressage and Sport Horse Assistant Manager for the ACC show, Dressage and Sport Horse volunteer coordinator for the Scottsdale show and volunteers each day at the Scottsdale Show for the “Meet an Arabian Horse” and organized their amateur photo contest. And lastly, volunteered at the Arabian Horse presentation for the Phoenix Junior Diabetes Walk and is the Manager of the fun show which is open to all breeds.

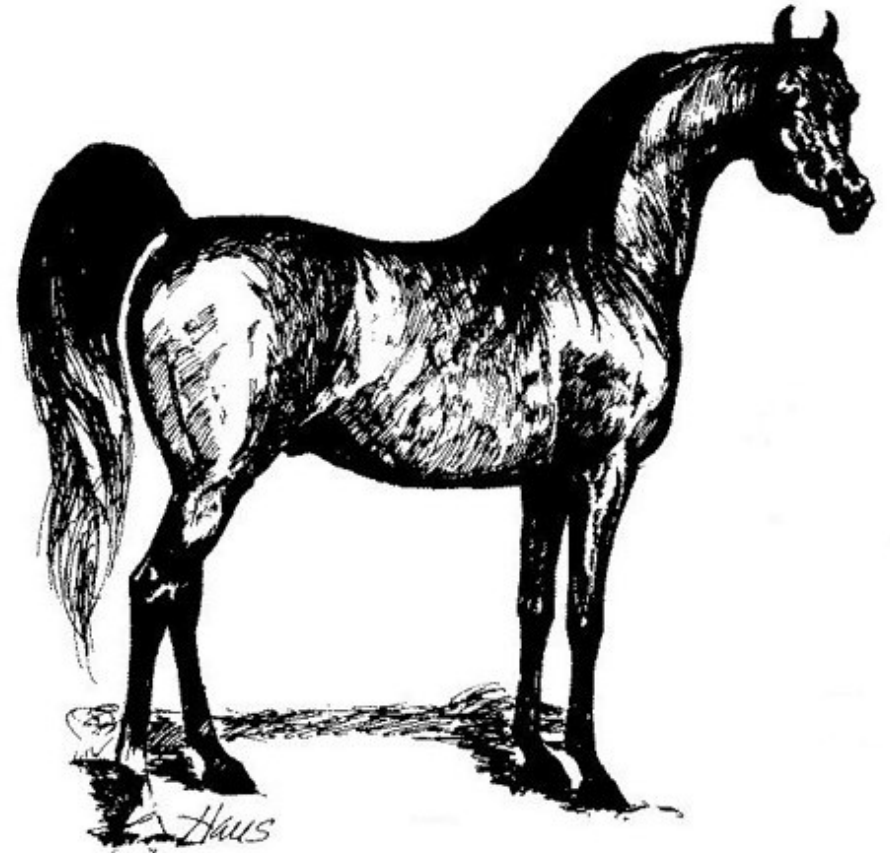
Mary Lou Houge – AHA of Arizona Past President



Cory Ann Camp – Southern Arizona AHA

Cory has been a huge help to our all-breed schooling shows (7 a year) as well as helping with hospitality, awards and paddock manager at our local Arabian Horse show. She can be counted on to be there and help in any way possible. Cory also works at the Region 7 Championship Show in operations and as a videographer. It's a blessing to have a person you can depend on to be there for you. She is a hard worker and cheerful presence!

Marilou Balloun – Southern Arizona AHA
President



Mary Campbell – Southern Arizona AHA

Mary has been an active member of the Southern Arizona AHA Board of Directors as well as the club's show committee. She is in charge of the educational portion of the club activities and has put on numerous successful clinics and Meet-An-Arabian Horse events. Mary has also been a member of the Region 7 Judges Selection Committee. She is a USEF/AHA Judge and club convention Delegate. She participates on various AHA committees. We definitely appreciate all she does!

Marilou Balloun – Southern Arizona AHA President



Rachel Michener – Legacy AHC of Texas

Rachel can always be depended on to do what you ask her to do! She is the Club Treasurer, always attends the meetings and gives an accurate detailed accounting of the club funds. She gives up vacation days and weekends to help with our Cowtown Classic show, everything from scoring Dressage and In-Hand classes, acting as ringmaster, handing out ribbons and doing the “grunt” work of setting the Dressage and center rings. She gives her time and is always cheerful and personable with the exhibitors and show staff. She is definitely deserving of this award!

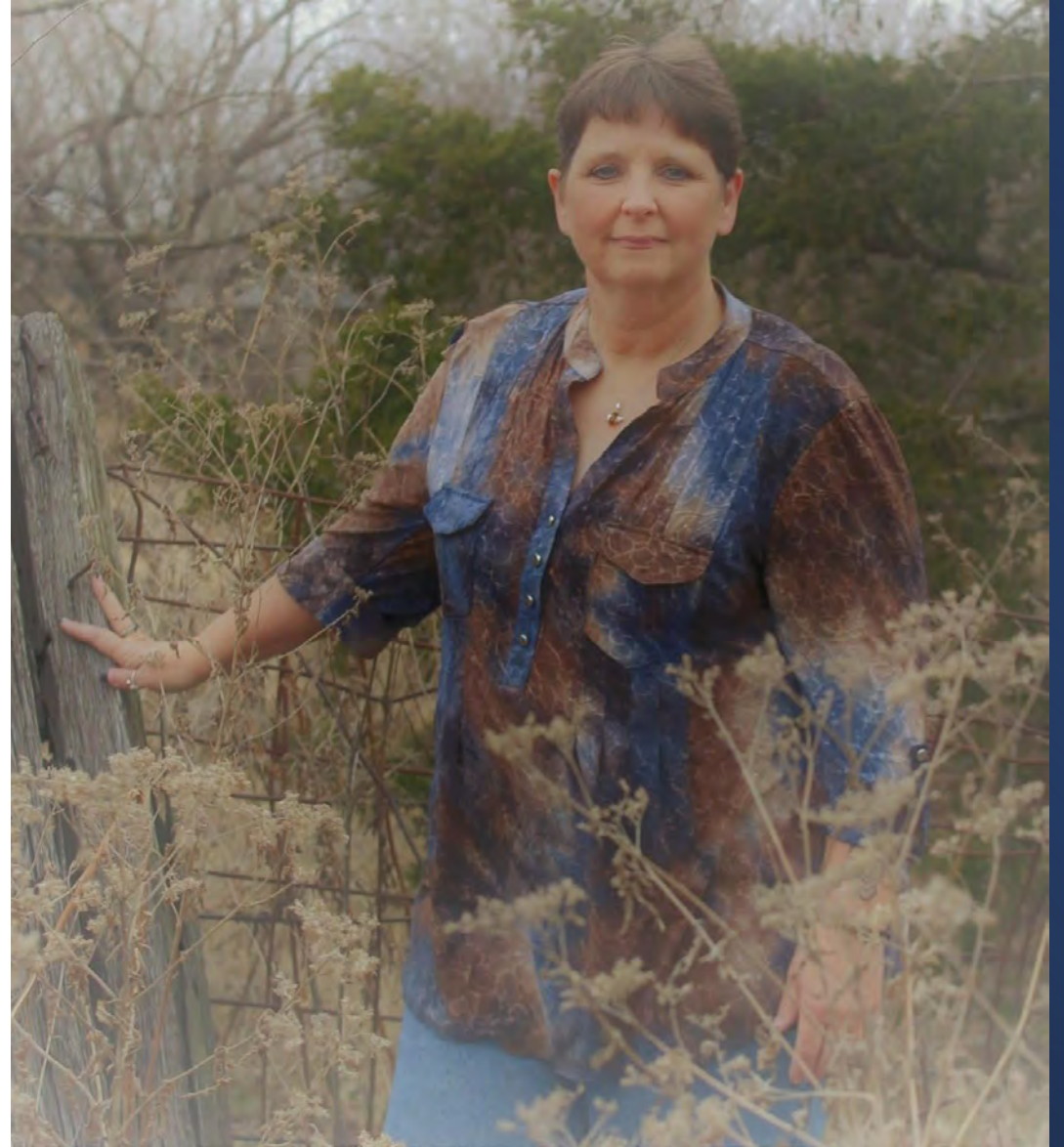
Karen Higgins Campbell – Legacy AHC of Texas
Membership Chair



Mary Trekell – Green Country AHA

Mary is at every GCAHA show volunteering her time as our gate keeper. She helps keep our shows flowing smoothly and efficiently. She is there with a ready smile and helps keep the exhibitors on track and encourages them before they enter the arena. She also helps us set up/take down trail obstacles and ranch riding poles. She is the epitome of a true volunteer and deserves the title of Volunteer of the year for our club.

Jessie Holland – GCAHA President



***Susan Lallo – The Arabian Trail & Ranch
Horse Association***

Susan has been extremely active in our youth Nationals Awards program, single handedly doing the organization of the awards and assisting in getting sponsors. She is willing to help in anyway and is a financial sponsor for our U.S. Awards – every club needs a Susan in their membership!

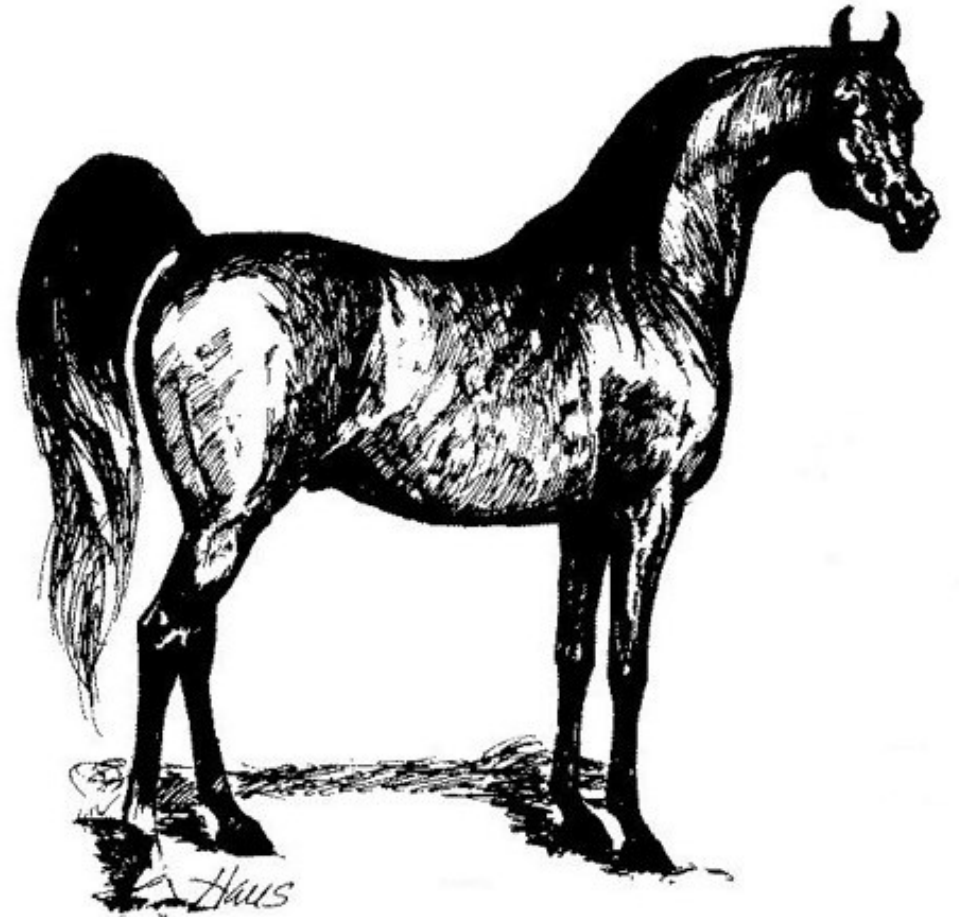
Karlan Downing - The Arabian Trail & Ranch
Horse Association President



Heather Hall – Wisconsin AHA

Heather consistently goes above and beyond for our club's shows. She lives at least 150 miles away from any of our show locations and yet she never hesitates to help at each show. Even when other commitments prevent her from helping during the show, she will often come down the day before, to help us set up the Dressage court (something that at the time, none of us had ever done before, so that was exceptionally nice!). She has even used her own truck and trailer to pick up and deliver the Dressage court to our show grounds. What makes this all the more commendable is that she does this without being an exhibitor herself, it would be easy for a person that doesn't often show to consider themselves "exempt" from the needs of those that do show. Heather sets aside entire weekends to support the club and help put on successful shows. If more people in the world could be like Heather, we would all be better for it.

Jamie Wright – Wisconsin AHA Vice-President



Tammy Teubert – Wisconsin AHA

Tammy is an incredible volunteer for the Arabian Horse. She continually steps up to fill a variety of roles at our shows, which in the past have included paddock manager, open show manager, gate manager, keeper of the clubs' ribbons and awards, and manager of our year-end awards program. In addition, Tammy is one of those special souls that shares her beloved Arabian, BH Western Wishes+, with others. She volunteers regularly with the Horse Power Healing Center in Eagle, Wisconsin, where Wishes resides. Dozens of people have been introduced to Arabians and had the chance to show this gentle and kind horse because of Tammy. Volunteers are the backbone of any club, and Tammy is one of those unsung heroes doing everything she can at the grassroots level!

Jamie Wright – Wisconsin AHA Vice-President



Shelly Lehman – Wisconsin Desert Horse Association

Shelly is a well deserving candidate for the Club Level Volunteer Service Award for numerous reasons. She is our club Treasurer and has been for the past few years and has brought us into the technology state to run us as a business. Shelly is also the Newsletter Editor, Manager of the Badger Horse Show and Festival AVS & All Breed Show and member of many if not all committees. She is also our “tech” person that brought and taught us into the Zoom world due to Covid. She is one of the most passionate people I know about the breed and the club which come first and foremost. These reasons are why Shelly is our Club Volunteer Service Award winner!

Polly Ney-Popelars - Wisconsin Desert Horse Association
President



Sue Rothman – AHA of Florida

Sue has been an integral part of AHAF for many years. She has served as Vice-President for many terms and prior to that served as the Show Treasurer for the annual qualifying show that AHAF produces each year. Sue's knowledge of the club's history is invaluable. In addition, Sue's detailed records of the club's finances and futurity program are especially notable. AHAF is truly fortunate to have a long serving volunteer such as Sue!

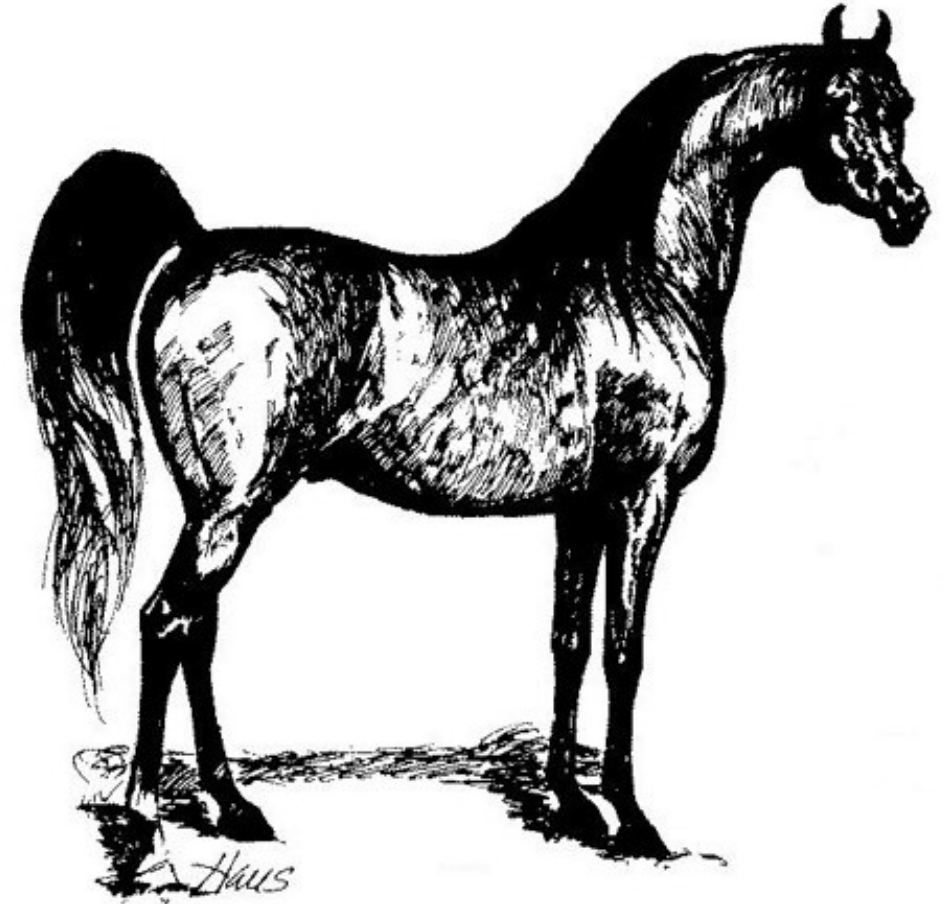
Laurie Salmi – AHA of Florida President



***Sandy Bryant – Indiana Half-Arabian
Horse Club***

Sandy has annually sponsored the club's Hoosier Horse Classic show with a substantial sponsorship and served as the ringman for the Sport Horse Performance classes. We appreciate her sponsorship and help with the show and would like to recognize her with the Club Volunteer Service Award.

Peggy Treisback - Indiana Half-Arabian Horse
Club President



Jacqueline Smith - Indiana Half-Arabian Horse Club

Jackie has annually served the club at the Hoosier Horse Classic show in any capacity that is asked of her. Because of her willingness to help out and making the show the best it can be, we would like to recognize her with the Club Volunteer Service Award.

Peggy Treisback - Indiana Half-Arabian Horse Club



Sherry Nugent – West Michigan AHA

Sherry is one of the kindest hardworking people that I know in the Arabian community. She serves as our Secretary of the club and is the Show manager for our community shows. Through her leadership, the community shows have grown into shows that not only we enjoy, but that everyone can enjoy no matter what breed they show. Her kindness shows though at every show as I repeatedly hear from exhibitors. They share how well the shows are run but most importantly, how nice Sherry is to work with and that she always goes the extra mile. She is actively involved in our fundraisers for horse community members that are in need. This past show we had a fundraiser in which the show donated \$1 from every class to a young woman that had unexpectedly lost her husband. She also makes sure our lead line riders are always taken care of by sponsoring and purchasing their prizes for the Fall Classic show. Overall, Sherry demonstrates a commitment to make a positive difference within the Arabian Horse community and we are beyond thankful for her!

Jody Thurston – West Michigan AHA President



Susan Butterworth – Virginia AHA

Susan currently serves as Vice President of the Virginia Arabian Horse Association. She is one of those members that always volunteers wherever needed. This year she served as hospitality chairperson for our Show providing a great exhibitor social. Susan has continued her volunteer work even though recently being blessed to become a grandmother!

Donnie Bullock – Virginia AHA President



Hillary Rapier – Virginia AHA

Hillary is a longtime member and supporter of the Virginia Arabian Horse Association. As normal, clubs struggle with being able to get volunteers to help with events. Hillary, even though being pregnant, still running her own training business reached out and said what can I do? We had just lost our show sponsor coordinator so we asked if she could help with that, well she certainly did! She was able to coordinate more sponsors than we have had in many years.

Donnie Bullock – Virginia AHA President



Rebecca Holman – AHA of New York

Becky is always giving 150%+ to the club and the Arabian breed. She lives and breathes how special they are. She is devoted to the club and AHA for longer than I have known her. When new members come in, she is welcoming and helps bring them up to speed about the club and what AHA is doing. She is selfless and gives so much of who she is. Even when she's got so much going on such as building her new farm home, she always has time to help. Becky has increased membership through awareness at such events as our local WNY Equifest. Through Equifest she has helped new Arabian owners become aware of the club. She is also Vice Chair for the Eastern Classic Horse show which we run in June. She is up early and transporting items to the facility. With her leadership the club is moving forward into a great future with communication, and education through seminars, promoting the breed. Becky deserves to be recognized for all she does on so many levels!

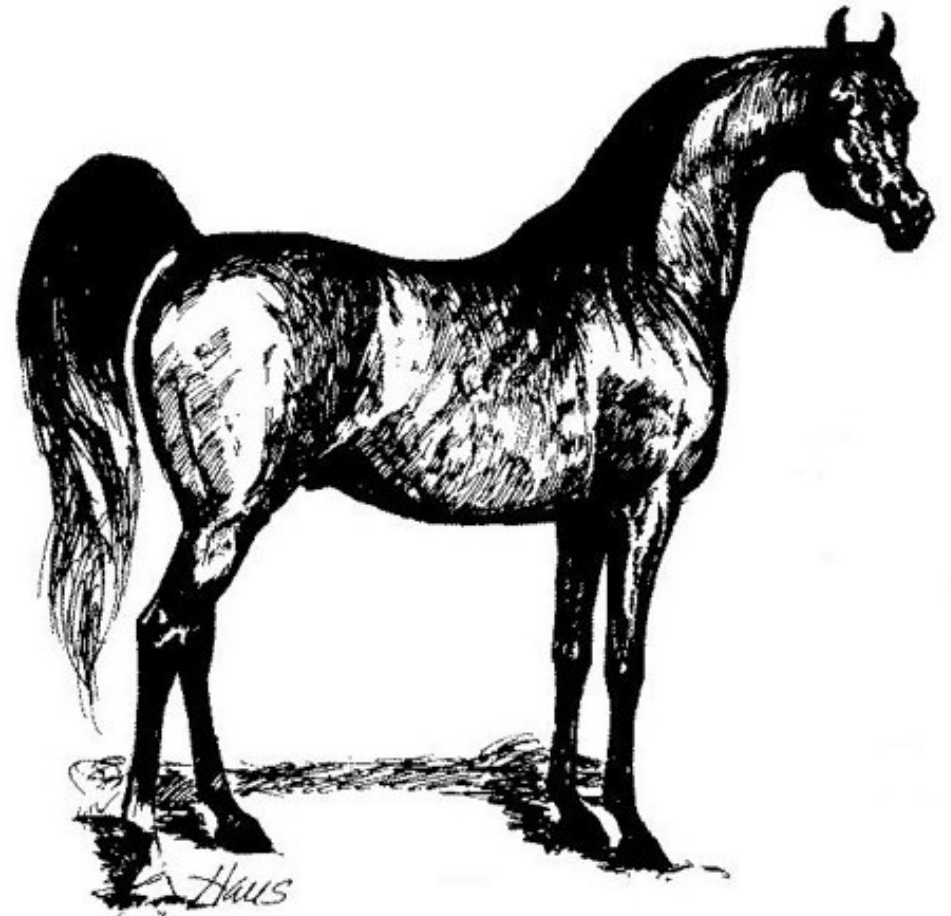
Amy Thompson – AHA of New York



Heather Downey – Aurora AHA

Heather has been a tireless worker for the Aurora AHA. She has led a committee to organize social functions to raise funds for the club and has researched many unique fundraising ideas. This year she took a leadership role in organizing and operating the Aurora Spring Horse show. Under her leadership the show was successful and received high marks for her attention to detail and focus on exhibitor satisfaction.

Gary Millar – Aurora AHA President



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