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## Congratulations to the 2009 VHSA Special Award Winners

The weekend of December 4, 2009, was an exciting time at the Homestead during the Virginia Horse Shows Association's Annual Meeting and Convention. Even with the snow that we received in beautiful Hot Springs, Virginia, it was quite amazing to see all of the Virginia Horsemen and Horsewomen who braved the elements to be present at the VHSA Convention. On behalf of the Virginia Horse Shows Association's Board of Directors and all VHSA members we would like to warmly welcome Ms. Peg Seals as part of the 2010 VHSA Board of Directors. We would also like to thank Mr. Kenneth M. Wheeler, Sr., for being a part of the VHSA Board of Directors for so many years and what a great asset he has been to the Board. Mr. Wheeler asked to not be considered for the 2010 Board due to his very busy schedule, however, he will continue to take part on various VHSA Committees.

Congratulations to all of the 2009 Virginia Horse Shows Association's winners. Everyone worked very hard for their respective award. We would also like to congratulate the following 2009 Special Award winners:

*The Double R Partners-In Memory of Amy Reistrup Trophy*..... **Alexa Lowe**  
*Frances Newbill Rowe Junior Exhibitor Award*..... **Harrison Shure**  
*Junior Exhibitor of the Year*..... **Peyton Smith**  
*Andrew Montgomery Award*..... **June Camper**  
*Susan Hagan Award*..... **Teresa Ramsay**  
*Horseperson of the Year*..... **Peg Seals**  
*Horse Show of the Year*..... **Deep Run Horse Show**  
*Elizabeth Nelms Memorial Owner of the Year Award*..... **Margaret Taylor**  
*Michael Lenahan Memorial College Scholarship*..... **Ashleigh Ramey**  
*VHSA Allie Miller Memorial Riding Scholarship*..... **Emily Keller**  
*Mary Drury Award*..... **Flash Gordon, owned and ridden by Jessica Rockwell**  
*Amateur Sportsmanship Award*..... **Lauren Fellows**  
*The Barbara Meegan Young Rider Award*..... **Ellie Lancaster**  
*The Perfect Parent Perpetual Trophy*..... **Janice and Samuel Nicholson**

Also, congratulations to the following individuals who were inducted into the Virginia Horse Shows Association's Hall of Fame:

**Mr. and Mrs. Bertram & Diana Firestone**  
**Mrs. Betty R. Oare**  
**Mr. Jack Stedding**  
**"Idle Dice", owned by: Mr. Harry Gill**

## 2010 Virginia Horse Shows Association Rule Changes and Additions

***Hunter Classics:***

The Virginia Horse Shows Association will now recognize Hunter Classics and the points will be included in the respective divisions for year-end points.

***Amateur Owner 3'3":***

The Virginia Horse Shows Association will now recognize the Amateur Owner 3'3" as part of the VHSA year-end awards program. This division will not be split by age as the Amateur Owner 3'6" is.

***Small Hunter:***

The Virginia Horse Shows Association has lowered the jump height for the Small Hunter to 3'0".

***VHSA Medal Finals:***

At the VHSA Medal Finals, two disobediences by a horse or pony will eliminate the finalist (previously three disobediences). The three disobediences will remain at all qualifying classes.

***VHSA Pony Breeding  
Amateur Handler Class:***

To be shown on the line by an amateur. To be judged 100% on showmanship, turn-out and conditioning of the animal. Any age pony may be shown. Ponies will be walked and/or jogged. In order to accrue points towards the VHSA Pony Breeding Amateur Handler Class the handler must be a current VHSA member and the animal must be recorded with the VHSA. The amateur with the most points at the year-end will receive the Eileen Beckman Amateur Handler Champion Perpetual Trophy that will be presented at the VHSA Awards Ceremony in December of each year.

***Returned Check Policy:***

Any person or persons who submits a check to the VHSA that is returned due to insufficient funds will receive an invoice from the VHSA for the amount of the check as well as a \$50 penalty fee. At this time, the person or persons will be considered not in good standing, points will not count and all privileges will be suspended. Privileges will not be reinstated until a valid money order or cashier's check is received in the VHSA office. If the VHSA office does not receive the entire amount due within thirty (30) days from the date of the invoice, the person or persons name will be posted on the VHSA website as not in good standing and why.

## 2010

# VHSA YEARLING FUTURITY

The 2010 Virginia Horse Shows Association Yearling Futurity will once again be hosted by the Warrenton Horse Show on Saturday, September 4th. The following individuals are eligible to compete at this event (providing that the individuals who are on the payment plan make the final payment by June 30, 2010). The entry forms for the competition will be sent to all eligible owners in late July/early August.

### Payment Plan

Owner	Mare	Covering Stallion
1. Mary Whitlock	Pallas Rose	Nob Hill
2. Cynthia Hair	Madeline	Zarr
3. Nokomis Farm/Diana Dodge	Fluffie	Nob Hill
4. Nokomis Farm/Diana Dodge	All The Piczazz	Nob Hill
5. Nokomis Farm/Diana Dodge	Acclaim	Nob Hill
6. Nokomis Farm/Diana Dodge	Waltz the Knight Away	Nob Hill
7. Rebecca Derwin	Zarrena	Don Alfredo

### Paid In Full

Owner	Mare	Covering Stallion
1. Marion Theros	Bittersweet Affair	Brilliant Intuiten
2. Marion Theros	Arctic Color	Brilliant Intuiten
3. Linda Taylor	Spectacular Spice	Paparazzo
4. Victoria McClave	Ursula G	Xenodon
5. Nancy Peterson	Meant To Be	Nob Hill
6. Elizabeth Stutts/Henebry Farm LLC	Rio Samba	Just The Best
7. Kasey Evans	Wingie XX	Edison
8. Claiborne Bishop	Talulah	Zarr
9. Joan Alberti	Anna's Answer	Nob Hill

**Total Eligible Yearlings = 16**

## Virginia Horse Industry Board Awards the VHSA The "VA Bred" Program Grant

The VHSA is pleased to announce that in 2010 the Virginia Horse Industry Board awarded the "VA Bred" Program Grant to the VHSA Yearling Futurity Program to be used as part of the 2010 Futurity prize money to those who have Virginia bred yearlings. These funds will be added to the Prize Money that is presented to the 2010 Yearling Futurity Winners (1st ~ 8th place) who are VA bred.

### The VHSA Associate Program

#### *2010 VHSA Associate Championship Horse Show*

In an effort to shorten the show days, eliminate the night sessions and make the show more fun, the show will expand from three (3) days to four (4). Thursday's schedule will only utilize the Coliseum. At the present time we plan to run the Green and Open Working and possibly a section of the Pleasure Horses on Thursday. Friday, Saturday and Sunday we will use both the Coliseum and the East Complex for the remainder of the schedule. The show is scheduled for November 11 through 14, 2010. As plans progress, we will keep you informed. Book your rooms early and we look forward to seeing you there.

#### *2010 VHSA Associate Summer Horse Show*

Mark your calendars ~ the VHSA Summer Horse Show is a reality! It will take place at the Virginia Horse Center in Lexington, Virginia, on July 2, 3, and 4, 2010. The show will be our Associate Jumper Championship Show and will feature double point Associate Jumper Divisions as well as all of the other Associate Divisions and a variety of unrecognized divisions (Hunter Divisions will be single points). In addition, we hope to have the show sanctioned by several of the larger Associations that participate within the Associate Program. The Prize List will be mailed some time in May to all VHSA members. Book your rooms and watch the VHSA website for additional information. The Howard Johnson's has offered a special rate for the weekend, just mention the VHSA Horse Show to receive the special rate (Howard Johnson: 540-463-9181 [www.hojo.com](http://www.hojo.com)). Save the date and we look forward to seeing all of you there!

*Congratulations to the following Associate Horse Show Managers on being chosen as one of the 2009 Top Ten Best Associate*

#### **Horse Shows:**

<b>Horse Show</b>	<b>Show Manager(s)</b>	<b>Date of Show</b>
Central VA Show Jumping Association	Gail Thompson	October 25, 2009
Deep Run Fall Horse Show	Anne Tucker	September 12-13, 2009
Elmington Farm Horse Show	Kathie Hamlin	September 6, 2009
Hazelwild Farm Horse Show	Beth Boteler	July 12, 2009
House Mountain III	L.M. Gerald & Molly Moore	July 7-8, 2009
Pam Herman Farms Horse Show	Pam Herman	June 27, 2009
Picturesque Farm Horse Show	Kristy Willwerth	July 15, 2009
Summerplace Farm Horse Show	Tom Finch	April 18, 2009
VBHSA Cooler Show	Barry Jackson	September 26, 2009
VPBA Benefit Short Circuit Horse Show	Georgine Winslett	April 18, 2009

## The 2010 VHSA/EMO Insurance Agency Medal Finals

### *VHSA/EMO Pony Medal Finals*

Once again the VHSA/EMO Pony Medal Finals will be hosted by the Loudoun Benefit Horse Show on Sunday, June 19, 2010, at Morven Park. In order to be qualified an exhibitor must have received two Blues or a specific amount of points. As we get closer to the date the Equitation Committee will decide on what the specific amount of points will be. Also, further information on the Finals will be announced as details become available.

### *VHSA/EMO Adult Medal, Children's Medal, Hunter Seat Medal Finals*

The 2009 VHSA/EMO Adult Medal, Children's Medal, Hunter Seat Medal as well as the Championship on the Flat will be hosted by the Lexington National Horse Show the weekend of August 13th. In order to be qualified an exhibitor must have received two Blues or a specific amount of points for each Medal. As we get closer to the date the Equitation Committee will decide on what the specific amount of points will be. Also, further information on the Finals will be announced as details become available.

**All Medal exhibitors will receive a letter in regards to the Medal Finals that will include all information needed to participate at the Medal Finals as we get closer to the Medal Finals dates.**

### *New VHSA Medal Finals Rule*

At the VHSA Medal Finals, two disobediences by a horse or pony will eliminate the finalist (previously three disobediences). The three disobediences will remain at all qualifying classes.

**This is for all VHSA Medal Final Classes.**

## The Special Events Committee Announces the Annual Mounted Equitation Clinic with Karen Healy

The VHSA Special Events Committee will offer another opportunity for those pursuing excellence in the equitation divisions. Karen Healy will be our clinician at the 3rd annual equitation clinic given in conjunction with the VHSA-EMO Insurance Agency Medal Finals held at the Lexington Horse Center the weekend of August 13th. The date of the one day clinic will be Tuesday, August 10, 2010. We will be sending out information and posting the clinic on our website as to the specifics. We will offer three groups of no more than eight riders. There will be a Children's and Junior/Amateur Owner group. Due to the high volume of interest from the 2009 Clinic with over 20 people on the waiting list, we recommend individuals who are interested in attending to please send in the registration forms, when the become available, with payment to the VHSA office to secure their spot.

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# VHSA Scholarships

## \$1,000 Allie Miller Memorial Riding Scholarship

The \$1,000 Allie Miller Memorial Riding Scholarship is donated from the VHSA Foundation and Allie Miller's Family in honor of her memory. It is given to a junior rider on the basis of need, ability and desire, and is to be used for riding instructions with a professional trainer. To be considered or to nominate a junior to be considered for this award, a letter stating the junior's name, VHSA number, and reason why you feel this individual is worthy of this scholarship must be received in the VHSA office by October 15<sup>th</sup>. A special VHSA Committee will make the final decision based on the letters received. This scholarship will be presented at the 2010 VHSA Annual Meeting, December 5, 2010.

## \$1,000 Michael Lenehan College Scholarship

The \$1,000 Michael Lenehan College Scholarship is donated from the Virginia Horseman's Foundation and the Lenehan Family in honor of his memory. This scholarship is awarded to a deserving high school senior (must be a senior in the fall of 2010) on the basis of need, scholastic record and participation in the VHSA. To be considered or to nominate a junior to be considered for this award, a letter stating the junior's name, VHSA number, and reason why you feel this individual is worthy of this scholarship must be received in the VHSA office by October 15<sup>th</sup>. A special VHSA Committee will make the final decision based on the letters received. This scholarship will be presented at the 2010 VHSA Annual Meeting, December 5, 2010.

## Year-End Nomination Forms

*Special Award Nominations:* Special Awards are presented to the winning nominees at the VHSA Annual Meeting which will be held at The Homestead in Hot Springs, Virginia, December 3<sup>rd</sup> - December 5<sup>th</sup> 2010. Previous winners of the Horseperson of the Year are eligible to be nominated again. Previous winners of the Junior Exhibitor of the Year are not eligible to be nominated again. Nominees should be individuals who actively compete which would include riders, trainers and owners. Nominations must be received in the VHSA office by October 15<sup>th</sup> to be considered by the Committee for inclusion on the 2010 ballot that will be mailed to all Regular VHSA members.

### Horse Person of the Year (must be a Senior Member and nominated by a Senior Member)

I wish to nominate: \_\_\_\_\_

Brief description why you feel this person should be nominated: \_\_\_\_\_

### Junior Exhibitor of the Year (must be a Junior Member who has not won this award previously and nominated by a Junior Member)

I wish to nominate: \_\_\_\_\_

Brief description why you feel this person should be nominated: \_\_\_\_\_

### Horse Show of the Year (can be nominated by a Senior or Junior Member)

I wish to nominate: \_\_\_\_\_

Brief description why you feel this person should be nominated: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominated by: \_\_\_\_\_ VHSA #: \_\_\_\_\_

(Must be signed in order to be accepted)