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CDCTA Newsletter

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OK, it's two months in a row now and I guess I can't keep putting photos of donkeys on the front page...

Although I did get more comments about that picture than I've gotten about anything else! That was a little donkey from next door that had wandered into my barnyard from the neighbor's place looking for new equine friends. We did a little photo shoot with her before returning her to her rightful barn.

So how do I apologize for the lateness of this issue without resorting to donkeys? I blame a book. Specifically, a book that Ginger Owen donated to my Purple Pony Bookmobile last week. The book is Flattery's Foal, and it was published in 1937 and translated from Russian. It was well-used and the type size and font seemed to indicate that it would be a book for young readers, but it is not.

The story is a gripping one and after I started it there was no turning back. All my other reading fell to the bottom of the pile, and so did my various after-work duties, including putting out the newsletter.

To lose oneself in a book is a precious thing, and my goal in starting the Purple Pony was to try and light that fire in a generation of new readers by offering an array of horsey titles and topics. Racehorses, draft horses, mystery books, history books....I want to offer as many options as I can in the hope that one will strike that first literary spark.

I had the Purple Pony up at Sunny Oak Farm for the second week of Rosy Erganian's riding camp, and all ten campers dutifully checked out a book in order to earn a cupcake on the final day. Most did not finish their book, and some really didn't even start. But there were a few whose eyes lit up when they were discussing their chosen book, and eagerly looked forward to the next one.

I'm not sure of the long-term impact of something like this. I guess in the scope of the universe, whether or not kids are reading books that engross them and envelop them is not the most important thing. But that feeling of immersion and transference into a different world, a different viewpoint, a different time is one that can't be duplicated with a tablet or a smartphone, and I want that feeling for all the people who stop by the bookmobile to browse the shelves or check out a book.

Maybe in some Bradbury-inflected future there will be a person who wanders through a forest reciting the passages of this book that has captured my imagination and slurped up my spare time. I haven't even finished the book yet...but my response to it moved me to write and maybe it will move you to read it and find out what happens in the end. Perhaps another book will catch your eye, and the voice that echoes from its stained yellowing pages will speak to you.

The books speak if you read. Listen for them...

Until next time (and I promise it will be earlier next month!)

-Beth Hussey

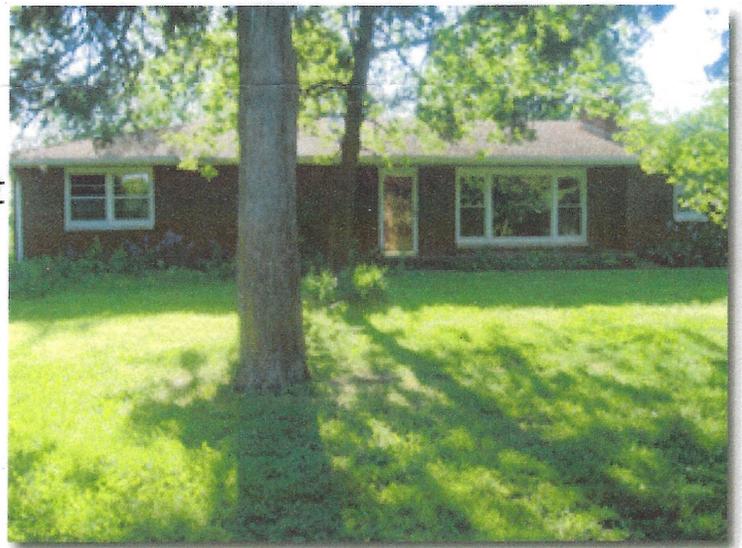
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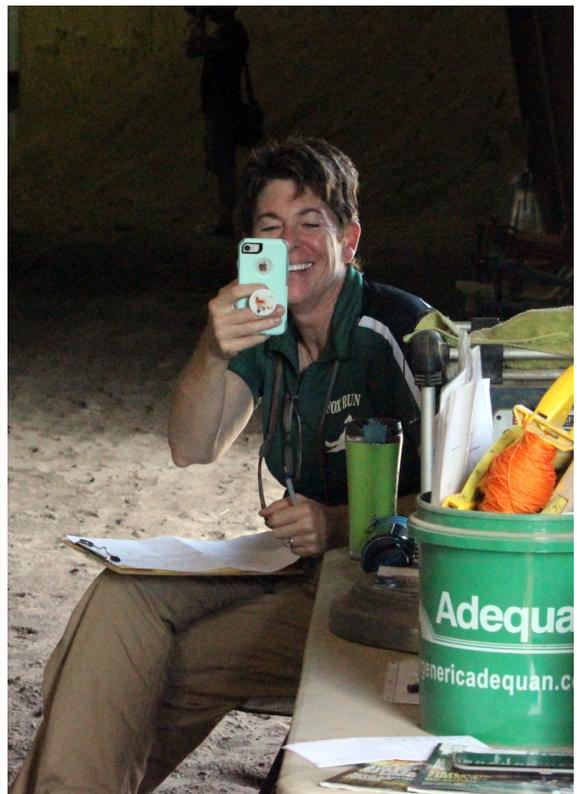
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OUR FINAL CDCTA COMPETITION AT FOX RUN .**

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**ALL PHOTOS TAKEN BY LEAH STRID. FROM TOP:
Audrey Plummer's mare Sydelle, and her husband Tom, whose
head is obscured by their son Luke. RIGHT: A tired but happy
Lora Blair hard at work for the last show. BELOW: Tricia
Rackers and one of Lily Calahan's four mounts for the day!**





PHOTOS ON THIS PAGE:

The Purple Pony Bookmobile in action at Sunny Oak Farm.

Look for us at upcoming shows, camps and events!

If you have an event that you think would benefit from the presence of our bookmobile trailer just call or email and ask if we are available!

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CDCTA Meeting Minutes: June 18, 2018

Meeting called to order at 7:44 p.m. In attendance: Tesa Sterchi, Beth Hussey, Lora Blair, Kim Kriekhaus, Judy Owens, Rosy Erganian, Amy Stapleton, Mary Frances Carrington, Leah Strid and Candace Kassel

Approval of Minutes: Rosy made the motion to approve the April meeting minutes, Kim seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Treasurer's Report: The account balance is \$5,981.02. The show garnered about \$900.00 but we ended up about \$200.00 short of a profit, due to costs involved in putting on the show. Motion to approve the report was made by Beth, seconded by Rosy and all were in favor.

Committee Reports:

Communications: Leah is currently trying to fix some issues with the website domain. She contacted Weebly and they have the work ticket & hopefully will have it resolved soon. Contact Leah if there is anything that you would like to have posted and she will make that happen as soon as possible.

Special Events: The 30th anniversary celebration will be pushed back to this Fall. Stephens will only allow use of the main arena & their services for food and other things. Discussions will continue with them on the details and we could also look elsewhere for a facility. It may be possible to add this to the second weekend of October when the Carol Wilson Centered Riding Clinic will be held at Fox Run. Would still like this to be a celebration of the horse with riding demonstrations such as the quadrille, pas de deux and/or an Intermediate test and possibly hands on activities. The celebration could start with the kid centered activities and later in the evening have wine and cheese for the adults.

Competitions: Roughly \$900 was collected in entry fees for the Spring CDCTA Show. There were 25 dressage test entries and 5 CT entries. Rosy had a good show the following day as well, which is where the CT entries from the dressage show were added.

Education: Leah and Mary Frances are submitting a grant to help out with costs of the Carol Wilson Centered Riding Clinic. The grant money offered this year is being spread out more so we have high hopes it will be offered to the CDCTA. Old Business: N/A

New Business: Submit Region 4 Volunteer of the Year nominees at the next meeting. The awards ceremony will be held at the USDF Annual Convention in Salt Lake City, UT. The dates of the Convention are November 28- December 1. Kim K is the Region 4 Delegate nominee.

CDCTA member Karin Loftin will be performing at the Missouri Theater on June 29, 7:00 p.m. in a performance of La Boheme. Go and support Karin at the Opera!

Thank you to Tesa for hosting this meeting!

Next meeting: July 16th at 7:30 p.m. at Angelo's

Editor's Note: OOPS!

Not only was I an ass last month and got the newsletter out late, I also forgot to include a report on the Educational Program that served as the May CDCTA meeting. So, only a month or two late, here is the report on that program courtesy of our gracious host, Lora Blair:

Everyone seemed to enjoy Melinda Mueller's PEMF presentation at Fox Run last month. It started with a fun social hour full of food, drinks and about 15 of us mingling around the picnic tables. Then Melinda spent almost two hours explaining and demonstrating her PEMF system to us in the barn aisle. She allowed several to take turns in the chair and on her table. Almost everyone got to experience the vibes and our curiosity of its long term affects was heightened. Then Deb Carter's Haflinger, Pinot, graciously let Melinda treat him. We all learned a lot from Melinda's excellent presentations and explanations- Many thanks to her and her husband, Eric! Lastly, a few of us gathered at the bon fire by the pond for S'mores.



Hope everyone had a wonderful Independence Day!

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS:

July 16, 2018

CDCTA Business Meeting at Angelo's in south Columbia 7:30 p.m.

August 26, 2018

Queeney Park Hunter Pace St. Louis, MO

September 6-9, 2018

Area IV Regional Dressage Championships, Mason City, IA

September 8-22, 2018

World Equestrian Games in Tryon, NC

September 15, 2018

CDCTA Fall Dressage Show and Combined Test, Sunny Oak Farm in Rocheport, MO

September 16, 2018

Sunny Oak Farm Fall Charity Horse Show

September 21-22, 2018

Stephens College Hunter/Jumper Show

September 22, 2018

Queeney Park Cross Country Schooling

September 22, 2018

Serenity Park Equine Breeders Classic, West End Farm, KC, KS

September 23, 2018

Young Horse Shows Series Qualifier, West End Farm, KC, KS

September 23, 2018

Queeney Park Mini Event

September 30, 2018

American Warmblood Society Sport Horse Inspection, Trinita Farms, Labadie, MO

October 13-14, 2018

Carol Wilson Centered Riding Clinic Location TBA

November 2-4, 2018

**Maryal Barnett Dressage Clinic at Stony Hill Farm Contact Holly Rice at
greyhorsecomm@aol.com**

November 17, 2018

Cosmic Oaks Farm Free Dressage Schooling Show, Rocheport MO



This month's Mystery Rider is a long-time Clubbie and an even longer-time Horsey Girl, as you can tell from her age in the photo above, with her first horse.

Gotta love those Pocahontas braids!!

If you think you know who it is, email your best guess to eshussey@gmail.com, or call Beth at 573-808-6897.

Bonus question: Where dd she go to college?

Table 1

#1	Introductory Level Test A		
VA Basquinte	Anne Hoylman	66.563	1
Inherbiggirlpants	Shannon Reed	63.75	2
Tiz Nya	Mackie Blair	63.125	3
GHS Countess Callisto	Lily Callahan	62.500	4
#2	Introductory Test B		
Inherbiggirlpants	Shannon Reed	62.813	2
GHS Countess Callisto	Lily Callahan	66.250	1
Remi	Sara Potterfield	62.500	3
Tiz Nya	Mackie Blair	59.688	4
#3	Introductory Test C		
Remi	Sara Potterfield	65.500	1
VA Basquinte	Anne Hoylman	60.500	2
Tiz Nya	Mackie Blair	56.000	3
#4	Training Level Test 1 Maiden Rider		
Dolcetto	Ali Aitken	72.826	1
High Knowtoriety	Nicole Clarkson	63.042	2
Quartermain	Candace Kassel	62.174	3
Luna	Lauren Fritz	57.609	4
#5	Training Level Test 1 Open		
Dolcetto	Ali Aitken	72.826	1
Sydelle	Audrey Plummer	63.913	2
Willing	Maggie Norton	60.435	3
Luna	Lauren Fritz	52.174	4
One Kool Kat	Lily Callahan	49.783	5
#6	Training Level Test 2 Maiden Horse		
Silver Bridge	Crystal Kendrick	67.885	1
Timbuck Too	Alyssa Kendrick	60.577	2
Quartermain	Candace Kassel	57.500	3
#7	Training Level Test 2 Open		
Southern Comfort	Alex DesLaurieus	66.731	1
One Kool Kat	Lily Callahan	66.538	2
Sydelle	Audrey Plummer	64.038	3
Willing	Maggie Norton	62.885	4
High Knowtoriety	Nicole Clarkson	62.115	5
#8	Training Level Test 3 Open		
Southern Comfort	Alex DesLaurieus	70.000	1
Feragamo	Karin Loftin	67.500	2
Silver Bridge	Crystal Kendrick	67.045	3
Timbuck Too	Alyssa Kendrick	58.636	4
Tony Stark	Rachel Horner	53.409	5
#9	First Level Test 1 Maiden Rider		
Natasha Romanoff	Rachel Horner	59.074	1
# 10	First Level Test 1 Open		
Natasha Romanoff	Rachel Horner	64.815	1

Thank you to the sponsors who made the special awards possible.

Two beautiful silver cups were sponsored by Fox Run for

Best Turned Out rider: to Lily Callahan
and
Best Turned Out Horse: to Dolcetto (Ali Aitken)

A magno-therapy session for
All Show High Score: Ali Aitken and Dolcetto

Intro High Score: Anne Hoylman and VA Basquinte

Training High Score: Ali Aitken and Dolcetto

First Level High Score: Rachel Horner and Natasha Romanoff

TIP Awards went to:

Intro Champion: Inherbiggirlpants (Shannon Reed)
Intro Reserve: Tyz Nya (Mackie Blair)

Training Champion: Timbuck Too (Alyssa Kendrick)

First Level Champion: Natasha Romanoff

Winners of the CDCTA Combined Test

(stadium jumping portion held at Sunny Oak Farm on Sunday, June 24-
thanks to Rosy Erganian for letting us piggyback on to her Charity H/J show)

Green as Grass

1st: Lily Callahan and Phantom Pistol, no faults, 36.562

2nd: Anne Hoylman and VA Basquinte, no faults, 39.375

Intro Eventer

First: Kelsey Fisher and Minesweeper, no faults, 28.889

Beginner Novice

First: Kelsey Fisher and Minesweeper, 8 jump faults, 39.944

Novice

First: Lilly Callahan and Royal Crest Granite Permission, no faults, 31.905

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NEXT MEETING: Monday, July 16 at Angelo's in south Columbia at 7:30 p.m. Too hot to do much else-come join us!

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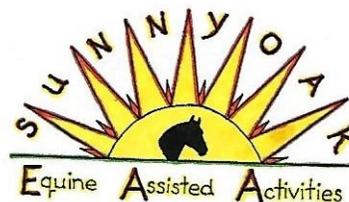
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