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REMEMBERING

Lova Dunlap



Lora and her beloved "Toby"



With the sudden passing of our of Lora, FMHA has lost a dear friend, avid Morgan supporter, and gracious competitor.

We will all miss her.

Lora and her Dad preparing for competition at Citrus Cup

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FLORIDA MORGAN HORSE ASSOCIATION ANNUAL MEETING AND HIGH POINT BANQUET Saturday, January 23, 2010

Stoneybrook Golf Club, Brandenton, FL

Minutes

The meeting was called to order by Kathleen Gatien, President. The president thanked Rick Davis and Karen Harry for their work coordinating the banquet and related activities. She also thanked everyone for donations for the raffle and silent auction.

In connection with the Financial Report, she announced copies of the financial statement were available for review.

Sally Ann Lyle then reviewed the proposed changes to the By-Laws:

3.2.2. Family: Immediate family, including children up to 18 years of age **living at the same address.**

3.2.3 Farm or business partnership(2 memberships).

4.8. All Officers and Directors will be members age 18 or older.

6.1.2. Prior to voting at the Annual Meeting, nominations from the floor will be accepted.

6.3. A Voting Member is an individual, family, or farm/business member age 18 or older.

7.2 At all meetings of the membership, a quorum shall be deemed present when at least fifteen percent (15%) of the voting members are present.

(NOTE: Changes are in bold and underlined.)

Jim Little moved with the second of Anne Judd that the proposed By-Laws changes be approved as presented. All were in favor of the motion.

The President then read the slate of officers as presented by the Nominating Committee.

President: Rick Davis

Vice President - North Region: Margaret McKnight Karrh

Vice President- Central Region: Les Conklin Vice President - South Region: Lark Henry

Secretary/Treasurer: Jane Brown Director at Large: Kathleen Gatien

Directors:

NorthRegion: SallyAnn Lyle, Nina Spencer,

Karen Wolfsheimer

Central Region: Janice Scotto, Martha Stein,

Valerie Siemer (for one year)

South Region: Tom Johnson,

Beverly Skovgaard (for one year)

She asked if there were any nominations from the floor; there were none. Les Conklin moved with the second of Lionel Gatien that the nominations be closed. All were in favor of the motion. Jim Little moved with the second of Debbie Conklin that the slate of officers be approved as presented by the Nominating Committee. All were in favor of the motion.

MINUTES CONT'D

In connection with the High Point Program, the President reminded everyone that horses and riders would have to be nominated to be eligible for high point awards, and also reminded everyone to complete the nomination forms. She also stated Debbie Conklin had resigned as co-chair of the High Point Committee, and asked for a volunteer to take the position. Anne Winograd volunteered and will work with Martha Stein, the other co-chair.

The president than stated membership had dropped off in recent years and asked for any suggestions for increasing the memberships. Lark Henry stated the Saddle Horse Report had a People's Choice Awards program and suggested the FMHA could have a similar program. She volunteered to organize the program. It was also suggested that the club improve communications with members about when it is time to renew. And finally, it was suggested that the club increase sending articles to non-Morgan publications.

In connection with Citrus Cup, Alicia Davis reported the status of the plans for Citrus Cup and reviewed some of the added classes. She reminded everyone that sponsorships are sorely needed, as well as entries for the Yearling Sweepstakes.

Nina Spencer announced the FMHA would be again providing the Volunteer Breakfast at the Live Oak CAI, as we have in the past, as well as continuing our cosponsorship of the The Gulch marathon hazard with the International Morgan Connection. Additionally, the FMHA has been given the responsibility for coordinating tailgating on marathon day, which is a fund-raising activity for the club. She asked that anyone interested in helping contact her. She also announced that tickets to the Sunday brunch were available for \$75, which directly benefits Marion Therapeutic Riding Association.

The president reminded everyone to send information to either her or Anne Winograd for placement on the web site.

Rick Davis, president elect, then presented a plaque to Kathleen Gatien for her service as president from 2008 to 2010.

Glenn Winograd then provided an update on Summer's End, and asked everyone to let the committee know if there were any classes they wanted added to the prize list.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

2009 FMHA HIGH POINT CHAMPIONS

DIVISION

Walk/Trot Equitation

McKenzie Wunderle

Emma Banks

Walk/Trot Pleasure

Tara's War Dance SWR Fleet Regal

Park Saddle - None Park Harness - None

Classic Equitation Esme Yarnel CassieBell (tie)

Casey Stein

Western Pleasure Equitation - None

Hunt Seat Equitation Kelsey Thomas

Saddle Seat Equitation Chloe Hooper

Madye Bell

Classic Pleasure Driving Amateur

Annapolis Megan Dunkle

Classic Pleasure Driving Jr. Exhibitor (None)

Classic Pleasure Saddle Amateur

All Hail To TheChief -R. Watters Patchwork Legend -Alicia Davis

Classic Pleasure Jr. Exhibitor

Grand Cru St Emilion - Casey Stein

FCF Protégé - Cassie Bell

English Pleasure Open - None

English Pleasure Amateur

HVK Acclamation -Channing Ligas

English Pleasure Jr. Horse

Gradell Heaven Sent -Modell

English Pleasure Jr. Exhibitor

Sunny Acres In A Flash - Whiting Formal Protest - Chloe Hooper

Hunter Pleasure Open

HVK Marquise -Rick Davis Graywood's Kera -Madye Bell

Hunter Pleasure Amateur

Kryptonite -Tarryn Farnsworth

Hunter Pleasure Jr. Horse

Be My Hunk of Spunk - Barbara Nesse

Hunter Pleasure Jr. Exhibitor

CBMF Danger Zone Kelsey Thomas HVK Marquise Rachel Roth DIVISION

Pleasure Driving Amateur - None

Pleasure Driving Jr. Exhibitor- None

Pleasure Driving Jr. Horse

Lua Cheia Fernandes/Moreira

Western Pleasure Open

THK Wild Adonis Mary Jean Bonfili
CBMF Trading Up Lora Dunlap

Western Pleasure Ir. Horse

Better Be Good To Me Sally ann Lyle Triagn Midwatch Ann Smiith

Western Pleasure Amateur

PTR Ms Behavin Karen Harry Bel Cavallo Prima Donna Doris Bazzini

Western Pleasure Jr. Exhibitor - None

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Amber Grant

Megan Cyr

CARRIAGE

DBL F Commanding Officer- Schlemmer
Arboria Matinee Idol Pam Stephenson

DRESSAGE

Double M Adam Anne Wilde

OPEN SHOW -

Like the Candy -Jennifer Scotto

VI Opportunity - Madye Bell

tie Wallace's Christopher - Rachel Winograd

SPORT HORSE HIGHPOINT

Champion DBL F Commanding Officer- Schlemmer

AMATEUR HIGHPOINT

Champion - Felicia Schlemmer

Reserve Ch - Pam Stephenson

JUNIOR EXHIBITOR HIGHPOINT

Champion - Chloe Hooper Reserve Ch- asey Stein

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FMHA ANNUAL MEETING

The 2010 Florida Morgan Horse Assn. Annual Meeting and Awards Banquet was held on January 23rd at the Stoneybrook Golf Club in Bradenton. As part of the weekend get-together, Rick Davis Stables held a lunch and open house at the farm in Palmetto on Saturday afternoon. Club members were also invited to attend the polo matches on Sunday at the nearby Sarasota Polo Club.

At the Annual Meeting, outgoing President Kathleen Gatien was presented with an appreciation award by newly elected President, Rick Davis. Following the business meeting and dinner, the 2009 High Point Awards were given out.

Congratulations to all the winners!













LORA DUNLAP

Lora Dunlap meant different things to many different people. We have been privileged to have known her as a friend and client for many years. It hasn't seemed that much time has passed since we all felt young and vibrant out together working, showing, laughing. The time has been taken for granted, as life often is. The hard lesson is that we should all do what Lora remembered to do - the thank you notes, the positive encouragement, the mutual respect - all of it she did. The point was well driven home at her memorial service.

Lora was smart, that we all knew, and she knew her mind. Her quick wit was always present and made us all smile. There are so many memories, it has been overwhelming as they roll through our minds and our conversations, there is a Memory Box still collecting for her mother. It overflows already. And I think we have barely scratched the surface of her realm.

To put into words is nearly an impossible task of describing what we all shared and felt around Lora, especially in light of what we now feel in the empty hole in which we stand without her. So here is a list of random identifiers which was not too hard to compile, as it is just some of the positive things contributed by this woman in her short lifetime.

devoted...boisterous...loved Morgans...trustworthy... strong hug... debate queen... not shy... warm smile... capable... polite...prudent...confident..lived within her means...deliberate...generous..hearty...stable...funny...loved her parents...responsible...siamese & strays...astute...wide open laugh...keen...diplomatic...loyal...fierce competitor..shirt offf her back...red setters ...kind....argumentative (for the fun of it)...loving...excellent memory...dedicated...spirite ...well-educated---supportive...family...deserving...and much more

Lora is survived by her mother, brother and sister. She is also survived by all who knew her. She was more to us as a person in our hearts than just a member of the community. To her animal children, they have lost a mother. To the legal community, one of the most gifted legal thinkers is gone. To the Morgan world, we have lost a staunch supporter and competitor. For so many reasons, we all miss her. Remember the many things friends like Lora give us and be grateful for every day you breathe.

-written by Anne Winograd on behalf of Glenn, Val, and the WCM family.

2010 HIGH POINT REMINDER

Please make sure you have **registered** and **sent payment** for the high point program to Ann Smith.

Results can be mailed to Martha Stein 11810 Marblehead Drive, Tampa Fl. 33626. Open show results must be signed by a show official. Email confirmations of results can be sent to either Anne Winograd at ahorseor2@msn.com or Martha Stein at ms4547@verizon.net. Please refer to the official FMHA club rules found in the FMHA directory as well as the website.

LIVE OAK INTERNATIONAL

The eighteenth annual Live Oak International Driving event will be held in Ocala, Florida, March 25-28, 2010, drawing thousands of people to the area as we again serve the dual purposes of giving the public a chance to enjoy world class combined driving competition while also supporting many non-profit and charity goals.

FMHA is sponsoring the Gulch hazard during the Saturday Marathon. It is a great opportunity to spread the word about Morgans to a huge crowd.

Since its inception in 1993, the Live Oak Internal has become one of the premier Combined Driving Events in North America and is sanctioned by the Federal Equestre Internationale. Since 1995, we have hosted Selection Trials for both the United States and Canadian Equestrian Teams and have set the standard for competitors who have gone on to gain world class recognition and success because of their participation in Live Oak. With the World Equestrian Games coming to the United States for the first time in 2010, competitors attempting to qualify to compete at the Games will be competing at Live Oak. In addition, this year's event will be the USEF National Four in Hand and Singles Championships.

Hosted on Charlotte Weber's beautiful 4,500 acre Live Oak Plantation in Ocala, the Event has contributed to many local charities. Since 2002, the Event has helped raise over one million dollars for charity. Proceeds from the 2010 Event will benefit the Marion Therapeutic Riding Association. A Trade Fair will be open throughout the Competition. Special features on Sunday continue to include a Coaching Exhibition and Classic Car Show as well as the second annual YMCA 5 and 10k race on Sunday Morning.

Live Oak is solely supported through the generosity of our sponsors and produced by a team of volunteers. We hope you will continue to support our effort to produce this spectacular Event.

For additional information the Live Oak web site is www.liveoakinternational.com. For those of you willing to volunteer during the event please contact: Lesli Cohen tincupeventing@gmail.com or cell 508-826-6657. Contact Nina Spencer for information about the FMHA informational booth.

CITRUS CUP REGIONAL

The Citrus Cup Regional Horse Show prize list will be arriving in your mail box soon. It will also be on line at www.fmha.net and www.canterberry showplace.com. Entries close March 24 for the program. Our host hotel is the Best Western Gateway Grand 877-464-2378, be sure to request the FMHA/Citrus Cup rate \$89 per night. Make your hotel reservations early, as the University of Florida always has activities going on and the hotels fill quickly. For more information on Citrus Cup contact Alicia Davis, alicia@raindropfarm.com or 352-472-6727







DUNLAP, LORA A., our beloved friend, colleague, daughter, and sister, Lora Dunlap, passed away suddenly on Jan. 27, 2010. Lora was not only a brilliant attorney, she was a loyal friend, compassionate humanitarian and animal lover. She will be missed beyond words by those of us who were blessed by her love of life, her dry humor, candor and her infallible wisdom. Lora grew up in Augusta County in Staunton, VA. She graduated with honors in 1978 from The College of William and Mary, Williamsburg, VA, and received her J.D. in 1981 from The University of Virginia School of Law in Charlottesville, VA. Lora was a partner at the Law Firm of Fisher, Rushmer, Werrenrath, Dickson, Talley and Dunlap, P.A. Personally, Lora loved life and lived it to the fullest. She braved roller coasters, skiing, adventure vacations and traveling throughout the world. Closest to her heart were her family, friends and her animals. Lora would rescue unwanted dogs and cats and made them part of her family. She owned Morgan horses and was an accomplished equestrienne, winning three world championships with her horse, Toby.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that anyone wishing to, may make a donation to the Lora Dunlap Morgan Horse Rescue Foundation c/o Westcoast Morgans, Inc., 17126 Boy Scout Rd., Odessa, FL 33556, or you make an on-line donation at www.WestcoastMorgans.com.

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YEARLING SWEEPS -NEW FORMAT!!

In order to encourage Amateurs to show off their yearlings at Citrus Cup, the prize money has been adjusted to pay an extra money award to the Highest Placing yearling handled by an Amateur.

Now there isn't an excuse to not bring your pretty youngsters. It's time to get started practicing for the ring.

STALLION NOMINATIONS

All you proud owners of '09 foals should be thinking about showing them off at our Regional show. With all the nice Florida-bred foals, there is no reason that there shouldn't be a large entry in the Yearling Sweepstakes. Most stallion owners are glad to nominate their horses for any futurity or sweepstakes, all you need to do is ask. (You can also nominate the sire yourself and be eligible for the stallion winnings.) Stallion nominator takes home \$150 of the prize money.

Starting with the next issue, we will list the currently nominated sires as free advertising for the owners. The sooner he is nominated, the more advertising he gets!

There is a stallion nomination form below

SYMPHONY OF HORSES RETURNS

Plan to attend the "Symphony of Horses" presented by and benefit for Marion Therapeutic Riding on February 27, 2010 at 6pm at the Ocala Equestrian Complex -1601 S.W. 60th Avenue, Ocala. The evening will feature Ocala's world class equestrians and entertainers performing to live music by The Journeymen. For more information and advance tickets go to mtraocala.org or call the MTRA office at 352-732-7300.

MORGAN PAVILION UPDATE

Showcasing the Morgan Horse for the world to see in a pavilion at the Kentucky Horse Park has been a long-held goal of the American Morgan Horse Institute (AMHI) That vision moved from concept to reality with the building of the Morgan Horse Pavilion at the Kentucky Horse Park in 2010. With an ever evolving array of galleries, an Equine Education Center, a destination theater, gift shop and other special features, the pavilion pays lasting tribute to the Morgan Horse from "Figure" to the future.

Take your place on the Pathway to the Pavilion by purchasing commemorative bricks. Consider a gift to recognize a special event or as a personalized gift that honors and leave a lasting legacy for the recipient. Winding through the pavilion and the Legend of Figure Gardens, the Pathway to the Pavilion will anchor personalized engraved bricks, which will be viewed by millions of visitors to the Kentucky Horse Park over decades to come. A contribution of \$100.00 for each brick and \$250.00 for each patio stone will secure "a piece of real estate" at the "Horse Capital of the World" and honor the Morgan Horse, which we hold dear. Visit our web site at www.morganhorse-khp.org.

2010 CITRUS CUP YEARLING SWEEPSTAKES - SIRE NOMINATION

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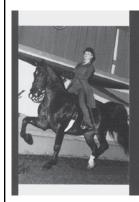
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Feb. 27, MTRA benefit "Symphony of Horses" Ocala, contact MTRA 352-732-7300/mtraocala.org

March 25-28, Live Oak CDE, Ocala - contact - cailiveoak.com

April 14-17, Citrus Cup Regional, Canterbury Equestrian Center, Newberry, FL