

The Reader

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LILO FORE CLINIC AT HORSE FAIR, MARCH 6-8

The CLD-sponsored dressage symposium returns to Horse Fair this month with FEI "I" Judge Lilo Fore, of Santa Rosa, CA.

Ms. Fore will teach 8 private lessons on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. Lessons are open to the public, and will run from 7 am to 1:30 pm each day in Barn 13.

For rider bios and a lesson schedule, see page 4 of this issue of *The Reader*.

On Friday following lessons, CLD members are invited to attend a special complimentary luncheon with Ms. Fore at MJ Kellner, 5700 International Pkwy, on the west side of Springfield. This event will include a showing of Dr. Gerd Heuschmann's video, "If Horses Could Speak." Please RSVP by March 5 to Alice Martin, at alice.martin@mac.com.

On Saturday following the clinic, Ms. Fore will provide explanatory commentary to the video, "If Horses Could Speak." The video will be shown at 2:30 pm in the lower level of the Livestock Center. This session is available to all Horse Fair attendees.

CLD has been honored to sponsor the dressage clinic at Horse Fair in the past, with such memorable clinicians as Gerhard Politz, Col. Christian Carde, Betsy Steiner, Michael Kierkegaard, J. Ashton Moore, Kathy Connelley, and Lee Tubman.

Tickets to Horse Fair will be available at the event on a cash-only basis. General admission is \$6 on Friday, and \$12 on both Saturday and Sunday; or \$20 for the entire weekend. For more information, go to the CLD website or www.horsemenscouncil.org/HorseFair/

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

(For more info on all events please see the CLD online calendar.)

March 6 - 8

Lilo Fore Symposium
@ Illinois Horse Fair, Springfield,
Contact: Pinky Noll, Clinic Organizer
217/787-7317

March 14 - 15

USDF "L" Education Program
Session A
Waukesha, WI area
Contact: Kathy Dunn,
608/223-9238

March 28 - 29

Jayne Ayers Clinic
@ Woodland View Farm, Mapleton, IL
Contact: CJ Baker, Clinic Organizer,
prctack@sbcglobal.net

March 31 - April 2

Col. Christian Carde Clinic
@ StarWest, New Berlin
Contact: Alice Martin, Clinic Organizer,
alice.martin@mac.com

April 19

CLD Board of Directors Meeting
Contact: Tracey Walker,
217/496-3837

April 25

CLD IceBreaker Schooling Show
@ StarWest, New Berlin
Contact: Sue Graham, Show Manager
217/483-4650



WRITE FOR *THE READER*

As spring approaches, we all look forward to a new season of shows, clinics, and other learning opportunities to enhance our knowledge of dressage. In the next few months alone, CLD members will have access to clinicians such as Lilo Fore, Jayne Ayers, Col. Christian Carde, Gerhard Politz, and Maryal Barnett; and the USDF "L" Education Program is running through May just a few hours north in Wisconsin.

The Reader welcomes reports or notes from members for inclusion in the newsletter. If you are interested in sharing your clinic experience with fellow CLD members, simply email the newsletter editor at kbclausing@gmail.com.

BODY AWARENESS / RIDING CLINIC WITH JENNIFER KOTYLO

ARAB, Inc. is sponsoring a Riding/Pilates clinic with Jennifer Kotylo on March 29-30. The clinic will be hosted by Pratense Farm in Chatham.

Jennifer Kotylo is a USDF Bronze and Silver Medalist, a Certified Core Dynamics Pilates Instructor, a Certified Equilates Teacher and a Certified Balimo Instructor.

Each day will begin with a pilates warm-up session. Riding lessons run from 9:30 to noon, and again from 1 to 5. Lunch each day is a potluck open to all.

Riding lessons will be 45-minute sessions at a cost of \$90 per ride. Nine ride times are available each day. Overnight stabling is limited. Day stalls are available.

Pratense Farms requires all riders under the age of 18 years to wear a ASTM hard helmet, and all other riders are asked to wear helmets, although they are not required.

Contact Paula Briney for additional information or questions at 652-1635 or email at brineypaula@aol.com.

Auditors are welcome at no charge.

Clinic application form is available on page 7 of *The Reader*.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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April 26 - 27

USDF "L" Education Program
Session B
Waukesha, WI area
Contact: Kathy Dunn,
608/223-9238

May 2 - 4

Gerhard Politz Clinic,
@ StarWest, New Berlin
Contact: Alice Martin, Clinic
Organizer,
alice.martin@mac.com

Jennifer Kotylo Clinic
@Partense Farms, Chatham
Contact: Paula Briney, Clinic
Organizer,
brineypaula@aol.com.

May 15 - 17

Sue Hughes Clinic
@ Brier Bank Farm, Marine, IL
Contact: Nancy Spear,
618/684-4185

May 23

Tower Hill Equestrian Center's Spring
Schooling Show
@THEC, Dawson,
Contact: Teri Morenz, Manager,
ttmorenz2@aol.com

May 23 - 24

USDF "L" Education Program
Session C
Waukesha, WI area
Contact: Kathy Dunn,
608/223-9238

June 5-7

Gerhard Politz Clinic
@ StarWest, New Berlin
Contact: Alice Martin, Clinic
Organizer,
alice.martin@mac.com

The 2009 CLD Omnibus has been mailed! All information, including show prizelists, can be found on the CLD website.

COL. CARDE RETURNS TO STARWEST

March 31 - April 2, Col. Christian Carde will return for his spring clinic at StarWest, one of two annual clinics he has conducted there since 1997.

Col. Carde is an FEI "I" Judge, held, France, the post of *ecuyer en chef*, or head trainer, of the Cadre Noir at Saumur for 8 years. Most recently, he is the founder of *Allege-Ideal*, an international organization devoted to classical dressage training methods. Col. Carde lives in Saumur, and he teaches privately there when he is not giving clinics around the world.

Carde's principles received more U.S. coverage last fall. After teaching at StarWest in October, he flew to the International Training Symposium at Maplewood Warmbloods, in Middletown, NY. Col. Carde joined Dr. Gerd Heuschmann and Klaus Balkenhol in presenting the case for a return to classical dressage principles.

To see Dr. Heuschmann's video, *If Horses Could Speak*, addressing the structural damage that incorrect training engenders, please join your fellow CLD members for a late lunch on Friday at 2:30 p.m., or at Horse Fair at 2 p.m. on Saturday. See page 1 of *The Reader* for more information.

As usual, there is no charge for auditors at a StarWest sponsored clinic. Clinic participants for his spring clinic at StarWest are being accepted. Contact Alice Martin at 217/546-9400 or alice.martin@mac.com, for more details.

TOWER HILL EQUESTRIAN CENTER TO HOLD 2 DRESSAGE SCHOOLING SHOWS

Tower Hill Equestrian Center in Dawson, IL has planned two dressage schooling shows into their 2009 season. The Spring Schooling Show is schedule for Saturday May 23, and the Summer Schooling Show will be held Saturday, August 8.

Classes offered: Intro-Second Level, Gambler's Choice for Third Level and above, Musical Freestyle, and Prix Caprilli.

The Prix Caprilli test is for horses with some jumping experience showing at least Training Level. Maximum fence height is 2'. Trot work is to be done posting. The first refusal carries a penalty of 2 points, five points for the second, and elimination for the third.

Manager for both shows is Teri Morenz. She can be contacted at 217/364-4840 or ttmorenz2@aol.com.

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June 20

Al Khamsa Dressage
USEF/USDF recognized
@ StarWest, New Berlin
Contact: Debbie Mackie, Show
Manager
debbie.mackie@honeywell.com

June 21

Maryal Barnett Clinic
@ StarWest, New Berlin
Contact: Alice Martin, Clinic
Organizer, alice.martin@mac.com

CLD Board of Directors Meeting
Contact: Tracey Walker,
217/496-3837

July 11

CLD Firecracker Schooling Show
@ StarWest, New Berlin
Contact: Paul Truax, Show Manager,
paultrax@ameritech.net

July 25

Sir! Celebration USET/USDF Benefit
@ StarWest, New Berlin
Contact: Alice Martin,
alice.martin@mac.com

August 8

Tower Hill Equestrian Center's Spring
Schooling Show
@THEC, Dawson,
Contact: Teri Morenz, Manager,
ttmorenz2@aol.com

August 16

CLD Board of Directors Meeting
Contact: Tracey Walker,
217/496-3837

August 29-30

CLD Classic I & II
@ Illinois State Fair Grounds,
Springfield
Contact: Jeannie Craver, Show
Secretary
mowarda@aol.com

2009 HORSE FAIR

CLINIC SCHEDULE

Friday

7 Deb Klamen and Boss
 7:45 Pinky Noll and Coeur de
 Lion
 8:30 Paula Briney and Chambord
9:15 Break
 9:30 Martin Kuhn and Rubinstar
 10:15 Julie Kellner and Manhattan
 11 Kate Fleming-Kuhn and
 Royal Flash
11:45 Break
 12 Jordan Meadows and
 Avenger JP
 12:45 Nancy Blake and Rembrandt

Saturday

7 Jordan Meadows and
 Avenger JP
 7:45 Julie Kellner and Manhattan
 8:30 Pinky Noll and Coeur de
 Lion
9:15 Break
 9:30 Kate Fleming-Kuhn and
 Royal Flash
 10:15 Paula Briney and Chambord
 11 Deb Klamen and Boss
11:45 Break
 12 Nancy Blake and Rembrandt
 12:45 Martin Kuhn and Rubinstar

Sunday

7 Nancy Blake and Rembrandt
 7:45 Jordan Meadows and
 Avenger JP
 8:30 Martin Kuhn and Rubinstar
9:15 Break
 9:30 Deb Klamen and Boss
 10:15 Kate Fleming-Kuhn and
 Royal Flash
 11 Pinky Noll and Coeur de
 Lion
11:45 Break
 12 Paula Briney and Chambord
 12:45 Julie Kellner and Manhattan

CLINIC PARTICIPANT BIOS

NANCY BLAKE, of Champaign, IL, is a professor of Comparative Literature at the University of Illinois.

She notes that she has been learning dressage for a longer time than she spent getting two PhD's.

REMBRANDT is a 16.3hh, 15 year old Danish Warmblood trained to Intermediare-1.

PAULA BRINEY, a USDF Bronze, Silver and Gold Medalist, manages her family's saddlebred and dressage training facility, Pratense Farms, in Chatham, IL. CHAMBORD, proudly raised and owned by Denis Kerasotes of Springfield, IL, is an 8 year old Holsteiner cross by Rejent. He was 3rd in the 2007 ABIG/USDF Region 4 Training Level Championships. In 2008, Chambord and Paula won several regional year end awards. They plan on showing First and Second levels in 2009.

KATE FLEMING-KUHN is a USDF Certified Instructor through Fourth Level, and is a trainer at StarWest in New Berlin, IL. She is a USDF Bronze, Silver and Gold Medalist. Kate has completed on the international level as an FEI Junior and Young Rider aboard LA Baltic Mariner. She has won Second Level USDF Horse of the Year on Phoenix. Kate and ROYAL FLASH, her 16.3hh Hanoverian stallion, are competing at Grand Prix, and qualified for the Brentina Cup in 2008.

JULIE KELLNER, of Springfield, IL, has been learning dressage at StarWest for five years. Prior to that, she enjoyed competing with her jumpers, Lucky Me and Rembrandt, at fences 3'6" to 3'8". Julie earned her USDF Bronze Medal in 2008 on her first dressage horse, Paladin. She debuts her new horse, MANHATTAN, a 9 year old, 17hh Danish warmblood who is training Prix St. Georges. Julie and Manhattan are schooling Third and Fourth Level. Julie is the public relations manager for M.J. Kellner Food Service, and also assists with fund development for the Boys and Girls Clubs of Central Illinois.

DEBRA KLAMEN, the Associate Dean for Education and Curriculum at Southern Illinois University School of Medicine in Springfield, trains at StarWest in New Berlin, IL. Deb completed her USDF Bronze Medal in 2007 on her Dutch Warmblood, Lerro. She also owns Kelly, a Friesian gelding, who

with Martin Kuhn aboard, won the National All Breeds Award at Third Level Open last year. Deb debuts her new horse, BOSS, a 17h Swedish warmblood, trained to Grand Prix.

MARTIN KUHN is a USDF Certified Instructor through Fourth Level, who trains at StarWest in New Berlin, IL. Kuhn was on the NAYRC team in 2002 and 2003 aboard Romulus, where they won the Gold and Bronze Medals respectively. He has competed through Grand Prix. He is riding his 18hh Hanoverian gelding, RUBINSTAR, known as "Tiny." In 2008, Tiny won high point at every show they attended, with Tiny finishing sixth in the country for USDF Training Level Horse of the Year.

JORDAN MEADOWS, a junior at Illinois College, is a full time working student at StarWest in New Berlin, IL. In 2005 she was a member of the bronze medal team at the Junior Dressage Team Championships at Dressage at Devon. In 2006 and 2007, she earned a spot on the Region 2 Young Rider Team as first alternate. Jordan has both her USDF Bronze and Silver medals. She is debuting her new horse, AVENGER JP, a 16hh, 4 year old Dutch Warmblood gelding (Sir Sinclair x Jazz) and hopes to show him in 2009 in the USEF Young Horse Test for 4 year olds, and Training Level.

PINKY NOLL, Springfield, IL, purchased her first horse when she turned 45, and rode hunters for 8 years before focusing on dressage at StarWest 7 years ago. She brings her 16.3hh Holsteiner stallion, COEUR DE LION, who is trained to Grand Prix. Pinky earned her USDF Bronze Medal in 2006. She will show "Lion" this year at Fourth Level.

MINUTES OF THE JANUARY II MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF CENTERLINE DRESSAGE

Attending: Tracey Walker, Kate Fleming-Kuhn, Alice Martin, Marilyn Weber, Pinky Noll, Paula Briney, and (by telephone) Elena Voigt, and Janet Fitch, as well as guests Sally Briney, Chrissie Moran, Sue Graham, Paul Truax, and Rachel Boyce.

President Tracey Walker called the meeting to order at 6:08 pm.

The minutes of the October meeting and of the Annual Meeting in November were read by Tracey and approved as read.

Treasurer Kate Fleming-Kuhn gave the treasurer's report. The current balance in the treasury is \$28,326.91.

The following is a financial report on CLD-sponsored shows: Classic seems to have netted \$6,000, but that could be an error, and Kate will

check again; FireCracker lost \$73.00; IceBreaker made \$601.10. The Fall membership drive produced \$1,800.10 in income, despite the fact that there was a discounted membership fee in force up to November 15, 2008. The membership numbers are now the highest in several years. Marilyn Weber moved for the acceptance of the treasurer's report, and Pinky Noll seconded. The motion carried.

Old Business

Show Business

Marilyn Weber moved that CLD should advertise in Lloyd Landkamer's Region II and Region IV show omnibus. Alice seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Upcoming Clinics

Paula Briney announced that February 7-8 are the



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dates for the Jennifer Koytlo clinic. The CLD sponsored clinic will take place at Pratence Farm.

Lilo Fore will be teaching at a three-day clinic at StarWest March 6-8.

Jane Ayers will offer a clinic March 28-29 for the Peoria Riding Club.

Paula reported on her conversation with Joy Meirhans of Horse Fair about possible CLD participation in the Fair. Joy will call Alice Martin to firm up plans. It was discussed that unless Horse Fair will allow a half-day of lessons and demos for Lilo, we should not use Lilo for Horse Fair, but keep our lessons at StarWest. It was also discussed that, instead, we could offer Horse Fair a demonstration by some of our riders.

Bylaws

Tracey reported that she has incorporated suggested changes in the bylaws into a file that also shows the original text for review and decisions during the February meeting.

New Business

Alice moved that the DVD, *If Horses Could Speak*, be purchased for the CLD video library, which is housed at StarWest. The cost will be \$60. Pinky seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Kate Fleming-Kuhn moved that a new appointed office, Membership Secretary, be established, taking that function out of the duties of Treasurer. Alice seconded the motion, which was approved by the board. Pinky Noll volunteered to take over that job and was appointed by acclamation.

Tracey also announced that Pinky is stepping down as editor of *the Reader*. Member Kelley Clausing has agreed to accept the post.

Marilyn Weber moved for the election of officers of the board for 2009. Paula seconded the motion.

All officers verbally agreed to continue in their present posts unless someone else was proposed or wanted to take over any office. Their being no such nominations or volunteers, the election ensued. The officers of the CLD board for 2009 are

President Tracey Walker, Vice President Elena Voigt, Treasurer Kate-Fleming-Kuhn, and Secretary Janet Fitch.

Marilyn Weber moved that Jeanne Craver be hired as show secretary for Classic. Pinky Noll seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

2009 Shows

This year's Classic I & II will be held August 29 & 30. John Simpson has agreed to be the Manager with Elena Voigt to assist.

Paula moved that the date for Fire Cracker be changed from July 4 to July 11. Member Paul Truax offered to co-manage this show with Mary Lou Flowers.

Ice Breaker needs a manager.

Tower Hill Stable wants to have a few schooling shows for the benefit of their Pony Clubbers. A brief discussion was favorable for our cooperation in these shows as another way to build youth interest in dressage and, hopefully, CLD.

CLD Scholarships

Janet Fitch, chair of the Academic Scholarship Committee, said that she would like for both of the CLD scholarships to have electronic submission with a hard copy signed and sent to the committee chairs for club records. It was established that Martin Kuhn could develop the needed electronic forms.

Education Day 2009

After a brief discussion of possible dates and venues for this year's Awards Banquet, Pinky moved that the banquet be held November 14 at the Island Bay Yacht Club. Marilyn Weber seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. Board members need to be thinking about a speaker/clinician for the Banquet and Ed Day. Any club member who has any ideas about speakers should contact the president or any board member with suggestions.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm. The next meeting will be February 15 at StarWest.

**KOTYLO CLINIC
BODY AWARENESS RIDER APPLICATION FORM**

Rider: _____

Address: _____

City:

State:

Zip:

Horse: _____ Level of horse: _____

Saturday AM _____ PM _____

Sunday: AM _____ PM _____

Stabling: Day _____ Overnight: _____ @\$15.00 per night.

Fees: Arab Inc Member: \$75.00 per Ride _____

Non Member \$90.00 per Ride _____

I hereby agree to release, indemnify and hold harmless Pratense Farms and it's employees, volunteers from and against any and all loss, liability or damage arising from or because of, or in connection with, participation in this activity or related activities. I also hereby agree to release, indemnify and hold harmless the activity management, event committee and members, officers, directors, agents, and volunteers from and against any and all loss, liability or damage arising from or because of, or in connection with participation in this activity or related activities.

Signature of Rider _____

Total amount enclosed: _____

Checks payable to Arab Inc . Form with check to hold ride times.
Please return form and fees to Paula Briney #10 Hawks Nest Dr Chatham, IL 62629
Contact Paula Briney: BrineyPaula@aol.com or cell phone 217-652-1635
Directions to the farm and ride times will be sent out the week before the clinic.

CLD Horse/Rider Nomination Form



Name of Horse: _____
 Name of Rider: _____
 Name of Owner: _____
 Address: _____
 City: _____ State: _____

! NOTE !
 As award nomination fees are now part of membership fees both rider & owner must be current members of CLD.

ZIP: _____ Telephone: _____ E-mail: _____

Have you paid your current dues? (circle one) **YES** **NO**

Has this Horse/Rider combination shown with CLD in previous years?
 (circle one) **YES** **NO**

If yes, when & what levels? _____

At what level, category, and division do you expect to show?

Level (you may choose more than one)	Category (you may choose more than one; only one award may be won per level)	Division (you may choose only one)
Intro	Junior/Young Rider	Schooling Division
Training		
First		
Second	Adult Amateur	
Third		
Fourth		
PSG	Novice	Open Division
I-1		
I-2		
Grand Prix	Open	
Musical Freestyle		

CLD Year-End awards are for specific Horse/Rider combinations. Each horse or rider must be nominated separately. Forms must be received **BEFORE** scores will be counted and membership fees must be current.

MAIL TO: Marilyn Weber
 3662 Hagaman Rd.
 Chesterfield, IL. 62630

Club Officers & Personnel (Full list and mailing addresses online)			
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At Large Members (Odd Years)	Paula Briney, Martin Kuhn, Elena Voigt, Marilyn Weber		

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	Additional 25 words	\$2 Non-Member	\$1 Member
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c/o Kelley Clausing
1736 S. Farmingdale Rd.
New Berlin, IL 62670

