

THE READER

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

(Do you have an upcoming activity or event that would interest other members? Email, call or write to either Newsletter Editor for inclusion in this monthly calendar .) (CLD activities are in bold type.)

Mar 3-5 - Illinois Horse Fair, IL State Fairgrounds, Springfield – DRESSAGE CLINIC with Gerhard Politz. Additional information in this newsletter.

Mar 25-26 - Nancy Stanton Clinic: Pratense Farm Contact Paula Briney 652-1635.

April 7-9 - Clinic at StarWest, Col. Christian Carde, contact Alice Martin, 217/546-9400

April 16 - 3:30 PM CLD Club Meeting, StarWest Lounge. Contact: Tracey Walker, 217/496-3837

April 29 - CLD IceBreaker Schooling Show, Judge: Gayla Sargent

May 20-21 - Harmony in the Park, New USEF/USDF Dressage Show, Hoosier Horse Park Edinburg, IN Judges: Ida Anderson "S" Kay Meredith "S" Contact: Angela Goodwin-Volpert 317/501-5161 agoodwin@wthr.com

June 2-3 - Clinic at StarWest, Gerhard Politz, Contact: Alice Martin, 217/546-9400

June 18 - 3:30 PM CLD Club Meeting, StarWest Lounge. Contact: Tracey Walker, 217/496-3837

June 24 - 29th Annual Al Khamsa Dressage, USAE/USDF Approved. Manager: Debbie Mackie

July 1 - CLD FireCracker Schooling Show, Judge: Melanie Michalak

July 2 - Clinic with Melanie Michalak

July 21-23 - Clinic at StarWest, Gerhard Politz, Contact: Alice Martin, 217/546-9400

July 29 - Sir' Celebration, USET/USDF Benefit, StarWest, 5:30 PM. Dinner (\$10.00, reservation required), 6:30 Performance (10,00). Contact: Alice Martin, 217/546-9400

Aug 11-13 - Clinic at StarWest, Gerhard Politz, Contact: Alice Martin, 217/546-9400

Aug 20 - 3:30 PM CLD Club Meeting, StarWest Lounge, Contact: Tracey Walker, 217/496-3837

Aug 26 - 23rd Annual CenterLine Dressage Classic 1, Judge: Janet Curtis, "S", USEF/USDF approved, Illinois State Fairgrounds, Mgr: John Simpson Secy: Jeanne Craver.

Aug 27 - CenterLine Dressage Classic 11, Mgr: John Simpson, Secy: Jeanne Craver.
Sept 1-3 - Al Khamsa Nat. Convention, Rt 66 Hotel, Springfield. Seminars open to the public for a small fee on Saturday, Sept 2 at StarWest: "How to keep a healthy sane horse in an increasingly urban environment." Contact: Alice Martin, 217/546-9400. See additional information in this newsletter.

TBA - Fall Clinic at StarWest, Col. Christian Carde, Contact: Alice Martin, 217/546-9400.
Sept 23 - 26th Annual Al Khamsa Fall Dressage, USAE/USDF approved. Mgr: Debbie Mackie.

Oct 7 - StarDust Schooling Show for StarWest students. Leslie Burket, Learner graduate.
Contact: Alice Martin, 217/546-9400

Oct 15 - 3:30 PM CLD Club Meeting, StarWest Lounge. Contact: Tracey Walker, 217/496-3837

Oct 20-22 - Clinic at StarWest, Gerhard Politz, Contact: Alice Martin, 217/546-9400
Nov 11 - Awards Dinner, location TBA
Nov 15-19 - AHA Annual Convention, Louisville, Ky.
Nov 29-Dec 3 - USDF Annual Convention, Kansas City, MO at the Westin Crown Center with the symposium at Hale Arena at the American Royal complex.

TBA - CLD Annual Christmas Party
Dec 10 - Al Khamsa Annual Christmas Party at Judy Williams' house in Jacksonville.
Dec 17 - 3:30 PM CLD Club Meeting, StarWest Lounge. Contact: Tracey Walker, 217/496-3837.

SOUTH CHAPTER MINUTES NOVEMBER 26, 2005

A meeting of CenterLine Dressage South chapter was held November 26, 2005 at 1:30pm at the home of member Jean McPherson. Members present included Nancy Spear, Jean McPherson, Berni Epplin, Pam Bullington, Pam Blackledge and guest Liz Patula.

Election of officers included:
Nancy Spear, president
Jean McPherson, treasurer
Pam Blackledge, secretary
Elena Voigt, board rep
Victoria Riley, board rep

These nominations were approved for 2005-2006.

Discussion then centered on the future sale of King Farms Equestrian Center, which will go up for auction February 18, 2006. Since this is the previous location of our April clinic and September show, it was agreed to limit planning until details of the sale were available. Since we will have no ability to plan much in advance for the clinic, thus limiting our selection of clinicians, it was voted to hire last year's clinician, Pam Bullington, who agreed to hold the weekend available, knowing that the clinic could be completely cancelled. She also agreed to charge by a per rider, rather than a per day fee, so that if the clinic is small due to the lack of planning time, the club would not have a problem meeting its costs. Nancy volunteered to explore the possibility of having the clinic at Fox Haven Farm, formerly Marion Equestrian Center (this location was subsequently found to have a lovely facility but inadequate parking).

In a follow-up of last August's meeting, it was voted that Sharon Winkler, of Nashville, TN be hired to judge the September show. Anne Forby has volunteered to contact Sharon, and will indicate to her that the date of the show will not be determined until more is known about the sale of King Farms Equestrian Center. Sharon also will be contacted about possibly giving lessons the day (Sunday) after the show, if the club so desires.

Following this discussion, there was a demonstration by Liz Patula, Certified Instructor of the Alexander Technique and how our posture affects our riding. She has an office in Carbondale, but is also willing to travel to various stables, so Jean will look into the possibility

of having Liz do a demonstration with mounted riders in the spring.

The next meeting will be held February 25th, a week after the auction of King Farm. It is hoped at that time we can begin to make plans for the clinic and our show.

2006 ILLINOIS HORSE FAIR

Hard to believe, but the first weekend in March and Horse Fair are nearly here! CLD is proud to welcome back **GERHARD POLITZ** as this year's featured dressage clinician. In this Reader, you will find a 2006 Illinois Horse Fair Dressage Clinic brochure, with ride schedules, and short biographies of the riders and horses. We certainly hope to see you there. As in past years, the clinic will be held in BARN 13, the public demonstrations are in the Livestock Center at the far end of Barn 18, and the discussion meetings with Mr. Politz will be in the BARN 14 MEETING ROOM, a new venue for us this year.

All CLD members and family are also invited to join Mr. Politz and the riders for an informal buffet supper on Friday, March 3 at 6:30 PM at the Holy Land Diner, 518 East Adams Street in Springfield (544-5786). Please sign up as early as possible at the CLD booth next to the bleachers in Barn 13. The Holy Land Diner is very reasonable, and the accommodations for our group are very comfortable and easy.

LIFETIME HORSE NOMINATIONS:

If you have a lifetime nomination on your horse, and do not see your name on this list, contact Marilyn Weber at mareweb@frontiernet.net or 618/753-3446.

Sistine Bastian	Gay Anderson	Another Spanish Angel	Jeanne
Javeria Thadrian	Nancy Becker	ARR Autumn Shades	Kris Boente
Solitary Lady	Paula Briney	Regent	Paula Briney
Regal Heir	Paula Briney	Windstrider	Brenda Coss
Renn	Cathi Chapel	Its a Breeze	Cheri Elkens
Traxx	Christine Elliott	Maxx	Christine Elliott
Regal Heir	Kate Fargo	Star Rebalais	Ashley Fritzsche
Febron	Rose Grant	Hurricane Creek Shadow	Jan Gurga
Kelly	Deb Klamen	Romulus	Martin Kuhn
Remus	Martin Kuhn	Adahs Alexander	Julie Inghram
Adahs Adonis	Julie Inghram	Riverdance	Chrissie Moran
Pik a Pal	Juanita Hartman	Firgrove Paladin	Shelia Mc Elwee
Flying Dutchman	Jean Mc Pherson	Ariba of Aslan	Pinky Noll
Shooting Star	Gitza Peterson	Spell Bender	Gitza Peterson
China Key	Kathy Schierbaum	Frazuhr	Tracey Walker
Teenkonig	Nancy Spear	Grand Springer	Nancy Spear
Bandana V	Marilyn Weber	Banditaa	Marilyn Weber
Focus Shalimar	Marilyn Weber	Senator Sharcoal	Marilyn Weber
ARR Enchantment	Chelsea Wesson	Kentucky Music Man	Chelsea Wesson

2005 ANNUAL AWARDS –DID YOU GET YOURS?

CLD's awards chairperson asks that anyone who won a 2005 award, and was not at the awards banquet to pick their prize up, should please contact Marilyn Weber at mareweb@frontiernet.net or 618/753-3446.

ANOTHER CLD HOUSEKEEPING ISSUE

Below are 2005 members who have not renewed their membership for 2006. We KNOW you forgot! So, for you, this is another request to please mail your renewal in! Thank you.

David	Anderson		Ellen	Ingold
Gay	Anderson		Kathy	James
Kelley	Boston		Courtney	Johnson
Samantha	Carl		Teri	King
Charles	Chapin		Taran	Ley
Rachel	Ciabattoni		Janet	Mallinson
Jennifer	Day		Margaret	Moore
Katie	Dresch		Dan	Nickels
Kimberle	Dresch		Laura	Nickels
Arlene	Dial		Julie	Nichols
Susan	Edwards		Betty	Parquette
Christine	Elliot		Deborah	Porter
Cathie	Fergus		Catherine	Reid
Melanie	Floyd		Evelyn	Riehl
Anne	Forby		Helena	Rosse
Brigitte	Franzen		Kelly	Sanders
Ashley	Fritzsche		Kelly	Scanlan
Mary	Griffin		Laura	Schaufelberger
Karen	Harper		Katherine	Sunder
Lorie	Heggie		Ellie	Tarr
Cheryl	Hemphill		Marilyn	Weber
Patricia	Herz		Ashley	Wiand
Kimberle	Hughs		Allison	Wimpee

CENTERLINE DRESSAGE IS NOW ONLINE!!

Martin Kuhn, our webmaster, has us on line! Go to www.Centerlinedressage.com. CLD online has up-to-date information on shows, clinics, CLD products and links to many different sites. You will be able to download show applications, and this newsletter, among other things. This website will be a huge help to CLD to keep members informed, to simplify many of the tasks which our club requires, and make much of what we do with you, and vice-versa, easier, faster and more accurate. Ultimately, you will also be able to pay for dues and shows and other expenses on line, as well.

In that regard, CLD intends to use its website as its primary publication venue for this newsletter. The Reader will be uploaded to the website. You will receive notification that the newsletter is available to access.

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We would also like to maintain a membership list online, with contact information. If you have any objection to having your name, address, email and/or telephone number listed on line under our membership page, you must contact Martin Kuhn to delete such information which you may wish to keep unlisted.

By going online with this newsletter, CLD will be saving nearly \$50 a month in postage, plus several hours of time for its newsletter editors. Thank you for supporting this effort. Any suggestions or comments which you might have on our website should be forwarded to Martin Kuhn at the moiety5@att.net address.

CONGRATULATIONS TO CLUB MEMBERS!!

Brenda Zeitler's horse, Charlie (Prince Charles), was 13th in the USDF Prix St. Georges year end awards, Adult Amateur.

Kate Fargo and Regal Heir were the USDF All Breeds American Saddlebred Horse Association Training Level Open and YR/Jr rider Champion with a 65.87%.. Regal Heir was also the Sporthorse End of Year Awards Open and Part-Bred Champion

Paula Briney and Rejoice were 3rd in the American Saddlebred Horse Association All Breeds Training Level Open and Sporthorse End of Year Awards and 3rd Place Open Division and Reserve Champion Part Bred with a score of 60.385%.

Kate Sunder and Rejent were 48th in the Young Rider Horse of the Year standings at Prix St. Georges with a 61.125%; 44th at 4th level Freestyle; and 9th in the Region 2 qualifying for the NAYRC.

2006 AL KHAMSA CONVENTION, SEPTEMBER 1-3, SPRINGFIELD

The convention program planned for the 2006 Al Khamsa convention in Springfield, over the weekend of September 1-3, 2006 will focus on how to continue to produce healthy, safe and sane horses in the 21st century, in addition to celebrating the 100 anniversary of the Davenport importation. The organizational committee is planning a full and extremely interesting program, which will benefit all horse lovers and owners. More information will be shared with CLD as the program details are confirmed. Some tantalizing topics: Zoning and horses from a realtor and a lawyer; living with horses and close neighbors; how to select your veterinarian and farrier; pasture care on small acreage.

USDF SCHEDULES RIBBON CUTTING CEREMONY

On April 21, the United States Dressage Federation (USDF) will hold a ribbon-cutting ceremony to open the USDF National Education Center, which will house USDF's permanent headquarters and USDF Hall of Fame.

The organization's new national headquarters will be located at the Kentucky Horse Park, site of the 2010 World Equestrian Games. The upcoming ribbon cutting marks the first time in its thirty year history that the USDF will have a permanent home and a Hall of Fame.

Sam Barish, USDF President, commented "USDF will be prominently located in a world-class

equestrian facility with other national organizations and will be positioned very well to serve dressage and USDF members into the future."

The Campaign for the USDF National Education Center has surpassed the halfway mark toward its \$5 million goal, with nearly \$2.7 million in pledges raised to date. Charles A Smith, National Campaign Chair, says: "We have much to be proud of, but we have some way to go to fully realize our goals, which include debt free home ownership and a \$1 million endowment to support dressage education. I'm confident we will get there with the continued support of the dressage community."

For additional information about the ribbon cutting or campaign opportunities contact Charlotte Williams, USDF Campaign Coordinator, at 859-971-7826, or ccampaign@usdf.org

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DEADLINE FOR READER ITEMS: Items for publication or inclusion in the READER should be received by the editor by the 15th of the month. Items for THE READER, activity forms, etc should be sent with a check for the charges, if any, to:

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