

# The Reader



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## UPCOMING CLD EVENTS

(For full calendar of events, see the online calendar at [centerlinedressage.com](http://centerlinedressage.com))

### October 10

CLD Year End Scores Due

Contact:

[awards\\_chair@centerlinedressage.com](mailto:awards_chair@centerlinedressage.com)

### October 15

CLD Scholarship Applications Due

Contact:

[scholarship@centerlinedressage.com](mailto:scholarship@centerlinedressage.com)

### October 30

CLD Board of Directors Votes must be received

Contact:

[secretary@centerlinedressage.com](mailto:secretary@centerlinedressage.com)

CLD Board Annual Reports due

Contact:

[president@centerlinedressage.com](mailto:president@centerlinedressage.com)

### November 2

CLD Executive Board Meeting

@ StarWest • 2 pm

### November 10

RSVPs to Awards Banquet Due

Contact: Paula Briney,

[BRINEYPAULA@aol.com](mailto:BRINEYPAULA@aol.com)

## LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

BY NANCY SIMPSON

Hello everyone,

We are getting close to the end of the CLD year, which means the Annual Meeting and Awards Banquet is just a little more than one month away. - - - November 16.

Watch for your invitation in the mail. Everyone is welcome and we sincerely hope all of you will consider joining us! The club is now 41 years old - - one year older than the US Dressage Federation.

Did you know that the CLD website (<http://centerlinedressage.com/>) has the Handbook and other useful information for members?

Click on Downloads, scroll down, and you will find "Member Forms and Materials."

Along with the Handbook and Bylaws, you will find the applications for the three

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different scholarships which are available to members, and the Horse Nomination Form.

If you are thinking of applying for one of the scholarships, we have plenty of volunteer opportunities available... we still need a ring crew for Classic 2014, for example!

If you are planning on attending the USDF National Championship in Lexington, we would love to have an article submitted to The Reader, along with some photographs.

See you at the Annual Meeting!

Nancy Simpson

[president@centerlinedressage.com](mailto:president@centerlinedressage.com)

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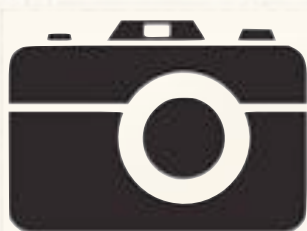
## PICTURES & SCORE SUBMISSION DEADLINE

We need your pictures!! We are putting together a slideshow of pictures for the awards dinner and we would love to add your favorite pictures from the 2013 show season. Please send pictures to [pics@centerlinedressage.com](mailto:pics@centerlinedressage.com)

Don't forget to get your scores to Marilyn Weber by October 15th for year end CLD awards. Submit your

top two scores, from two different judges and two different shows. Each individual is responsible for submitting their own scores. The award show season is October 1 through September 30. Scores are to be submitted by October 10. A rider needs to copy the front of the score sheet, verifying the following are legible: name of horse, name of rider, level of competition; name, date, and location of show and name and signature of judge. Please indicate the type of show, schooling or USEF/USDF.

Scores from USDF/USEF-rated competitions may be submitted on a copy of the horse's official USDF Year End Competition page (copied from the USDF website) with the best two scores in each category clearly marked. Nominations and scores should be emailed or mailed to the Awards Chairperson: Marilyn Weber, 3662 Hagaman Rd, Chesterfield IL 62630.



We Would  
Like to See  
Your  
Pictures!

Submit pictures for the Awards  
Banquet & the online CLD Gallery to  
[pics@centerlinedressage.com](mailto:pics@centerlinedressage.com)

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## MINUTES FROM THE SEPTEMBER 15, 2013 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Meeting began at 2:05 p.m. with Judy Sunder, Alice Martin, Martin Kuhn, Kate Fleming-Kuhn, Kelly Griffith, John Simpson, Nancy Simpson, Kim Jones, and Paula Briney present. Janet Fitch and Leslie Burket attended by phone.

The new Illinois Horse Fair manager, Karen Freese, spoke on options for dressage at Horse Fair.

CLD gave SLADS \$50 for a page ad in the USDF Region 4 Championships & St. Louis Area Dressage Society Fall Classic program.

**Treasurer** Katie Keim sent in a financial report. So far, it looks like Classic made money (estimated at \$9,042.05 current profit), but not all bills are paid. Classic is the primary revenue source for CLD. Membership Chair Kelly Griffith reports CLD is currently up to 95 members.

**Web Editor** Martin Kuhn reports the highest amount of traffic on the website with over 1300 page views in August. There are 107 recipients of the online newsletter with better than 50% opening.

**Symposium Chair** Kate Fleming-Kuhn reports we are still looking for an instructor for the November Symposium. Some proposed options are Emily Wagner and Amanda Johnson Borchardt.

**Newsletter Editor** Kim Jones is looking for stories for The Reader. If you have a good story or achievement you'd like to share, please contact Kim.

After Classic, we had 12 new likes on **Facebook**.

**Scholarships:** There were no applicants for scholarships this year. Is it time to rethink the program since there isn't any interest?

**Classic:** There was \$800 in sponsorships sold for Classic. There is a proposal from Classic show manager John Simpson for a show committee to be created within CLD to help spread out the obligations of running the show. For example, the Classic manager, two competitors, and others could make up the committee. No action was taken.

**Old Business:** The nominated slate for board candidates is Kate Keim, Paula Briney, Judy Nordstrom, and new to the board would be Leslie Burket. Alice made a motion to accept the suggested slate. Kate made a second. There was unanimous vote of aye to accept this slate.

**Awards Banquet Chair** Paula Briney reported on prices for the dinner. CLD will subsidize the dessert upon motion by Alice. Kim Jones seconded. There was unanimous vote of aye to accept.

**Awards Chair,** Marilyn Weber, asked the Board to approve the awards selected in her written report. The saddle pads will go to the high percentage in the recognized show division — one pad in either open or novice, one pad high percentage for amateur or junior. That high score will not also receive a first place award. The first place award is a pair of embroidered leg wraps. Second place could be the winner's choice of brushes with CLD logos or plates. Third place is a halter plate with CLD on one line. All suggestions were unanimously accepted.

Kate Fleming-Kuhn made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:01 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Kate Fleming-Kuhn, Secretary



YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED  
TO ATTEND THE 2013

# *CenterLine Dressage*

AWARDS BANQUET

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2013

AT ILLINI COUNTRY CLUB

1601 ILLINI RD

SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS

SOCIAL HOUR AT 6:15 PM

DINNER SERVED AT 7 PM

RSVP BY NOVEMBER 10<sup>TH</sup> TO PAULA BRINEY

(217)652-1635

OR [BRINEYPAULA@AOL.COM](mailto:BRINEYPAULA@AOL.COM)

# MY LEARNING JOURNEY

BY JUDY NORDSTROM

Earning my USDF bronze medal has been a journey. My journey began in early 2009 on my APHA horse, Zip. I had never had a formal lesson before then and I was very unfamiliar with dressage. I had no idea what it was about or how I was about to get swept up into the dressage world. There were many concepts I did not understand. What was the meaning of the horse being “on the bit”? Or riding a “half halt”? I would watch in amazement at much more experienced riders as they rode gracefully; their trainer instructing them to give the inside rein or take the outside rein. I would think to myself, “really?” I could see absolutely nothing! “Is this real”? Then, as I began training, I was expected to feel things. I was expected to know when my horse took the wrong lead or fell on the inside shoulder. I was pretty sure dressage was just another word for “voodoo”.

has taken a lot of hours in the saddle, a lot of patience and even more determination to acquire an “eye” and a “feel” for the sport of dressage. I have also learned many valuable life lessons along the way. No matter how badly you want something, forcing it is probably not going to be a productive way to attain it. Anger and frustration doesn’t help either by the way. Learning dressage is a give and take kind of process but mostly it is the giving that produces positive results. If I stop and listen to my horse, I will usually discover that she is trying to tell me something. It has been a learning journey about myself and working on my own flaws and short-comings as much as it has been about becoming a better rider and partner for my horse. Earning my bronze medal is a result of hard work and dedication but it is also the evidence that I am making progress. That is my driving force and motivation... and so my journey continues.

Here we are four and a half years and two horses later and it turns out dressage is not “voodoo” after all. It

## AL KHAMSA FALL RESULTS - JUDGE: FATIMA KRANZ, ELIZABETH KANE; MANAGER: TERI MORENZ; SECRETARY: JEANNE CRAVER

### AKFD 1 Judge- (C) Kranz,

#### Training Level Test 1

Lance Bowman Khehanad Azeem	67.917%
Lance Bowman Khefaala Muscatel	66.667%
Chrissie Moran Roxana	66.250%
Kayla Reimer Silk Flambeau	65.000%
Lance Bowman Khe Ofir	60.833%

#### Training Level Test 1 Opportunity

Rachel Boyce H. Wineglass Gideon	66.250%
Lorna Scheuermann No Limit	64.167%
Debby Hohl Callaway	58.958%

#### Training Level Test 2

Allison Gerlt Endeavor	75.893%
Lance Bowman Khehanad Azeem	68.750%
Lance Bowman Khefaala Muscatel	65.714%

Deborah Porter Onala	65.000%
Kayla Reimer Silk Flambeau	64.821%
Chrissie Moran Roxana	63.036%
Lance Bowman Khe Ofir	60.536%

#### Training Level Test 2 Opportunity

Lorna Scheuermann No Limit	65.000%
Rachel Boyce H. Wineglass Gideon	61.964%
Debby Hohl Callaway	59.286%

#### Training Level Test 3, GAIG/USDF Qualifying

<b>Allison Gerlt Endeavor</b>	<b>76.400%</b>
Deborah Porter Onala	65.000%
Lance Bowman Khe Ofir	61.400%
Kayla Reimer Silk Flambeau	59.800%



**First Level Test 1**

Paige Schlicksup	Champions Devito	75.172%
Rachel Hill-Jordan	El Mistico	60.517%

Lynn Gregory	Chanel	70.119%
Patti Blackmore	Rubico	68.571%
Kathleen Zachaeus	Portia	64.524%
Kayla Reimer	Chief Shahlon+	60.119%

**First Level Test 2**

Paige Schlicksup	Champions Devito	73.649%
Martin Kuhn	Bakira	73.243%
Rachel Hill-Jordan	El Mistico	64.595%

**Third Level Test 1**

Martin Kuhn	Greystoke	75.263%
Jordan Meadows	Avenger JP	67.632%
Judith Nordstrom	Ghinger Ale	67.105%
Patty Combs	Sonitas Last Peppy	65.789%
Susan Rosse	Regal Heir	60.132%

**First Level Test 3, GAIG/USDF Qualifying**

Paige Schlicksup	Champions Devito	73.226%
Patti Blackmore	Rubico	64.355%
Helena Rosse	Riverdance	64.355%
Kayla Reimer	Chief Shahlon+	59.194%

**Third Level Test 3, GAIG/USDF Qualifying**

Martin Kuhn	Greystoke	74.487%
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**Second Level Test 1**

Martin Kuhn	Fonzarelli	72.143%
Kathleen Zachaeus	Portia	63.857%
Helena Rosse	Riverdance	62.286%

**Fourth Level Test 1**

Lisa Lehr	Tebaldo	72.286%
Patty Combs	Sonitas Last Peppy	67.286%
Rachel Hill-Jordan	Boleros Wrangler	62.571%

**Second Level Test 2**

Lynn Gregory	Chanel	65.658%
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**Fourth Level Test 3, GAIG/USDF Qualifying**

Martin Kuhn	Paddington	71.125%
Allison Gerlt	Winspo	70.500%

**Second Level Test 3**

Martin Kuhn	Fonzarelli	70.952%
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**OTHER SHOW NEWS....**

In other show news Marilyn Weber went to Arabian Nationals and had a great show. Here are some of the results:

- Shenanigans Too +// (bottom right), Top Ten Second Level and 11th Sport Horse Geldings in Hand
- Forte WF (top right), Top Ten Training Level Junior Horse and 12th Sport Horse Under Saddle Junior Horse
- Grandsurs Chanel (bottom left), finalist in Show Hack, 11th Sport Horse Mares in Hand and 12th Sport Horse Mares in Hand Amateur shown with Heather Voyles



# CLD Ballot

(Ballot for the election of members to serve on the Board of Directors for a two year term from November 1, 2013 until October 31, 2015.)

Vote for Four			
	Katie Keim		Paula Briney
	Judy Nordstrom		Leslie Burket
Write In Candidate:			

You may vote in 1 of 2 ways: return ballot to CLD Secretary Kate Fleming-Kuhn  
1736 South Farmingdale Road New Berlin, IL 62670.

POST MARKED NO LATER THAN OCT. 29, 2013; OR email

[secretary@centerlinedressage.com](mailto:secretary@centerlinedressage.com)

No ballots received after MIDNIGHT on OCTOBER 31 will be accepted.

## You Are Invited

*CenterLine Dressage cordially invites you to our annual Awards Banquet  
at the Illini Country Club  
on Saturday, November 16, 2013*

*Social Hour begins at 6:15 p.m.  
Dinner served at 7:00 p.m.*

Dinner: Mixed Greens w/ balsamic vinaigrette, baby roasted potatoes & green beans and your choice of

1) Stuffed Chicken Breast (\$25); 2) New York Strip 12oz (\$28); OR 3) Vegetarian Entrée (\$24)

Dessert included in all meals.

Children's Dinner (\$9): Chicken Fingers, French Fries, & Fruit Cup

RSVP by November 10 to Paula Briney at #10 Hawks Nest Drive, Chatham, IL 62629  
217-652-1635 or [brineypaula@aol.com](mailto:brineypaula@aol.com) or RSVP through the link on [centerlinedressage.com](http://centerlinedressage.com)

Checks payable to CLD

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**2013 CALENDAR OF EVENTS***CLD events in **bold** see also page 1***October**

11 - 13                    **Region 4 Championships**  
@ National Equestrian Center • Lake St. Louis, MO  
[www.slads.org](http://www.slads.org)

**November**

7 - 10                    **Inaugural US Dressage Finals**  
@ Kentucky Horse Park • Lexington, KY  
[www.usdf.org](http://www.usdf.org)

**November**

16                        **Annual CLD Awards Banquet**  
At Illini Country Club. 6:15 PM Social Hour; 7:00 PM Dinner  
RSVP to Paula Briney by November 10: [BRINEYPAULA@aol.com](mailto:BRINEYPAULA@aol.com)

**December**

4 - 7                    **USDF Annual Convention**  
@ Lexington, KY • Hyatt Regency  
[www.usdf.org/convention](http://www.usdf.org/convention)

??                        **CLD Christmas Party**  
**TBA**

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**PHOTOS FROM CLASSIC & AL KHAMSA FALL DRESSAGE**

See photos from CLD Classic & Al Khamsa from the show photographer and friend of CLD, Steve Todd. Go to <http://www.studio131photo.com>



**Club Officers & Personnel**  
(Full list and mailing addresses online)

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<b>Awards Chair</b>	Marilyn Weber	618/753-3446	awards_chair@centerlinedressage.com
<b>Web Site</b>	Moiety Design		kuhn@moietyenterprises.com

**CLD Advertising Rates**

(see detailed info & photo policy online [www.centerlinedressage.com/advertising](http://www.centerlinedressage.com/advertising))

<b>Reader Page Ads</b>	Full Page	\$50 Non-Member	\$25 Member
	Half Page	\$25 Non-Member	\$12.50 Member
	¼ Page or Less	\$12 Non-Member	\$6 Member

**Photographs (original preferred) can be included in your ad. They can be black and white or color, but they will be black and white in the printed READER. Page Ads Up for 1 Month**

<b>Reader Classified Ads</b>	50 words or less	\$5 Non-Member	\$3 Member
	Additional 25 words	\$2 Non-Member	\$1 Member

**No Photographs Classified Ads Up for 1 Month**

**Web Advertising** Basic Classified Web Ad included in any Reader Package!

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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:

THE READER  
c/o Kim Jones  
1736 S. Farmingdale Rd.  
New Berlin, IL 62670

