



# HOOFPRINTS



The St. Louis Area Dressage Society Newsletter

Nov./Dec., 2011

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## President's Letter

*Hi Everyone,*

*The holidays are upon us! During Thanksgiving we have reflected on the things for which we are thankful. I have a long list...my family, my friends, I have a good job and wonderful horses that keep me sane. I could go on and on! There are lots of people out there that are not as fortunate as I am. I would encourage everyone to do something for someone you don't know, be nice to someone who is mean, give a gift to someone you love anonymously.*

*I would like to thank every one of you for all of your volunteer hours and all the support you give me and the SLADS Board. We would not be the great club we are if it was not for all of you. I can't wait to see everyone at the banquet on January 21st. There are more details later in this newsletter. Sally and Trish have planned a wonderful party. Kathy is organizing a Silent Auction that will benefit our Junior/Young Riders. Please contact her if you have anything you'd like to donate for auction.*

*At our December meeting we will be discussing a sponsorship program and the upcoming elections. Please check out our website, [www.slads.org](http://www.slads.org), to stay current on our activities. Anyone interested in running for board positions please email me. Debbie and I are planning on running for a second term. We can also expand the Board Members at Large to directly involve more of our members.*

*Happy Holidays and I will see you soon,*

*Ann*

## HAPPY NOVEMBER BIRTHDAY SLADS MEMBERS!

*Beatrice Fisher  
Barbara Jo Rubin  
Peg O'Meara  
Merry Bush  
Judy Ethell  
Kate Walter  
Betty Roman  
Ann Gioia  
Claire Nickelson*

## HAPPY DECEMBER BIRTHDAY SLADS MEMBERS!

*Caitlin Stephenson  
Susan Conradi  
Brittany Bommarito  
Stephanie Ross  
Chelsea Colangelo*

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for all the latest show  
information in our area.

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## Hoof Care Important Part of Winter Horse Care

Last Updated: March 22, 2011

**Released March 17, 2011**

STOCKTON, Mo. — Hoof care is critical to the general overall health of horses during the winter according to Dona Goede, a livestock specialist with University of Missouri Extension.

Excessive moisture causes the outer covering of a horses' foot to deteriorate, which causes cracking and splitting. Mud and sand can work their way into the cracks, causing the hoof to spread even further.

"Every effort should be made to keep the hoof wall intact. This can be done by keeping the hoof as dry as possible and applying hoof dressing regularly," said Goede.

Hoof dressing is basically an oil or grease that keeps water from soaking into the foot. During wet weather, this is a difficult task but it is important to maintain the hoof quality and integrity.

"If you will not be riding during the winter months, have your horse's shoes pulled in the fall. Shoes are slippery on frozen surfaces, and also sometimes cause snow to ball up in the hoof, so most horses are better off without them for the winter," said Goede.

Or, ask your farrier to advise you about special shoeing for traction.

All horses also need their hooves trimmed about every eight weeks.

"During the muddy season, thrush (a smelly infection of the hoof) may be a problem, so keep checking your horse's hooves on a regular basis," said Goede.

University of Missouri, [http://agebb.missouri.edu/news/swnews/queries/showall.idc?story\\_num=5632](http://agebb.missouri.edu/news/swnews/queries/showall.idc?story_num=5632)

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## SLADS Meeting Minutes 10/10/11 - 7 PM at NEC - Lake St. Louis

Present: Kim Eplett, Kathy Yamaguchi, Sarah Szachnieski, Jessie Fee, Debbie Price, Pam Davies, Liz Drew, Sally Waite, Leslie Burket, Gerri Muldrow, Ann Gioia, Trish Dalton, Jenn Buck

Secretary's Report for September Approved as printed in Newsletter.

Treasurer's Report presented, approved as printed for August and September.

Show Committee Report presented by Jessie Fee. Show was a success with 103 entries. Many compliments about the show. Some complaints about slow scoring on day one, had some computer issues, these will be resolved by having the secretary to provide the database the day before the show, Kim E will work with committee to have the 2 computers set up and running the day before show starts. Some complaints about hard footing in the outdoor. This was discussed with Liz, manager at NEC, and they will be adding sand to the footing in the next week or so. Some complaints about cashier in the Café. This will also be discussed with Liz at NEC. All together was a good show and had great weather. Many positive comments were made. For the June show the judges will be Axel Steiner, Lilo Fore, and Jacqueline Lindberg. The TD will be Nena Denman.

Schooling Show Report: Karen Pautz will be the judge for the October 29 Schooling Show.

### Old Business:

A motion was made to include the Kansas City Dressage and Ozark Dressage shows in the SLADS recognized show list as they are held in MO in Region 4. All in Favor - Motion carries. Trish will make this change.

A motion was made to have the silent auction basket proceeds go to the SLADs scholarship fund for the January banquet. All in favor - Motion carries.

The presentation of the award recipient for the scholarship will be made by the previous winner each year with a short talk on their experience as the winner of the prior year scholarship.

Ann discussed the budget and show cost to run the show as far as office fee and administrative costs. Ann presented a sheet showing the breakdown of costs for each component. It was discussed that raising the office fee to \$35 per show (actual cost) instead of keeping it at \$25 per show may reduce the number of riders/entries. Doing this may result in a loss of income for the shows, but after discussion a motion was made to keep the fee fixed at \$25 per show for the 2012 show season. 8 were in favor, one opposed. Motion carried.

The process of having a 501c3 was brought up, Sarah will bring information about how to become a 501c3 for the next board meeting. It was suggested that for educational purposes perhaps SLADS should develop a 501c3 that is tax deductible.

Discussed having the October 2012 show a two day show, this topic was tabled due to the uncertainty of the cost of the show.

Pam brought information on the Jackpot class for the June 2012 show. Pam has been working on sponsors for the class. It was discussed what type of class this should be and after much discussion it was determined that it will need to be an exhibition class that is a non qualifying ride so that we do not limit the pool of riders that are eligible to participate. Gerri and Pam will work to decide what the rules will need to be for this class and the fees so that it fits the rules for USDF/USEF. Liz offered to do a demo ride in which each movement could be explained to the spectators. Sarah will ask Kathryn Kent if she would be interested in announcing the class.

Pam also talked with Karen Pautz who showed interest in having SLADS sponsor a Junior Young Rider class in exchange for a booth on site at a show for advertisement.

Awards Committee: Sally said that the Hacienda is booked for the January 21, 2012 date for the Banquet. She is looking into speakers for the evening. She asked if anyone is going to a clinic that weekend; if so please let her know. She would like to look into having the clinician or saddle fitter come and speak at the banquet.

Sponsorship Committee: Jenn discussed what is going into packet for the sponsorships and that she will send out a message with info attached.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:07 PM.



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## USDF Approves National Dressage Championships

**Lexington, KY (December 4, 2011)** – The United States Dressage Federation (USDF) is pleased to announce approval by its Board of Governors of a US national dressage championship beginning in 2013. This championship will be a head to head competition showcasing Adult Amateur and Open riders at Training Level through Grand Prix.

Read the entire article:

[www.usdf.org/press/news/view-news.asp?news=558](http://www.usdf.org/press/news/view-news.asp?news=558)

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Kim Eplett, [kime.slads@gmail.com](mailto:kime.slads@gmail.com)*

## CLINICS WITH JANA WAGNER

*By Peg O'Meara*

The St. Louis area has a new dressage resource and her name is Jana Wagner. Jana commutes to us from Kansas (via Germany) and gives monthly clinics at Epique Equestrian Center. I've been fortunate to secure a spot in these popular clinics. Jana is a USDF certified instructor through 4<sup>th</sup> level, an L graduate with distinction, breeder, trainer and competitor. She brings a vast wealth of experience to her teaching.

Insisting on correct position from the riders, she scrupulously follows the training pyramid for the horses. Jana is insistent and fair. She will ride the horses to work through a problem or demonstrate a solution. Lunging, long lining and in-hand work are also in her repertoire.

Those of us who audit and ride in her clinics share a wonderful experience. There is a feeling of camaraderie amongst the participants. Kathy Yamaguchi provides a lovely setting for the clinics with all the amenities for horse and rider, to say nothing of the great lunches!

Jana usually comes for 4 days of clinic. Riding with her is rigorous, but very satisfying. Especially gratifying is when her "Good girl, that's gorgeous" rings across the arena. I encourage you to check out the SLADS website for her clinic dates. Whether you are an auditor or a rider, Jana Wagner is an excellent clinician and I guarantee you'll learn something!

**SLADS RECOGNIZED SHOWS FOR 2012**

***Kansas City Dressage Society 26th KCDS Kickoff Competition I & II***  
March 31-Apr 1, 2012

***William Woods Spring Dressage I & II***  
not currently on calendar – usually in April

***Kansas City Dressage Society Dressage At Longview I & II***  
May 5-6, 2012

***Carousel I & II***  
May 5-6, 2012

***Al Khamsa***  
June 9, 2012

***SLADS SUMMER CLASSIC I***  
June 15-16, 2012

***SLADS SUMMER CLASSIC II***  
June 17, 2012

Judges: Lisolette Fore, Jacqueline Lindberg, and Axel Steiner

***Centerline I & II***  
August 25-26, 2012

***Al Khamsa***  
September 15, 2012

***SLADS FALL CLASSIC***  
October 13-14, 2012

Judges: Sarah Geikie, Debbie Riehl-Rodriquez , and William Solyntjes

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***Not Currently on Calendar***

Missouri Dressage Classic  
Ozark Dressage  
Adulusian Show



# *Save the Date!*

You are invited to attend the  
***SLADS YEAR END BANQUET***  
where we will be celebrating another successful showing season  
and the accomplishments of the year end winners.

***January 21, 2012***  
***5:30 p.m.***

Hacienda Mexican Restaurant  
9748 Manchester Road  
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A Silent Auction will be held to provide funds for scholarships in support of our Jr. Young Riders and awards for future shows.

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i.e., gift certificates to retail stores or restaurants, sporting event  
tickets, hand-made items, etc., please contact

Kathy Yamaguchi  
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*Theme gift baskets from barns are always a popular item!*





# St. Louis Area Dressage Society (SLADS) 2012 Membership Form

Date of Application: \_\_\_\_\_

SLADS is a USDF Group Member Organization (GMO) and SLADS members are automatically USDF Group Members (GMs). For USDF Participating Membership, members must apply directly to USDF.

Membership Categories:    New (please include a short bio for the newsletter)    Renewal

Membership Type:    Individual (\$50)    Jr/Young Rider (\$40)    Family (\$75 for 2 then \$30 for each additional member)

## General Information

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ This will be the "Primary" for Family Membership.

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone(s): \_\_\_\_\_ (home) \_\_\_\_\_ (cell)      USDF No: \_\_\_\_\_

Birth Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ \* Rider Category: \_\_\_\_\_ (enter one: Silver/Gold/Platinum/Professional)

\* 4 Rider Categories: Silver = Ages 21 & Under   Gold = Ages 22 to 39   Platinum = Ages 40 & Up   Professional

Horse(s) Name/Breed: \_\_\_\_\_

I keep my horse(s) at:    Home /    Board at \_\_\_\_\_

## Family Membership Information

Two per SLADS family membership (i.e. primary + 1). Added names are \$30 each.

Name	USDF No	Birth Date	Rider Category

*Family member = members in an immediate family who either live at the same address or have the same legal address.*

Please choose how you would like to receive your SLADS newsletter:    E-mail    Paper/U.S. Mail  
(Receiving by e-mail allows SLADS to use more membership funds for special activities such as clinics, schooling shows, etc.)

May we include you in the annual Buzz Book:    Yes    No      Total Enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
(the Buzz Book is only mailed to SLADS members)

Make checks payable to: SLADS      Questions: shelleytbru@yahoo.com      Website: www.slads.org

Mail fees & form to: Shelley Brubaker, 10605 Cedar Grove Dr, Foristell, MO 63348

All current members of SLADS and their horse(s) listed on this form are eligible for SLADS year end awards. Additional horses may be added at any time during the competition year, but scores from past shows will not count towards SLADS year end awards. Scores from any remaining SLADS recognized shows will count towards the SLADS year end awards.

For office use only.  
Date Received: \_\_\_\_\_  
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