



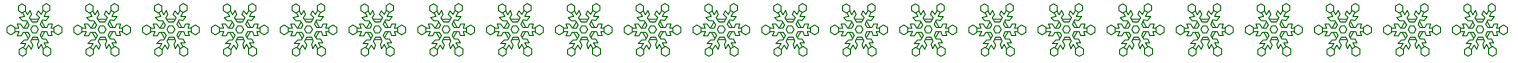
HOOFPRINTS



The St. Louis Area Dressage Society Newsletter

January, 2011

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Hi,

I hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas and is preparing for a happy New Year. Speaking of New Year, we have a lot of things to think about for the upcoming banquet and elections. As you know the Vice President and Secretary positions are on the ballot with Jessie Fee running for VP and Sarah Szachnieski running for Secretary. The Bylaws and Standing rules will also be voted on. If you can't make the Year End Celebration, please mail in the ballot in this newsletter.

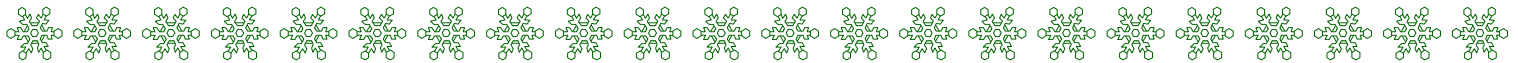
The revised Bylaws (if passed) will expand the number of board members. If the measure passes, we will be holding a special election during the General Meeting portion of the Year End Celebration to fill those new board members at large positions. With hosting the regional championships and adding numerous schooling shows to our yearly functions, we could really use the extra help on the board, so if you would be interested in one of these new positions please contact me at agioia3@slu.edu.

As we look forward to an exciting new year with SLADS, I am looking forward to my granddaughter to arrive for a holiday visit (she is in Norfolk, VA and they are currently snowed in). 2010 saw an increase in members becoming involved with SLADS and I hope in 2011, even more members will become involved with the schooling shows, recognized shows, and clinics.

Happy New Year!

See you all at the banquet,
Ann

HAPPY NEW YEAR



Don't let this be your last issue of Hoofprints! **RENEW YOUR SLADS MEMBERSHIP**

At this time of year our minds turn to holiday shopping lists, decorations, sending out seasons greetings and dismissing the calorie counting we tend to do throughout the rest of the year.

Come the New Year, our minds will turn to raising the bar on our dressage training and preparing for the upcoming show season! Part of that is renewing your USEF, USDF and SLADS memberships!

You can find the 2011 SLADS Membership Form on our website at www.slads.org and enclosed in this newsletter!!

Remember, only SLADS **2011** Members may attend the Year End Celebration for **FREE**.

ST. LOUIS AREA DRESSAGE SOCIETY'S BYLAWS HAVE BEEN REVISED

The SLADS Bylaws Committee has worked this past year to completely rewrite the Bylaws which detail how SLADS is organized. In addition, a new document, Standing Rules, has been created to explain the operating procedures. Both of these documents have been approved by the SLADS Board of Directors. Now, it's time for all SLADS members to review the documents and offer feedback. Questions and comments can be emailed to Debbie Price at djprice@centurytel.net.

This is the second month for reviewing the changes. A vote on both documents will be taken during our General Meeting which be held on January 22, 2011 at the Hacienda Restaurant in conjunction with the SLADS Year End Celebration. The ballot below can be mailed in for anyone unable to attend the event in January.

Ballot for the SLADS Bylaws' changes and the new Standing Rules.

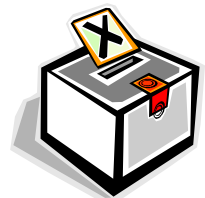
Yes, I agree with the proposed Bylaws' changes and the new Standing Rules

No, I do not want these changes made

Member's Name and Signature

Deadline for receiving your ballot is January 21, 2011.

Please mail your ballot to: Debbie Price, 2110 Meadow Oaks Dr, Innsbrook, MO 63390 or email Debbie at djprice@centurytel.com.





We Want You!

Join us in attending SLADS Year End Celebration at Hacienda Restaurant on January 22, 2011!

To help make this year's silent auction a success, we are collecting donated gift baskets from each barn. Be creative and unique in choosing a theme for your barn's basket! For example, Hamilton Stables is doing "A Night Out On the Town!" and "Date Night!". Don't board at a barn? Not a problem as individual donations are also welcome.

At the Year End Celebration, place your bid and have fun shopping! All proceeds will go to Longmeadow Rescue Ranch for horses in need.

Please submit your barn's theme basket, description of content and value by January 15th to Kathy Yamaguchi at (314) 680-2951 or by email at yamashlder@aol.com

Annual Elections Coming Up

The SLADS nominating committee met in November and came up with the following slate for officers and Board Members at Large:

Vice President: Jessie Fee

Secretary: Sarah Szachnieski

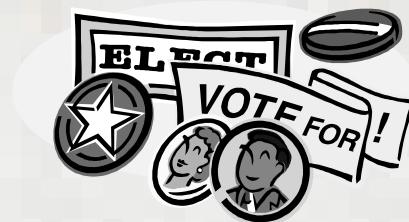
Board Members at Large:

Trish Dalton Kathy Yamaguchi

Pam Davies

Mari Jebens

Sally Waite * Liz Drew is a board member at large but her term has not expired.



Any member who wishes to make a nomination for either an officer or a Board Member at Large is welcome to submit the name from the floor at the Year End Celebration.

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2011 Calendar of Events

January 22, 2011: SLADS Year End Celebration at Hacienda restaurant in Rock Hill, MO.

January 21-23, 2011: Missouri Equine Council Equine Extravaganza. Boone County Fairgrounds, Columbia, MO.

February 26-27, 2011: Clinic with international clinician and "S" judge, Sonja Vracko at Diamond TR Ranch, Little Rock, AR. See www.diamondtr.com Rider: \$125 for 40 minute session. Auditor: Sat \$15 or Sat & Sun for \$25. Contact: bethrides@yahoo.com. www.viewridgefarm.com

June 17-19, 2011: SLADS Summer Festival I and II, NEC, Lake St. Louis, MO. Sandi Lewis at Sandi@SLADS.org.

October 8-9, 2011: SLADS Fall Festival, NEC, Lake St. Louis, MO. Sandi Lewis at Sandi@SLADS.org.





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New Addition to the Hoofprints!

The Editors of *Hoofprints* would like to start a monthly segment that congratulates our members on milestones and accomplishments. If you or a fellow SLADS member has had the good fortune to get a new horse or home, children or grandchildren have entered your life, you've changed jobs or have any other news you would like to share, please email your information to Kate at walterlll@aol.com.

It is our hope that by sharing good news, be it yours or a humble friend's, we will become a more interconnected club!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY SLADS MEMBERS

January 13th Angela Holekamp
January 27th Louise Jensen

WELCOME NEW SLADS MEMBERS

Audra Harrold
Betty Roman
Kristin (Kris) Tilson
Malia Murphy

CONGRATULATIONS

To Erin Rhoades Herzog for getting married this past November!

SLADS Board Membership Meeting
Weinhardt Party Rentals-Des Peres, MO
December 13, 2010

Meeting was called to order at 7:20 pm. The following people were in attendance: Trish Dalton, Pam Davies, Ann Gioia, Kathy Yamaguchi, Debbie Price, Liz Drew, Mari Jebens, Sally Waite, Leslie Burkett, Marketta Matthews.

First Point of Business: Scholarship Vote

- Board voted to approve the \$1000 jr/young rider scholarship (7 in favor, 2 abstained)
- In choosing a committee to choose the recipient, the board decided that impartiality is a must. The following people will be asked to review the applicants and choose their top three: Lisa Marston, Karen Pautz, and Sarah Patrick.
- The board also recommended that this committee review and expand on the application process and scholarship program for next year.

Second Point of Business: Annual Banquet

- This year's speaker will be Amanda Mullen the Director of Longmeadow Rescue Ranch.
- Sally reported the contract, menu, and year end prizes were all taken care of.
- There was discussion to change the schooling show criteria for year end awards for next season. The board voted in favor of reducing the number of scores needed per level from four to two.
- The proceeds of the silent auction will go to Longmeadow Rescue Ranch. ½ going it to the general fund and ½ going into the special fund.
- Kathy will need basket themes and values for those wanting to donate by January 15, 2011.
- It was also reported that any ribbons ordered by February 15, 2011 will receive a 10% discount.

Third Point of Business: Secretary Position

- Kathy Yamaguchi was mistakenly listed as running for secretary. She will be unable to hold this position.
- Ann will call Martha Yates and Sarah Szachnieski to see if either would be willing to run for the position.

Fourth Point of Business: Schooling Shows

- Mari will take over managing the schooling shows. A separate committee will be formed to oversee the schooling shows.
- Pam will continue to chair the education committee.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm

Respectfully Submitted,
Mari Jebens

No meeting in February!!!!
The next general meeting will be held on
Monday, March 14th at 7:00 p.m.
Location still to be determined.



St. Louis Area Dressage Society (SLADS) 2011 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 (\$47) Family (\$64) Jr/Young Rider (\$37)

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 \$17 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
(one newsletter per Membership Type)

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

Make checks payable to: SLADS Questions: walterlll@aol.com Website: www.slads.org

Mail fees & form to: Kate Walter, 4608 McPherson Ave, St. Louis, MO 63108

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: _____
Check #: _____
Date Sent to Treasurer: _____

*Get Involved... WE NEED YOU! Please volunteer to support our shows
and to be eligible for SLADS year end awards.*



Join us for a fun evening!

*Silent Auction with proceeds benefitting
Longmeadow Rescue Ranch*

*Guest speaker Amanda Mullen, Director
of Longmeadow Rescue Ranch*

Year End Awards

Voting of 2011

*Board of Directors and on
Bylaws and Standing Rules*

SLADS Year End Celebration

Date: January 22, 2011

Time: 5:30 p.m. Open Cash Bar
DINNER BUFFET STARTS AT 6:30 P.M.

Place: The Hacienda Restaurant
9748 Manchester Rd
Rock Hill, Missouri 63119

FREE for 2011 SLADS Members
\$25 for Non-Members

Please RSVP before January 17, 2011

To Sally Waite at 636-458-3075
Or Sally@SLADS.org

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