

# EQUESTER

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

**Pam Doolittle**

### Getting the sparkle back, as we focus on the future

#### Greetings to all!

At the risk of repeating myself just a little (some of this has been posted on our website too), I want to share a few details with you, about me. I wear many hats during any given week. For my "day job," I direct and write curriculum for the analytical chemistry teaching laboratories in the Department of Chemistry at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. Basically, I write the analytical chemistry experiments you or your kids perform in the undergraduate and graduate labs at this great university.

I enthusiastically support initiatives that encourage K-12 students to explore science creatively, and I am a founding member (2001) of the Badger State Science and Engineering Fair non-profit Board ([www.bssef.org](http://www.bssef.org)).

I am a wife and mother of three. Home is Hidden Pond Farm in Mazomanie, which houses not only the Doolittle family (myself, my husband Dan, and my kids: Cassy, Nichole and Kevin), but also seven horses, three cats, two dogs, and more mice than I care to know about.

I am also a very serious dressage rider and competitor. You can learn more about me and my journey to the president's chair on our website.

#### Getting the sparkle back

Before I talk about WDCTA and all that's in store for 2010, let me ask you to do something first. Think of a riding lesson you've taken that really made a difference for you and your horse. Now think of the dynamics of that lesson that helped make a difference. How did it start? What

did you work on that day? Did you struggle? Was the change immediate or did it take awhile before you realized the difference it made? I'll share with you one I'm thinking about.

"Hello," he chirps in his very distinctive, German way. "How is it going?" We talk about that for few minutes. I tell him what I like about the training program and what I'm struggling with. Then he asks me, "What is the plan today?" I indicate I want to practice a test to perfection. I'm going to a show and I want to perform well.

My instructor helped us warm up; we talked about some of the details I needed to keep in mind and proceeded to ride the test, and then parts of the test, for the next 40 minutes or so. I ended that lesson in tears, stoically walking up with my horse at my side trying to hide my eyes from friends and spectators. I made mistakes—my horse lacked the strength and education to perform successfully at the canter. I was going to a big show and knew the performance wasn't good enough for a blue ribbon. All this came together as a perfect storm in my head.

That's when I got the lesson: My instructor joined me in the stall as I was untacking and said this (imagine with a German accent, if you can): "Who cares about a blue ribbon? If all you care



Photo by Mary Phelps

about is the test then you are losing your sparkle. What works for you is how much you love riding and how much the horse enjoys working for you. Go find your sparkle!" It took a few months, but I did exactly that. To learn more about that journey, see <http://www.alexgerding.com/deathdoorstep.pdf>.

#### Back to Basics

How do you reconnect with something that is momentarily beyond your grasp? What I love so much about our sport is the systematic and logical framework that develops a horse and rider pair into what is nothing less than a work of art when it's done correctly. When you have a training problem, go back to the training scale.

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## President's Message...continued...

Go back to the basics. Strengthen the weakness and you strengthen the bond.

That feeling of connection we get with our horses binds you and I too, and is indeed the essence of our WDCTA community. As we move forward in our planning for 2010, it's prudent to consider the structure of that great riding lesson:

- 1) Discuss the present status,
- 2) Make an honest assessment of the present and choose key areas of improvement wisely,
- 3) Develop a plan, and
- 4) Work diligently to implement the plan for improvement.

Modernizing and revitalizing the governance structure of our organization is one of my top priorities for 2010. Our entire board is committed to renewing its service to our members and promoting the good horsemanship that is the basis of our sport. Essentially, your board is working to "get back to basics." As we redesign the "framework" of our association that will structure our services, your feedback is essential to this process. Please be in touch with me and/or your chapter president and share your thoughts on what you like and what you would like to see improved for the future. We need your feedback in order to work out "the plan!"

And just like the great riding lesson I shared, it may take some time before others realize a difference. Let me share that your 2010 Board has some really wonderful ideas you will soon see for yourself. This newly designed **eQuester** is only one example of the improvements in communication we hope to realize for 2010. We have a great team working on redesigning the website as well. Check back often at [www.wdcta.org](http://www.wdcta.org) to see the latest developments.

### A brief glance back...to move forward

I'm sure most of you are aware that this past November, a majority of the 2009 board voted to split WDCTA into two GMOs. Sometime in 2009, the New Dressage Association (NEWDA) was formed, and some members of the northeast, northern, eastern and central chapters voted to move their affiliations and the chapter association funds to NEWDA. The state treasury was divided by member ballot, using the procedure

explained in a letter to the membership, which was included in the ballot mailing. Most of the state board who supported the split left WDCTA completely and moved to NEWDA when their term expired December 31. The reasons why this happened could be debated long past our lifetimes. The fact is, it happened, and now we are focusing on moving forward.

The first meeting of the 2010 WDCTA board occurred Saturday, Jan. 2. We unanimously agreed the WDCTA Awards Banquet should be organized and presided over by WDCTA, and we voted unanimously to fund the 2010 annual meeting in Lake Geneva and use any proceeds to help members restructure their chapters in the northeast, northern, eastern and central regions. We want to use those funds to support promoting the sport in their areas.

The WDCTA 2010 Board invites you to join us for the Meeting and Awards Banquet scheduled for Feb. 20. More information about our speakers, the schedule and registration information is in our newsletter and on our website.

### Dedicated volunteers, dedicated to the sport, dedicated to WDCTA

I want to close by sharing my deep gratitude to the members who stepped up to serve on the 2010 state board. These members include chapter presidents, Victoria Jenema, Martha Flury and Donna Thomas; members-at-large, Sue Genin, Chet Thomas and Erin Whalen; Caryn Vesperman who has returned as our newsletter editor; Angela Genin, state treasurer; Mary Hanneman, membership chair; Anne Zaharias who comes on board as the new historian; and Stephanie Severn who joins us as the website coordinator. Most of these members have already "done their time" on the state board, and I am well aware of the many commitments and goals they aspire to outside of dedicating their time to our non-profit organization. Yet in the wake of the split, these members have come back, for the good of our sport and this charter GMO, to help reinstate WDCTA as an important and vital resource for its members. I am truly inspired by their dedication and commitment. I only need to think of them to realize WDCTA indeed has retained its sparkle!

**May your saddle and hands stay warm this month!**



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Advertising rates and requirements are under Forms on [www.wdcta.org](http://www.wdcta.org).

# ON THE BIT

Caryn Vesperman, Editor

Introducing the new **e**lectronic format for the **eQuester**! Not only will going completely electronic and leaving the print world behind save thousands of dollars a year (which we can put toward other member services), it means we can produce 12 issues a year *and* provide a more robust newsletter format with links to more information. (Please note: If we have the information, we have links to all our advertiser's emails and/or websites—from the stable/instructor/breeder listings to the classifieds and display ads.) We hope this makes your search for information easier and more convenient. Overall, we hope you find it easier to stay connected to the WDCTA website, events, activities, our advertisers and each other.

## New advertising rates: more for less!

We are also very pleased to introduce our new advertising rates. Now you will be getting more...for less! More coverage because you get exposure both in the **eQuester** and on our website. And, you get it for less money. We have cut our advertising rates by approximately one-third and are offering members an additional **10 percent off** our rates. Take advantage of these rates today!

## Board and Chapter News

From now on, minutes from both the state board and chapter meetings will be posted to the website instead of in the **eQuester**. This will free up this newsletter for other news and means the website can be used as the primary archive for referencing business decisions. Chapters may opt to email the minutes to their chapter members in addition to posting them on the website.

## I Need You

These pages would look a lot different if they didn't have any content. Remember, this is your newsletter, so please submit articles, news about members, a book or video review, clinic summary, an interesting fact or idea you've come across. And now with our new format, color photographs are great too!

## Question of the Month

Along with the call for content, I'm going to "prime the pump" a bit. Every month I will pose a question for you to chime in on. Next month the question is: *What piece of advice have you heard that has helped you with your riding?* I hear things like, "Look up!" But, I'm sure you can come up with something more helpful than that! Send your comments to me by March 15.

## New website coming

Also coming this year is an entirely new look for our WDCTA website. I want to thank Erin Whalen for helping us take the next step to further

improve our web service to members. Erin is working on a new design with new functions, which will make it easier to navigate and find information. In the mean-time, Erin is making some changes to our existing website to tide us over.

Erin's really doing double duty—designing our new website *and* maintaining and improving our existing website. We couldn't do it without her. Come to think of it, Erin also has taken on the role of member-at-large, so maybe she's really doing *triple* duty for WDCTA! Thank you, Erin, for your energy and ideas.

## Transitions take time

We're trying to make the transition from *before* to *now* as fast as we can, but just like training horses, it can't be done over night if you want to do it correctly! There may be some goofs and glitches, but bear with us. Please let us know if you are experiencing any issues with your service or advertising. We will do our best to correct the problems.

## e-Suggestion Box

Whenever you have a suggestion, idea or submission (photograph, article or advertising) for the **eQuester**, let me know. You can contact me (a.k.a the e-suggestion box) via email at [newsletter@wdcta.org](mailto:newsletter@wdcta.org) or give me a call at (608) 455-2208.

Welcome to a new decade with WDCTA!



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## BITS 'N PIECES

### News About Members, News to Help Members

#### **Kudos to WDCTA Members, Sandra Granquist and Anne Zaharias**

Congratulations to Sandy Granquist, owner of the Friesian stallion, Ate Vander M, and ridden and shown by Anne Zaharias. From the December/January issue of USEF publication, *Equestrian*, reporting about the 2009 IFSHA World and Grand National Championship Horse Show: "Big winners in the dressage arena were the pair of Ate Vander M and Anne Zaharias for owner Sandra Granquist, who began their week-long series of victories on the triangle with the championship in Stallions Six and Over. The pair went on to win the National Championships in Third Level, USDF Musical Freestyle, Hunt Seat Open and Dressage Hack Open."

#### **Belated Congrats to Tracey Dikkers**

Southwest Chapter member, Tracey Dikkers, passed her "L" judge program final exam with distinction. Tracey is also an instructor and a USDF Bronze and Silver medalist.

#### **Check us out on Facebook**

WDCTA has its own Facebook page so we can stay connected by sharing ideas, reminders and just chat. Go to: [www.facebook.com](http://www.facebook.com). Search under Wisconsin Dressage & Combined Training.



#### **Awards, Show Recognition: Whaz Up With That?**

WDCTA offers some terrific year-end awards. To be eligible, go to the website to download the rules and registration form. A biggie—you need to sign up one week *before* your first show if you want it to count. So fill out the form today. It's winter—what else is there to do except fill out forms?!

Show organizers: Do you want your show to be eligible for competitors to use for their year-end awards? You got it: Another form! Click [here](#) or go to the WDCTA website and click on Forms, located at the bottom of the page.



WDCTA member Holly Beach (pictured all bundled up to the right) and her horse, Victor, try out different things when it's too cold to ride. In this example, Holly reports Victor likes standing on the dot, er, spot that Holly indicates.



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we'll all have a ball!

## WDCTA Annual Meeting and Awards Banquet Set for Feb. 20

### Back to basics.

That's the theme for the WDCTA Annual Meeting and Awards Banquet from noon to 9 p.m., Feb. 20 at the Grand Geneva Resort and Spa in Lake Geneva, WI.

The program includes keynote speaker, Jayne Ayers, S and I dressage judge and R sport horse judge, giving a presentation with videos on "Using Shoulder-In from Intro Level through Grand Prix: Why It's the Most Important Exercise in Dressage Training." Other speakers include Doug Langer, DVM on "Advances in Lameness Diagnosis and Treatments," and Elaine Berkhardt, DVM on "Dentistry for Dressage."

In the evening a dinner and awards ceremony will be held recognizing the members who earned WDCTA awards during the 2009 show season. A board meeting also is being held from noon until 2 p.m.; members are welcome and encouraged to attend.

### Schedule

Noon to 2 p.m. - Board Meeting  
2 to 2:30 p.m. - Registration, Refreshments, Shopping  
2:30 to 5:30 p.m. - Seminar Sessions  
5:30 to 6:30 p.m. - Social Hour, Silent Auction  
6:30 to 7:30 p.m. - Dinner  
7:30 to 9 p.m. - Awards Presentation

See you there!

Costs are \$25 for the seminar only and \$35 for dinner or \$55 for both.

Proceeds from this event, including from the silent auction, will be used to help interested members with start-up funds to rebuild the central, eastern, northern and northeast chapters, since those chapter funds were voted to be removed by former chapter members. If you have items to donate to the silent auction, please contact Becky Bebbert-Wells at (608) 835-1734 or [snowbysgrl@aol.com](mailto:snowbysgrl@aol.com) or Allice Antczak at (262) 642-4178 or [aantczak@centurytel.net](mailto:aantczak@centurytel.net).

The Grand Geneva offers a variety of fun activities for you and your family including a 35-foot climbing wall, basketball court, indoor lap pool, sauna and steam rooms, downhill skiing (18 slopes), cross country skiing (18 kilometers of trails), snowboarding (half pipe or terrain park) and snow shoeing.

Hotel rooms are available at a special rate of \$109/night. Be sure to reserve by Feb. 1 and mention WDCTA to obtain this special rate.

To make reservations, call 1-800-246-5468 or check out the Grand Geneva website at [www.grandgeneva.com](http://www.grandgeneva.com).

Send in the registration form today! Find one on the next page in this newsletter or go to our website at [wdcta.org](http://wdcta.org).

# Back to Basics!

## WDCTA Annual Meeting and Awards Banquet

12 noon to 9 p.m. \* February 20, 2010

### Grand Geneva Resort & Spa, Lake Geneva, WI

\* Seminars \* Annual Meeting \*

\* Awards Banquet \* Silent Auction \* Shopping \*

#### Schedule

12 noon to 2 p.m. – WDCTA Board Meeting (Members very welcome!)

2:00 to 2:30 p.m. – Seminar Registration, Shopping, Refreshments

2:30 to 3:20 p.m. – “Dentistry for Dressage,” Elaine Burkhart, DVM

3:30 to 4:20 p.m. – “Advances in Lameness Diagnosis and Treatments,”  
Doug Langer, DVM

4:30 to 5:30 p.m. – “Using Shoulder-In from Intro Level to Grand Prix:

Why it’s the Most Important Exercise in Dressage Training,”

Keynote Speaker: Jayne Ayers, “I” and “S” Dressage and “R” Sport Horse Judge

5:30 to 6:30 p.m. – Social Hour, Silent Auction, Cash Bar

6:30 to 7:30 p.m. – Dinner

7:30 to 9:00 p.m. – Awards and Silent Auction

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#### Registration Form

##### Number of Attendees

##### Subtotal

Seminar: \_\_\_\_\_ X \$25 =

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Turkey: \_\_\_\_\_ X \$35 =

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# Camaraderie and Education:

## Highlights of the National Young Horse Training Program

by Megan McIsaac



A huge thank you is in order to the Southwest Chapter of WDCTA! I was one of two SW Chapter members granted \$300 from the scholarship fund in 2009. The \$300 was used to pay my tuition to the 2009 Young Dressage Horse Trainers Symposium organized by Hassler Dressage located at Riveredge in Chesapeake, Maryland. Another huge thank you to Hassler Dressage! Without Scott and Susanne Hassler and everyone on their team, this event would not be a success. Thank you to the Malones for opening their doors to their barns and sponsoring the symposium. A special thank you to Jann Clark for answering questions and creating lists for us to coordinate flights and rental cars. They have created this unique environment for top young horse trainers to come together and learn from one another, share ideas on everything related to horses, and network when we might never have otherwise had the chance to meet.

charge of the direction of the symposium. (Ingo Pape is from Hemmor, Germany and is involved in training young horses through Grand Prix and is known for standing such stallions as Del Piero, Regazzoni and Rousseau.) Each evening we met to discuss the events and horses of the day, and decide what would happen the next day. We also had access to some of the best horses in the United States, which never hurts! During the day we watched different horse-and-rider combinations work, and had the chance to offer suggestions. How fantastic is that? Sixty young horses trainers in a barn discussing real dressage training.

### Training horses of different ages, different challenges

We watched several horses in different age groups from three- to nine-years-old. The three-year-olds were two stallions and a mare. The first stallion had had an injury and was rather stiff and uneven behind and was rooting in the connection. The other stallion was very flashy

This was the Hassler's 5<sup>th</sup> year hosting this very special event. It is rare to have an occasion for 60 trainers to discuss horses without owners, sponsors, clients, vendors and their entourages present. The trainers discuss real training problems, and the atmosphere is charged with positive and supportive energy. I have attended this event twice, and each time has offered tremendous opportunities to work and connect with other trainers from around the world. Having all this talent in one place opens the door to discuss and observe different training styles for all of us to reflect on.

Over the course of three-and-a-half days, we are encouraged to meet and learn from one another. Egos are left at the door. Even though there were featured speakers such as Scott Hassler and Ingo Pape, we

participants were truly in

and willing to please his rider in his training. The mare was level headed and a nice mover, but the trainer offered too much "love." To be clear, there is not a problem with too much "love," except when we need to be realistic with our training and the horse is ready to be asked for more.

The issue of 'too much love' is faced by trainers everyday. When is it time to push a horse through a training issue? Is now the right time to back off and offer a little love? Is the horse unhappy or just testing the boundaries? Sometimes it's very hard to move out of the baby stage and put the horse to work. We trainers love our horses just as much as adult amateurs or anyone else. The fantastic thing about this symposium is I was able to discuss each horse with his or her trainer. For instance, I was very confused about why the recovering stallion was being kept a stallion, and because of the symposium's format, I was able to speak with the trainer and find out her thoughts and experiences with the stallion. Because I was able to speak with them one-on-one, I was able to get all the trainers' perspective on every horse in the symposium.

We had just as much diversity in the 4-, 5- and 6-year-old divisions. We also worked with many developing horses between seven and nine years of age. It was wonderful to be able to compare horses in many different stages in their training. Some had competed in the U.S. Finals, while others were just being brought out of the field and starting their careers. Not all horses are destined for the U.S. Young Horse Championships. Sometimes correct quality training is more important than the blue ribbon in the young horse classes. The horse that may not be ready for the young horse classes or was started later in life may be our next Grand Prix horse or our client's schoolmaster. Being realistic about our horse's abilities and working through the real training problems are much more important than competing in the Young Horse classes. But, outside pressures don't always help us take that path. It is nice to know we have a great resource in our U.S. Young Horse Coach Scott Hassler.

### Cavaletti, in-hand work and flying changes

A wonderful addition to the symposium from last time I attended was the cavaletti work. On the second day we worked some of the horses through the cavaletti. We discussed the objectives for having a three-year-old to a nine-year-old doing cavaletti work; sometimes it is just a great break from the winter blues. We also had a wonderful in-hand demo, which did not go according to plan. The horse was very naughty,

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To fill the days while we wait for the snow to melt, go to [Forms](#) on the WDCTA website and find video library for a complete list of books and videos and instructions on how to rent them.



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Thanks to a generous donation from Madison resident, Marti Coursin (pictured above on her horse, Brazil), the library has been expanded to include nearly 40 books. We appreciate your generosity, Marti!

## Camaraderie...continued

which was unexpected since he had been a super star the previous time he was worked in hand. However, I found it even more beneficial to see what was done to work through the issues. And let's face it, we are working with horses. A lot of the time, things do not go according to plan!

On the third day, we had numerous brave riders, because the night before, we had a group discussion on what we would like to see next. Two of the horse-and-rider combinations wanted to start flying lead changes. So they rode their first flying lead changes in front of us! There was a lively discussion on how to start flying lead changes. So many great ideas! Some horses stayed on course with what we worked on the two previous days. A few

were started in hand or had help from the ground. It was fantastic to see a true master with great timing. Thank you, Ingo Pape! Sometimes just observing a true horseman in action is the best way to learn and be inspired.

### Top U.S. horses were our demos

We were very fortunate to have many successful combinations join us that competed at the Young Horse Finals: including the 4-year-old champion, the 5-year-old that finished fourth, and the 6-year-old Reserve Champion. What was most inspiring, or maybe most eye-opening moment that encouraged me to excel and pursue greater excellence, was the video we watched one of the evenings. Footage was taken throughout the weekend of our U.S. combinations that were successful at the U.S. Young Horse Championships, and then compared to the European Champions. There is no comparison! The European

horses are incredible movers with impressive physical appearance, great elastically and have greater articulation in their joints. At times it was hard to watch, because while we have come a long way in our breeding in the U.S. and should be proud of that, we still have further to travel in more ways than one. We are improving the quality in our horses and have more horse-and-rider combinations that show very promising futures. The Young Horse Program has opened our eyes and has spurred our progress.

Again, thank you to the SW Chapter of the WDCTA, Hassler Dressage and the Malones. I walked away from the 2009 young horse symposium with enthusiasm for our sport, inspired and supported by my peers, and with several new ideas for my horses and clients that I cannot wait to share!

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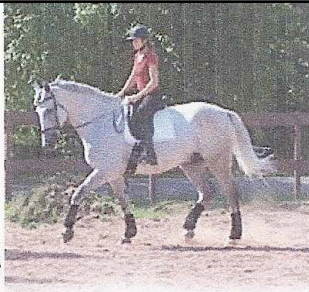
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### **Feb. 13**

SW Chapter Meeting - 1 p.m.  
Equine Nutrition & Body Scoring by UW Extension  
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### **Mar. 13**

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Rider Biomechanics with Ann Schultheis, PT  
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### **April 13**

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Dressage Protocol (history behind dressage dress,  
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Long Lining Demo with accomplished driver, Mary  
Ruth Marks  
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### **Sept. 14**

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Update on Deworming Protocol with veterinarians  
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### **Oct. 16**

SW Chapter Meeting - 6:30 p.m.  
Behind-the-Scenes look at the World Equestrian  
Games with Janet Foy  
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### **Nov. 13**

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Planning Meeting for 2011  
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### **Dec. 11**

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### **July 31**

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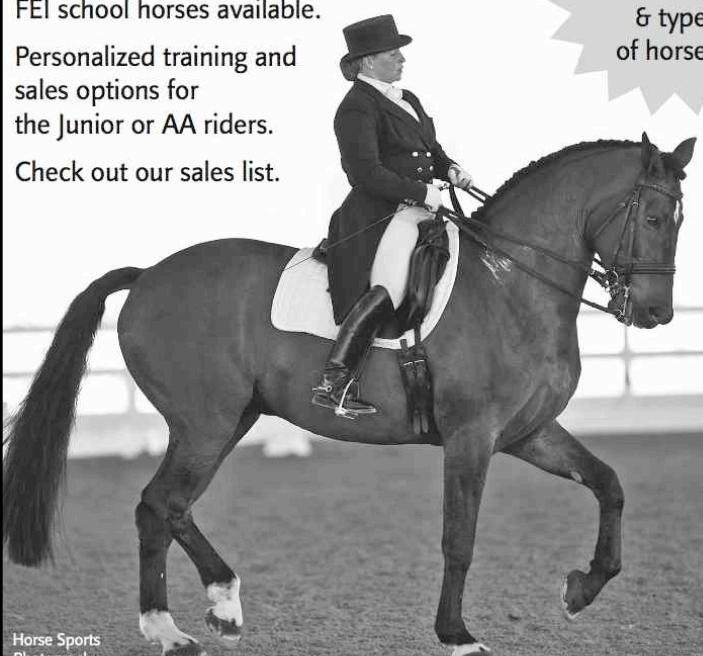
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**eQuester and Website Calendar of Events Submissions: *For WDCTA members only. (Up to 20 words).***

INCLUDE THIS: Date > Event > Location > Contact (Name/Phone/Email) > WDCTA-Sponsored Event (Yes/No)

**WDCTA Event:** Link to organizer's email and registration form, if applicable

**NON-WDCTA-Sponsored Event:** Link to organizer's email only

**WISCONSIN DRESSAGE AND  
COMBINED TRAINING ASSOCIATION  
MEMBERSHIP FORM / 2010**

MEMBERSHIP TERM: JANUARY 1 – DECEMBER 31



For renewals, please mark if information has changed for 2010.

RENEWAL \_\_\_\_\_ NEW \_\_\_\_\_

Name **NAME** \_\_\_\_\_

Address **FARM** \_\_\_\_\_

Phone **ADDRESS** \_\_\_\_\_

Email **CITY/STATE** \_\_\_\_\_

**ZIP CODE** \_\_\_\_\_ **PHONE** \_\_\_\_\_

**EMAIL ADDRESS** \_\_\_\_\_

As a member of WDCTA, I may choose to volunteer for Association responsibilities or activities. I expressly agree that my services are being provided as a volunteer and that I am not an employee of the Wisconsin Dressage & Combined Training Association. I am neither entitled to nor expect any present or future salary, wages, or other benefits for these volunteer services.

Would you like to receive other horse-related mailings as a member of WDCTA? YES NO

**DISCIPLINES:**

Dressage \_\_\_\_\_  
Eventing \_\_\_\_\_  
Breeder \_\_\_\_\_  
OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

**SKILL:**

Professional \_\_\_\_\_  
Adult Amateur \_\_\_\_\_  
Young Rider \_\_\_\_\_

**CHAPTER AFFILIATION:**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Southwest** (Madison and surrounding area)  
\_\_\_\_\_ **Upper Peninsula** (Upper Michigan)  
\_\_\_\_\_ **Central** (Green Bay and surrounding area)  
\_\_\_\_\_ **Eastern** (North Milwaukee, Sheboygan, FDL)  
\_\_\_\_\_ **Northern** (Stevens Point and northern area)  
\_\_\_\_\_ **Kettle Moraine** (Southwest Milwaukee area)  
\_\_\_\_\_ **Northeast** (North of Green Bay)

**MEMBERSHIP CLASSIFICATION AND FEES**

- \$160 BUSINESS Membership** – Includes recognition and a business card ad in current year's *Equester*, inclusion in our resource guide for statewide distribution and listed on WDCTA website, and a USDF group membership; Businesses joining after 3/15 will have a reduced membership fee of \$125, but will not be included in the resource guide. **Must** provide a business card to be printed in the Equester.
- \$60 FAMILY Membership** - Includes one copy of the Newsletter, one USDF group membership, and one voting privilege. USDF requires that an additional USDF membership be purchased for each additional family member. Each Family Member will receive a WDCTA Membership Card.
- \$17** Add'l Family Member \_\_\_\_\_ Birthday \_\_\_\_\_
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- \$45 INDIVIDUAL Membership** (Individual Member, 18 years and over) Are you 18-21 years of age? YES NO  
Includes one copy of the Newsletter, one USDF group membership, and one voting privilege.
- \$35 JUNIOR Membership** (Birth date \_\_\_\_\_) (must be 17 and under as of January 1st)  
Includes one copy of the Newsletter, one USDF group membership, and one voting privilege.
- \$25 SUBSCRIBING Member** – (Out of State residents only. Includes newsletter only. No Voting or Championship Privileges)
- \$35 JULY MEMBERSHIP** (New Ind. & junior members joining after July 1<sup>st</sup>. Includes required USDF membership if rec'd by Aug 15.)

**WDCTA STABLE, INSTRUCTOR, BREEDER LISTING** (Fees cover brief (35 wds) ad if received before March 15 for WDCTA website and 3-6 newsletters and inclusion in resource guide. **Must** fill out advertising form available on website or via email and include payment. Check appropriate box/boxes below.)

\$10 Stable listing  \$10 Instructor listing  \$10 Breeder listing  \$25 for all three

Newsletters will be sent by email. Check here if you do not have access to email and require a hard copy.

**Make Checks payable to WDCTA and mail to:**

WDCTA Membership  
Donna Thomas  
5996 Hwy A  
Brooklyn, WI 53521  
608-835-8549  
[stablewoman@hughes.net](mailto:stablewoman@hughes.net)

\*\*\*Due to processing time, forms received after Jan. 1 will likely result in missed newsletter issues.\*\*\*

**OFFICE USE ONLY:**

Date Received: \_\_\_\_\_  
Check Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
Amount: \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*Forms received after Aug.15, 2010 will not include USDF GMO membership or any USDF services.**