

eQuester

Wisconsin Dressage & Combined Training's Monthly Newsletter

USEA Area IV Adult and Young Rider Camp with Lynn Symanksy: A Fun, Educational Weekend with International Eventer

By Mary Barr

As a member of the United States Eventing Association Area IV, I was fortunate enough to attend the annual Adult and Young Rider Camp held this past July 30-31 at the gorgeous Sundance Farms in Plymouth, WI. As a member of WDCTA SW Chapter, I applied for and was awarded an educational scholarship for this learning opportunity.

Lynna Symansky is a highly sought-after clinician and upper level eventing competitor. She has represented the United States on seven teams since 2011 and completed 12 CCI5* competitions around the world. She has vast experience working with a wide variety of horses and riders; she is no-nonsense and workmanlike, but also patient, positive and empathetic in her teaching manner. She successfully worked with starter level to

preliminary riders at the camp, helping all improve their eventing skills.

Our Saturday lesson focused on stadium jumping. I rode with three other novice-level horse and rider pairs; Nellie and her young Thoroughbred, Tanya and her Irish Sporthorse, and Julie and her Friesian/QH cross. Lynn started us on trot/canter poles set on a circle—these were deceptively challenging, especially at the canter. This helped us focus on rhythm, energy and direction. We used these as preparation for our fences, building up to a challenging course.

My personal challenges were energy and straightness to the jumps, riding after the jump, and continually riding and adjusting when the ride did not go as planned (rather than shutting down). My reins kept getting longer and longer on course. Lynn did not let me get away with this, as it was counterproductive to having a successful ride on course. She was direct in her teaching manner and challenged all of us, yet she was supportive and celebrated our successes, even if our rides (in my case) were far from perfect.



(I-R) Nellie, Tanya, Lynn, Mary Barr, and Julia with Lynne Symanski (standing).

(Photo Victoria Custer)

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Camp continued

In addition to the riding portion of the camp, several educational sessions were included: using studs for various terrain presented by Ali Kuhn, veterinary performance horse management presented by Dr. Kate Apgar of Forward Vet Equine Services, and braiding/grooming for showing also presented by Ali Kuhn — who also sponsored a wine tasting at the bonfire Saturday evening!

Sunday was dedicated to cross-country—the reason eventers event! The Mahloch family (owners of Sundance Farm) works tirelessly to create and maintain a top-notch, beautiful cross-country facility with a variety of jumps over varied, well-groomed terrain. My group started on some natural logs, establishing a positive rhythm and straightness to the fences, allowing the horses to see the fences several strides out. Once again, my reins kept getting longer as did my horse, Chip, throughout the ride. Once again,

Lynn encouraged me to be aware of this and explained that we needed a more forward canter. I should feel Chip taking me to the fence, not being behind my leg. She stressed having a plan and to keep on riding even when things do not go as planned. Several members of my group did some training level combinations (not Chip and I!).

Sundance has a beautiful water complex with various jumps around and in it, including banks. Chip and I had never done a drop down into water before. Lynn had us going over the sides of the bank to help us gain confidence, then straight into the water we dropped, cantering through the water, and out and over an inviting spindle jump. She offered me some good advice on getting forward canters right away, rather than slowly building up to the energy we needed.

In addition to my rides, I was able to watch other groups and note that everyone has similar challenges to a degree. For each group member,

Lynn was able to see in a split second what the horse and rider needed to work on. She then addressed it in a challenging, yet supportive manner. Her teaching skill was impressive to witness, as was the immediate growth and improvement in each pair. USEA Area IV was very fortunate to have her work with our members.

We were also fortunate to have our coordinators and our amazing venue. The 2022 Area IV Clinic Organizing Committee of Kelly Mahloch, Jana Lyle and Julie Simmons created a learning experience that was second to none. From details like laminated name cards pinned to each rider's saddle pad, stabling close to both water and the manure spreader, healthy, catered lunch both days, excellent educational presentations and a bonfire, the camp was an excellent weekend of learning and friendship.

Laura Graves Symposium Coming to Madison! May 20-21, 2023



For information about auditing, riding or being a sponsor or vendor, see the pages at the end of this newsletter.

Keep up with the latest details on our Facebook pages and website!



Caryn Vesperman Editor

All advertisements, articles and photographs (with photo release) should be submitted by the 15th of the preceding month of publication, unless you make prior arrangements for additional time.

Calendar of events will appear in both the eQuester and on the WDCTA website.

Payment for advertisements should be submitted via PayPal through the WDCTA website (wdcta.org) or mailed with a check made out to WDCTA and mailed to the editor.

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Falling into Fun

Seems like we went from sweat-inducing summer to the verge of winter! While it may be cool out, it's perfect riding weather—especially trail-riding weather!

The big news for our area...finally, after more than two years of postponing, thanks to the Covid pandemic, the Southwest Chapter has finalized many of the details for the Laura Graves Symposium! In this issue, you'll find the details about auditor registration, rider applications, and sponsorship/vendor opportunities. Also, if you want to volunteer, there are jobs for before the event or day-of the event. I'm sure the chapter could use some extra hands.

Enjoy this beautiful fall. The snow will be flying soon enough

Stay safe and stay on!

Caryn

Upcoming Grant Deadline

Amanda Johnson Freestyle Fund

Due October 15

LEARN MORE AT WWW.DRESSAGEFOUNDATION.ORG

THE DRESSAGE FOUNDATION

Are you a young professional (ages 20-30) who would like to create a musical freestyle?

The Dressage Foundation (TDF) offers the Amanda Johnson Freestyle Fund grant to young professionals in USDF Regions 2 and 4.

This \$2,000 grant can be used to help pay for the costs of creating a professionally prepared musical freestyle for competition. Applications are **due October 15**. Learn more and apply at <https://bit.ly/3R9WqAO>.

The Amanda Johnson Fund was established at TDF by Amanda's friends and family in memory of her dedication to the sport of dressage. Amanda passed away in 2018 at the age of 37 after a three-year struggle with triple-negative breast cancer. Her family and friends remember her as kind, generous, humble, talented and brave.

Questions? Reach out to TDF at info@dressagefoundation.org or 402-434-8585.

WDCTA Member Receives \$5,000 Grant

The Dressage Foundation (TDF) announces Megan McIsaac is the recipient of the \$5,000 Team Tate Mentorship and Leadership Fund Grant for 2022.

The Fund, established by the Tate family in 2020, provides financial assistance to dressage professionals to further their business, leadership, and riding skills.

Megan is a USDF Certified Instructor through Fourth Level and owns a facility in Oregon, WI that offers lessons, training, and summer camps.

Megan will use this grant to participate in an entrepreneur workshop and monthly leadership coaching with Bedros Keuilian and for dressage training with her mentor, Kathleen Raine, in CA. Megan's goals are to improve her leadership and communication skills, as well as work on Grand Prix movements with Kathleen.

"This grant from the Team Tate Mentorship and Leadership Fund is a gift to professionals like me," said Megan. "As I am working on balancing my life between personal



time versus professional time, my students' goals versus my own career goals, and simply running a business, there never seems to be enough time or money. I feel so fortunate to be able to step away from my business and focus not only on my riding goals and work with my dressage coach, but be able to work with a business coach to further develop my business and leadership skills. Thank you to TDF for believing in me and supporting my dreams."

The goal of the Team Tate Mentorship and Leadership Fund is to provide grants of up to \$5,000 for dressage professionals, age 25 and over, to receive business, leadership, or personal coaching education, and work with their dressage mentors to improve equestrian skills.

The online application form can be found on The Dressage Foundation's website under Grants and

Programs > Dressage Instructors. Applications are due on or before July 15.

For more information about this Fund, contact Sara Weiss, TDF's Director of Grants and Programs, at (402) 434-8585 or Sara@dressagefoundation.org.

To donate to this Fund, visit www.dressagefoundation.org or contact Jenny Johnson, TDF's Executive Director, at (402) 434-8585 or jenny@dressagefoundation.org.



FOR SALE

Antares Cadence monoflap dressage saddle, 18-inch deep seat, long flaps, standard medium tree, leathers and Sprenger stirrups included. Excellent condition, \$1,800.00.

Also available: two leather dressage girths, 28", Dover and Antares brands.

Contact:
ponypenney@gmail.com

AUDITOR INFO & REGISTRATION

OLYMPIAN LAURA GRAVES DRESSAGE SYMPOSIUM

May 20-21, 2023 - Madison, WI

FORMAT AND SHOPPING

Over two days, 11 riders, working with young horses and on skills from Training Level to Grand Prix, will train with Laura for 45 minutes to an hour in each session. Laura also will ensure auditors learn from the work she does with each horse and rider.

The vendor area promises to be a great shopping adventure with a variety of tack, clothing and barn necessities. The vendors will be located next to the riding arena and will be open during the entire event.

All of the activities will be under one roof—climate-controlled for your comfort!



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DAILY SCHEDULE

- 7:30 a.m. Registration and Trade Fair Opens
- 9 a.m. Welcome/Introduction
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- 10 a.m. First Level
- 10:45 a.m. Second Level
- 11:30 p.m. Third Level
- 12:15 p.m. Lunch/Shopping
- 1:15 p.m. Fourth Level
- 2:00 p.m. Prix St. Georges
- 2:45 Intermediare I
- 3:30 p.m. Intermediare. II, Grand Prix
- 4:15 p.m. Wrap-up
- 6:00 p.m. Trade Fair Closes

Schedule subject to minor changes

LAURA GRAVES

2019

- Finished second at the FEI World Cup Dressage Final.

2018

- Defended her World Cup Finals individual silver medal at the competition in Paris.
- Earned team silver medal and individual silver medal, Grand Prix Special, at the World Equestrian Games.
- Ranked #1 in the world in a record-breaking freestyle performance.

2017

- Earned the silver individual medal at World Cup Finals in Omaha.

2016

- Competed at her first Summer Olympics in Rio de Janeiro, winning a bronze team medal and placing fourth individually.

2015

- Placed fourth at the FEI World Cup Finals, Las Vegas.
- Won a team gold medal and individual silver medal at the Pan American Games in Toronto.

Currently Laura is competing Sensation HM. She had a very successful outing at the 2022 Festival of Champions including earning the Intermediare I Championship title.

SYMPOSIUM LOCATION

The Alliant Energy Center (alliantenergycenter.com) is the home of the Midwest Horse Fair, one of the top three horse fairs in the United States. It's conveniently located off the Madison beltline. The New Holland Pavilion is an excellent venue for equestrian events because the climate-controlled space contains an indoor arena, stabling, vendor booth areas and concessions, all under one roof. Some camping slots are available for a fee—contact Alliant Energy Center directly.

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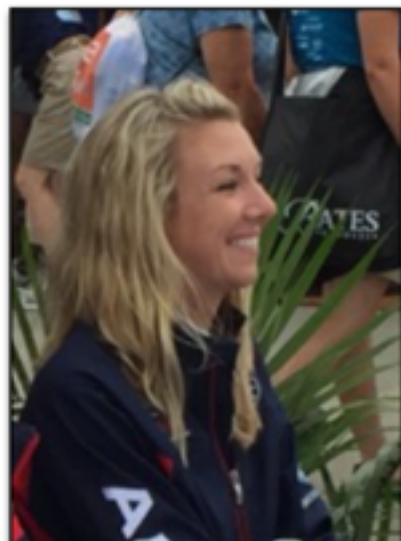
FEES

See registration section for costs.

- Limited seating. First come/first serve.
- Due to limited seating, priority admission goes to those auditing both days.

KEEP UP WITH THE LATEST NEWS

Check the WDCTA website (wdcta.org) and WDCTA's two Facebook pages to keep up with the latest news about vendors and the symposium.



Laura Graves Dressage Symposium Auditor Registration Form

Fees:

WDCTA Members

- ~ Through Feb. 28* — \$55/day or \$95/both days
- ~ Mar. 1 - May 12* — \$75/day or \$135/both days
- ~ At The Door — \$75/day or \$135/both days

Non-WDCTA Members

- ~ Through Feb. 28* — \$65/day or \$115/both days
- ~ Mar. 1 - May 12* — \$85/day or \$155/both days
- ~ At The Door — \$85/day or \$155/both days

Youth (Under 16 years)

- ~ \$35/day or \$65/both days

**Postmarked or online payments no later than May 12. After that date, please pay at the door to ensure we don't miss your payment.*

If not sold out, tickets will be available at the door. See WDCTA website for updates.

Lunch is not included in price. Food available on site.

Free parking at the Alliant Energy Center. Some camping spots available for rent; contact the Alliant Energy Center for more information on camping and reservations.

One Auditor Registration Per Form. Sorry, No Refunds.

Auditor Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip _____ Phone _____

Email _____

Attending:

_____ Both Days

_____ One Day — Which Day: _____ Saturday _____ Sunday

Total Auditor Fees Enclosed: _____

I'd like to volunteer to help.

Contact and Registration Information

Online registration can be done via eventbrite at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/laura-graves-dressage-symposium-tickets-89509929609>.

Questions about online registration? Contact Mary Barr at onlinereg@wdcta.org.

Or mail this registration form, waiver and check made out to WDCTA Southwest Chapter to:

Donna Thomas, 5996 Co. Rd. A, Brooklyn, WI 53521

Questions about mail-in/paper registration? Contact Donna at paperreg@wdcta.org.

Photos of Laura Graves from World Equestrian Games, Tryon, NC. Photo with Verdades - Rebecca Lewison. Head shot - Caryn Vesperman

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online at:**

[https://
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**WISCONSIN DRESSAGE & COMBINED TRAINING ASSOCIATION
WAIVER, RELEASE, AND HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT**

In consideration for my participation in the WDCTA Laura Graves Symposium, May 20-21, 2023, (hereafter, "the Activity"), I (the "Participant") hereby acknowledge and voluntarily agree to the following (hereafter, "Agreement"). "Participation" includes, but is not limited to, riding, handling, instructing, or spectating.

1. Acknowledgment of Inherent Risks of Equine Activities. I acknowledge and understand that there are numerous inherent risks of participating in equine activities, including, *but not limited to*: (a) the propensity of an equine or other animal, irrespective of its training, to behave in ways that may result in injury, harm, or death to persons on or around them (for example, jump, run, kick, buck, bolt, spin, rear, strike, or bite); (b) the unpredictability of an equine's reaction to such things as sounds, sudden movements and unfamiliar objects, persons or other animals; (c) certain hazards such as conditions at or below the surface or ground, whether seen or unseen; (d) collisions with other animals or objects; (e) the potential for another person participating in an equine activity to act in a negligent manner that may contribute to injury to me, or to others, such as failing to maintain control over the equine or not acting within his or her ability; (f) the breakage or failure of tack or other equipment; (g) the potential that an equine or other animal may cause injury or harm to the rider or to other persons or animals in the vicinity; and (h) sickness and disease (including communicable diseases). *I understand these risks and further acknowledge that I am not relying on the Wisconsin Dressage and Combined Training Association (hereafter, "WDCTA") to list in this document all possible inherent risks of participating in equine activities or the Activity.*

2. Acknowledgement that Participation in the Activity is Voluntary and Requires Personal Judgment. I acknowledge and understand that riding instruction by its nature requires that the instructor issue directions in the form of "commands." I understand that while I should consider such commands, I must and will use my own judgment during my participation in the Activity. I understand that while participating in the Activity that: the commands and all activities engaged in as part of the instruction are entirely voluntary; that the instructor is not entitled to nor requests absolute obedience; that I may elect not to comply with any command or suggested act; and that I am expected to at all times be alert and thinking while participating in the Activity. I represent that both my equine and I have the requisite level of physical fitness and mental alertness to enable us to participate in the Activity, and are in good health and free from injury, illness or other defects which may impair our ability to engage in the Activity.

3. Waiver and Release of Liability. I understand and voluntarily accept the inherent risks of engaging in equine activities, including risks from my voluntary compliance or noncompliance with instructor commands associated with the Activity. I voluntarily agree to hold harmless, release, waive, and covenant not to sue Laura Graves, WDCTA, its officers, members, non-members that pay an auditing fee, Alliant Energy Center, as well as all other participants in the Activity ("Released Parties") from any and all injuries, sickness and disease, death, liability, or damage to person or property arising from my participation in the Activity, unless caused by Released Parties' reckless, intentional or willful misconduct. Thus, I understand that this waiver and release is effective even if the injury, sickness and disease, death, liability, or damage to person or property is caused or contributed to by the *negligent* action or inaction of Released Parties.

4. Equine Activity Liability Law. I acknowledge that I have read the State of Wisconsin's notice regarding equine activities:

Notice: A person who is engaged for compensation in the rental of equines or equine equipment or tack or in the instruction of a person in the riding or driving of an equine or in being a passenger upon an equine is not liable for the injury or death of a person involved in equine activities resulting from the inherent risks of equine activities, as defined in section 895.481 (1) (e) of the Wisconsin Statutes.

5. Governing Law. This Agreement shall be construed and enforced in accordance with the laws of the State of Wisconsin. Any controversy, dispute, or claim arising out of or related to this Agreement, shall be resolved exclusively through proceedings filed in the federal or state court in Madison, WI. The invalidity or unenforceability of any provision or sentence of this Agreement shall not affect the validity or enforceability of any other provision or sentence of this Agreement, which shall remain in full force and effect.

I have read this waiver, release, and hold harmless agreement, fully understand its terms, understand that I am assuming risks inherent to my participation, and agree to be fully bound by its terms. I understand that I am free to consult with any counsel about the terms of this agreement.

Signature of Participant _____ Date _____
(or parent or legal guardian of behalf of Participant, if Participant is under 18 years of age)

Name of Participant (please print) _____

Address _____

City/State/ZIP _____ Phone _____

RIDER APPLICATION

OLYMPIAN LAURA GRAVES DRESSAGE SYMPOSIUM

May 20-21, 2023 - Alliant Energy Center, Madison, WI

All located under one roof in the climate-controlled New Holland Pavilion I

DAILY SCHEDULE

Over two days, 11 riders, from the lower levels to Grand Prix, will work with Laura in a symposium setting.

- 7:30 a.m. Registration and Trade Fair
- 9 a.m. Welcome and Introduction
- 9:15 a.m. Training
- 10:00 a.m. First Level
- 10:45 a.m. Second Level
- 11:30 a.m. Third Level
- 12:15 p.m. Lunch and Shopping
- 1:15 p.m. Fourth Level
- 2:00 p.m. Prix St. Georges
- 2:45 Intermediare I
- 3:30 p.m. Intermediare II/Grand Prix
- 4:15 p.m. Wrap-up
- 6:00 p.m. Saturday - Trade Fair Closes

Schedule subject to minor changes.

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Opening Date for Rider Application

Jan. 1, 2023

Deadline for Rider Application

Mar. 1, 2023

This is your chance to ride with Laura Graves, one of this country's top international riders, who started out, just like most riders, with a pony and a dream. Add to that, is Laura's persistence and determination through some tough times with her partner, Verdades, because he was not easy as a young horse. Together, they became Olympians and international stars. In early 2020, Laura announced the retirement of Verdades. Currently she is competing SenSation HW at Prix St. Georges and has some up-and-coming young horses. She had a very successful outing at the 2022 Festival of Champions with many wins including Intermediare I Champion.

Laura's experience and the opportunities she has had with top trainers over her career, will help give you tools for training your horse and, if an instructor, give you ideas for helping your students.

For updates about the symposium, visit:
www.wdcta.org or our two Facebook pages.



RIDER SELECTION PROCESS

The following horse/rider combinations are needed:

- 2 Training Level
- 2 First Level (amateur riders preferred)
- 2 Second Level
- 1 Third Level (green to this level is fine)
- 1 Fourth Level
- 1 Prix St. George (green to this level is fine)
- 1 Intermediare I
- 1 Intermediare II/Grand Prix

Only online applications will be accepted.

For the application, go to [https://www.wdcta.org/index.php?](https://www.wdcta.org/index.php?option=com_rsform&view=rsform&formId=10)

[option=com_rsform&view=rsform&formId=10](https://www.wdcta.org/index.php?option=com_rsform&view=rsform&formId=10) .

The four reserve horse/rider combinations to back up the above selections are: Training/First Level, Second, Third/Fourth Level, and FEI. These combinations will be selected from the pool of riders not selected for the actual symposium riding slots. **Laura Graves will be selecting the riders.**

Riders need to submit a complete application to include all of the following:

- USDF/FEI Performance Record from the past two years or a letter of recommendation from trainer if the rider/horse combination do not have scores. (A letter of recommendation can be submitted even if one has the scores.)
- A summary explaining why the rider would like to be chosen
- A five-minute YouTube video showing the movements at the level applying for
- Current Coggins Test and record of current year vaccinations
- Rider release form
- Payment (which will not be processed until a rider has been selected and notified)

NOTE:

- Riders must ride the horse listed on the application.
- Riders may apply with more than one horse.
- ASTM/SEI helmets are mandatory.

Applications and videos are not reviewed until after the deadline submission of **March 1, 2023**. We will notify all applicants upon receipt of their entry AND as soon as the selection process is complete, *no later than April 15*. We will not publish or release the names of applicants who are not selected.

If you are **not** selected to ride, we hope you'll join us by auditing. You may want to sign up to audit now to make sure you have a spot in case you are not selected as a rider. If you are selected as a rider, we will refund your auditor application fee. In addition, if you are selected as a reserve horse/rider and you accept, we will refund the difference between the two costs.

FEES AND CANCELLATIONS

- ~ The 2-day clinic fee for Training through Second Level is: **\$400 for WDCTA members and \$450 for non-WDCTA members.**
- ~ The 2-day clinic fee for Third Level through Grand Prix is: **\$600 for WDCTA members and \$650 for non-WDCTA members.**
- ~ The fee for the four reserve riders is **\$100** for both WDCTA and non-WDCTA members. This includes admission for rider, a stall for the horse and a tack stall. (*No groom registration fee included. Lunch is also not included.*) If selected as a reserve rider, WDCTA will subtract \$100 from the submitted rider fee and refund the difference.

The accepted rider fee (NOT reserve rider) includes a ride on both days, a horse stall, a tack stall and one auditor/groom pass for someone other than the rider, but does not include lunches. Stall mats are available for \$65/stall from Showtime. (Stall mat information will be sent to the selected riders.)

Payment will be processed within 7 days of selection. Should checks/payment not be good, we will assume the rider has cancelled and the first alternate will be selected to take his/her place. (There is a \$50 charge to cover any insufficient fund fees.) Riders who need to cancel after their participation has been confirmed, should notify Caryn Vesperman, the rider coordinator, immediately. Riders canceling will receive a refund, minus a \$25 processing fee, if a replacement rider can be found. If no replacement is available from the applications, the rider will not receive a refund unless a medical or veterinary emergency can be verified.

RIDER COORDINATOR

Caryn Vesperman: riders@wdcta.org - (608) 695-9914

Sponsorship and Vendor Opportunities



This symposium and trade fair will be all under one roof at the Alliant Energy Center in Madison, WI. The event is expected to attract more than 300 enthusiastic attendees and generate national publicity.

Registration/Trade Fair:

- Opens at 7:30 a.m.
- Closes at 6 p.m.
- Located in the New Holland Pavilion I— same building as riding clinic

About WDCTA

The Wisconsin Dressage and Combined Training Association (WDCTA) is a 501(c)3, non-profit organization run by volunteers. We are a charter member of our national organization, the United States Dressage Federation. Events like this help fund scholarships and future educational opportunities. Visit our website at wdcta.org or look for us on Facebook.

For information about the sponsorship or vendor opportunities, contact:

Mary Hanneman
vendors@wdcta.org
Phone: (608) 712-0975

Donations under \$100 will be gratefully acknowledged in the event program.

Sponsorship & Vendor Options

Platinum \$2,500

- Double Vendor booth space (10 x 20' space)
- No registration charge for up to 2 vendor staffers
- 2 large banners (exceeds 3' in height/width) hung in riding arena
- Full-page advertisement in event program (inside front or back cover) — first come, first choice
- Full-page advertisement in 12 issues of the *eQuester*, WDCTA's monthly newsletter
- Banner ad on WDCTA website for 1 year
- Sponsorship recognition in program listing
- Pre- and post-event publicity in WDCTA newsletter, website and Facebook pages

Gold \$1,500

- Single Vendor booth space (10 x 10' space)
- No registration charge for up to 2 vendor staffers
- 1 large banner (exceeds 3' in height/width) hung in riding arena
- Half-page advertisement in event program
- Half-page advertisement in 12 issues of the *eQuester*, WDCTA's monthly newsletter
- Banner ad on WDCTA website for 1 year
- Sponsorship recognition in program listing
- Pre- and post-event publicity in WDCTA newsletter, website and Facebook pages

Silver \$1,000

- Single Vendor booth space (10 x 10' space)
- No registration charge for up to 2 vendor staffers
- 1 large banner (exceeds 3' in height/width) hung in riding arena
- Quarter-page advertisement in event program (inside front or back cover)— first come, first choice
- Quarter-page advertisement in 12 issues of the *eQuester*, WDCTA's monthly newsletter
- Banner ad on WDCTA website for 1 year
- Sponsorship recognition in program listing
- Pre- and post-event publicity in WDCTA newsletter, website and Facebook pages

Bronze \$500

- 1 small banner (less than 3' in height/width) hung in riding arena
- No registration charge for one attendee, both days
- Business card advertisement in 12 issues of the *eQuester*, WDCTA's monthly newsletter
- Sponsorship recognition in program listing
- Pre- and post-event publicity in WDCTA newsletter, website and Facebook pages

Vendor Booth Only

- Single booth space (10 x 10'): \$250
- Double booth space (10 x 20'): \$500
- No registration charge for up to 2 vendor staffers

Business Card Only \$100

- Business card ad in event program

LAURA GRAVES SPONSORSHIP/VENDOR FORM

ALLIANT ENERGY CENTER - NEW HOLLAND PAVILION I

Yes! We want to participate:

- _____ Platinum — \$2,500 _____ *Yes, I would like the booth included with my sponsorship.*
- _____ Gold — \$1,500 _____ *Yes, I would like the booth included with my sponsorship.*
- _____ Silver — \$1,000 _____ *Yes, I would like the booth included with my sponsorship.*
- _____ Bronze — \$500
- _____ Single Vendor Booth — \$250
- _____ Double Vendor Booth — \$500
- _____ Additional Booth Space: \$500 initial booth space, plus \$100 for every 10 feet of additional space. Total number of 10' spaces (*including* \$500 initial space): _____
- _____ Business Card — \$100
- _____ Donation (Amount): \$ _____

**Free 3 MG Wi-Fi
is available at the
Alliant Energy Center**

\$ _____ Total Enclosed

Additional Info:

Please check all that apply:

- I need an electric hook-up for my booth.
- I need table(s) with my booth. (Two 8' tables come with double booth; one table with single.)
- I need chairs with my booth. (Four chairs come with double booth; two chairs with single.)
- Please provide me with updates on the symposium. My email is listed below.

Please complete the following:

Company _____ Phone _____

Contact Name _____ Website _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email _____

Deadline for sponsorship or booth reservations: April 1, 2023

Note: The sooner we receive your commitment, the sooner we can begin advertising you as a sponsor.

Please send the following to newsletter@wdcta.org by April 1:

- **Platinum, Gold and Silver sponsorships:** Your full-, half- or quarter-page ads and logo (PDF or JPEG)
- **Bronze sponsorships:** Your logo
- **Business card sponsorship:** Your business card

Banners should be mailed to [Mary Hanneman](#) by **May 1** at the address below.

For questions, contact [Mary Hanneman](#) at vendors@wdcta.org, or to reserve a sponsorship or booth, return this form with a check made out to **WDCTA-Southwest Chapter**:


Mary Hanneman, N8160 Smith Road, Brooklyn, WI 53521

Phone: (608) 712-0975

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Calendar of Events

WDCTA Events

May 20-21, 2023

Laura Graves Symposium
 Sponsored by the WDCTA
 Southwest Chapter
 Location: Alliant Energy Center

Other Events

Nov. 10-13

US Dressage Finals
 Kentucky Horse Park
 Lexington, KY

Member Listings

INSTRUCTORS

Tracey Dikkers

W4835 Aspen Court

Wild Rose, WI 54984

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USEF/USDF Silver and Bronze medalist on self-trained horses, trained through FEI. 25+ years of experience training and instructing. Will teach beginners to FEI. Will travel.

Jackie Luebke-Puetz

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Will teach through 2nd level, earned USDF Bronze medal, trained through 4th Level. Served in the past on USDF education committee, USEF steward. Will travel.

Megan McIsaac

Lindinhof Equine Sports Zentrum

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(608) 445-8531

FEI trainer, USDF-certified instructor thru 4th Level, 2014 national champion with Kingsley. USDF Gold, Silver, Bronze medalist, all USDF bars. Competed four horses at GP. Competed successfully at Dressage at Devon and West Coast Festival. Year-end USDF, USEF, WDCTA awards. 15+ years teaching experience. Students competed through GP, earned rider awards and medals. Travel for lessons and clinics.

Andrea Schten

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Eagle, WI 53119

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USDF Bronze, Silver and Gold medalist, regional championships: Training through Grand Prix on self-trained horses. Multiple students have earned Bronze and Silver medals. Schoolmasters available. Trailering in for lessons welcome. Available for clinics; travel for lessons.

Kate Van Sicklen

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Madison, WI 53705

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(608) 669-0148

40+ years of teaching experience. British Horse Society instructor certification. USDF "L" graduate with distinction. USDF Associate Certified Instructor. USDF Silver Medal. Shown through Prix St. George. Will teach through 4th Level. Specialize in teaching horses and riders correct basics. Will travel.

Member Listings

STABLES

Grand Prix Farm
Jackie Luebke-Puetz
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Indoor arena w/ mirrors, heated barn and bathroom, H/C wash stall, screened facility, all turnout in PVC fencing—no bugs! Limited openings for boarders. Trails. Lessons available. No drama queens.

Lindinhof Equine Sports Zentrum
Megan McIsaac
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80x200' heated indoor w/ mirrors. New stalls and client tack room w/ individual lockers. Individual and group turnout. Wash stall. Solarium. Theraplate. Numerous trails. Individual training programs. Lessons and leasing options on FEI school horses, month training for horses and riders. FEI trainer on site.

Tailwind Farm
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Heated barn and tack room, dry lots and large pastures. H/C wash stall, 10 x 12' stalls, Theraplate, indoor and outdoor arenas.

BREEDERS

Jackie Luebke-Puetz
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Standing Section B Welsh stallion, Too Cute to Shoot, bay, 13.2 h, cuter than a bug's ear and several times qualified for USDF breeding championships. In 2018, was third in halter for Welsh Association.

Tracey Dikkers - USEF/USDF "r" Judge
W4835 Aspen Court
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USDF Silver & Bronze medals. USDF/USEF licensed dressage "r" judge. Available to judge USEF/USDF dressage shows, clinics and lessons.

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USDF Gold, Silver and Bronze medalist. Shown through Grand Prix. Available for USEF/USDF-recognized dressage and eventing shows and schooling shows.

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