



HOFAMHA *NEWSLETTER*

HEART OF AMERICA MORGAN HORSE ASSOCIATION
FEBRUARY 2010



SNOW IS FOR SLEIGHING!

Rick Norland took advantage of January's big snows to hook up his young stallion "Harry" to an antique cutter. Mary Lu took this picture, but she also got to take a sleigh ride. Harry took it all in stride, including the bells!!!



NEXT MEETING IN MARCH

The next meeting of HofAMHA will be
Saturday March 13, 2010, 2:00 p.m.
at Peeper Ranch in Lenexa, Kansas

Program

The Peeper staff will show some of their horses and babies.

Menu

We'll have sub sandwiches, and ask members to please bring
salads, baked beans, potato chips or a dessert.

**RSVP'S NEEDED by MARCH 10 SO WE KNOW HOW MANY
SANDWICHES TO ORDER.**

Katie Studebaker 785-842-1890. katiestude@aol.com

PLEASE JOIN US!

2010 Calendar of Events

Date	Event & Contact Information
Feb. 12-14	EquiFest of Kansas. Kansas Coliseum in Wichita. www.equifestofKS.com
Feb. 17	AMHA Convention in Lexington, KY
Feb. 25-27	Gayle Lampe Clinic at Wichita Riding Academy
Mar. 12-14	6 th Annual HorseFest at Ozark Empire Fairgrounds, Springfield, MO
March 13, Sat. @2pm	Regular meeting of HofAMHA at Peeper Ranch. Contact: Katie Studebaker, 785-842-1890
April 7	Oklahoma Centennial Horse Show in OKC
Apr. 30 – May 2	Red River Classic Morgan Show in Ardmore, OK. Contact Diane McNamara 903-818-4045.
May 1 & 2	Wheat State Morgan Horse Association Flink Oak Trail Ride in Fall River, Kansas. HofAMHA members are invited! Paul Banzet lpbbeb51@aol.com
May ?	HofAMHA meeting at the Dilley's Thunder Morgan Farm
May 5	UPHA Chapter V Horse Show at Hale Arena, KCMO. Morgan classes!
June 10	Wheat State Regional Morgan Horse Show in Wichita, KS. Contact: Peggy Hatfield peggyhat@aol.com
Sept. 19	HofAMHA meeting at Lindsey Gruber's training stable
Sept. 25 & 26	Longview Lake Driving Trial in Kansas City, Missouri
Nov. 14	HofAMHA meeting
Dec. 5	HofAMHA Christmas Party in Lawrence

Please send show or event information to the editor.

Registry Change

On January 18, 2010, the following motion was passed by the AMHA Board and goes into effect immediately. This is an addendum to the February 2009 motion removing the Certificate of Service requirement from the registration application effective January 1, 2010.

The Certificate of Service Grandfather Clause states that all foals born in 2009 and prior will require the stallion owner's signature in the Certificate of Service section of the AMHA Registration Application until January 1, 2011. **After January 1, 2011, no registration application will require a stallion owner's signature.**

This means that for those foals:

- born in 2009 and before: stallion owner signatures are required on registration applications through 2010.
- born in 2010 and thereafter: stallion owner signatures will not be required on registration applications.
- born in any year but registered after January 1, 2011: stallion owner signatures will not be required on registration applications.



2009 AMHA Stats

Year-end statistics for 2009 are now available on the "Members Only" side of www.morganhorse.com. Among the stats are a list of all Morgans by color and sex as well as living AMHA registered Morgans by state and sex. Fun facts!

**Heart of America
Morgan Horse Association
Meeting Minutes • January 17, 2010**

Katie brought the meeting to order. She explained that Brett decided to turn over the president's responsibilities for this year to Katie because he was finding it hard to balance all the activities at home, work, and devote time to HoAMHA.

Budget-

Ken and Nancy prepared a budget based on last year's income and expenses. Paul recommended that we increase our regional sponsorships. With projected income down, we decided not to sponsor classes at Red River Classic, Tulsa Summer Classic, Heritage, and Chapter V. We will sponsor: Wheat State Regional \$150, Jubilee Regional \$150, and KCCDE \$50. If we can generate more income, we will reconsider more sponsorships.

Michelle would like to deduct web site charges from our checking account. The group decided that was a good idea. She will look into charging our checking account.

Michelle suggested looking for a cheaper web site administrator. She also recommended putting our club on Facebook. Paul asked about creating a link from AMHA's web site to our's. Michelle and Lindsay will work on a Facebook account.

Kelly McFaul is redesigning our web site and she needs information and photographs. Members are encouraged to send those items directly to Kelly at kellymcf@aol.com. The web site should include officers, photos, farm bios, training/lesson information, and meeting dates and times. Paul suggested including the directory on our web site; however, there was concern some members would object. It was suggested we ask members before placing their names online.

Meetings-

It was decided that we will have

meetings in March, May, September, November, and December. Tentative meetings have been set for:

March 14 - Peeper Ranch

May ? - Dilley's farm

September 19 - Axiom (Lindsay Gruber's training stable) and a cook out

November 14 - Maretta Kennedy (guest speaker)

December 5 - Christmas party

AMHA Mailing-

The AMHA mailing will be switched from Brett to Katie.

Paul moved to accept the budget as amended, the motion was seconded by Ann, and approved by the members.

With no additional business to discuss, Katie adjourned the meeting.

Submitted by Nancy Sherbert, Secretary

**2010 Heart of America
Morgan Horse Association Proposed Budget**

	Beginning Balances	Estimated Income & Expenses
Beginning balance checking acct. - 1/1/2010	\$944.4	\$944.48
Income:		
Membership dues		415.00
Directory listings		11.00
Hazard Book sales		12.50
Total income		\$1,382.98
Expenses:		
AMHA club renewal fee		50.00
Directory printing and shipping		35.00
Kansas Corporation fee		40.00
Sponsorships:		350.00
Wheat State	\$ 150.00	
Jubilee	150.00	
KC CDE	50.00	
Postage(includes Hazard book)		40.00
Web site charges		174.00
Web site redesign		150.00
Meeting expenses		95.00
Total expenses		\$934.00
Estimated year-end balance		\$448.98

USEF Varsity Letters

Until now, most high school students haven't had the opportunity to letter in equestrian, simply because there are so few school-sponsored programs. In 2010, USEF's new varsity letters program will change that.



The new High School Equestrian Athlete program is open to equestrian athletes in all breeds or disciplines who are enrolled in grades 9-12, and are currently USEF members, or become USEF members. The program will run June 1–May 31 of each year, and will honor those who document their training and competition involvement by awarding emblems and pins. These are designed to be worn on existing high school letterman's jackets, or

any jacket of the athlete's choosing, as a rite of passage and symbol of achievement.

Gayle Lampe Clinic

Wichita Riding Academy is bringing noted instructor and USEF judge Gayle Lampe to their barn February 26, 27 & 28 for a clinic. And, on Friday night, February 26th there'll be a lecture/ dinner at the Wichita Marriott from 6:00 to 9:00pm. The cost is \$30. For more than four decades Gayle Lampe has been the saddle seat program director at William Woods University in Fulton, Missouri. She holds judges' cards in nine equestrian disciplines and has judged competitions in 43 states, Australia, Canada, Great Britain and South Africa. Come enjoy the evening with GayleLampe, meet her in person, ask her questions and listen to her horse stories.

For more info. visit www.usef.org/documents/Youth/HighSchoolAthlete.pdf or contact Lauren Fahey at lfahey@usef.org



HEART of AMERICA MORGAN HORSE ASSOCIATION NEW MEMBER APPLICATION



Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Barn Phone: _____

E-Mail: _____

Website: _____

Children? ___ Ages: _____

Farm Name: _____

Services (lessons, training, etc) _____

MEMBERSHIP DUES

FAMILY (two votes) \$20

INDIVIDUAL (one vote) \$15

Amount Enclosed \$ _____

Include your check payable to Heart of America Morgan Horse Association in the appropriate amount and mail to:

Ken Sberbert
5550 SE Stanley
Tecumseh, KS 66542

Free Will AMHR- 75258
April 18, 1979 – January 18, 2010
30 years, 9 months



Having made trips to the barn nearly every morning since April 1972, few have been as eventful as Wednesday, April 18, 1979 when I discovered our mare Kedron Cassandra had foaled. The result was a beautiful & mischievous bay colt, by Fire Cloud, who found it necessary to try to bite me on our first meeting. His attitude ultimately earned him the name Free Will and it was simply Free Will, aka "Willie",

since he preceded the 1983 registration of our Kanza prefix. "Willie" was our first experience at raising a Morgan Horse and was destined to teach us the basics and lead us even deeper into the wonderful world of showing and breeding the Morgan Horse. He began his show career as an in-hand weanling at the 1979 American Royal and continued, under the guidance of Cliff Stice, to be shown throughout the "Heartland" for several years, including the 1981 Grand National as a 2-year old Park Harness horse. However, his ultimate destiny was as a family friend and companion. He will be missed but he leaves us with thirty plus years of memories.

A second eventful/fateful day was Friday January 15, 2010 when Willie declined his morning feeding which was contrary to his normal impatient nickering as he awaited its arrival. Such behavior warranted a visit from the Vet but examination failed to identify any particular problems and he was given B-12 shot in hopes of stimulating his appetite. He did not eat or drink throughout the week-end and Monday morning we decided it was time to let him go on to "greener pastures" at the age of 30 years, 9 months. He was our only remaining horse and his passing marks the end of an era/adventure that began in 1971 with the purchase of a \$100 half-Morgan. Our Morgan world will now consist of our involvement with the Heart of America Morgan Horse Association, Wheat State Regional Morgan Horse Show, Grand National and World Championship Morgan Horse Show and our grandchildren's newly acquired Morgans and their blossoming show careers.



Kanza Morgans, Paul & Katie Studebaker

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*Deadline for the newsletter
is the 5th of the month.*

**It's the beginning of a
new year. Don't forget
annual membership dues
are DUE!**



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Happy Valentine's Day