

**FAIRFIELD / WESTCHESTER P.H.A CHAPTER MEETING
MONDAY AUGUST 9TH 2021**

The “Zoom” meeting of the Fairfield / Westchester P.H.A. was called to order by Vice President Scott Tarter at 7:10 pm. There were 15 members in attendance. The minutes were read from the July meeting which were accepted as read.

Of special note; we are saddened to report the passing of long time member Leona Napolitano of West Harrison on July 21st, 2021. She is survived by her husband John, nieces and nephews and grandnieces and nephew. Leona will be dearly missed by the PHA and her family and friends will be in our thoughts.

TREASURER’S REPORT:

- No report at this time.

HORSE SHOW COMMITTEE:

- Our August horse show was a success! Thank you to all who attended and special thanks to our volunteers.
- Thank you to Riverdale Stables for hosting and special thanks to our staff and volunteers.
- Our Fall Finals will be Sunday September 12th hosted at Gardnertown Farm.
- Prizelist information for Finals will be available imminently on our website
- Set up for Finals will be on Friday September 10th, and we will need volunteers! Look for more information on details for Set Up for Friday via e-mail.
- We hope to have dates and locations for our 2022 horse shows soon. Look for updates on social media and our website.

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

- No report at this time.

AID TO MEMBERS:

- No report at this time.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- No report at this time.

CHARITABLE DONATIONS:

- The FWPHA will be looking into creating a set sponsorship package for any charitable donation requests.

MEMBERSHIP:

- No report at this time.

JR/ ASSOCIATE PHA:

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- No report at this time.

HIGH SCORE PROGRAM:

- Points are up to date within a week.
- As a reminder, trainers of applicants **MUST** be a **CURRENT** PHA Member in order for applicants to receive points.
- If you do not see your name or your horses name, you are not a current member!
- The last date for regular points for this season is August 31st. (And don't forget our Fall Finals with single points for regular classes, and double points for classics!)

USEF / USHJA COMMITTEE:

- None at this time.

WEBSITE COMMITTEE:

- The website is in transition for webserver. It will be completed as soon as possible.
- Venmo is available via our website for membership payments. @FWPHA-FWPHA

HIGH SCORE BANQUET COMMITTEE:

- The High Score Dinner will be returning back to the Italian Center in Stamford, CT and will be held on November 5th, 2021. Further ticket information will be available soon.

JUDY RICHTER ESSAY AWARD:

- The topic for this years' Judy Richter Award is:
 - How have horses or riders inspired you?
- The Judy Richter Award is presented at the FWPHA Awards Dinner. Contestants in three age groups, 12 and under, 13-17, and 18 and over are asked to write an essay on a topic that has been chosen for that year. The committee then reads the essays and chooses a winner from each age group. The winners each receive a \$500 certificate to be used for lessons with any Professional Member in good standing of the FWPHA, a junior or associate membership for one year, and all entry fees on one horse ridden by the winner at either of the PHA Horse Shows. Application will be available on the website ASAP.

NORMAN BRAY AWARD:

- The Norman Bray Award is given each year at the FWPHA Awards Dinner. A committee meets and chooses a professional member who has demonstrated to be an outstanding sportsman and an asset to the horse world.
- Please send nominations in to the Norman Bray Award Committee, information available on the website.

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“ART OF” CLINIC COMMITTEE:

- The FWPHA is thrilled to announce the return of our Art of Clinic for 2021, with the “Art of Ground Poles” presented by Cynthia Williams on Monday, September 27th 2021 at Sunnyfield Farm. Registration will be from 5-6 PM with the clinic to begin at 6 PM. Cost is FREE to all FWPHA Members, and \$20 for non-members (to include a 1 year associate membership).
- PLEASE SEND ALL RSVP FOR ART OF CLINIC TO: cddwyer@neequine.com

GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE:

- None at this time.

OLD BUSINESS:

- None at this time.

NEW BUSINESS:

- None at this time.

The next meeting will be Monday September 13th, 2021 at 7:00PM on Zoom. Zoom Link will be available on the website.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Amanda Ek