

FAIRFIELD / WESTCHESTER P.H.A CHAPTER MEETING MONDAY JANUARY 11TH, 2021

The “Zoom” meeting of the Fairfield / Westchester P.H.A. was called to order by President Barbara Filippelli at 7:05 pm. Thank you to Fred Schauder for his service as our president. There were 27 members in attendance. The minutes were read from the December meeting which were accepted as read.

Please note, for all Zoom meetings, members will need to have their name displayed in order to gain access to the meeting. Four legged friends are always welcome.

TREASURER’S REPORT:

- The financial report was presented by Chris Dwyer and accepted as presented. A copy of this is on file with the recording secretary.

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

- A new finance committee has been formed. It currently consists of Vice President Fred Schauder and Treasurer Christine Dwyer. The finance committee will be looking into proper investing of FWPHA funds.

AID TO MEMBERS:

- No requests were received at this time.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- No correspondence was received at this time.

CHARITABLE DONATIONS:

- As a reminder, the form for requests for charitable donation requests is available on the website.

MEMBERSHIP:

- Emily Voorhees Clark is our newest professional applicant. Emily has been employed at Zephyr Farm for the last 15 years. Membership will be held over for voting until the February 2021 meeting.
- Professional members will be able to check their membership status and membership expiration year on the website soon.
- For this year only, professional members will have a grace period for membership renewal for April 1st. Dues notices for 2021 will be forthcoming. Dues notices for 2022 should be expected November 2021 with a due date of January 1st, 2022.

JR/ ASSOCIATE PHA:

- Junior/Associate PHA Committee is still in the process of licensing information for equine visits to the care facilities.
- All junior, associate and professional members are welcome and encouraged to attend each meeting, especially while we are on Zoom! They will be on the second Tuesday of each month, beginning February 9th 2021.

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HIGH SCORE PROGRAM:

- Points are up to date within a week. As we are now past December 31st, the grace period has expired, and memberships will be dated when they are received. Applications are available on the website.
- Trainers, please remember that you must be a professional member for your students' points to count. Please check your status on the FWPHA website.

USEF / USHJA COMMITTEE:

- USEF Annual Meeting is coming up. No further report at this time.

HORSE SHOW COMMITTEE:

- Committee is fine tuning the schedule and prizelist for this year's horse shows. All three horse shows will be held this year at Coker Farm. Thank you to Judy Richter for hosting us.

WEBSITE COMMITTEE:

- Committee information has been added to the website. The committee will be looking into adding a Venmo or Paypal option to the website for dues/high score application payments.

HIGH SCORE BANQUET COMMITTEE:

- No report at this time. Further information can be expected as we approach our 2021 date

JUDY RICHTER ESSAY AWARD:

- Our 12 and under winner is Trevor DeGrazio. We had no applicants in the 13-17 applicant group. Our 18 and older winner is Donna Nelson. Congratulations to our winners and thank you to all of our applicants for your submissions.
- Topic ideas for next year can be sent JudyRichterAward@gmail.com

NORMAN BRAY AWARD:

- The Norman Bray Award will be held over until next year.

“ART OF” CLINIC COMMITTEE:

- The committee is discussing topics for this year's “Art of” clinic. Please send any topic ideas into the committee, contact information for this committee is available on the website.

OLD BUSINESS:

- We would like to thank Barbara Howard and Chase Meadows Farm for their many years of FWPHA support as well as hosting one of our annual summer horse shows. We wish Barbara the best of luck!

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NEW BUSINESS:

- Discussion is in the works for a new Perpetual Trophy to be awarded at our High Score Dinner to honor Kip Rosenthal. A memorial service for Kip Rosenthal will be held this Sunday, January 17th 2021 at 5:00 PM via Zoom. Information to join the Zoom Memorial Service should be available on the FWPHA Website.
- FWPHA will be looking into adding our Perpetual Award/Trophy past winners and history to the website.
- National PHA Election votes should be submitted ASAP! Voting information has been sent out to the membership.

The next meeting will be February 8th, 2021 at 7:00PM on Zoom. Zoom Link will be available on the website.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Amanda Ek