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**See you all at the
NWSA Fall Classic
and Futurity
Horse Show**

September 17 – 20,
2015

*Jimmy Robertson,
Judge*

*Oregon Horse
Center, Eugene
Oregon*

Presidents Message

“Celebrating the Past, Riding the Present, Dreaming the Future”

Only a short time before the Fall Classic and I am hoping to see many of you Friday after the morning performance at our NWSA Board meeting. The meeting will start with presentations by our Youth of the Year candidates. That should be very interesting and informative. During the body of the meeting your input is very welcomed! As a Board we have an annual planning session in November to plan for 2016. This Fall Classic meeting would be the perfect time for you to share your vision for NWSA 2016 to help begin to put into motion activities and learning opportunities for next year.— and don't worry just because you have an idea we are not necessarily going to call on you to volunteer! Please join us Friday morning.

One of the items that your Board has worked on this year is an update to the NWSA By-laws. Many of them are “housekeeping items” but there are several with impact. You can find the proposed changes on the website www.nwsaddlebreds.org under recent posts. Please review them and feel free to comment at our Board meeting. The actual vote on the proposals will take place during our NWSA Annual Meeting to be held January 29th and 30th at the Heathman Lodge in Vancouver, Wa.

Speaking of the Annual Meeting, Elizabeth Goth, a vibrant competitor and an active leader with in the Saddlebred world has agreed to be our guest speaker. Please mark those dates to visit with her.

As always if you have questions or concerns regarding the NWSA please feel free to contact me. Phone: (253)797-0682 or dougross2013@gmail.com

See you soon in Eugene at Fall Classic Welcome party, Linda Seider's pie and ice cream, breakfast with the judge, board meeting, our fabulous NWSA Aisle Party and THE Horseshow!

Doug



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NWSA at WCHS by Doug Cross

When you walk into Freedom Hall for the very first time and see the Green Shavings you feel overwhelmed by history and talented horses (nearly 2500). By the time we caught our breath and looked around we saw familiar faces that made us felt right at home. A number of NWSA members and horses had made their way to Louisville to compete and they were very competitive! Some of the riders were there for the very first time, others were seasoned veterans. Congratulations are in order to all who participated no matter if ribbons were not presented to them or if they won Reserve and World Championships! Two of our riders celebrated their birthdays there— what a birthday present - Happy Birthday Karen McConnell and Karen Lachman! Additionally, congratulations are in order to Lisa Lesch, Katie May, Hayley Pullen, Jill Webberley and Breanne Thompson, Camille Barkman, Rashell Gouwenberg, Britt Frome, Bill Blacklaw, Grace Arnold and Tina Sutter. Then there was the night we looked up on the big screen in center ring and saw the familiar faces of Don and Brooke Deardorff as they were being honored as ASHA members of the day!

Another source of pride as an NWSA member was to see our “Grown-up Kids” being an integral part of the Bluegrass culture! Of course we saw Allison Deardorff, albeit briefly, as she was needed everywhere by everyone at all times for the whole show! Jesse West is busy putting young stock in the ring and the always entertaining Peter Mace showed and is about to go out on his own. We would love it if someday they return to put their talents to work in the Northwest.

Lest I forget, on Wednesday afternoon, Karen Lachman hosted at her hotel suite an informal get together for NWSA connections (thanks Karen). Maybe 25 to 30 people gathered. Not all the Northwest people were able to make it because some had horses going that evening. A good time was had by all!

If you have not had a chance to make the trek to Louisville for the World Championship Horse Show, treat yourself and make every effort you can to go.

We all are proud of our Northwest horses represented at the World Championship Horseshow.

Youth Group President Stella Frechette interview with Sydney Coover, Age 11

“During the August Board meeting, Stephanie Schoenborn mentioned that Sydney Coover instigated a donation basket at the C-Fair Charity Horseshow and it made us want to learn a little more about her. Stella Frechette, our Youth Group President, got in touch with Sydney and this is what we learned.”

Stella: How long have you been riding?

Sydney: I have been riding for six years, one year with a local barn riding western and then the other five with **Corbett Stables** riding saddleseat.

Stella: What other hobbies do you have?

Sydney: I play softball, soccer, I do 4H with my rabbit, and I take care of all my other animals!

Stella: What's been your favorite division to show in? Which horse?

Sydney: I love to show three gaited saddleseat equitation I also enjoy UPHA because it challenges me. My favorite is riding Rambo. But I do love showing Reno five gaited too!

Stella: Tell me about the donation box you made. What inspired you to do that? How did it go?

Sydney: I want to do the donation box because a friend of mine's family adopted a foster child. It was a huge success! I got over fifty school supplies.

Stella: What do you see in your future in horseback riding?

Sydney: In the future I want to show in the World Championship horse show. I want to give lessons and own a tack store. I would also love to own a few rescue Saddlebreds myself!



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2015 NWSA Fall Classic Hospitality & Events

Thursday Evening:

6:00 – 7:30 PM

Welcome Reception

Hors D'oeuvres and Cocktails

The Excelsior Inn & Ristorante Italiano

Friday Evening:

Following the Evening Performance

Famous NWSA Aisle Party

Saturday Morning:

8:30 AM

Breakfast with the Judge

To Benefit the NWSA Youth Group

Saturday Afternoon:

Following the Afternoon Performance

Linda Seiders' Pie and Ice Cream

Sponsored by: Union Hall Forge, Inc.

NWSA Youth Group

Dog Show

Stick Horse Class

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