



# MAHA Express

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## President's Letter

February 2012

Hello MAHA Members,

I have a feeling that 2012 is going to be a great year for our club, and so far, we have started out the New Year with a bang!

The implementation of an electronic voting system was a huge success. The participation from our members far exceeded any other election we have had in the past. I would like to welcome our two new board members: **Janet de Acevedo Macdonald** (Secretary) and **Nathan Hastad** and offer congratulations to our returning board members: **Toni Marie O'Daniel**, **Miriam McGurran**, **Lisa Lewis** (our new Membership Chair), **Anita Grant** and **Pat Swenson**. They are joining our remaining board members: **John Diedrich** (who is glad to have another man at the meetings to keep us women in check), **Teresa LeFever**, **Rebecca Bell** and **Sarah Paripovich**. I'm looking forward to working with these fine people this year and would like to thank retiring board member **Ann Benson** for all her help and years of service to MAHA. Look here for MAHA Board contact information: <http://www.mnarabhorse.com/about/officers.html>



L to R: Miriam McGurran, Toni Mari O'Daniel, Anita Grant, John Diedrich, Jill Frieders, Sarah Paripovich, Teresa LeFever, Nathan Hastad, Annie Slawik, Lori Conway, Janet de Acevedo Macdonald (not pictured: Pat Swenson, Lisa Lewis)

## President's Message continues...

If you missed the MAHA clinic at **Cedar Ridge Arabians** with **Rob Bick & Caralyn Schroter**, you missed a great event. It was a fun and informative day to spend with our fellow members and friends. Rob and Caralyn's teaching style made it simple for our participants to improve their methods of riding and they spoke in a way that was easy for everybody to learn and be entertained at the same time. A big thank you goes to our fellow MAHA members, the **Ames Family and the staff at Cedar Ridge**, for their hospitality and generous donation of their great facility for the day!

**Scottsdale** is right around the corner and MAHA would like to wish all our members that are showing, going there to watch or are up for an **AHT Readers Choice** or **APAHA Awards** a safe journey and the best of luck. We have a very talented membership and we should all be proud of our horses and people.

The **MAHA Spring Fling Horse Show** is **March 23-25**, and is always a great way to kick off the show season. Your class entries, patronships and sponsorships are vital to our organization, so any support you can offer MAHA is greatly appreciated! The premium book is now on the website and I hope you all will attend. Volunteers are always appreciated and welcomed, so contact **Teresa LeFever** ([lefevertc@aol.com](mailto:lefevertc@aol.com)) and see where she can use your help before, during or after the show.

April is **Minnesota Horse Expo** time and we are looking for volunteers to help with set-up and tear down and to meet and greet all the visitors at our stalls. We always need well-trained, performance-oriented Arabians to be presented in the Coliseum's ring during the scheduled times. If you are interested in helping out, please contact **Anita Grant** ([anitaagrant@gmail.com](mailto:anitaagrant@gmail.com)) and see what you can do to assist her with this project.

One final piece of good news is that our membership has once again increased! **Please encourage all your friends and family to join MAHA and to get involved with the club.** If you have any ideas about activities, events or anything that you would like to see MAHA do or ways in which we can improve, please let me know. We are all here because of our love of the Arabian horse and the goal is to spread that awareness of how wonderful our horses are and increase participation in our association.

Thank you all for your help,

**Lori Conway**



## MAHA Spring Fling, March 23-25

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By Teresa LeFever

Mark your calendars to join us at the MAHA Spring Fling, March 23-25 at Minnesota Equestrian Center in Winona. The judge is **Duane Esser**, who will also be a 2012 US Youth Nationals Judge. There are MAHA-member jackpot classes with over \$600 in added money and the show is an early qualifier for Region 10.

**The MAHA Youth are looking for items for its Silent Auction on Saturday, March 24.** If you would like to donate an item, some great options to consider are gift certificates, gift packs, artwork, restaurant cards, baked goods, horse grooming items or tack. Click this link for the Silent Auction donation form:

<http://www.mnarabhorse.com/calendar/springfling/2012MAHAYOUTHSILENTAUCTION.pdf>

The MAHA Youth appreciate your support. Contact me with your item pledge or bring your item to the show. All proceeds go directly to youth clinics, MAHA youth jackpot classes, a youth judging team, and Youth Nationals.

For more Spring Fling information, please refer to our website <http://www.mnarabhorse.com/calendar/springfling/> or contact me, Teresa LeFever, at 612-965-4121 or [lefevertc@aol.com](mailto:lefevertc@aol.com)



## 2011 Award Recipients

**Congratulations to the 2011 High Point Recipients awarded at the January 29 Awards Luncheon:**

**10 and under:**

Equitation/Showmanship: Mikayla Michels

Western Pleasure: Riley Hammer

Hunter Pleasure: Katie Treadwell

English Pleasure: Mikayla Michels

**11-13**

Equitation/Showmanship: Lexi LeFever

Western Pleasure: Emeila Farago

Hunter Pleasure: Caelen Caspers

English Pleasure: Caelen Caspers

**14-17**

Equitation/Showmanship: Betsy Carlson, and Jackie Levendusky

Western Pleasure: Jackie Levendusky

Hunter Pleasure: Ayla Spry

English Pleasure: Kelly Svoboda

Halter: Ayla Spry

**18-39**

Western Pleasure: Kim Schultz

Hunter Pleasure: Rachel Enns

**40 and over:**

Western Pleasure: Becky Sanford

Hunter Pleasure: Jennifer Jambor

**WSCA/Open Shows**

Equitation/Showmanship: Tamsen Hutton

Western Pleasure: Tamsen Hutton

English/Costume: Lisa Lewis

Overall Youth High Point: **Kelly Svoboda** showing *DA Triffik* with an amazing 523 points.

Overall Adult High Point: **Kim Schultz** showing *Sensational Amour* with 210 points

For more information and to see photos visit: <http://www.mnarahorse.com/about/highpoint/highpoint2011.html>

**2011 GamaarFynEdition Challenge Trophy recipient:**

**Kelly Svoboda** with *DA Triffik*



## High Point Award for Endurance

By Pat Swenson

MAHA is adding a new High Point Award for members that participate in distance/endurance riding. Distance riding in Minnesota and Wisconsin is made up three types of rides: Endurance, Limited Distance and Competitive Trail. The new form will soon be posted: <http://www.mnarahorse.com/about/highpoint/about.html>

**Endurance rides** are usually 50, 75 or 100 miles long. Horse and rider teams have 12 hours to ride 50 miles and 24 hours to complete 100 miles. These rides have several “legs” or sections with veterinarian checks in between “legs”. The first horse and rider team to complete the trail with a horse that is “fit to continue” wins the race. Many people compete in these rides not to race but with the philosophy “to finish is to win.”

**Limited Distance rides** are usually 25 or 30 miles and run just like an endurance ride. There is usually just one veterinarian check in the middle at about 10 to 15 miles depending on the trail.

**Competitive Trail rides** are usually 25 to 30 miles and measure the condition of the horse; they are not a race. The horse and rider team with the most points based on the veterinarian checks before, during and at the conclusion wins the ride. This is where people usually start and learn the sport of distance riding.

For more information check: Minnesota Distance Riders Association: <http://www.mndra.com/> Upper Midwest Competitive Riders Association: <http://www.umeccra.com/> American Endurance Ride Conference: <http://www.aerc.org/>



## Equine Development Coalition of Minnesota

**Rosemary Higgins**, Executive Director of the Equine Development Coalition of MN, and **Jeff Hilger**, President of the Equine Development Coalition of MN and owner of Bleu Valley Farms in Stillwater, addressed the MAHA membership at the January 29<sup>th</sup> MAHA Meeting and shared how passing **Racino** legislation can help to grow the entire equine industry in the state. To learn more about this proposed legislation or to pledge your support, as MAHA President **Lori Conway** has done on behalf of the club, please visit: [www.racinonow.com](http://www.racinonow.com)



## MAHA Delegates to AHA National Convention

Our club’s six delegates the Convention held in Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada, were (left to right) **Toni Marie O’Daniel**, **Peter Conway**, **Lori Conway** (Laura Mickelson, Region 10 Director), **Nancy Sawyer**, **Anita Grant**, (Van Jacobsen, Region 10 Past Director) and **Ann Benson**. Read their delegate reports and watch **AHA President Lance Walter**’s State of the Association speech here:

<http://www.mnarahorse.com/about/minutes/>





## Obituary: Nancy Knutson-Link

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Nancy Knutson-Link, 54, of Colfax, Wisconsin, died Tuesday, January 24, 2012, at Colfax Health & Rehabilitation Center.

Nancy was born July 7, 1957, in Chippewa Falls, Wisconsin, Vernon and Jean (Jackson) Fox. She grew up in Colfax and was a 1975 graduate of Colfax High School. She was employed at Hertz Law Office as a paralegal for over 20 years. She was an avid horse lover; you could always find her either at her kitchen table drinking coffee or in the barn with her horses (pictured with her *Magnum Psyche* son *Maranello*).



Nancy is survived by her mother Jean Fox of Colfax; her husband of 25 years, Steve Link; her children Aaron (Jamie) Knutson and Amy Wagner; one brother Michael (Kathy) Fox; and a sister Karen (Mike) Knutson; five grandchildren Alyssa, Gabriel, JT and Isabelle; her two dogs Stretch and Pistol Pete; and the Link family. She is preceded in death by her father, Vernon.



## MAHA Member takes Top Honors at Arabian U.S. Nationals!

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**McKenna Caspers**, a MAHA and Tri-State member and sophomore at Colorado State University took top honors in the Horse Judging Contest at U.S. Arabian Nationals in October 2011. McKenna is one of seven members of the Colorado State University Horse Judging Team. This highly competitive team, coached by **Silvia Otabachian** and **Kate Achmoody**, took the overall title as well as many of the top individual titles. McKenna took first in the Performance Division and 5<sup>th</sup> Overall.

The contestants judged 10 classes and were required to place each class in order and then to write reasons why each placing was made. The individuals were then required to appear before an official and explain their placing. Contestants were evaluated by the accuracy of their placing, their ability to put together a spoken support of each placing, plus their poise and confidence when delivering reasons.



“This experience was a tremendous amount of work but was also amazingly worthwhile. I learned to think quickly on my feet, defend my rationale for placing various classes and act with confidence.” McKenna rides with **Cedar Ridge Arabians (CRA)** and owns *Brass Ring CRF* (pictured) and *CW Jackson*. McKenna credits her ability to evaluate horses to her experiences at CRA with her lesson instructor **Heather Linnenbringer** and her trainer **Leah Beth Boyd**.



## Minnesota Horse Council News

By Miriam E. McGurran, MNHC Liaison

The Minnesota Horse Council (MNHC) worked hard during the past year to help Minnesota horse owners, horse enthusiasts and the horse industry in general:

- ✍ MN Legislature 1) had horses officially described as livestock and 2) were involved with hearings on the Racino bills.
- ✍ MN Horse Expo donated \$250,000 to MNHC. These monies were used to fund grants for large projects (up to \$7,000 each), give direct funds for educational needs and to help small projects (\$500 each.) Thirteen scholarships (\$3000 each) were given to deserving students.
- ✍ MNHC donated \$100,000 to the MN State Fair for the new arena to replace the old Judging Arena. This should be completed by the 2012 MN Horse Expo.
- ✍ MNHC started a new Certification of Equine Expositions that will ensure traveling expositions adequately caring for their horses and that their facilities are safe for horses.
- ✍ MNHC changed the name of the Unwanted Horse Committee to the educational voice for Equine Welfare in Minnesota.
- ✍ Other programs are the Certified Stable Program, the Gelding Project, the Certified Rescue Program and MN DNR Equine Trails.
- ✍ MNHC supports two websites: the MNHC website and the Horseman's Directory.

**MNHC gave MAHA a generous sponsorship of \$500 to be used for shows, clinics and other activities such as supporting our Judging Team.**

MNHC is a great force of good for all who have and love horses. Joining MNHC shows your appreciation of its efforts and will also keep you in touch with its activities via a monthly newsletter. You can find the membership application on its website or the forms will be at the MAHA Spring Fling in March.

For more news from MNHC, including new information from its recent Annual Membership Meeting, click on this link: <http://www.mnhorsecouncil.org/docs/mhc-newsletter-dec11.pdf>



## AOSC, MAHA & Open Show Calendar

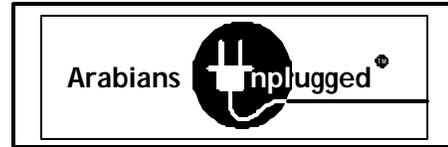
By Laura Mickelson, AOSC chair

The sixth **Arabian Open Shows Championships** (AOSC), created, sponsored, and run by the Minnesota Arabian Horse Association (MAHA), was held on a HOT September day at the Washington County Fairgrounds in Lake Elmo. We were once back to back with the Minnesota Half Arabian Horse Association's open show so a number of people came on Friday night and made a weekend party of it! This was very successful for both clubs and we will be repeating the double shows in 2012.

Since the show was held on the **10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the 9/11 tragedy**, there was a special commemoration. Special thanks to **Toni Marie O'Daniel** for taking charge of this and for her moving account of the events of 9/11 throughout the morning and leading up to the display of the flag, singing of patriotic songs, and a moment of silence. Also thank you to **Deanne Muller** and her wonderful mare *Krystina* for presenting the flag riding sidesaddle. It was wonderful especially when I had neglected to tell Deanne that we had changed the time and she had to really rush! The AOSC show was the culminating event of the 2011 Arabians Unplugged show circuit. Arabians Unplugged is a group of Arabian clubs dedicated to the promotion of affordable, fun, family-friendly showing of Arabians, Half

## AOSC Message continues...

Arabians and Anglo Arabians 'unplugged' from the current rated shows scene. Arabians Unplugged qualifying shows allow Arabian exhibitors to show against their true peers and in their own breed with all automatically enrolled in the FREE year end circuit high point. For additional information, go to <http://www.arabiansunplugged.com>



Several barns used this show to give their students some show ring experience and as an inexpensive warm-up for **Fall Fest**. The **Mystery Money Giveaway**, which was a big hit with 12 exhibitors winning from \$50 to \$5 on random draws throughout the show.

Horses came from Wisconsin and a wide area of Minnesota proving that this concept has appeal outside of the local area. Judges were **Jeff Schall** for the AOSC classes and **Roxanne Schall** for the open and other Arabian classes. For the first time the Jackpot classes were judged by both judges.

AOSC exhibitors were thrilled with the qualifier ribbons and especially impressed with the custom designed autumn-themed garlands for champion and the fancy neck sashes for reserve. These garlands were created by **Champion Silks**, the same person who makes the garlands for the Arabian national shows and will be the trademark award for the AOSC classes into the future. Top 5 ribbons comparable to Region 10 awards were also a hit.

Horses qualified for the AOSC by competing in four unrated shows, including the other classes held on the same day as the championships. Our main purpose is to showcase these wonderful Arabians trained and show by their amateur owners to quality judges in a championship setting. It was very gratifying to see the joy and excitement that these championships generated. MAHA is on the right track with programs like this and the reaction of the exhibitors proves it.

Our main promotional goal is to convince people who own or would like to own an Arabian that they don't need to switch breeds if they want to compete in open shows and that message came across loud and clear at this show! We need to concentrate on what we have in common—the love of these magnificent Arabian horses and build a club that welcomes and appreciates the efforts of all members who share that love.

Part of MAHA's efforts to connect to this wider world of Arabian owners is the calendar of open shows held in Minnesota, Wisconsin, Iowa, and in the Dakotas that have Arabian classes or are of interest to people showing Arabians that I have been creating and distributing for the last two years. **This calendar is available on the MAHA ([www.mnarabhorse.com](http://www.mnarabhorse.com)) and Region 10 websites ([www.region10arabians.com](http://www.region10arabians.com)) and is also emailed to an ever-growing list of people in the five-state area.** The calendar also includes a list of Arabian-friendly open shows judges, as recommended by exhibitors. If you want to be added to this list, please email me at [lauramickelson@aol.com](mailto:lauramickelson@aol.com).

The show simply would not be possible without the generosity of our patrons, sponsors, the wonderful volunteers and, of course, the exhibitors!

I would like to thank the **AOSC Committee** members: **Anita Grant** (co-chair), **Linda Selchow** and **Toni Marie O'Daniel** for their hard work both before and during the show. Special thanks to the show volunteers: **Ann Benson**, **Terresa Machek**, **Deanne Muller**, **Toni Marie O'Daniel**, **Linda Selchow**, **Miriam McGurran**, and **Elaine Yungerberg**. I can't tell you how much I appreciate your efforts!

Finally I would like to thank our show patrons and sponsors without whom this show would simply not be possible. We can always use sponsors so if you can help for 2012, it would be so much appreciated.

**The 2012 show will also be at the Washington County Fairgrounds on the September 9.** We can always use fresh faces and ideas, so if you want to join the show committee, volunteer at the show or comment on the show, please contact me at [lauramickelson@aol.com](mailto:lauramickelson@aol.com).

Thanks again to everyone who supported the show!



## Tax Court Case Emphasizes Importance of Professional Advice

By John Alan Cohan

A recent case that seemed to rule correctly against a taxpayer was the Tax Court decision holding against Sandra J. Brannon of southwest Texas with regards to her quarter horse breeding activity. [Brannon v. Commissioner IRS, TC Memo 2000-76.] The case also denied her depreciation deductions with respect to 4 emus because she was unable to prove she had purchased an interest in them, and so could not show that she had a tax basis in the animals.

Her activity involved six Quarter Horses with modest Schedule C losses ranging from about \$12,000 to \$34,000 per year over an eight-year period. Ms. Brannon claimed that she was engaged in the activity for profit, but failed to keep accounting records to reflect expenses, profits or losses, although she maintained a “file folder” in which she “kept receipts.” She calculated her expenses, income and net losses for income tax purposes only and appeared to engage in no strategic planning.

During the years in question she lived with her parents and engaged in horse breeding as a full time activity, holding no other jobs. She never paid rent or subsidized her parents for her living accommodations. She received some financial assistance from her parents as well, which was used to help defray the costs of her horse activity. She and her father leased a farm located 25 miles from her parents’ residence, and she kept her horses there. The property consisted of a pasture with some trees and a barn.

For the first few years Ms. Brannon focused on raising Quarter Horses for western, pleasure and halter, and then she decided that her chances for profit would be greater with cutting horses, so she changed her operation to that specialty.

She regularly attended horse shows, was a member of various associations, had business cards, and advertised in trade journals and newspapers. Her sales of horses, however, were minimal.

Petitioner believed that she could market her horses in Mexico but changed her mind when the Mexican peso declined in value. She attributed her overall losses to the fact that she did not have a sufficient number of broodmares, and that the bloodlines of her horses were not of the quality that were in demand. She thought that her chances of success could be better by switching to cutting horses, and said that she had the goal of producing a \$100,000 horse. However, to do that, she would have to pay breeding or stud fees of about \$10,000, and her finances did not allow her to do that. During the years at issue she paid only \$750 for stud fees.

The court felt that Ms. Brannon’s “sole motivation for engaging in her activity was her love for horses, dating back to her childhood.” The court seemed influenced by the fact that she devoted full time to caring for six horses, that she did not have enough money to implement a plan to breed a potentially valuable cutting horse, and she had no educational training or experience in the business of breeding and training horses, nor did she consult any professionals. “She made no studies or consultations with professionals with respect to the business aspect of such an activity. She did not maintain a separate bank account for her activity, and she did not maintain formal books and records,” nor did she make “any effort to change the direction of her operation, although she recognized her need to do so.”

Section 183(a) of the Tax Code provides that if an activity is not engaged in for profit, no deductions attributable to that activity may be allowed. The court felt that Ms. Brannon did not engage in the activity with an “actual and honest objective of making a profit.”

The court noted that the nine factors listed in the IRS Regulations, such as the manner in which the taxpayer carries on the activity, and the expertise of the taxpayer or the taxpayer’s advisers “are not merely a counting device, where the number of factors for or against the taxpayer is determinative, but rather all the facts and circumstances must be taken into account, and more weight may be given to some factors than to others.”

## John Alan Cohan continues...

The court felt that her activity was simply not conducted in a businesslike manner, although Ms. Brannon was “dedicated” to the activity. She had no formal or informal business plan, and never sought the advice of experts on how to conduct the activity on a profitable basis.

The court also considered a separate emu breeding business that Ms. Brannon engaged in with her father. She had claimed depreciation deductions on four of the birds, but that was disallowed because there was no evidence that she had purchased any interest in the animals. There was no bill of sale or other evidence to reflect the purchase. Nor was she able to show that she had acquired the emus by gift.

The court also allowed a negligence penalty of 20% based on the finding that she “engaged in this activity with the knowledge that it was unrealistic to expect that any profit could be realized in the manner in which she conducted the activity.” The court pointed out that she never sought the advice of professionals who could have advised her on what she should do to make the activity profitable.

Of course, with her limited budget, it is understandable that she could not obtain substantive legal advice on how to operate in accordance with IRS Regulations. My clients who engage me to prepare a tax opinion letter realize that they are investing in legal services that could help them withstand IRS scrutiny should they be audited.

The main lesson from the Brannon case is that if you have ongoing losses and are unable to pay for professional advice, you are likely to have your deductions denied if you are audited, plus be assessed a 20% negligence penalty, and that seems to be a fair outcome when compared to many other horse owners who conduct their activity in a more businesslike manner.

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## WAHA invites MAHA to attend its Spring Clinic

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**Ray LaCroix** will be the clinician at WAHA’s two-day Haul-In Training Clinic at the Blue Mounds Equine Center & Clinic in Mount Horeb, Wisconsin, just west of Madison, on Saturday and Sunday, April 14-15.

Blue Mounds Equine Center & Clinic:  
<http://www.bluemoundsequine.com/aboutus.htm>

Visit this WAHA link for more complete information about the clinic:  
<http://wisconsinarabian.com/clinics.php>



## Mark Your 2012 Calendars!

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- ✍ Friday-Sunday, March 23-25—Spring Fling, MN Equestrian Center, Winona. Judge: Duane Esser
- ✍ South Dakota Spring Shows-April 21 & 22, Show Manager Heather Swanson, [grandviewfarms@svtv.com](mailto:grandviewfarms@svtv.com)
- ✍ Saturday & Sunday, September 15 & 16-Fall Classic, MN Equestrian Center, Winona. Judge: Margie Becker
- ✍ Scholarship Sources & Deadlines-<http://www.region10arabians.com/scholarships.htm>



**MINNESOTA ARABIAN HORSE ASSOCIATION**  
**MEMBERSHIP FORM**

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_  NEW MEMBER  RENEWING MEMBER  
AHA# \_\_\_\_\_ DATE OF BIRTH: \_\_\_\_\_  
NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
FARM NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
CITY/STATE/ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_  
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**ADULT MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES**

\_\_\_\_\_ \$80.00 – 1 YEAR AHA/Affiliate/MAHA Voting Membership WITH a COMPETITION CARD  
\_\_\_\_\_ \$45.00 – 1 YEAR AHA/Affiliate/MAHA Voting Membership NO COMPETITION CARD  
\_\_\_\_\_ \$20.00 – 1 YEAR MAHA Associate NO Voting/NO AHA Membership/NO Competition Card  
\_\_\_\_\_ + \$10.00 – 1 YEAR SUBSCRIPTION TO AHA's *MODERN Arabian Horse* magazine

**YOUTH MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES (17 years or younger as of December 1st)**

\_\_\_\_\_ \$45.00 – 1 YEAR AHA/Affiliate MAHA Voting Membership WITH a COMPETITION CARD  
\_\_\_\_\_ \$20.00 – 1 YEAR MAHA Associate WITH voting rights – NO AHA/NO Competition Card  
\_\_\_\_\_ + \$10.00 – 1 YEAR SUBSCRIPTION TO AHA's *MODERN Arabian Horse* magazine

\*All MAHA Memberships include the *MAHA Express* newsletter and WSCA Membership. If you have not been on the WSCA membership list in the past, you MUST provide name, address, phone and date of birth NO LATER than May 15th to [LauraMickelson@aol.com](mailto:LauraMickelson@aol.com) or 651-423-5871. For any WSCA information, please contact Laura.

\*Online Membership is available at [www.arabianhorses.org](http://www.arabianhorses.org). Designate **club #10063** MN Arabian Horse Association or visit our website at [www.mnarabhorse.com](http://www.mnarabhorse.com) to download a membership form.

\* For more MAHA Information, please contact: [Lori@ConwayArabians.com](mailto:Lori@ConwayArabians.com) or 507-867-2981

MAHA is an organization operated entirely by volunteers. Your help is greatly appreciated in any capacity. We want to know about you, what MAHA can do for you, and where you could help us. **Please circle what your interests are:**

\* Trail/Competitive Riding \* Local Horse Show Competitions (4-H, WSCA, etc.) \* Class A Shows

\* Attending Clinics \* Regional and/or National Shows \* MN Horse Expo \* Membership

\* Horse Show Management and/or Involvement (e.g., Ribbons, Announcing, Gate, Barn Manager)

\* Promotions and/or Club Publications \* Other: \_\_\_\_\_

\* **Circle all that apply:** Owner \* Trainer \* Amateur \* Parent \* Youth \* Non-Owner

**Do you want to be contacted to volunteer?** YES or NO

Please make checks payable to MAHA and mail to: \* Lisa A. Lewis \* 25230 Hadley Ave, Elko, MN 55020 \*  
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