

## FAIRFIELD / WESTCHESTER P.H.A CHAPTER MEETING MONDAY JANUARY 10<sup>TH</sup> 2022

The “Zoom” meeting of the Fairfield / Westchester P.H.A. was called to order by President Barbara Filippelli at 7:05 pm. There were 13 members in attendance. The minutes were read from the November meeting which were accepted as read.

### **TREASURER’S REPORT:**

- The treasurer’s report was presented by Treasurer Chris Dwyer and was accepted with addendum regarding high score awards expenditures. A copy is on file with the recording secretary.

### **FINANCE COMMITTEE:**

- No report at this time.

### **AID TO MEMBERS:**

- Carol Molony thanked the FWPHA for aid received.

### **CORRESPONDENCE:**

- Correspondence was received from the NYS Horse Council regarding a NYS Equine Resource Directory. The directory is free of charge and will be available online and in hard copy at local events. If you are interested in adding someone to the Directory, please email [BarbCunningham11@gmail.com](mailto:BarbCunningham11@gmail.com) Please be sure to include:
  - Name of business
  - County of business
  - Name of owner
  - Complete address of business
  - Phone number
  - E-Mail
  - Website
  - Brief description of what the business does

### **CHARITABLE DONATIONS:**

- No report at this time.

### **MEMBERSHIP:**

- Membership dues will be DUE by February 15<sup>th</sup>, 2022
- IF PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS HAVE NOT BEEN BROUGHT TO CURRENT BY MARCH 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2022, ALL POINTS ACCRUED TO THAT POINT WILL BE FOREFEITED.
- Professional members who are in arrears for 3 or more years will need to re-apply for membership, with a completed membership form, signed by two current professional members, and attend a meeting before membership will be voted on.
- PLEASE check your membership status.
- New memberships will be pending for the following applications until they have attended a meeting: Andrea Zaleski and Dana Moran.
- Kelly Stackpole and Stephanie C. King were voted in as our newest professional members.

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**JR/ ASSOCIATE PHA:**

- No report at this time.

**HIGH SCORE PROGRAM:**

- The new year's points will be posted on November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2021.
- It is the responsibility of the rider and the trainer to ensure that they are PHA members in good standing. If the rider and/or trainer is not a member in good standing, their points will not count. **IF YOU DO NOT SEE YOUR NAME, YOU ARE NOT A CURRENT MEMBER.**

**USEF / USHJA COMMITTEE:**

- No report at this time

**WEBSITE COMMITTEE:**

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

**HORSE SHOW COMMITTEE:**

- Our dates are set for 2022.
  - June 5<sup>th</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at Fairfield County Hunt Club, Westport CT
  - July 11<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at Riverdale Stables, Bronx NY
  - August 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> 2022 at Riverdale Stables, Bronx NY

**HIGH SCORE BANQUET COMMITTEE:**

- The High Score Dinner for 2022 was cancelled due to COVID. Prizes, ribbons and awards will be delivered ASAP to individual barns.

**JUDY RICHTER ESSAY AWARD:**

- 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.
- This year's award winners have been decided! The 12 and under winner is Nya Treuel. The 13-17 award winner is Ania Mentis. The 18 and older winner is Donna Nelson. Congratulations to our winners!

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**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. The award recognizes an individual each year that has consistently provided support to the Association through volunteerism, sportsmanship and fulfillment of its mission.
- This year's Norman Bray winner is Tricia Dencker! Congratulations

**“ART OF” CLINIC COMMITTEE:**

- None at this time

**GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE:**

- None at this time.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- None at this time

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- The FWPHA is looking into how best to solicit support for our Aid to Members fund.

The next FWPHA Meeting will be February 14<sup>th</sup> 2022 at 7:00 PM. Zoom information will be available on the website.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:56 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Amanda Ek