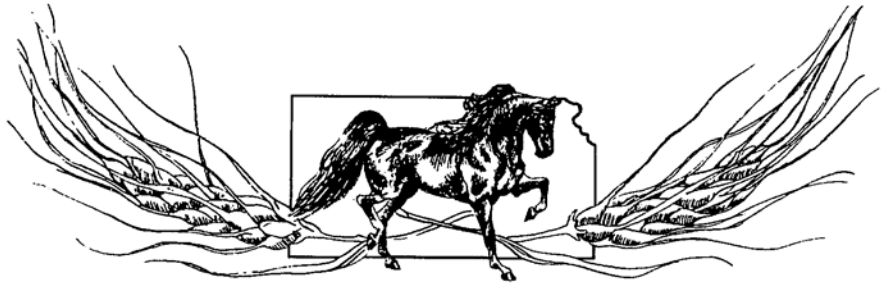


The WHEAT STATEMENT



December 2006

The Official Newsletter of the Wheat State Morgan Horse Association ♦ Published Monthly

Donation to AMHI Recognized

The following letter of thanks for our donation of our show profits is printed here:

Dear Wheat State Morgan Horse Association:

On behalf of the entire American Morgan Horse Institute (AMHI) Board of Trustees, thank you for the fantastic donation your horse show made to the AMHI Youth Scholarship Program.

Each year the AMHI awards five \$3000 Scholarships to deserving recipients who have exhibited the ability and aptitude for serious study, strong leadership, community service, financial need and various achievements with the Morgan Horse. Your significant donation, and others like it, make these scholarships a reality year after year.

Involvement with the Morgan Horse and the examples set by others involved in the Morgan community have traditionally helped many young adults develop a sense of sportsmanship and fair play, valuable citizenship and leadership skills and a sense of responsibility for themselves, their horses, and most importantly, the world in general. We hope that the AMHI scholarships help these exceptional young people with their life goals. Your commitment to the AMHI Scholarships is valued and appreciated and we sincerely thank you.

Best regards,

*Richard Hawkins, President
American Morgan Horse Institute*

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Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on December 9, 2006 at the home of Bill & Sharman Podlena.

Paul & Barb's address is 5516 N 135th St W, Maize, KS and their phone number is 722-5318.

Covered dish supper and meeting to begin at 6:30 p.m. Bring a gift if you are interested in participating in the lively, always-friendly gift exchange.

Dues Are Due

Please take a moment to fill out your membership form for 2007. You will find one in this newsletter or on our website at www.wheatstatemorgan.com

Also, be sure to bring your ballot to the meeting. If you are not planning to attend, send to Cindy Mullen.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS



- December 9, 2006 **WHEAT STATE MORGAN HORSE ASSOCIATION MONTHLY MEETING**
6:30 p.m. at the home of Bill & Sharman Podlena 316-722-5318
- February 23-25, 2007 **EQUIFEST OF KANSAS**
Kansas Coliseum, Park City, KS
- June 7-10, 2007 **WHEAT STATE REGIONAL MORGAN HORSE SHOW**
Kansas State Fairgrounds Hutchinson, KS Contact: Peggy Hatfield 316-755-0395
- July 4-8, 2007 **CIRCLE J REGIONAL MORGAN HORSE SHOW**
Denver, CO Contact: Kelly McFaul 316-722-4013
- October 6-13, 2007 **GRAND NATIONAL & WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP MORGAN HORSE SHOW**
Oklahoma City, OK Contact: Peggy Hatfield 316-755-0395



2006 Wheat State Morgan Horse Association Officers

Cindy Mullen President
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Ellen Berry Secretary
Tim Mullen Treasurer

Board of Directors

Paul Banzet
Carolyn Fleming
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Wheat State Morgan Horse Association monthly meetings are generally held the second Saturday of each month. Time and place are published in this newsletter.

The Wheat Statement is the official monthly newsletter of the Wheat State Morgan Horse Association. Classified ads are free to Wheat State members.

To submit news or place an ad, contact:

Kelly McFaul
206 S Lark Ln
Wichita, KS 67209
316-722-4013 or 316-650-2287
Fax 316-361-0847
kellymca@aol.com

no later than the 23rd of each month.

Meeting News

Wheat State Morgan Horse Association November 11, 2006 Meeting Minutes

The November meeting of the Wheat State Morgan Horse Association was called to order following a covered dish dinner at the home of Paul and Barbara Banzet. Those in attendance included members: Paul and Barbara Banzet, Daryl and Anita Berry, Steve and Janie DeWitt, Ron Connell, Bill and Sharman Podlena, Cindy Mullen, Jerry and Peggy Hatfield, Roger and Ellen Berry, and Joan Kennedy. Guests in attendance were: Craig, Amy, and Danielle Banzet, Carl Banzet, and Lee Richards.

Cindy asked for a motion to accept the minutes of the September meeting as published. Peggy moved to approve the minutes and Bill seconded. Motion passed.

Cindy reported \$125.00 in the club's checking account. Peggy reported \$10,544.47 in the show account. Bill moved to accept the Treasurer's Report, Ron seconded. Motion passed.

Cindy asked Paul how plans for the 2007 Wheat State Morgan Horse Show were progressing. Paul reported that the Dressage judge had been acquired but no Show judge had yet been booked. The \$500.00 deposit had been sent to Hutchinson to reserve the facility. Cindy then asked Ron how things were going for Equi-Fest and he shared that everything was falling into place.

Cindy reported that Tim wished to allow someone else to take over Treasurer's duties for the club and Ellen desired the same for the Secretary's position. Peggy nominated Joan Kennedy be considered for Treasurer, Joan said she would accept. Peggy pointed out that Ellen was doing a fine job as Secretary and had only served one year so wouldn't she reconsider the job for a second year. As no eager volunteers were apparent, Ellen accepted.

Paul brought information from the American Horse Council re: Senate Passes Animal Enterprise Terrorism Act.

The following is a reprint from his e-mail: Just before recessing in September, the Senate passed by unanimous consent the "Animal Enterprise Terrorism Act" (S.3880). Introduced by Senator James Inhofe (R-OK) and Senator Dianne Feinstein (D-CA), this bill amends the Animal Enterprise Act of 1992 (P.L. 102-346). Specifically, the bill clarifies that it is a crime to damage or interfere with a legitimate, legal animal enterprise. As defined by the bill, "animal enterprise" includes commercial and academic enterprises that use or sell animals or animal products for profit, food, agriculture, education, research and testing. This definition also includes equine activities such as rodeo, horse shows and similar lawful equine events. The bill expands the monetary and criminal penalties for these crimes and requires restitution for certain economic losses. The bill contains a provision noting that this bill does not prohibit expressive conduct (including picketing or other peaceful demonstration), which is protected by the First Amendment to the Constitution. A similar bill, H.R. 4239, was introduced in the House of Representatives by Congressman Tom Petri (R-WI). The House Judiciary Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security held a hearing on the bill on May 23, 2006. H.R. 4239 does not include the First Amendment provisions contained in the Senate-passed version. To read the full text of the bill, visit <http://thomas.loc.gov> and enter the bill number, S.3880.

The next meeting (December 9) will be the Christmas meeting and will be hosted at the home of Bill and Sharman Podlena. Members are encouraged to bring a covered dish as well as a present for the gift exchange (\$15 limit).

Ron moved to adjourn the meeting, Peggy seconded. Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted – Ellen Berry

Member News

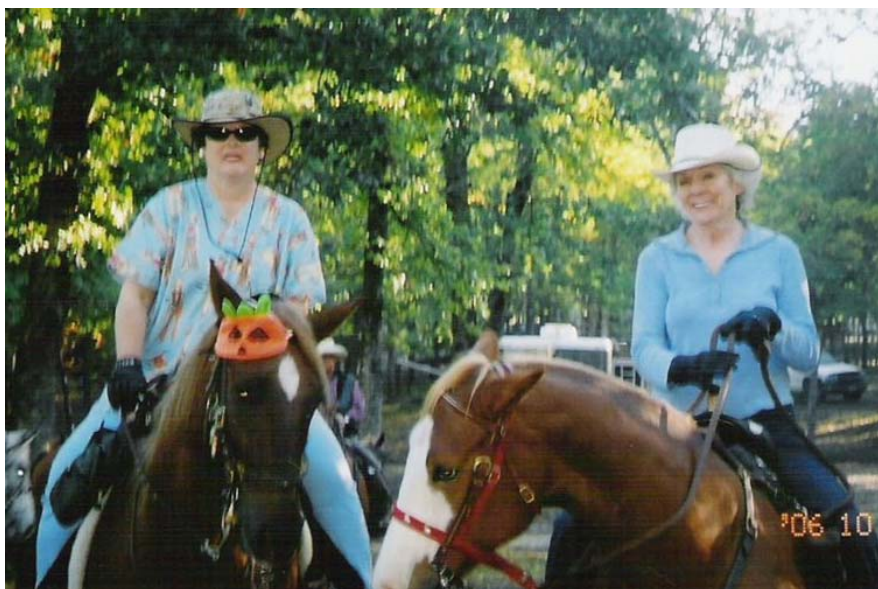
Submitted by Joan Kennedy

Tindo Morning Ash, a 1999 bay Morgan gelding, has moved to Wheat State. He can be seen riding the trails with his new owner, Joan Kennedy. Ash was bred by Barbara Crochet of Thrall, TX, and previously owned by Kelly Agnew of Conway, AR. Joan is fortunate to have found Ash and, hopefully, he'll have a happy home. The day after he arrived, they were riding and having fun with Michel Robertson, Joan's 11 year old neighbor, on her horse, G.W. Michel was playing with Ash soon after he was unloaded and pronounced that he already likes her. "This looks like fun to me," says Joan.

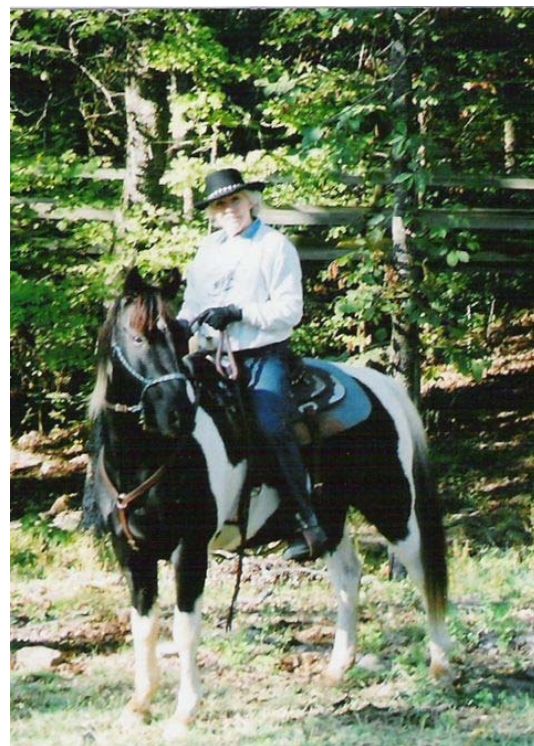
Another bit of news:

After a hiatus of 14 years, Becki Jackson and I went on the Fall Foliage trail ride at Ride the Wild Horse Trail Camp, October 13-19, 2006, in the Kiamichi Mountains at Honobia, OK. I went horseless after Riley Donica, the originator of the ride and owner of the camp, offered the use of his horse, Art, if I would come. Becki rode her Foxtrotter, Foxy's Last Chance. Only a few of the same people still attend the ride after 14 years but it was great to ride and camp with those few and the new faces we met. After I got Art all cleaned up, another woman beckoned (isn't that always the way?), so a gentleman offered me his mare, Sugar, a lovely Quarter Horse. The Dogwood Ride is April 14-18, 2007. I now have a suitable Morgan trail horse so if you are interested in going with Becki and me, take a look at www.wildhorsetrailcamp.com The Donica family and our old friends and some new friends certainly made us feel loved and welcome. They were delighted to see somebody from the Wichita area again. The meals, especially breakfasts, were outstanding. The campground now has a bunkhouse for those without living quarters trailers.

Free: Nostalgia tee shirts from Wheat State 25th Anniversary show. Three shirts; one XXL, two XL. Call Joan Kennedy at 316.531.2678 and they are yours. Wait too long and you will have to pay for them at Goodwill Industries.



Becki Jackson & Joan Kennedy on their mounts at the trail ride.



2007 WHEAT STATE MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Name _____

Farm Name _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone _____ Fax _____

E-Mail _____

Website _____

Services (lessons, training, etc.) _____

MEMBERSHIP RATES

- FAMILY (two votes) \$30
- INDIVIDUAL (one vote) \$15
- YOUTH (16 & under, no vote) \$ 5

_____ Horse listings @ 50¢ ea. \$ _____

Directory Advertising _____ @ \$35 \$ _____

Amount Enclosed \$ _____

Check here if you wish to receive this letter via e-mail instead of snail mail.
 (Newsletter will be in pdf format, you need Adobe Reader to open the file. This is a free download from Adobe.com)



Include your check payable to Wheat State Morgan Horse Association in the appropriate amount and mail to:

Kelly McFaul
206 S Lark Ln.
Wichita, KS 67209

Directory/website advertising—full page, camera ready only—\$35 each.

Include your Registered Morgans in our directory/website—50¢ each

Attach sheet for additional horses. Note horses for sale with * and standing at stud with X.
Directories have been printed for 2006, but listings can still be placed on the website.

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Wheat State Morgan Horse Association

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Signature _____

Please mail to: Cindy Mullen
6718 N 135th St W
Colwich, KS 67030

or bring to December meeting