

Junior Exhibitor *Jumble*

Kentucky

Hello Everyone! 2010 has been great, and snowy so far, as we reach a new show season! I hope everyone had a great Valentine's Day and ate lots of chocolate. When I wrote my first article, I told you a little bit about myself, but that was three years ago! As I am preparing for college, I want you to feel as if you really knew me. When you read a book, you want to know about the author. So this month I will tell you more about me and my adventure with this column and life.

When I began writing in the Junior Exhibitor Jumble for *Saddle & Bridle*, I was 15 years old and on the break point of turning sweet 16. I am now 17 and on my way to adulthood of 18. Most everyone knows me as Jackie Schutt, but my full name is Jaclyn Jean Schutt after my granny and nana. I was born June 2, 1992. My family on my mom's side has a long history of being in historical events, such as curator for the Smithsonian; and my dad's family for generations has served our country in the United States Air Force. I have one brother, his name is Justin. I was, of course, raised in a military family as my dad served in the Air Force. I came late to my family, but I have lived and visited many places around the world such as Virginia, Illinois, New Jersey, France, Germany, and Austria. After my dad retired from the Air Force, he received a job with UPS and we moved to Louisville, Ky.

My Favorite Things

Food: Spaghetti

Drink: Sweet Tea

Music: Country and some Pop/Rock

TV Shows: I do not usually watch much TV, but when I do I like Modern Family, American Idol, Cougar Town, Grey's Anatomy, Private Practice, Medium, and Ghost. Mostly shows that are entertaining and funny.

Movies: Pirates of the Caribbean (all 3), The Proposal, Avatar, The Blind Side, Finding Neverland, Ghosts of Girlfriends Past, Failure to Launch, Fool's Gold, We Are Marshall. Basically any movie that will make me laugh, cry, or the technology is amazing.

Color: Purple or Blue

Song: Cowboy Casanova or Temporary Home, both by Carrie Underwood.

Things to Do: Ride horses, play piano, golf, hangout with my friends, horse shows, drawing, and writing.

Books: Twilight Series, Marley & Me, Great Expectations, Romeo & Juliet, Pygmalion, Hoot, The Old Man and The Sea, and Harry Potter.

Quote: "Let me tell you what winning means... you're willing to go longer, work harder, give more than anyone else." – Vince Lombardi.

Sports: My favorite sports, other than riding horses, are football and golf.

Holiday: Christmas

Animal: My favorite animals, besides horses, are gorillas and elephants.

Instrument: Piano or Guitar

Horses in my life: I currently own and show Like A Rocket, I have a lesson horse Zack, I previously owned Callaway's

Dispatch (He was my first horse), and I catch ride Dillon's Day. Horses have been a part of my life since before I was born. My nana owned race horses and my cousin shows hunter jumpers. I have been riding and showing horses since I could sit up. I started out riding hunter jumpers, and then when we moved to Kentucky, I started to ride Saddlebreds and have been hooked ever since.

Pets: I currently have one dog and then my two horses, but have previously had three dogs, fish, and hermit crabs.

Something that I could not live without (bedsides horses): I could not live without music and my family. My family means everything to me and they have always been there for me, supporting me and cheering me on. Music is something that is fun and lively, you can dance to it and it makes you happy.

With the approach of my aging out of Junior Exhibitor years, I am looking for someone to take over my writing position for the Kentucky region. So if you would like to write for this column please email me and I can get you on your way to becoming a *Saddle & Bridle* Junior Exhibitor Jumble writer.

That is all for this month, I hope you enjoyed learning about me! Feel free to email me and tell me about yourself.

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Midwest

Greetings everyone! We are quickly approaching the time of year that all horse people look forward to and that is the beginning of show season! Now with only a month or two away, the time can't seem to pass fast enough. With that said, I attended the All American Cup Stallion Tour in Shelbyville, Ky., and would like to share my experience with you. J

The All American Cup Stallion Tour/Auction was held on January 24. To start the day off, everyone met bright and early at the Claudia Sanders Restaurant to wait for the arrival of the buses. There, Mitch Clark and Don Harris were gracious enough to sign autographs for the crowd of Saddlebred enthusiasts who awaited the start of the day. Our bus was fortunate enough to have the company of Mitch Clark on the ride to our first stop, Sunrise Stables. Along the way, he entertained us with stories about his journey with World Champion Sky Watch. Once we arrived at Sunrise, we settled in and were presented with the first group of magnificent stallions to be seen on the tour. This group consisted of Preacher, Nocturnal, Master Class, I'm Lookin' For You, Wild-Eyed Warrior, WC Bob Bobaloo, Rifles And Roses' offspring Pull The Trigger and The Pistol, and last, but definitely not least, Gothic Revival. That concluded the presentation from Sunrise Stables; and the crew loaded back on the buses and this time we were accompanied by Don Harris, who answered questions and told tales of his World Champion Emperor. We soon arrived at our next destination, Alliance Stud. Here we viewed many more beautiful stallions such as Born Contender, WC Call Me Ringo, WC Belle Reve's Renaissance Man, WC Delirium, Heirogance And Attitude, and Noble Heritage Praetorian. With the sun finally coming out from behind the clouds and providing some much needed warmth to the chilly January day, we loaded up one more time and headed off to our last stop on the

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tour, Copper Coin Farm. Once we arrived, we viewed another group of impressive stallions for the 2010 breeding season. They consisted of Bess Night Out, Copper Coin's Contender, Day Of Revival, Deep Blue, Uncle Jimmy McDonald, and RWC Dorian Wild Temper. This concluded the 2010 All American Cup Stallion Tour. Thank you to Jim Aikman for organizing this incredible event! I hope to see more of everyone next year!

Some dates to mark on your calendar ...

- April 8-11 Equine Affaire Horse Expo at the Ohio Expo Center (for ticket info, visit www.equineaffaire.com)

- April 21-24 River Ridge Charity Horse Show in Columbus, Ohio

Lastly, I would like to conclude with a reader response question for this month. Your response may be featured in the May issue of Saddle & Bridle.

Question: What is it about the American Saddlebred that makes them so special to so many people?

Feel free to send responses, suggestions, ideas, or comments to me at: awingfield@zoominternet.net.

Happy Riding,

Allie Wingfield

Missouri

The Missouri Horse Shows Association annual awards banquet held at the Peachtree Banquet Center in Columbia, Mo., was definitely one to remember! The banquet is a great place to see friends you haven't seen in what seems like an eternity, even though it has only been a matter of months. It also gets everyone excited for the upcoming show season.

The banquet started with the always popular silent auction. Members generously donated wonderful horse related or non-horse related items. Shortly after the auction, members gathered to discuss issues that may occur in the upcoming year, as well as, choosing new MHSA Medallion Finals Patterns, which consists of a challenging one and a simpler one. It was announced that there would be no Calvary Charity Horse Show this year, so members were debating where the finals would be held, of the possible choices discussed, medallion secretary Kelly Hulse will try to get the finals class added at the 2010 St. Louis National Charity Horse Show in Lake St. Louis, Mo., for one or maybe two years. The members also discussed shows, the point system, etc.

Not long after the Show Horses/Ponies Forum, the youth forum was held, which members of all MHSA disciplines were a part of. We talked about ideas of what to do at next year's banquet and some activities to maybe be held at some of the horse shows this season. If you have any suggestions or ideas for what we could do please email me.

After the youth forum, active MHSA Member as well as adult rider Deborah McAlexander, gave a motivational speech to the members, as well as played the piano beautifully, an example of one of her many talents, during the luncheon.

The luncheon food was to die for and was expertly prepared by the chefs who were ready to replace the food when it ran out! The menu consisted of salads, pastas, bread, chicken, corn, potatoes, and roast beef! The desserts were a whole other thing the pies/cakes were delicious; you could have had dozens of slices and still wanted more!

Once everyone's stomachs were full, the board members were

ready to announce the awards! First they gave awards like the star shows of the year in all the disciplines then onto the art contest winners followed by the award everyone had been waiting for – the School Horse of the Year award! The school horse with the most votes, which was very many, was Roany! Roany is 34 years old and is still doing lessons. Roany is definitely a star in the show ring and out! Roany is a member of the Brenda Benner Stables family and he will now be a member of the MHSA School Horse of the Year Hall of Fame!

After the excitement of School Horse of the Year was over, they gave awards such as the MHSA Horse Person of the Year awarded to Kelly Hulse, they also gave out the medallion finals scholarships to the winners and reserve champions. After that they gave the lifetime achievement award and a beautiful tribute to Doris Marks. They acknowledged her years of hard work and dedication to the Missouri Horse Shows; particularly as manager of the Boone County Fair Horse Show. They also shared information about her many horses and how she loved them all and supported her daughter, Debbie Erickson, and granddaughter, Holly Erickson's, passion for Saddlebreds. Debbie and Holly still continue Doris' love for Saddlebreds at Gateway Manor where they have a new horse that they both enjoy.

After those awards they turned to the class specific awards where they started with the Academy Achievement medals, these medals are not based on a point system but they are based on the how many years the rider has shown in academy for example if this year is the first year the rider has shown in academy they get a bronze medal, second year is silver, and third year is the gold medal! After the medals were awarded they went onto the specific academy award winners. The winners of all the awards are too many to name here, so I will name just a few.

Gateway Manor had a good placing in the awards such as first time MHSA member academy rider Catie Poli won a bronze medal as well as a third and fourth place ribbon and she had only shown three times! Kari Thompson, another academy rider, moved up from walk and trot to walk, trot, and canter, this year, and she was awarded a fourth and fifth place ribbon in the walk, trot, and canter division and the silver medal! Ann Horton was unable to attend the awards banquet and only went to few MHSA shows, but she was tied for third place in the Adult Country Pleasure Division! Also, for two years in a row Lauren Brannon was Saddle Seat Equitation 13 & Under Champion and was High Point Equitation Champion!

The girls from Cheredon Acres collected a good amount of ribbons Haley Sturges was the champion in the Saddle Seat Pleasure Equitation division for 13 & Under riders, and she also placed fifth in Saddle Seat Equitation 13 & Under. Lauren Comer was fifth in the Pleasure Equitation 13 & Under Division and was sixth in Equitation 13 & Under. Kelsey Lang was reserve in the Saddle Seat Equitation Walk and Trot 10 & Under Division, with Gwyneth Hamarah being the champion from Brenda Benner Stables. Kara German, also from Brenda Benner Stables, got a lot of ribbons; she was third in Pleasure Equitation 14-17, second with Flash, owned by Brenda Benner, in Open English Pleasure, Jr. Exhibitor, first in ASB Park Pleasure, Junior Horse, with her horse Callaway's Right Triumphs Might, and another second in ASB Park open with Callaway's Right Triumphs Might. Brooke Bowen was ASB Park Amateur Champion with Guevarra and reserve champion and third in ASB Park Open with My Sweet E-Motion, Brooke and Flame & Sparkle were the Country Hunter Pleasure Champions and third in Open Hunter Pleasure. Megan Hulse was Junior Exhibitor Five-Gaited, reserve champion with Callaway's Golden Wonder owned by Stephens College. Samantha Peterson of Mike Roberts Stables was third in both Five-Gaited Open and Junior Exhibitor Five-Gaited with Noble's Ace of Hearts! Lyndi Skinner of Highland Stables was the Saddle Seat

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Equitation 14-17 Champion as well as the MHSA Junior Medallion Finals champion.

There were so many awards given out that I was unable to name them all but if you would like to view the rest of the winners in all



1. The Gateway Manor Girls: Catie Poli, Lauren Brannon and Kari Thompson. 2. Lauren Comer and Haley Sturges. 3. Megan Hulse and Brooke Bowen. 4. Sam Peterson, Lauren Brannon and Kari Thompson. 5. Gwyneth Hamrah, Kristi Wilson and Cara German.



divisions you can visit www.missourihorsheshowsassociation.com.

Don't forget to encourage barn mates to join in the fun of the Missouri Horse Shows Association and maybe I will see you at the banquet next year! As the official show season is creeping closer and closer good luck to all exhibitors!

"Regardless of how you feel inside, always try to look like a winner. Even if you are behind, a sustained look of control and confidence can give you a mental edge that results in victory."

— Arthur Ashe

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Tennessee/North Carolina

Hey everyone! Happy St. Patty's Day! Well it's starting to warm up here in Tennessee, and before we know it show season will be in full swing. I have decided to bring back a Junior Exhibitor Jumble feature that I haven't seen in a few years. Some of you probably remember it, "Famous Saddlebreds of the 20th century." The new one will be called "Saddlebred Stars," like the American Saddlebred Museum's DVD, as this new feature will have horses from the new millennium as well. The first star will appear here next month.

As I'm writing this, I have just experienced a huge loss in my life, my first horse, a chestnut pinto Chubasco mare named Lightning. She was my first horse, technically a pony, but still a big graduation from my scruffy little Shetland. She was the kind of horse that you could just go out in the field with a rope and hop on bareback. I will never forget her.

This month's article is a bit shorter than planned, and next month I will have the East Tennessee Saddlebred Association's annual High Point Award winners. This is Isabella, and may the (champion) Force be with you! If you would like to be a rider of the month in this article, please feel free to write or email me.

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