

#### President's Corner



Happy New Year to all of you. It's hard to believe it's already 2009!

I hope everyone had a safe, healthy and happy holiday season. What a difference a year makes. This year the weather was so incredibly nice. Last year, we were recovering from the December ice storms. I enjoyed this year a lot more <G>. We got in several nice rides for the holidays. Holidays, horses and family and friends – does it get any better than this?

2008 was a really good year for the Sooner Club. Marian Alton and Gerry Lukacik joined forces on our newsletter, Marian as our reporter and Gerry as our editor. Little did we realize what this dynamic duo would do for the newsletter and for us. Marian's research and historical articles are a joy as well as educational. She's also has

been recruiting new members as have our other members. We've seen significant growth in our Club, with members throughout the US. Don't discount our far-flung membership, either. We have a new local area member who was discussing racing trainers with Karen Marr who put him in touch with . . . Marian Alton and the rest is history <G>. We co-pointed the All American Appaloosa Congress in Ardmore in June. Our main show focus as a Club in 2008 was the Reichert Appaloosa Celebration in August. Our first show was a success as a breed show. It was also a successful showcase of our horses among other breeds. Everyone had a good time and we're working on the 2009 Reichert Appaloosa Celebration now. We will be working to make this second show even more fun for our exhibitors and members. Dedra did her usual great job as our show manager in 2008 and will be guiding us forward into 2009.

We have two new programs that we're launching this year: a fresh, new take on a stallion futurity and a Youth ambassador program. Please read more about these programs in the newsletter and explore how they can work for you and how you can help support the programs.

Sharon Marshall is finalizing our 2008 scrapbook, which will be submitted to ApHC for consideration for the Exemplary Regional Club. We need to have this prepared and submitted by the end of January. Note that it doesn't have to be horse or Appaloosa related (hard to believe sometimes that we have activities that don't involve our horses). Also, keep track of your activities for 2009 as she's already planning the 2009 scrapbook.

My thanks to the outgoing 2008 BOD and officers. I'm looking forward to working with this year's BOD and officers as we continue to move forward and explore new avenues for promoting and enjoying our Appaloosas. We have several folks continuing on the BOD with us – what wonderful and devoted people. Joan Marshall and June Kooker are joining us on the BOD. We are looking forward to the new energy and insights they will bring to the Club.

There is no doubt that 2009 will a challenging year for us as individuals and as a Club. I invite all of you to join us actively in promoting our breed and enjoying each other and our horses.

Carol Johnson, Sooner ApHC President



# 2008 Models Sired by Obviously Magic



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# 2009 Models Arriving Soon!!

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#### TO DON AND KAREN MARR IN INDIANA!

This totally eye-bugging, beautiful, surprise was sent to Jerry and Marian from Sooner members, Don and Karen Marr, who love to keep their Oklahoma friends guessing as to what they're sending. They also sent two truck tags. One with the photo ad of 'Stelen' on it, the other with a red 1959 Cadillac (Jerry has always wanted one) on it, with the words "Jerry's Baby" and "The Shark." The throw and tags were inside a black, classy, business "tote bag" with all kinds of compartments, and on the front was the ApHC logo/Appaloosa!

You can bet that Marian was, for once, SPEECHLESS and sure had a big lump in her throat over all of the Marr generosity!

Cadillac tag is definitely



an eye catcher on Jerry's Dodge truck.



**WOW! LOOK AT ME!** 



Most of all, Don and Karen, Thank You for the gift of friendship, which means so much.



that are on Hands Up Chelsea, Oklahoma!

ZIPS MY ANSWER, aka "Murphy" is by Judy DeMuth's World Champion ApHC ZIPS EZ QUESTION. (below)

wow! ILOOK GOOD!



"Murphy" is owned by Larry Colley of Terlton, Oklahoma, whose family has enjoyed having photos taken with Marian's old saddle. Larry did an excellent job of cleaning the 'treasure' and Marian is very grateful to have this photo, taken by Lori Colley, for Sooner News and as a 50 year celebration mark for being a Hands Up breeder.

"Murphy", 3 X Hands Up, and his full sister, "Highly" trace back to the big black, Standardbred mare Marian's parents bought for her when Marian was eleven years old. This mare, Storm, was the first horse to carry that new saddle, Hands Up was the second. Storm foaled Marian's first Hands Up baby—a black filly.

This is the saddle used on ApHC Arrow Chief by Hands Up, in Frank Holmes book, <u>Spotted Pride</u>.

Highly will be bred to ApHC Bugs J Man—the beginning of the next 50 years!



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#### **Sooner ApHC History!**





The article at right appeared in the July 1965 issue of Appaloosa News (above) on page 51. Jim Chronister says these are Sooner's original officers. From the same issue, we discovered a picture of early Sooner member, Royce Crosby (below).

DUSTY TOMAHAWK, owned by Royce Crosby, Lawton, Okla. High Point Performance Horse, El Reno Appaloosa Show, El Reno, Oklahoma, 1965. All Around High Point Horse, Shawnee Appaloosa Show, Shawnee, Oklahoma, 1965.

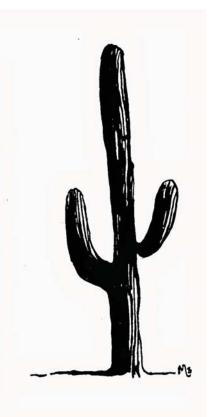
#### Oklahoma Club Elects Officers

Members of the Sooner Appaloosa Horse Club of Oklahoma elected 1965 officers during a combination meeting and picnic.

Officers include Frank Lake, Muskogee, president; Howard Thompson, Shawnee, vice-president; Janice Boatman, Shawnee, secretary; and Louann Shackelford, Shawnee, treasurer.

Directors are Gerald Mitchell, Checotah; Jerial Tilley, St. Louis; Don Douglas. Tulsa; Lloyd Quisenberry. Oklahoma City, and Bill States. Prague. Roving directors named are Jim Baldwin, Newalla, and Bob Kincade, Chelsea.

A highlight of the meeting was the showing of the film. "Appaloosa," with club members showing "movie-fan" enthusiasm for the production. Shows and races for the season were discussed with the Enid show set for Sept. 11.



As we close in on the 45th Anniversary of Sooner ApHC, I'll be combing through my old Appaloosa News for past articles about Sooner, plus any of our past and present members.

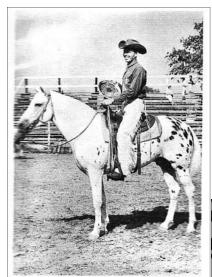
Some of my oldest Appaloosa News are still back in Illinois,

but they predate Sooner ApHC anyway.

The cover of the issue (at right) is from November, 1962, a few issues before they started printing the covers in full color.

If anyone is aware of past issues, with articles about Sooner ApHC members, past or present, be sure to pass that information on to our editor!





DUSTY TOMAHAWK, owned by Royce Crosby, Lawton, Okla. Claremore, Okla. — 1st, Men's Western Pleasure; 1st, Jr. Reining; 1st, Trail Class; 1st, Stump Race; 1st, Stake Race; 2nd, Costume; High Point Horse. Harrah, Okla. — 1st, Costume Class; 2nd, Men's Western Pleasure; 2nd, Stump Race; 2nd, Stake Race; High Point Horse of Show.

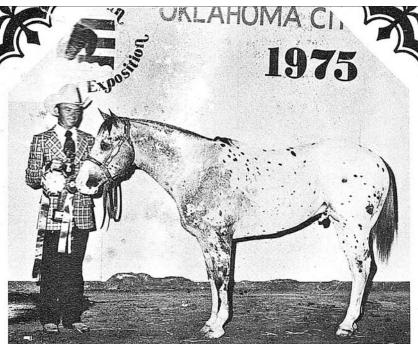
From the November 1975 issue of the Appaloosa News, we found a picture of John Letham showing Handy Sput for client, Jim Freeman, of Lawton, Oklahoma. (below)



HANDY SPUT, owned by Jim Freeman, Lawton, Okla., and shown by John Letham. 1st 1973 Mares, Stroud, Okla., July 13.

A little later in the year, Royce Crosby appeared in the September 1965 issue of the Appaloosa News, once again on Dusty Tomahawk. (left)

From a 1975 issue of Appaloosa News, was this bit of Sooner history. Below is a portion of an ad that featured the Crosby Ranch stallion, Prince Rocky. Prince Rocky was by Prince Plaudit. At that point in time, there were four Oklahoma regional clubs; Oklahoma; Sooner; Creek Nation; and Indian Territory. The reference to ITA, in the ad, would be referring to an Indian Territory show.



### PRINCE ROCKY

Reserve Champion Stallion 1975 All American, Oklahoma City

Prince Rocky has won Grand Champion Stallion at these 1975 Oklahoma shows. ITA at Jays Arena, Oklahoma at Lawton, Oklahoma at Chickasha, ITA at Stillwater, Sooner at Noble.

Prince Rocky's foals are winning again in 1975.

Princess Sand Rock owned by Jo and Kenneth Apala won First 1974 Filly at the ITA shows at Jays Arena and Mustang.

Rock-Allene also owned by the Apalas won First 1975 Filly at Stillwater, Harrah, All American and second at El Reno.

Unnamed 1975 colt owned by Glen and Francis McNees won firsts at Jays Arena, Lawton and Chickasha and seconds at All American and Harrah.

#### Sooner Shorts





MINGTON PARK

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ZEVI JOE Shake M Baby Shake M - 3rd

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B.c.3 Zevis Scooter Bug - Turf Made by Turf Bug B - Bred in OK by Jim Chronister Juan Mora - Owner

Guillermo Valdivia - Trainer Paul H. Nieto - Jockey Purse \$6,500 May 22, 2008





#### Remington Park, in Oklahoma City, names **Zevi Joe The 2008 Remington Park Champion** Appaloosa!

One of the few horses who had success in the overnight races against Paint horses throughout the season, Zevi Joe earned the top award for the Appaloosa by virtue of his three consecutive wins this season.

Owned by Juan Mora of Sperry, Oklahoma and trained by Guillermo Valdivia, Zevi Joe was ridden in all of his wins this season by Paul Nieto. The Oklahoma-bred by Zevis Scooter Bug, from the Turf Bug B mare, Turf Made, won all of his races by at least one length. He crushed his maiden opponents in late April, winning by two lengths. Zevi Joe was bred by Jim and Donna Chronister, Pryor, Oklahoma. Turf Made is now owned by Scott and Ashley Bolding, and they sent this recent note to Jim and Donna:

Just thought I would update you and let you know that your girls are doing wonderful. Turf Made is fat, fat, and heavy in foal to Stelen of course, she has become very best friends with another old mare we have that is the same age, one of the last daughters of Orphan Drift, that is also in foal. They do absolutely everything together, and are good company for each other since we keep them close to the house in order to keep a close eye on them and provide them with extra TLC. The two young mares are also in great shape and heavy in foal. Everyone raves about all 3 mares when they see them, especially the two young mares. I've had lots of offers to sell, but they are staying put. We'll send pictures in the spring when we have babies!



Lightnings Legacy, aka "Bandit," with Steve Bennett in Kansas. "Bandit" is owned by Jerry Crouch, Marian Alton and Larry Colley. He's race bred with roping and barrel kinfolk close up. He's a colored grandson of AQHA All American Futurity Winner, Bugs Alive In 75.

#### **Larry Stays Busy!**

Sooner member, Larry Colley, has finished the new pipe pen at his place in Terlton, Oklahoma for "Bandit," who will be brought there from Steve Bennett's place, south of Independence, Kansas.

Sooner members, Steve and Helen McDaniel, owned late ApHC Lightning Bug B, and "Bandit" is his last foal, last son. Steve's son, Matt, gave "Bandit" his registered name.

The Colley family owns ApHC We Go Legacy, mother of "Bandit." She is a full sister to National Barrel Champion, We Bad, both being by ApHC We Go Dixie, out of ApHC Trudys Star, granddaughter of AQHA El Charro Rocket AAA+, with bottom side loaded with Appaloosa foundation breeding.

#### A HAPPY DAY ... One of Thanks!



Sooner member, Martha Swartz, took this one of Jerry and Marian after Martha, husband Don, Jerry and Marian had eaten at the Hammett House Restaurant in Claremore. It was the first time in eight months the four had got together for lunch. Jerry had a rough summer and fall, and after recovering from gall bladder surgery, he had to have an esophagus stretch to ease his swallowing problem. He is into his third year of remaining cancer free after surviving the 30—40% chance to live through chemo, radiation, and surgery in 2006.

He and Marian give thanks, every day, for being able to be together (25 years in February), be home, and be outdoors doing chores every day. They are looking forward to the first foals by their

stallion, ApHC Bugs J Man, and say <u>Thank You</u> to all the folks who have been involved with "Stelen's" first year at stud and who will be involved in 2009. Marian also wants all members who contributed to Sooner News stories, photos, ads, <u>etc</u>, to know how much their efforts are appreciated, every minute, mile, and dollar.

Marian's biggest <u>Thank You</u> goes to that special man of hers, Jerry Crouch, who remains at her side through all the good and bad times and grins his way through her addiction to horses. Marian says, "Jerry is the best thing to ever happen to me—I couldn't keep going with the horses if not for his help and understanding—it's tough for him to put up with a crazy woman!" C'mon, 2009, here we go again! Bring on the work, new plans, new and old friendships! Wishing GOOD HEALTH, GOOD LUCK, GOOD LAUGHS TO EVERYONE!

Jerry and Marian



The late Senator Robert S. Kerr, leaning over coach to chat with a passenger during the Okmulgee, Oklahoma, Pow Wow parade. Col. John A. Guthrie, Muskogee, producer of the 1940 event, handles driving assignment for his distinguished guest.

#### Oklahoma History

The photo and caption on the left were found in an Appaloosa News from the 1960's. The event itself, however, apparently took place in 1940.

There was no mention if the horse pulling the stage coach happened to be an Appaloosa or not, or if Col. John A. Guthrie or the late Senator Robert S. Kerr were ApHC members.

While the reason for it appearing in the Appaloosa News is unclear, it was nice to find the piece of Oklahoma history.

#### The Appaloosa Halloween Pumpkin

Your newsletter editor was so impressed with the Colley family Halloween pumpkin that appeared in the last issue, that when word got back to Lori Colley, she, with a little coaching from Marian Alton, decided present Gerry with his own carved pumpkin, (right) at the November 22 meeting.

There were three different scenes carved into the side of this pumpkin, with a flickering light inside.





November 22, 2008 Meeting, Golden Corral Restaurant, Claremore, Oklahoma

One of our larger turn outs, in quite some time, and we certainly didn't get everyone on film! New members attending were Martha (far left) Swartz, and Dr. Don Swartz across from her. Gwen Johnson, sitting next to Martha, and Gwen's husband, Buck, across from her.

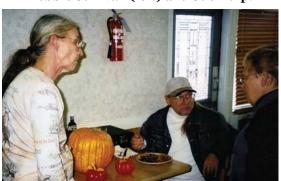
At the back table is Sooner member, Bill Conley, visiting with long time friends, Valerie (in red) and Phyllis Hustace.

Larry Colley is in the foreground (bottom right) smiling about the trick they helped play on Editor Gerry, when they decided to present Gerry with his own carved Halloween pumpkin at the November 22 meeting.

Editor's note: I wish I would have arrived a little earlier to have had ample time to meet everyone that came. Unfortunately, I had my travel time figured a little on the short side, that day.



Debbie Sullivan (left) and Sue Kulp.



Editor Gerry with the jack-o-lantern that was given to him by his 'fans.' Dedra Tiger (left), and Joan Marshall are waiting to see if the fire extinguisher will be needed.



Youth members, clockwise from left, Cayenne Colley, Katelynn Sokolowski, and Samana Bennet.

Inside the pumpkin is the somewhat flattened cone shaped lighted device that made the pumpkin look like it had a real flickering candle inside.





All photos on this page by Marian Alton

#### Some Things Never Change! Fish Stories From Fisherman's!

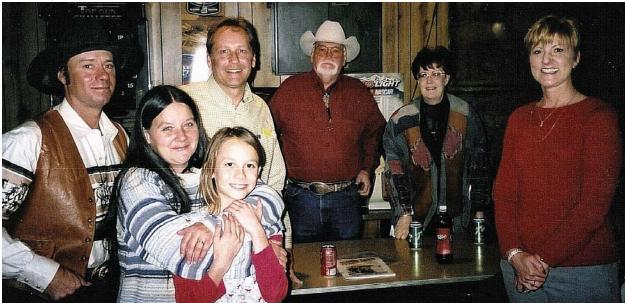


From left to right; Jim Lovell, Miriam Lovell, Donna Chronister and Jim Chronister. The only way to keep Jim L. and Jim C. quiet, is to separate them. This fact is in the Sooner club's recorded history—HA! Thank you to my "partner in crime," Editor Gerry, for making two photos into one. Marian. Editor's note: yes, those were two separate photos, placed side by side, to create one image. Marian took both pictures at the Christmas get-together at Fisherman's Landing in Foyil, Oklahoma, December 13, 2008.



Somehow, I don't appear all that innocent in the picture at the left. Hey Marian......

At the Sooner ApHC Christmas get-together, we had the opportunity to see some new faces along with the familiar ones. From left, Larry Colley, Lori Colley and Samana Bennett. Behind Samana Bennett is new member Mike French. Next are members John and Donna Clements of Quinton, Oklahoma, and on the far right is Karin French, who is Mike's wife. Mike and Karin hail from Mounds, Oklahoma.





All photos: Carol Johnson, except bottom center, by Marian Alton

#### Sooner Shorts



Black
Annie
Hands
still calls
the shots
on the
Alton
Farm!

The Colley family, Mike and Karin French, and Editor Gerry Lukacik, take time to visit 35 years, 8 months old, ApHC Black Annie Hands before heading north, from Claremore, for the holiday get-together.

Larry Colley has been helping Mike and Karin locate two Appaloosa mares, etc., since he introduced them to the Sooner club, and they joined.

Welcome, Mike and Karin!





### They're ganging up on me!

Every tough cowboy knows there are times when it's best to RUN!

Colton Colley was having fun petting Jerry Crouch's sorrel mare through the gate until her big half sister strolled up alongside, and two more big mares came to check him out.

#### **Your Sooner ApHC** Newsletter

**Behind The Scenes** 



As the Sooner ApHC Newsletter has grown, over the past year, printing and assembling it has somewhat of

First, each page is printed, front and back, in the amount needed for distribution to our membership, and those pages are set in individual piles. Early on, all the stacks could fit down one side of my dining room table.

As each issue grew, the stacks around the edge of the table grew, until the table couldn't hold them all, so an end table had to be moved into position to accommodate the extra pages. Eventually, that wasn't enough space either, and an additional platform had to be added.

Help arrived, for the September / October issue, when Carol Johnson, Dedra Tiger, and Katelynn Sokolowski stopped by, to help in assembling all of the newsletters. When they were all assembled, and labeled, we drove them to the Oktaha Post Office to be mailed.

We actually made a little party out of this project, with Gerry serving up one of his special crock pot recipes, with ice cream for dessert. Carol took a little time out to snap a couple of pictures. Everyone also had a chance to briefly check out all the 'critters' at Gerry's place.

The staple gun, in the picture, is used exclusively for the newsletter assembly. True to it's name, "One Touch," you can easily staple through 30+ pages of the Sooner Newsletter, with as little as one finger to press it down. "It is Staples own brand of stapler, and truly, one of the easiest I've ever worked with," says Gerry.

Since the newsletter has continued to grow, and I've slowly run out of room to set up more tables for it's assembly, the newsletters are now printed up in batches of ten or twelve at a time. It actually seems to go faster, and is easier on the back, since you aren't spending a few hours, bent over, putting them together, but have breaks in-between each batch.

My cat, not used to visitors, stayed hidden from view the entire time.

#### Sooner Shorts



Blazin Zipper, Sired By John And Debby Letham's Stallion, Appears In Brooks And Dunn Music Video, "Cowgirls Don't Cry," Along With Reba McIntyre

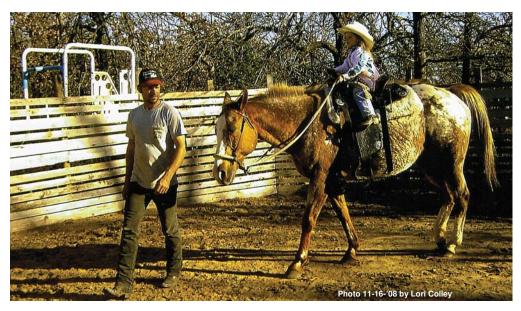
Sooner members, John and Debby Letham, bred the mare that produced this horse, Blazin Zipper, that appears in the latest Brooks and Dunn music video, "Cowgirls Don't Cry."

He was trained by Gail Burke, with a very good beginning in life from Royce Crosby, who raised him. Congratulations to all!



#### Sooner Member, Theresa Colley, Celebrates Birthday On Horseback With Family





One of Theresa's birthday requests was to ride horseback and be allowed to use Marian's 50 year old saddle which her daddy, Larry, had brought home to clean up for Marian. The "birthday girl" got her wish and rode it on We Go Legacy for a long time until the mare's legs and Larry's got tired.

Helping celebrate Theresa's birthday, sister Cary got her own wish which she had made known for several weeks. She vowed to be the first one to ride "Wrangler," the ApHC Forty One JJ yearling (now 2 year old as of January 1st), the Colley family got from Sooner members Don and Karen Marr of Indiana. Cary got her wish which sure made her happy, and "Wrangler" loved all the attention.



Cary and "Wrangler" (above)





Cayenne on gentle leopard stallion "Rainmaker" (above) while Larry has a 'heart to heart' with Jerry's and Marian's two year old 3 X Hands Up stallion, ZIPEZ CO NATIVE, aka "Gander."

#### Sooner Shorts

#### **New Member**

New member, Leonard Harvison, lives in Cameron, Oklahoma, way over east on the Arkansas line. He has a race filly by ApHC Forty One JJ and is a friend of Sooner member, Karen Marr, who told him about the Sooner club. Leonard has a loud color, gentle, green broke mare for sale whose breeding is ApHC Freckles Bandit, AQHA Pacific Bailey, AQHA Oklahoma Star, etc. She is priced right, and Leonard wants her to have a good home. Sooner members, Gerry Lukacik, Jerry Crouch and Marian Alton hope to meet Leonard at Muskogee, Oklahoma soon for lunch and a good visit. Maybe Leonard will bring some good photos for Sooner News.

#### **Suggested Meeting Location**

Karen Marr said to tell all Sooner members she will furnish the food and location for a Sooner meeting if we could have it in Scottsburg, Indiana! Our <u>hearts</u> are willing, right?

#### Another, er, "Fish" Story

Although our holiday get-together at Fisherman's, north of Claremore, had its problems pertaining to incorrect directions and short-handed meal service, around 23 members attended and enjoyed good food, the big fireplace, plenty of laughs. A good joke, not intended to even happen, was on Marian when she worried who it was that called Fisherman's number asking for correct directions, but no one knew the cell number left with the lady in charge. She gave three numbers to Marian, who called them all - finally a lady answered. She was Sooner member Donna Clements from Quinton, Oklahoma, and was already inside Fisherman's and she and her husband, John, had just been introduced to Marian! Jim and Miriam Lovell had checked out the route the evening before, called Marian, who made poster signs, which Carol Johnson and Larry Colley helped put out the next day on the way.. It was quite a convoy that left Stillwater Milling following Marian who led, made a too soon turn at Foyil at the school, had to "circle the wagons" and go to the next correct turn off.

#### **A Little Shopping**

Stillwater Milling, in Claremore, often orders Frank Holmes' great book, SPOTTED PRIDE, and has a few copies on hand most of the time. The store has a super good selection of children's books—tots on up, plus there are all kinds of horseman's, livestock, etc. books for grown-ups. There is also a nice selection of tack, clothes, etc., and cowboy and cowgirl statues—recently a beautiful, detailed APPALOOSA statue. Several of these were purchased by Sooner members.

#### **More New Members**

New members, Mike and Karin French of Mounds, Oklahoma, are off to a great start with the help of member, Larry Colley. French's already have two Appaloosa mares, foundation bred, purchased from Stan and Leanne Ward of Haskell, Oklahoma, who advertised in the November / December issue of Sooner News. Mike and Karin made the long trip from Mounds to attend the Fisherman's get-together and met several Sooner members. Welcome, Mike and Karin!

#### Remember To Get Your ApHC Dues Sent In!

The only way you can vote in the next election for ApHC National Director is to have your dues into the ApHC office, in Moscow, by the 15th of March. Send your national dues in after that date, and you will not get a ballot!

#### Janice Dickie Passes.....



Photo taken November 6, 2008. Michigan. Janice, with Ronnie and Janice's new puppy, "Max." Janice sent this picture, and several others, to Marian Alton, and they arrived in the mail the day Janice passed away.

# Wisconsin Sooner Member, Janice Dickie, Passes Away.

She was truly "A Woman of the People." Known throughout the land of the Menominee, forty miles NW of Green Bay, as a caregiver of those who dealt with illness, tragedy, or were old and homebound, she was one of the strongest women physically and mentally, I've ever known. She loved the outdoors and wildlife, and looked forward to winter and snow. Out the huge window in the front room of their house, there is a giant, long bird feeder, which sometimes attracts little black bears too.

For over forty years, she was married to my late uncle Marion's son, Ronnie, and lived near the beautiful, wild Wolf River, which feeds into the Fox River at Green Bay. Ronnie was home with her when she had the fatal heart attack.

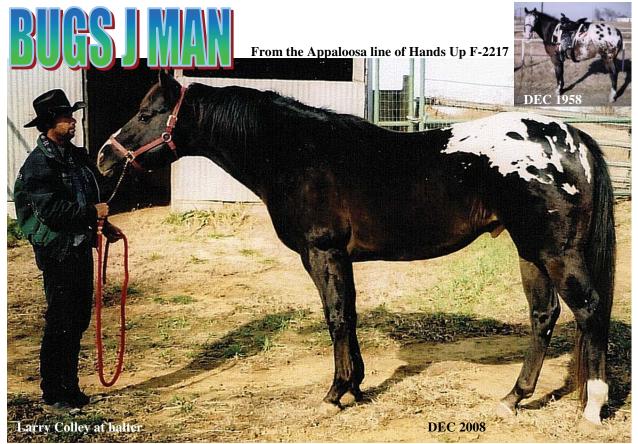
She died Monday, 1-5-'09, and on that day, Jerry brought me a letter and photos home from the Post Office from her! Her birthday was the next day ... I planned to call her, as always For the last eighteen years we called every month and shared the family news. On my Wisconsin visits, they would have me stay with them, and it was a special time, always appreciated. They lived just twenty miles from where my late mother was born.

Although their last horse has been gone many years, Ronnie and Janice have enjoyed Sooner News, and I had renewed their membership for 2009.

At the time of this writing, 1-7-'09, I'll be on that plane leaving Tulsa tomorrow A.M. and in Green Bay at 4:30 P.M. where another favorite cousin, Charmaine, will meet me. It will be a lonesome round trip, but still, it's a family time in the Wolf River country.

Another northwoods voice is stilled, but we will all be there for Ronnie—and Janice. There's a record forty inches of snow, and tough as the going is, she would say, "Now I've got snow!" The magic will still be there—quieter, not as sparkly, but there.

Marian Alton



"Stelen" is in Oklahomabred and Strike It Rich Futurity programs, the new Sooner Super Stallion Stakes program from Sooner ApHC, as well as the OAR Stallion Service Auction, etc. First foals arrive in 2009.



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Bugs J Man

2002 Stallion



**Bugs Alive In 75** AQHA

Ralph's Lady Bug

Top Moon AQHA

AQHA

**Bolodier** TB

Scarlet O'Hara B

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Saucy Gal AQHA

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Rica Bar AQHA Jack's Jet TB

Moon Deck AQHA

Lady Bug Leo AQHA

Bolero TB

Ballarita TB Hands Up ApHC

Marsha ApHC

Indian Hemp TB

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Mr Bar None AQHA

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Lightning Bug B

ApHC See Hands Up chapter in "Spotted Pride" book by Frank Holmes

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**Heza Ten Too** AQHA

Miss Ten Too

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#### **Alton Appaloosas and Art**

Jerry "J Man" Crouch or Marian Alton

Marian Alton (50 years Hands Up breeder)



Acrylic/Ink A Specialty

2009 stud fee is \$750 with consideration for proven mares and multiple mare discount. Fee remains \$500 for Sooner ApHC members only. Joleta Ingersoll-Spurlock remains authorized agent in charge of collection, AI, shipped semen. No mare will be bred until a copy of her registration is sent beforehand or presented at the time of arrival to Hatbrand Reproduction. Mare care, wet or dry, will be \$12.00 a day. Joleta Ingersoll-Spurlock (918) 543-3877

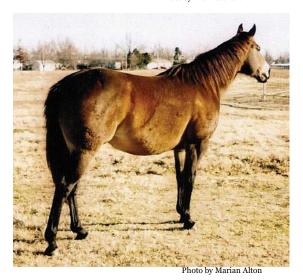
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#### We Are Looking Forward To That First







Martha spends an enjoyable quiet moment with Molly who knows Martha has a treat for her.

Marian and Martha first met in 1957 at Tulsa University where they majored in commercial art.



70 years old Marian Alton, and 22 years old AQHA Atrail look over the back of Atrail's daughter, AQHA Molly Jane Brown, who's in foal to Bugs J Man.

The mares are owned by Sooner members, Dr. Don and Martha Swartz of Owasso, Oklahoma.

Atrail is by AQHA Bugs Alive In 75, out of AQHA Queen Of Trumps, by AQHA Easy Jet. Molly is by AQHA Time To Win, half brother to AQHA Bully Bullion, both being out of AQHA Mary Poppins.

Martha has had a good time joking with lifelong friend, Marian, that Molly is going to have "a plain solid brown stud colt."

Marian is staying on course for a colored filly, but said the main thing is for mama and baby and humans to survive all the excitement.



Photo by Marian Altor

Martha and Don, retired veterinarian, have raised some champion palominos over the years with the bloodlines of AQHA Gold King Bailey, AQHA Big Step, etc.

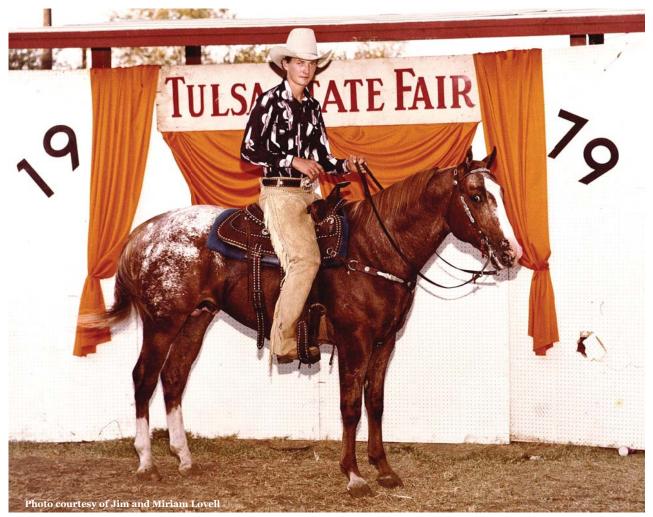
Martha and Marian had an unforgettable ride in the late 1960's from Martha's home east of Owasso to Alton Farm 17 miles away. Martha rode Arrow Chief, Marian's son of Hands Up. Marian rode an AQHA Zan V bred stallion. Now, fifty years later, they're still enjoying friendship and looking forward to a uniquely special foal.

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#### Remembering....

#### **ApHC PRINS RICK**

1977-2008



Kelly Smallwood on two year old Prins Rick.

The week before Christmas, Jim and Miriam Lovell, had to say "so long" to their favorite Appaloosa oldtimer, Prins Rick, their gelding. He was a much loved four legged family member who carried Carleen and Sonya, the Lovell daughters, safely through the 1980's in Sooner Club speed events, and had also competed in Pleasure and Cattle classes.

Before being gelded, Sooner member, Kelly Smallwood, had trained and shown "Rick." Later, "Rick" was Miriam's gentle, dependable, trail horse, including going on the Robber's Cave Ride.

Miriam, who's from Holland, used the Dutch spelling of PRINS in place of PRINCE, when they purchased him as a yearling from Sheldack Ranch in North Dakota, and named him. Sooner members, John and Debbie Letham, hauled him to Oklahoma when they returned from the Billings, Montana Nationals. He was sired by ApHC PRINCE DAVID by ApHC PRINCE PLAUDIT. His dam was AQHA MISS RICK JET.



Sonya Lovell with niece, Corrie, and "Rick" in Leadline class at Claremore Expo. "Rick" was past 20 years old in the above picture.

Carleen and Sonya won several high point year end awards on "Rick." When Sonya lost her gelding, Lucky, she and Carleen finished out the year on "Rick."

The Lovell matched geldings may be seen in the Nov / Dec 2008 issue of Sooner News in the Big Buck and C. J. Story.

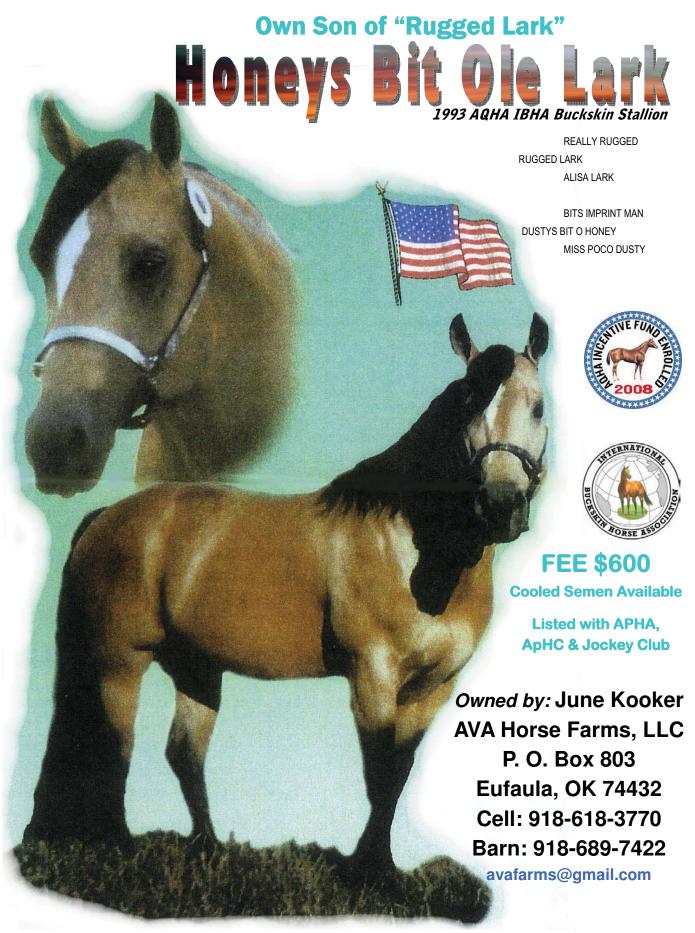
Prins Rick lived out his final years in his own pasture with a pond and shed. He's buried beside his buddy, Lucky, in the pasture next to the Lovell driveway. He would have been 32 in January, 2009.

Note: Sooner member Joleta Ingersoll's husband, Larry Spurlock, knows how horse people love their favorites and sometimes are in desperate need of help during an emergency. In spite of machine problems earlier, bitter cold wind and drizzle and sundown not long off, Larry had the gelding buried before the weather worsened only a couple of hours later.

Jim and Miriam want to thank Larry again for coming to help them.

Is it fitting to say, "A prins of a man went the last mile to bring closure to the final need of a prins of an Appaloosa?" I think so ...

Submitted by Marian Alton







#### Spicy Deviled Eggs



6 hard boiled eggs

1 tablespoon fresh parsley

1 tablespoon scallions, minced

1 small jalapeno pepper

1/4 cup mayonnaise

1/4 cup shredded cheddar cheese

1 teaspoon Dijon mustard

1/2 teaspoon cilantro pinch cayenne pepper pinch chili powder 1/4 teaspoon salt 1/2 teaspoon paprika

1/2 teaspoon horseradish, grated

1/4 teaspoon celery seed

#### **DIRECTIONS:**

- Slice each egg in half crosswise. Scrape out yolks into a bowl. Add mayonnaise, mustard and blend together. Add remaining ingredients.
- 2. Spoon approximately 1 tablespoon of yolk mixture into each egg half. Sprinkle lightly with chili powder and paprika. Garnish with a sprig of parsley.



#### Mediterranean Portobello Burger



This mushroom sandwich comes topped with a luscious Greek-style salad. Make it a meal: Serve with cucumber spears and a glass of Firestone Gewurztraminer.

1 clove garlic, minced

1/2 teaspoon kosher salt

2 tablespoons extra virgin olive oil, divided

4 Portobello mushroom caps, stems and gills removed

4 slices country style sourdough bread, cut in half

1/2 cup sliced jarred roasted red peppers

1/2 cup chopped tomato

1/4 cup crumbled reduced fat feta cheese

2 tablespoons chopped pitted Kalamata olives

1 tablespoon red wine vinegar

1/2 teaspoon dried oregano

2 cups loosely packed mixed baby salad greens

#### **DIRECTIONS**

- Preheat oven to medium high.
- 2. Mash garlic and salt on a cutting board with the side of a knife until it's a smooth paste. Mix the paste with 1 tablespoon oil in a small dish. Lightly brush the oil mixture over portobellos and then on one side of each slice of bread.
- 3. Combine red peppers, tomato, feta, olives, vinegar, oregano and the remaining 1 tablespoon oil in a medium bowl.
- 4. Grill the mushroom caps until tender, about 4 minutes per side; grill the bread until crisp, about 1 minute per side.
- 5. Toss salad greens with red pepper mixture. Place the grilled mushrooms top side down on 4 halfslices of the bread. Top with the salad mixture and the remaining bread.



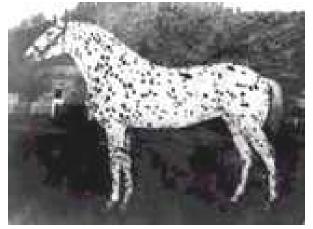
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#### History, and more.....

#### **Remember Starbuck Leopard?**

By Marian Alton



The wild history of pre-foundation leopard stallion, Starbuck Leopard, ancestor of several Sooner members Appaloosas came to mind when I saw a six page story/photos on him by Mary P. Hare, in a copy of Foundation Appaloosa Horse Registry which Larry Colley brought to Claremore a few weeks ago. Following the information on ApHC Sundance F-500, grandson of Starbuck Leopard, is a condensed version of the six pages in the FAHR.

Our main interest in Sundance, for this story, is his sorrel/white 1941 daughter, Sundust F-1335, out of Rosalie F-21. Otis Barber of Wyoming bred Rosalie to Sundance in 1940, with the resulting foal being Sundust. Phil Jenkins, breeder of Sundance, bought Sundust to breed to his imported Arabian, Iben Hilal. The resulting foal was red roan Frosty-Ann F-1336 (middle left) who became the great granddam of ApHC Hall Of Fame



producer, We Go Melody, mother of Hall Of Fame race mare and great producer, We Go Charge. We Go Charge was the mother of champion runners, Easy We Go, Scooter Bug G, etc., who went on to be proven sires and broodmare sires. Above information is in the Sundance chapter in Frank Holmes' book, SPOTTED PRIDE.

Sooner members, Jim and Miriam Lovell, bred, own and race a colt, Bug Be Gone, second in the 2008 Strike It Rich Futurity, who is loaded with the

blood of We Go Charge. His sire, ApHC Zevis Scooter Bug is a Scooter Bug grandson. His dam, ApHC We Go Soso, is by ApHC We Go Dixie, son of ApHC Easy We Go. Soso's dam is a Scooter Bug granddaughter which Lovells owned previously. Lovells live in Claremore, Oklahoma. Sooner members, Jim and Donna Chronister, of Pryor, Oklahoma, are the breeders of race winner, Zevi Joe.

Sooner members, Don and Karen Marr, Scottsburg, Indiana, owned the Appaloosa medallion runner and medallion sire, Forty One JJ, until selling him a few months ago. They still own a colored JJ daughter, and will have a final JJ foal from their TB mare in 2009. If it's a filly, Karen plans to "torture" someone in Oklahoma about owning her. (See 'newsflash on opposite page.)

Some young colored Marr bred Appaloosas are now in NE Oklahoma with Sooner members Editor Gerry Lukacik and the Colley family. A new Sooner member, Leonard Harvison, Cameron, Oklahoma, has a Forty One JJ filly to race. One of the participants in the National Championship Endurance Ride, held in Stillwater, Oklahoma, last October, Dr. Jeff Hartman, has a JJ offspring in Pennsylvania.

Sooner members, Jerry Crouch and Marian Alton, own retired 25 years old ApHC We Go Dixie SI 100, son of Easy We Go. They have two Dixie daughters and a loud colored grandson out of the Colley mare, We Go Legacy.

Now—getting back to Starbuck Leopard, ancestor of all the mentioned Appaloosas owned by Sooner members, the following facts stand out from the research based on letters from Arlin Davidson, grandson of Amasa Davidson, who was the breeder of <u>The Kid</u>, later known as Starbuck Leopard.

Amasa was a first generation of Utah born Mormons who became cowboy/rancher in the 1890's until he passed away in 1930 at Mount Pleasant, San Pete County, Utah. The "East Desert" of Utah ran eastward from San Pete County and took in the famed "Robbers Roost" of outlaw sagas and the "San Rafael Swell." From the time of the earliest white settlers of Utah Territory, leopards ran native on the San Rafael Swell.

Amasa Davidson, in the late 1870's, captured a blue spotted stallion off the San Rafael Range and named him King Of The Mountain a.k.a. "King." In the 1890's, Amasa's blue spotted double King bred mare foaled a red spotted colt by another San Rafael saddle horse whose actual name was Mine Guard, but was known to have been the mount of bank robber, Butch Cassity. After being wounded, Cassity rode in to the Davidson Ranch and stayed several months to recuperate. Blue Cotton, the doublebred King mare, was bred to Mine Guard, the Cassity leopard, and in 1890, Red Spotted Prince was born.

In 1912, Amasa Davidson bred his sorrel spotted linebred King Of The Mountains mare, Sis, to Prince, and on May 18, 1913, <u>The Kid</u> was foaled at Fort Bridger, Wyoming. He was born with dime to quarter

News Flash: Don and Karen Marr have a brand new colored filly by Forty One JJ, and has already begun 'torturing' Marian Alton, and Editor Gerry about finding this little filly a new home in Oklahoma!



sized black spots over his entire body and became a superior individual for his time. His black spots apparently came from his maternal grandsire, Silver Dick Jr. Prince's ancestors were blue, sorrel, bay spotted according to the extended pedigree in the records kept by the Davidson family. Arlin Davidson shared this pedigree with the Appaloosa World after he identified the Starbuck Leopard photo as that of <u>The Kid</u>.

Amasa Davidson raised only two colt crops before The Kid was stolen and none of the Davidson family ever saw him again. At one point, \$1,500 was offered for his return. In 1949, an old reward poster was found in an old building. It's the only known one in existence. Joes Henry, known to Amasa, located The Kid, finally, and was riding him home when several men waylaid him, took the stallion, and Joes escaped with his life, though three others died over the incident. After a last attempt to locate The Kid in Cheyenne, Wyoming, Amasa Davidson never again looked for his leopard stallion.

Around 1918, a leopard stallion was left at a livery barn in Cheyenne by a drunken cowboy. John Campbell purchased the horse for the feed bill and later John Starbuck bought the black leopard stallion and three white mares. During the 1930's, Starbuck sold the stallion to Charles Cummings who died a couple years later. Mrs. "Mike" Alvarez of Jacksonville, Florida, Secretary and Historian of the Starbuck Leopard Breeders Association believed that Starbuck Leopard died from old age around 1939 or 1940.

Had not Arlin Davidson read the article "Accent On Spots" and recognized the photo of Starbuck Leopard being The Kid, the mystery of the stallion's early years and his breeding might still be a mystery.

One of Starbuck Leopard's gelded grandsons, Spider K F-1219, was a famous promoter of the Appaloosa breed. He was ridden by the chief in the movie "How The West Was Won." Purchased by Jean Tanner in 1958, the pair later participated in three Tournament Of Roses parades including the 1976 bicentennial. Mrs. Tanner wore parade attire astride a sterling silver saddle on Spider. He had also excelled as a lead horse for pack mules in California's High Sierras. His last parade was July 4, 1976. A couple weeks later he died at age 27. He had been featured in the "Builders Of The Breed" series in the November 1974 issue of Appaloosa News.

Note from Marian: Thank You Larry Colley, for bringing your FAHR copy for me to see. This was a great information center on along ago stallion who left his mark in the Appaloosa world.



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#### Member Spotlight



McFarlin—Ingersoll Ranch is one of Oklahoma's twelve largest, and Sooner Member, Joleta Ingersoll—Spurlock, husband Larry, and sons, Walt and Bryce, have a home built to handle their needs atop a high hill overlooking the north end of the ranch. Highway 88 borders the property. A historical stone entrance marks the long driveway to the house, barns, and pipe pens. From there, a private road extends south to Joleta's parents, Win and Kay Ingersoll's home.

The McFarlin Ranch started in 1915 when R. M. McFarlin purchased 3,150 acres of bluestem in



Rogers County. Mr. Gid Graham was Mr. McFarlin's land agent, and together they proceeded to buy adjoining tracts of land. The ranch reached over 10,000 acres by the year 1928 and remained that size until the early 1960's when an additional 1,600 acres were purchased by other family members. Today, the ranch remains approximately 11,500 acres in size.

McFarlin, along with his son-in-law, J. A. Chapman, and other family members, owned ranches in New Mexico, plus in Rolf, Holdenville,

Ardmore, and Pawhuska, Oklahoma. All of the ranches owned by McFarlin have been sold outside the family except the one north of Inola.

R. M. McFarlin had two daughters, Mrs. Pauline Walter and Mrs. Leta Chapman. Both of these ladies were very knowledgeable about ranching and were involved in running their ranch. Sooner member, Joleta, is named for Leta Chapman, and Joleta's and Larry's son, Walt, derived his name from the Walter last name. Walt, age 6, rides his blazed face sorrel gelding with his dad and the cowboys, and helps bring the cattle to the pens. His gelding is a HORSE—no pony for this McFarlin descendant! Baby brother, Bryce, two years old, doesn't ride yet, but he does love to make trips to and from the barns with his mom in the "golf cart."

At present, there are about 1,000 mother cows on the ranch, with primarily Angus bulls and some Hereford bulls being used. In the 1960's, Hereford and Brangus bulls were used and crossed heifers were kept. Salers, Limousin, and Charolais bulls were brought in to improve thickness and frame size of the cows. This has resulted in bringing the ranches genetics to its all time best.

Present weanling weight for steers is 600 pounds, 550 pounds for heifers—about 50 pounds heavier than in the past years. When it's time to work cattle, or ship calves, it's still tradition to trade labor with neighboring ranches.

Today, the McFarlin—Ingersoll Ranch is owned by R. M. McFarlin's great grandson, Win Ingersoll, whose father, Winthrop Ingersoll, once owned the famous sire of top rodeo mounts, AQHA BERT. The present Win Ingersoll and wife, Kay, have lived on the ranch 44 years, and their daughters, Wendy and Joleta, live on the ranch too.

Joleta's husband, Larry Spurlock, has operated his own business, Cowboy Trucking, for about twelve years. Wendy's husband, Dee Keener, is race trainer for the ranch's race colts and outside prospects. Dee and Wendy are both involved in racing. Their sons are Razz, age 9, and Radley, age 4.

Joleta's and Wendy's mother, Kay, and her father, Howard Huff, introduced the family's first racehorse in 1980 when they bought AQHA JESSIE JET, a daughter of AQHA FLAMING JET AAAT.



Joleta, 2 year old Bryce with the family dog in front of Joleta's barn. (above)

McFarlin—Ingersoll rock entrance leading to Joleta's home on the hill on north end of ranch. (middle, opposite page)

Looking west to Larry's and Joleta's and sons' home on McFarlin—Ingersoll Ranch. (top, opposite page) All three photos by Marian Alton, July, 2008.

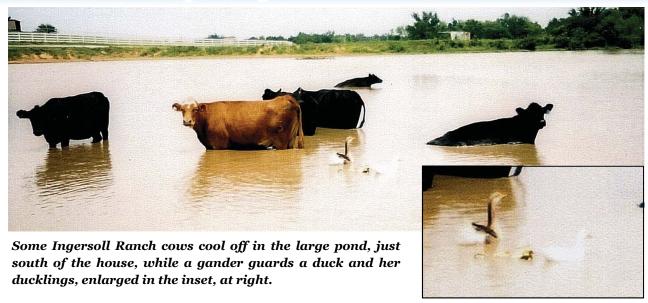
Win was president of the Oklahoma Horseman's Association for many years and was a driving force behind getting pari-mutuel racing passed in Oklahoma. Daughter, Wendy, is always available to answer racing questions regarding Oklahoma breds. Wendy graduated OSU with a B.A. degree; then from TU with a law degree.

Joleta, owner and manager of HAT BRAND REPRODUCTION (the HAT BRAND name was first used by R. M. McFarlin) attended OSU, graduated with a B.A. degree in Animal Science. At NSU, she received a Masters of Sciences, basically Biology; then went back to OSU to complete about forty hours of graduate work in Animal Reproduction. She also went to Mississippi to embryo transfer school.

Joleta gives much credit to her vet, Dr. Steve Seidenberger of East Side Vet Clinic in Collinsville, Oklahoma, for the early encouragement her gave her to continue to learn and attain her goal which was to become involved in the home ranch breeding operation, plus have her own stallions to stand to the public, and be successful in modern collection, AI, shipped semen, mare care, etc., procedures. All this she has accomplished with plenty of pride and confidence, plus has the special gift of having patience and understanding with all animals, whether it's a baby duck, goat, or the horses. She has two farriers, Lynn Pennick, and Randy Kirkes.

Joleta purchased her first stallion, AQHA IM DASHING, around 1992 at the Heritage Place sale. He is by the great sire, AQHA STREAKIN SIX, out of the AQHA DASH FOR CASH daughter, AQHA DASHINGLY. In 2000, Joleta purchased AQHA MAI KAI at the Heritage Place Sale. He's a black

#### Member Spotlight



son of COUP DE KAS (TB), out of AQHA TINYS MISS GAY. His third dam is mother of AQHA LANTYS JET, which Joleta feels was a great mare. Joleta purchased MIA KAI to cross on IM DASHING daughters, and it is a fine cross so far. IM DASHING babies are sound, solid, honest. MAI KAI

babies are classy, athletic, and intelligent.

In the 2009 breeding season, Joleta will be standing her AQHA stallions and her APHA bay and white THE DASHING HERO by TEXAS HERO out of DASHER ON THE TAKE by AQHA DASH FOR CASH. Also standing is the highly bred Thoroughbred, STORM RULER by STORM BIRD (TB). For more photos and information on the Ingersoll stallions, be sure to visit their ad in this issue.

Joleta will also be standing the Appaloosa race stallion, BLUE OYSTER CULT, for 2009, and he has already arrived at the ranch. Joleta has included him in her ad, and he has a service donated to the Oklahoma Appaloosa Racing Association, as well.

Joleta will again be stallion manager of ApHC BUGS J MAN owned by Jerry Crouch and Marian Alton, also included in the Ingersoll Ranch / Hat Brand Reproduction ads.



Im Dashing, Joleta Ingersoll— Spurlock's AQHA stallion, has played an important part in Joleta's breeding program for the past 17 years.

Painting by Mikel Donahue

It is a year round non-stop schedule for Joleta, what with family and ranch responsibilities, and Larry and she stay involved, also, in community activities. The ranch employees are hands who are good with horses, cattle, and children.

Because of the widening of Highway 88 on the ranch east/south border, there was a long drawn out legal battle at the courthouse in Claremore, recently. The Ingersoll family remained united and on hand, each day, to fight for their rights concerning a fair settlement for replacing the fences, huge cattle guard, and the historical rock entrance leading to the home and barns on the hill location. Joleta chose the hill for a building spot especially because she wanted to use the old rock entrance, which is at least 75 years old. Another favorite site farther south from the house is where a stagecoach stop was. Gun, bit, spur, etc., remains were found. The entrance now belongs to the state and will be demolished, and new fences, cattle guard, entrance, part of the driveway, will be rebuilt nearby.

Not only the families will miss having the rock entrance, but many longtime residents of Rogers County know the historical landmark's disappearance will leave a lonesome void in the landscape. However, just as they have for over 90 years, the McFarlin-Ingersoll descendents will overcome the unwelcome change, remember the beauty of the original long enjoyed sites, and continue to treasure, improve, and thrive on one of Oklahoma's truly cowboy and cowgirl ranches where the modern touches blend with the old time traditions, and heritage prevails.

To celebrate the end of 2008, and the beginning of 2009, the Ingersoll family took a trip to Disneyland, and sent these photographs back from that trip.



From left to right; Larry Spurlock (Joleta's husband), Bryce Spurlock, Walt Spurlock (Larry and Joleta's two boys), Wendy Keener (Joleta's sister) and Dee Keener, who is also a successful Appaloosa race horse trainer.

From left to right, Kay Ingersoll, Bryce Spurlock, Walt Spurlock, Razz Keener, and Win Ingersoll.

Note: Thank you, Joleta, for the two hours you took from a busy day to meet and share some of the Ingersoll Ranch family history and present plans. A special thank you to Larry who spent time with Walt and Bryce so we could get a start on the story. The Sooner ApHC also appreciates your being a Sooner member who supports what our club is working for. Your racing knowledge and Appaloosa interest is a welcome addition.

Photos courtesy of Joleta Ingersoll

<u>P.S.</u> ApHC Easy Clipper (at left, middle) said she always wants to tell you "Thank You!" every chance she gets! Editor Gerry is making sure she has a good winter. M.A. For the Easy Clipper story, see the July/August 2008 issue of the Sooner News.

# SOONER SUPER STALLION STAKES

#### **Background**

For many years it was common to have a stallion service auction for every club, every year. These programs were popular with both the stallion owner and foal owner. With the downturn in the economy, mare owners are choosing not to breed as many of their mares. Stallion owners are still being asked to donate breedings thereby taking money out of their pockets and resulting in fewer paid breedings per year. Other regional clubs have changed their programs and ask the stallion owner to donate up to \$250 per year to make their foal crop eligible. Both ideas are reliant on the stallion owner to make the most financial commitment.

#### **Mission of the Program**

To enable stallion owners to utilize a marketing program for their stallion and foals while maintaining paid breeding numbers.

#### Rules

- 1. Stallion owner must be a member of the SAHC each year the stallion is nominated.
- 2. ApHC and approved outcross stallions are nominated by January 31 of the breeding year for no charge. This nomination will be for the following year's foal crop. Stallions may be nominated from Feb. 1 to June 1 for a \$200 fee to be utilized in the SAHC general fund or for prizes in the future futurities.
- 3. All show-eligible ApHC foals from the nominated breeding season are eligible for the stakes classes.

#### **Stakes Classes are:**

Weanling Halter - Fillies, Colts and Geldings to show together

Yearling Halter - Fillies, Colts, Geldings

Yearling Hunter In Hand - All Sexes Show Together

Yearling Longeline - All Sexes Show Together

Most Colorful - weanlings and yearlings to show together

- 5. Entry fee is \$75 per class entered paid 30 days prior to the day of the show. This date will be set each year and published in the SAHC newsletter.
- 6. Late entries will be accepted the day of the show for \$125 per entry.
- 7. Payback checks will be mailed within 4 weeks of the show.
- 8. Checks returned for any reason including insufficient funds will forfeit any winnings.
- 9. 80% of the entry fee is jackpotted in each class, 20% retained by SAHC for expenses
- 10. Foal owner and Exhibitor must be members of the SAHC on the day of the show.
- 11. There is no minimum number of entries for the classes to run. Stakes classes to run concurrently with regular class if possible. Show to be held in the fall at a date to be determined and published in the SAHC newsletter.

Payback Schedule (80% of the entry money to be jackpotted):

1 entry	100%					
2 entries	60%	40%				
3 entries	50%	30%	20%			
4 entries	40%	30%	20%	10%		
5 entries	35%	25%	20%	12%	8%	
6 entries or more	35%	25%	20%	10%	5%	5%

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We want to create as complete a roster as possible, so it can be included in the next newsletter, in alphabetical order, with as many pictures as possible. The roster on the opposite page is the format we plan to use. Members horses, for the demonstration page were chosen at random from information already on file Pictures can be mailed, or sent via email. Please have this information to our editor no later than March 10th, to be included in the next issue!

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Bold Plan (ApHC)	1	Diamond Dot Appaloosas Duanne and Debbie Sullivan 16425 Fulton Road Mounds, OK 74047 (918) 366-3810 horselvrd@aol.com
Bugs J Man (ApHC)		Alton Appaloosas and Art Jerry Crouch or Marian Alton P. O. Box 861 Claremore, OK 74018-0861 (918) 341-0284 home / (918) 906-0118 cell
Forty One JJ (ApHC)		Marr Racing Stables Don and Karen Marr 11109 E Old 56 Scottsburg, IN 47170 (812) 752-7297
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I Dream Of Champagne (ApHC)	THE STATE OF THE S	Dream Catcher Ranch Teresa N. Lake Lawton, Oklahoma (580) 284-5653 dream_catcher_ranch@earthlink.net
Im Dashing (AQHA)		Hatbrand Reproduction Joleta Ingersoll-Spurlock, Farm Manager 26506 S. Hwy 88 Inola, OK 74036 (918) 543-3877
Intimidating Jeans (ApHC)		Diamond Dot Appaloosas Duanne and Debbie Sullivan 16425 Fulton Road Mounds, OK 74047 (918) 366-3810 horselvrd@aol.com

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KDJJ Vision Of Justice (ApHC)		Kevin or Dar Arrowood KDJJ Appaloosas Rapid River, MI 49878 (906) 553-2907 KDJJ_Appaloosas@yahoo.com
Lightnings Legacy (ApHC)		Larry Colley 41628 Bear Road Terlton, OK 74081
Mai Kai (AQHA)		Hatbrand Reproduction Joleta Ingersoll-Spurlock, Farm Manager 26506 S. Hwy 88 Inola, OK 74036 (918) 543-3877
Obviously Magic (ApHC)	W.	Wildwood Appaloosas Sheila Kobs 288 Highway WW Wright City, MO 63390 www.wildwoodappaloosas.com
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<sup>\*\*\*</sup>Note: even if your stallion appears on this sample page, please make sure and verify your free nomination into the program.

#### Last Minute News Flash

At the OAR (Oklahoma Appaloosa Racing, Inc.) Stallion Service Auction in January, Marian Alton bought the service to Mai Kai, while the OAR secretary bought the service to Bugs J Man.

# Sooner ApHC Classifieds

#### Pedigree Research Want To Know Your Horse's Pedigree Better?

Need a pedigree traced? Five generations with National and World Champions, ROM's included.

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Sire: World Champion Halter Stallion MAID PRETY IMPRESIVE, Dam: Rub A Dub Kid Clu. HYPP N/N. Eligible for ApHC Breeders Trust. Will be big and pretty. Outstanding conformation and disposition. To a good show home only. For more information on this filly, please contact klshowhorses@aol.com.

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2006 Amber Champagne w/blanket & spots. Carries one copy of champagne dilution gene on a bay base coat. You get unique color with a top of the line pedigree. Dreamfinder, Goes, and Doc's Prescription in the first three generations. Doc Bar, Leo, Poco Tivio, Poco Stampede within 5 generations.

Should mature 15.1HH according to string test. \$250 Live Cover for 2008 breeding season only. Special consideration to Appaloosa, Arabian, Pony & Sport horse mares. Call or Email to discuss mare care requirements. Must be up to date on vaccinations and negative Coggins. No booking fee. See his webpage for additional information.

http://www.dream-catcher-ranch.net/ I Dream of Champagne.php

> Teresa N Lake dream-catcher-ranch@earthlink.net Current location: Lawton, Oklahoma 73501 Phone: (580) 284-5653

#### The Appaloosa Celebration at the



Tulsa State Fairgrounds, will be back again in 2009! Be watching for updates in future issues of your Sooner ApHC Newsletter!

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Quarter page	\$10.00
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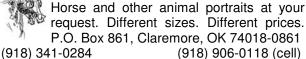
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#### Alton Appaloosas and Art



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#### Diamond Run Farm

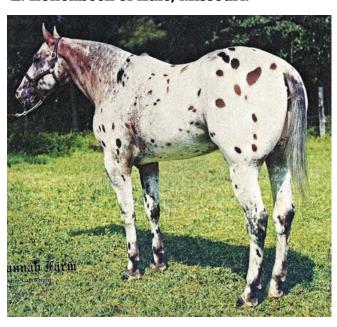
I think it was about 1983 when I bought a set of used stud books from a former pedigree researcher in Wisconsin. Along with it came a number of cataloged photos that she incorporated into the pedigrees. For a number of years, those old records sat in my mom's basement in Illinois, and some were damaged and lost when her basement took a little water

Last spring, I brought down what remained of those cataloged clippings, and every now and again, will leaf through it, and occasionally run across a name I recognize. Here are two such examples.

Gerry Lukacik Diamond Run Farm 6908 W 93rd Street S. Oktaha, Oklahoma 74450 glukacik@msn.com



Golden Glow, ApHC F-470, foaled in 1943 (above right, picture taken in 1947) is a great great grandsire of my mare Miss LBS Haz To Go (Libby), which would also put him in Cheney's (Hunting With Cheney) pedigree. Golden Glow was bred by H. E. Hollenbeck of Hale, Missouri.



To the left, we have a color photo of Glen Rio Day. He first appeared in the pedigrees of a mother/daughter pair I used to own a few years ago, Ta-Glen-Ka Doll, and Anniething Goes.

I still own two daughters out of Anniething Goes, Mifillanna and Mifillusion, full sisters, so his blood is still here, as well.

If I run across any more interesting photos, they will probably turn up in a future Diamond Run Farm ad!

Enjoy!



#### **Background**

4-H and FFA programs teach our youth a myriad of different skills beyond the animal husbandry that traditionally is the focus of these programs. By becoming proficient in areas such as parliamentary procedure, public speaking and commitment to a goal, our youth are better equipped to be leaders of the next generation.

#### **Mission of the Program**

To recognize achievements of Sooner Youth and decrease the financial constraints placed on our youth (and their parents) who are actively promoting the Appaloosa in 4-H and FFA programs.

#### **Funding for the Program**

Annual fund raiser specifically funding this program will be established.

#### **Rules**

The applicant must be a current active member of the SAHC.

An active member is a member who has attended or supported at least one club activity during the year. Ie: membership meeting, trail ride, fund raising event, horse show, clinic, etc.

Awards are for district, state, regional and national competitions in 4-H and FFA equine competitions. These competitions may include but are not limited to horse shows, horse judging, horse bowl or speech and demonstration contests. School Major Projects may include schoolwide competitions, science fair projects or other areas (not classroom specific assignments such as book reports).

The competition/presentation must show evidence of the promotion of the Appaloosa Horse.

If an applicant advances to another level of competition, a second application must be made.

Any age youth is eligible to apply for an ambassadorship.

The awards will be as follows as funds are available:

School Major Project - Sooner Pride

District Level - \$50

State Level - \$100

Regional Level - \$150

National Level - \$200

Proof of Activity must be provided before monies are paid.

**Mail Applications to:** 

**Sue Kulp** 

**Sooner ApHC Youth Director** 

HC 62 Box 113

Nowata, OK 74048

# SOONER APHC

## YOUTH AMBASSADOR PROGRAM

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Applicant Signature:		Date:		
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Sue Kulp Sooner ApHC Youth Director HC 62 Box 113 Nowata, OK 74048



The Sooner ApHC Schooner has been on a roll! 2008 has been an exciting year, and plans are in the making for an even better year in 2009!

We have approved the new Sooner Stallion Super Stakes program! The only way a stallion's get can participate in this program is by making sure the stallion owner is a member of Sooner ApHC!

If you own get by a stallion whose owner isn't a member, talk to them today, and make sure they get a copy of our new membership form!

#### **Membership Application**



NAME:		АрН(	C#:
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FARM NAME (OPTIONAL):			
ADDRESS:			
CITY/TOWN:		STATE:	ZIP:
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#### AREAS OF INTEREST, EXPERTISE

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I E	HORSE SHOWS / ApHC	Ι	E	HORSE SHOWS / OPEN	I	E	DRESSAGE
I E	DRILL TEAM	Ι	E	THREE DAY EVENTS	I	E	CROSS COUNTRY
I E	FOX HUNTS	Ι	E	HUNTER PACE	I	E	PONY CLUB
I E	PLAY DAYS	Ι	E	OTHER (explain)			

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There are special rates for horse clubs, breeding farms and other equine concerns. As Vice President of the Sooner Appaloosa Horse Club and a former small horse breeding farm partner, I truly understand the need for high quality equine marketing on a tight budget.

Dedra Tiger www.thetiger-web.com tiger19511@yahoo.com (918) 284-6144

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