District 3, January 12, 2010 Minutes

Attending: Smokie Brannaman; Vickie Schwabe; Diane Sackett; Gary Steers; Rae Geb; Jan Pieper; Amy Merfeld; Ron Cook; Patty Potven; Debbie Stark; Bonnie Shepherd; Lorraine Ruck; Corky Smith; Kathie Rammer; Linda Ernsberger

Meeting was brought to order by President Smokie Brannaman. Minutes from December were approved by the attending members.

Agenda: Upcoming Elections, District 3 Horse of the Year

Horse of the Year:

Forms are posted on WSHC website under District 3. Get your entry in NOW!! Due 3/31/11

http://wisconsinhorsecouncil.org/index.php?page=detail&post_id=2098

Horse a Rama will provide a stall for the winning horse

Horse a Rama will be held May 7 and 8. Booth is secure. District 3 WSHC members are more than welcomed to post information on their businesses at the booth. Contact Smokie.

Bring ideas for drawing people to the District 3 booth for Fond du Lac Ag Days, Horse a Rama and Midwest Horse Fair. Trivia, Pin the tail on the donkey etc with possible prizes.

Upcoming ELECTIONS:

Officer openings are President, Vice President, Secretary, and Board of Directors. District 3 WSHC **members are encouraged to step forward, or nominate interested candidates**. Smokie Brannaman and Katie Rammer will not be running for an officer position, but plan to participate in District 3 activities. Elections will be held in February.

Smokie Brannaman and Katie Rammer were given appreciation from the attending members for their enthusiasm and dedication these past years. Thank you Smokie & Katie.

Corky Smith and Lorraine Ruck from WSHC District 5 attended our meeting. They presented the information on the Wisconsin Competitive Trail Challenge to be held at Wildcat State Park, May 21.

They shared the Wisconsin Competitive Trail Challenge rules. Looks exciting and fun to participate in. District 3 is seriously considering holding a Trail Challenge in 2012.

WSHC Equine Foundation Presents Denim & Diamonds Dance & Auction

It is that time of year again! The Wisconsin State Horse Council Equine Foundation will be hosting its annual dance with appetizers and an auction on Saturday, February 12, 2011, from 5:00 p.m. until 11:00 p.m. Featuring music by Wild Heart.

Please help us support Wisconsin's growing equestrian community by funding Education Initiatives, Youth Scholarship and Participation, Equine Research, and Trials.

To attend the dance, complete with appetizers and an auction, tickets will be \$25 per person or \$20 per person who attend in a group of 6 or more.

This event will be held at the JC Plaza Hotel & Conference Center located at 725 Paradise Lane in Johnson Creek, WI.

For more information and tickets, please contact one of the following:

Lorraine -	608-369-2878	608-369-2878
Corky -	608-697-6888	608-697-6888
Linda -	920-960-0662	920-960-0662
Margo -	608-745-1218	608-745-1218

Auction donations are appreciated, please confirm by January 31st.

Corky Smith also shared her platform for office of the President of the Wisconsin State Horse Council.

DATES of Importance:

DCHA Tack Swap February 5, 2011 in Juneau, WI

Denim and Diamonds Annual WSHC Equine Foundation DANCE 2/12/11

Wisconsin State Horse Council Annual Meeting March 19, 2011 in Columbus, WI

Midwest Horse Fair April 15, 16, 17, 2011

Horse a Rama May 7, 8, 2011

DISTRICT 3 February 9, 2011, 7:00 p.m.

Agenda: State nominations for Annual Meeting

Note: If Rolling Meadows is closed, please meet at the Rolling Meadows Restaurant on US 151.