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Miss Teen Rodeo enjoys interactions

By Benjamin Wideman, The Country Today | ben.wideman@ecpc.com

DE PERE — If not for social media, who knows what Erica Wolf would be doing this summer.

But, thanks in part to Facebook, she's riding a memorable journey as Miss Teen Rodeo Wisconsin 2017-18.

"I was on Facebook just looking around one day and I saw Katelin (Bradley, the current Miss Rodeo Wisconsin) shared something saying they were looking for contestants for the Miss Teen Rodeo," said Wolf, 18, of Birnamwood. "So I had this crazy idea one day that I'd give it a try, even though it was only two weeks before the pageant. And now here I am — Miss Teen Rodeo Wisconsin. And I love it. It's everything I imagined — plus some."



Photo by Benjamin Wideman

Erica Wolf, 18, of Birnamwood has been riding horses since she was 2 years old.

Wolf's most recent appearance as Miss Teen Rodeo Wisconsin came Aug. 18-19 at the Brown County Fair's PRCA Rodeo in De Pere. She and Bradley assisted at the evening rodeos and promoted rodeos and the state of Wisconsin by interacting with fairgoers.

"Being with the kids is my favorite part," Wolf said. "I like getting kids more involved with the rodeo and teaching them what it's all about."

Wolf, who was born in Shawano, sat atop a horse for the first time at 2 weeks old and began riding at the age of 2. Her horse, Breeze (a half quarter horse/?half Arabian), has been in the family all 18 years of Wolf's life. "This is my baby," Wolf said.

Wolf graduated from Bowler High School this past spring and plans to attend Northcentral Technical College in Wausau in pursuit of a nursing degree.

She said serving as Miss Teen Rodeo Wisconsin has boosted her confidence and communication skills.

"It wasn't that long ago that I used to be the shy little girl hiding in the corner with my face turning red," she said. "Now, because of my experiences as Miss Teen Rodeo, I'll walk up to someone and say, 'Hi, how's it going?' and be more outgoing. I've learned a lot so far."

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Our Mission Statement:

To represent and foster a unified equine industry in Wisconsin.

To promote the horse through leadership, education, service and communication.

And to take a proactive role in the future growth and development of the equine industry.

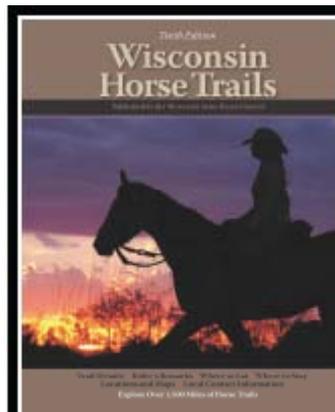
Check out our new cut and fold section on Pages 19 and 20!

Simply cut out the page and fold it in thirds for a handy brochure to keep or to share with a friend! This month's featured trifold is "Make a Difference by Joining Wisconsin Horse Council".

Membership in the **Wisconsin Horse Council** is open to individuals, associations, businesses, societies, or other entities whose interests are in line with WHC's purpose and Mission Statement. Our membership year will follow the calendar year. Members will also receive our monthly newsletter where FREE classified ads can be placed and reasonable 1/4, 1/2 and full page ads can be arranged. The newsletter reaches 500+ horse enthusiasts.

The Council employs a professional Lobbyist who works with us on pending legislation as needed for the equine industry.

We are constantly working on adding new benefits for our members. Please feel free to contact us with your comments or suggestions.



Trail Trivia

- How many counties in Wisconsin have public horse trails?
- How many of those public horse trails include equestrian camping areas?

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Welcome to the Wisconsin State Horse Council Equine Foundation

The bond between an equestrian and their equine is an experience worth cherishing; we are dedicated to strengthening this bond and enriching the equestrian experience in Wisconsin through education, research, charity, and scholarship.

Visit our website www.wisconsinhorsecouncil.org – Click on the WSHCEF tab at the top of the page

What is the mission statement of the WSHC Equine Foundation?

The Wisconsin State Horse Council Equine Foundation was created to better serve Wisconsin's growing equestrian community and to help that community realize its fullest potential. The Foundation is a tax exempt, non-profit 501 (c)(3) organization and as such allows individuals to make tax-deductible contributions to support Wisconsin equine projects. The mission of the Equine Foundation is to support Wisconsin's expanding equestrian community by funding:

-Educational Initiatives
-Equine Research
-Trail Development
-Youth Scholarship and Participation

What is our relationship with the Wisconsin Horse Council?

The Wisconsin Horse Council is our parent organization and the sole member of the WSHC Equine Foundation. WHC Board of Directors are elected to serve on the WSHC Equine Foundation Board of Directors, along with non-WHC individuals. The WHC was incorporated in 1972 as an advocate for the equine owners and industry in the State of Wisconsin. It has grown to become the focus of the equine industry in Wisconsin.

The Mission Statement of the Wisconsin Horse Council is: To represent and foster a unified equine industry in Wisconsin. To promote the horse through leadership, education, service and communications, and to take a proactive role in the future growth and development of the equine industry in the State of Wisconsin.

The WSHC Equine Foundation is a federally approved 501C(3) non-profit corporation dedicated to the advancement of equine activities and the equine industry in general.

The Foundation's main objectives are to promote education, research and development, charity, and scholarship opportunities for equestrians in Wisconsin.

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Park Users Get the “Scoop” on Sharing the Trails at State Park

By Sandy Rogers - WHC District 4

While the gray skies and cool temperatures on August 26th, weren't great for swimming at one of the park's beaches, it was a perfect day for a visit to the Horse Camp at Governor Dodge State Park. With the goal of promoting safety on the trails, the Friends of Governor Dodge-Equestrians hosted a two-hour Open House on Saturday afternoon. The Equestrians scooped up free ice cream (provided by the Dodgeville Kiwanis Club) to over 250 guests. What a way to brighten the day!



Guests at the Open House also got the “scoop” on how trails can be shared safely by all park users. Governor Dodge State Park boasts over 40 miles of trails, all of them open to hiking and many of them open to bicycling and horse riding. There are plenty of opportunities for trail users to cross paths! New signage provided by the Wisconsin DNR reminds trail users that hikers and bicyclists yield to horses.

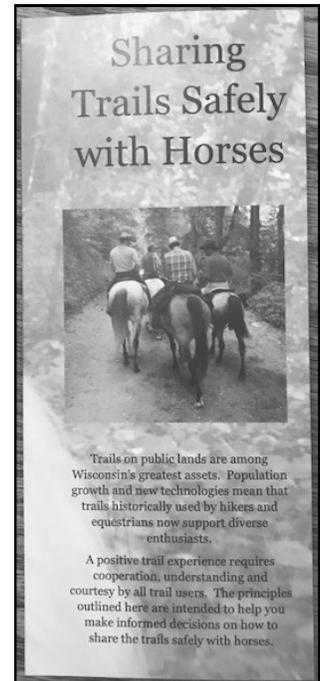


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Other tips for trail safety were served up by the Friends of Governor Dodge-Equestrians along with the ice cream. Two short videos were streaming continuously at the picnic shelter, one produced by the International Mountain Biking Association and one by the Washington Trail Association entitled "Trail Smarts: Right-of-Way on the Trail." The new WI State Horse Council brochure, "Sharing Trails Safely with Horses," was distributed to attendees. Even the kids got the message "Stop, step off the trail, and say hello" thanks to a custom designed coloring page created just for them.



The highlight of the afternoon was the hands-on interaction with the horses. One 17-year-old boy from Algonquin, IL who was visiting the park with his Boy Scout troop said with a huge smile, "This is the first time in my life that I ever touched a horse!" Younger kids squealed with joy as they brushed the horses and felt their soft noses. Folks of all ages took pleasure in feeding apples to the horses while

learning about how horses think and react. Everyone agreed that the Friends of Governor Dodge-Equestrians did a great job of promoting safety on the trails. What a fun and worthwhile afternoon!





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Read All About It



Equine curriculum for the most enthusiastic horse lover will fill the U of MHF schedule starting April 20, 21 & 22 - 2018. Midwest Horse Fair is looking for some Teacher's Pets to help spread the news!

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Visit www.MidwestHorseFair.com to order your **FREE Official Souvenir Poster!**

Professor Reveal

Only the best and brightest clinicians, performers, and entertainers will serve as your instructors at the University of Midwest Horse Fair! Rest assured after hearing from the 2018 line-up, you'll be sure to ace any equine exam!

Stay tuned, Midwest Horse Fair will begin revealing the line-up of world-renowned clinicians and entertainers for the 2018 fair in November. Look for these exciting announcements on Facebook and the MHF website.



Visit **Facebook, Twitter & Instagram** for up-to-date information
 Join the conversation using **#MidwestHorseFair**

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Bradley embraces role as Miss Rodeo Wisconsin

By Benjamin Wideman | The Country Today | ben.wideman@ecpc.com



Photo by Benjamin Wideman

Katelin Bradley, 23, of Antigo enjoys interacting with youth as Miss Rodeo Wisconsin 2017.

DE PERE — Years from now, Katelin Bradley will fondly recall her reign as Miss Rodeo Wisconsin 2017.

She'll remember the hundreds of children eagerly asking for autographs.

She'll remember the throngs of spectators who smiled and waved back as she proudly rode her horse around arenas before and during rodeos.

And she'll remember representing Wisconsin at some of the biggest rodeo events nationwide.

But one thing will stand out among all others in the eyes of the 23-year-old

Antigo resident — the time she spent with those less fortunate.

"My favorite thing of all is getting to be a part of the Exceptional Rodeos," she said at the Brown County Fair before the PRCA Rodeo on Aug. 19. "That's where inner-city kids or children with disabilities get to come down to the arena floor before a show and we take them through all the different events.

"They get to throw ropes and we have fake bucking horses and fake steers and they can get on them, and we have a really great time," she said. "A lot of the kids will come in super shy and they don't want to do anything. But by the time they leave they're so happy and saying, 'I can't wait to come back next year!' It's great to see those kids opening up. I love it, because it really touches my heart."

Now in her third month as Miss Rodeo Wisconsin, Bradley is responsible for promoting the sport of rodeo, the state of Wisconsin and rodeo's Western heritage. And, by all accounts, she's excelling in every facet.

"She's a very caring person, which shows in the way she treats everyone she meets," said 18-year-old Erica Wolf, Miss Teen Rodeo Wisconsin, who has traveled with Bradley on multiple occasions this summer. "Every time you see her she's very welcoming with the kids and answers every question with a smile. She's easy to get along with, and I think she's a great person to represent our state."

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Bradley embraces role as Miss Rodeo Wisconsin

Bradley was born in Crandon and started riding horses before she could walk. At the age of 5 she started competing at open horse shows, and over the years rode a wide variety of disciplines, highlighted by her favorite — barrel racing.

Bradley graduated from Crandon High School as co-valedictorian in 2012. Now living in Antigo, she graduated this past December from UW-Stevens Point with a bachelor's degree in soil and land management. That paved the way for her career in the agricultural industry as a nutrient management and GPS technician with AgSource Laboratories.

She credits the flexibility of her job and the generous support of her sponsors with allowing her to travel throughout the state and beyond as Miss Rodeo Wisconsin. Some people are surprised to learn that everything she does in that role is paid for either out of her own pocket or via sponsors.

Bradley successfully juggles work and rodeo, traveling quite a bit to events throughout Wisconsin as well as other states, like Texas (Rodeo Houston), Wyoming (Cheyenne Frontier Days), Colorado (Stock Show), Oregon (Pendleton Round-Up) and Nevada (Miss Rodeo America).

Wearing the crown of Miss Rodeo Wisconsin wasn't something Bradley dreamed about as a young girl.

"I saw Miss Rodeo Wisconsin at the rodeos I went to, but I was too busy watching the barrel racers out there. That's where my focus was," she said with a chuckle. "I guess I didn't pay attention to that until later on."

Bradley pursued becoming a rodeo queen not long after starting college, because she couldn't afford to keep her barrel horses.

"So I sold my horses, but I wanted to stay involved with rodeo any way I could," she said. "That's why I started running for rodeo queen — as a way to stay involved with rodeo without having to have a horse, because you can always borrow a horse or get on a friend's horse so that's what I did for a while."

After her tenure as Miss Rodeo Wisconsin ends, Bradley — who maintains a love for Thoroughbreds — wants to resume barrel racing and try to acquire a Women's Professional Rodeo Association card. It'll take a lot of hard work, but Bradley said she's up for the challenge.

For now, though, she's intent on representing rodeo and Wisconsin and inspiring all the youngsters who come seeking autographs.

"When it comes to all the children out there, I want to encourage them to be involved in rodeo in some way and I want to encourage them to chase their dreams and do whatever they set their sights on," she said.

"We've had a lot of great Miss Rodeo Wisconsin women wear the crown over the years (dating back to 1962), and I want to do my best to represent rodeo. I'm very proud to be Miss Rodeo Wisconsin."



“HORSES IN THE PARK”
October 21, 2017 – 10 am – 3 pm
COLUMBUS CITY FIREMAN’S PARK
1049 Park Avenue, Columbus, WI

The Wisconsin Horse Council District 3 along with the City of Columbus Park and Recreation Department and the Wisconsin State Horse Council Equine Foundation are bringing horses to the park to share the wonderful world of

equines with the public. The park will be full of horses doing what they do best; mounted archery, re-enacting, barrel racing and pole bending, driving, trail riding, polo and more. The equine is part of Wisconsin history and a huge part of our state’s financial future. Winston Churchill once said, “the outside of a horse is good for the inside of a man”

The day in the park will have educational classes and information for the family that has a horse-crazy child and wants to learn more about horses before purchasing, or that retired women who finally has the time and resources to realize her lifelong dream of horse ownership. We will be supporting local non-profits such as 4-H groups, riding clubs, Wisconsin Interscholastic Horse Associations and more.

OUR CLINICIANS IN THE BIG ARENA

Tracy Porter: 10 am - Communicating With Your Horse

Smokie Brannaman: 11 am – Fat, Fear & Fifty - you finally got your dream horse but now are afraid to ride it

TJ Clibborn: 12 pm - So You Want to Adopt a Mustang - challenge/pleasure of owning an American Mustang

Dan Grunewald: 1 pm - How to Show Your Horse - what a judge is looking for

Dorothy McElroy: Mounted Archery - how to get started

WIHA: Wisconsin Interscholastic Horse Association demo by area high school students.

IN THE PAVILION

Nodaway Benaise will be teaching about the Native American Paint Pony. **The Painted Pony Road Show** is a Native American effort making horses approachable through art. Horses are originally from the Americas, and were the partners that helped build the country. There is a rich and diverse history of the horse and we want people to learn while having fun. We offer three stations for people to enjoy.

DCHA Tack swap meet, art vendors, food and games will all be inside.

IN THE ROUND PEN – Starting at 10 am

Irongate Equine Clinic – Pre purchase examine

Lee Sacket - Farrier for your horse

Dave Kluge - You can drive – your horse, that is!

Shelley Lang - What’s best for your horse - boarding stable and lessons

Rich Ernsberger - Body condition and “scoring”

Mary Frank - Holistic horse

WLAER - Howard Ketover, DVM - Large Animal Emergency Rescue

Nancy Edwards, Wisconsin Horse Council President - What the WHC is all about

Kelly Williams – Horse skeleton










Wisconsin Horse Council District - 5 Tack Sale and Clinics October 28, 2017 9:00 a.m - 2:00 p.m.

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Food and vendors

Clinics:

10:00 a.m Mike Kissack - No Hoof No Horse - Farrier

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12:30 p.m. Jeanne Sandmire : Showmanship

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1:00 p.m. Kathy Dunn: Saddle Fitting

50 years experience with all disciplines of equine and all breeds. Kathy has had the luxury of working with the nations top trainers and saddle makers.

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From North: 190-94 (exit 92) go south on Hwy 12 to Hwy 33 (exit 215) Turn left or East on round about and cross over Hwy12. Continue 1/2 way around the next round about and proceed East to the traffice lights Turn right at the traffic lights, Follow Cty BD or Old Hwy 12 to Old 33 Road. Make a right turn on Old 33 Road. Cross back over Hwy 12. On your left you will see red barns. Turn left into driveway.










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Please contact Susan at 715-362-2468 or mccoysusan73@yahoo.com.



**REMINDER! FOR DISEASE OUTBREAK UPDATES & INFO
CHECK WITH THE EDCC!**

The EDCC stands for the Equine Disease Communication Center. They have a Facebook page where you can get the most up-to-date information on equine disease outbreaks in the United States and beyond. Their Facebook page address is:

<https://www.facebook.com/pg/EquineDiseaseCC/services/>

On that page, you will also find a box containing the message below, which provides instructions on how to receive an email blast with the latest alerts as well.



Outbreak Alerts

Free

The EDCC maintains an outbreak alert email blast list which notifies subscribers when a new alert has been posted. To sign up for EDCC outbreak alert email updates go to <http://eepurl.com/b0dK9z>

The Wisconsin Horse Council Facebook page tries to share all of the EDCC Facebook posts AND there is a link on the WHC website to the EDCC page. Simply go to www.wisconsinhorsecouncil.org, go to the "News & Resources" tab, click on the "Health Updates and Information" dropdown tab. There you will find a link to the EDCC Facebook page as well as many links others to keep you informed on all things equine.

WELCOME TO OUR NEW SECTION ENTITLED...***“Did You Know?”***

Have you ever wondered why they cut a mules tail in "bells"? Back in the day.....the Army used mules in service. A green mule had its tail shaved. By the time the mule was broke to pack, a 'bell' was trimmed in the tail. Once broke to drive, a second bell was added below the first. Broke to ride, a third tassel was trimmed below the second. Thus, a three-bell mule was a well-schooled animal. This way, when looking at a corral full of unknown mules, it was easy to identify which one to select for the job at hand!

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WHC Horsemen's Calendar of Upcoming Events

**OCTOBER**

- October 1 Open Speed Show, Black River Falls, Sweetgrass Stables **SANCTIONED**
 October 1 Mandt Equestrian Center 2017 Summer Show Series - Lori Ellis - 608-347-1557 **SANCTIONED**
 October 7-8 Ryan Rose Clinic - Mary - haymare49@yahoo.com
 October 7 Three Gaits Fall Celebration - 1-5 pm - 3741 Hwy.138, Stoughton - threegaits2017fallcelebration.brownpapertickets.com or Call 608-877-9086
 October 14-15 Heartland Equestrian Center Dressage Schooling Show - Sarah - 715-323-2626
 October 14 WHC District 4 Poker Ride Fundraiser - 9am-2pm - Silverwood County Park - \$30.00 registration includes lunch & a chance to win prizes - bring coggins & water for horses. E-mail green.traveler@gmail.com to register
 October 21 Circle T Saddle Club Speed Fun Show, Hwy 29 east of Thorp - Laura - 715-512-0425 **SANCTIONED**
 October 21 Circle T Saddle Club Pleasure Fun Show, Hwy 29 east of Thorp - Laura - 715-512-0425 **SANCTIONED**
 October 21 Everything Equine & Tack Swap sponsored by WHC D3 - 10am-4pm - Fireman's Park Pavilion - Columbus - Call Bonnie 262-670-1426
 October 21 Horses in the Park sponsored by WHC District 3 - 10am-4pm - Fireman's Park Pavilion - Columbus - Contact Melanie at llbitranch@gmail.com
 October 21 Time To Play-Showtime Arena, Deerfield, Pleasure Day - 608-516-8888 **SANCTIONED**
 October 22 Time To Play-Showtime Arena, Deerfield, Speed & Fun Games - 608-516-8888 **SANCTIONED**
 October 22 West 20 Pleasure Horse Show, East Troy - 262-642-4272 **SANCTIONED**
 October 25 WHC Board of Directors Monthly Meeting - 7 pm - WHC Office, 121 S. Ludington St., Columbus
 October 28 WHC District 5 Tack Sale & Clinics - 9am-2pm - Domino Stables, S4049 Old Hwy. 33, Baraboo - Mike - 715-284-9119

NOVEMBER

- November 4 JCDHA & Old World Wisconsin present a Draft Horse Workshop - 10am -3pm - Norwegian Picnic Pavilion - Phone 262-594-6301 or owweducation@wisconsinhistory.org for more information and/or to register
 November 7 WHC District 4 meeting - 6:30pm - Edgerton Culvers, 571 E. Richardson Springs Dr., Edgerton

Jefferson County Draft Horse Association (JCDHA)

By Jackie Schuster



The summer is over for some, and fall preparations are on their way at Old World Wisconsin.

The Jefferson County Draft Horse Association was out doing fall plowing, disking and dragging at Old World Wisconsin. This was all in preparation to plant winter wheat. Dick Berner with his team Cora and Ruby that are a Belgian and Hafflinger cross, and John Hanson's team of Belgians were plowing. Steve Haase and his team of

Clydesdales were dragging and the team of Percherons, Queenie and Quincy from Old World Wisconsin, were disking.

On Sunday, we saw Dick Berner with Ruby and Cora plowing and Ron Luebke with his teams of Percherons; Cody, Doc, Dixie and Kayla plowing and disking. Ron uses one team in the morning then switches the team in the afternoon. Old World Wisconsin team Queenie and Quincy were dragging and Dirk Hildebrandt brought out the oxen Charlie and Pete and did some dragging. The Omnibus was out being pulled by a team of Clydesdales owned by Wayne Osterhaus. It sure was great weather to enjoy the sights of Old World Wisconsin and see how farming was done years ago.

Please come back on October 7th and 8th, and see the gentle giants back in action. They will be hauling logs to the saw mill, and also scrap wood to the villages, so they can use them next year.

The Jefferson County Draft Horse Association will be holding a driving clinic at Old World Wisconsin on November 4th. At that clinic, you will learn how to harness, ground drive a team and hitch to a wagon and drive. If you would like to learn how to drive these gentle giants this will be a great opportunity for you to learn.

Please use the following link or phone number to register or get more information on the clinic: phone 262-594-6301 or owweducation@wisconsinhistory.org.

We hope to see you there!

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Jefferson County Draft Horse Association (JCDHA)





WISCONSIN HORSE COUNCIL SPONSORSHIP PROGRAM

MISSION STATEMENT:

*To represent & foster a unified equine industry in Wisconsin
To promote the horse through leadership, education, service, & communication
To take a proactive role in the future growth & development of the equine industry*

Description

The Grant Committee of Wisconsin Horse Council (WHC) looks for ways to promote the use and enjoyment of horses and ideas to educate horse people and the public at large - particularly youth. We welcome ideas for activities that allow people to interact with equines of all kinds. Maximum amount that could be approved for any one project or event is \$5,000. For requests more than \$5,000, the application has to go to our Board of Directors through the WHC President. Funding amounts vary depending on the purpose of the request and how it fits with the WHC Mission Statement. Our sponsorships offer funding for organizations in need of assistance for a specific use. We encourage fundraising efforts by your organization, as we may match those funds up to a limited amount.

Requirements

Organizations applying for a WHC Grant **MUST BE A CURRENT MEMBER OF WHC**. Be sure to include an estimated budget for your project or event. This is an important element of your application for the committee's consideration. Also, it is important to include as much pertinent information with your application to allow the Sponsorship committee to understand the needs of your organization.

If your Grant is approved, it is required the WHC be recognized as a contributor to your event or project. For example –social media/web site recognition, hang a banner at your function, provide wall space for a plaque to be permanently displayed in a visible spot, and if applicable have WHC mentioned during the announcements or in promotional materials.

NEW It is also required that you submit a completion report due December 31 of current funding year.

Which includes:

- A financial statement of how sponsorship funding was spent (copies of receipts where applicable)
 - A copy, picture or link that shows WHC recognition for help with funding.
 - Pictures of completed projects (where applicable)
- See page 3 for an example of required information

A representative(s) from your organization may be asked to attend a WHC meeting to give a short presentation regarding the project or event that received funding.

If it is not possible to complete the project within the sponsorship year, you should prepare an interim report describing the components of the project completed to date and the expected completion date. A final report is required at the completion of the project. *Those with previous incomplete sponsorships will not be eligible for more sponsorships until the obligation is met.

Completion reports, along with the other items, are a crucial part of our sponsorship program.

Application Deadline

Grant applications **MUST BE POSTMARKED BY JANUARY 31st**. Money is awarded after July 1, the beginning of WHC's fiscal year.

Applications are available online at www.wisconsinhorsecouncil.org.

Click on Programs and then select Sponsorships (former name of Grant Program).
Applications also may be requested by phone (920-623-0393) or in person from the WHC office in Columbus.

Pick up form & Mail completed applications to:

Wisconsin Horse Council
Sponsorship Program
PO Box 72
Columbus, WI 53925

Questions may be directed to: 920-623-0393 or e-mail info@wisconsinhorsecouncil.org

Ben Masters Appearing at Wisconsin Book Festival on November 3rd

Ben Masters and three friends, Ben Thamer, Thomas Glover, and Jonny Fitzsimons, undertook an epic journey, riding 3,000 miles on horseback from Mexico to Canada. They adopted their trail horses from the US Bureau of Land Management – equines suitable for the harsh conditions of the trip over mountains and deserts. A cameraman accompanied them, shooting for the documentary film “***Unbranded***”, which also became a book by Ben. Even though the route was meticulously planned, the universe has a way of dealing with the plans of Man. This is a story of overcoming great hardships and experiencing much self-discovery, as well as the relationships between the men, their horses, and the land.



Masters is appearing at the Wisconsin Book Festival on Friday, November 3rd at 6 p.m. at the Madison Central Library, The Bubbler, to talk about the ride, his book, and the film.

Ben Masters is CEO of Fin & Fur Films, LLC. He is an avid horseman, angler, hunter, and packer; an accomplished photographer; and a dedicated advocate for conservation. Masters is from San Angelo, Texas, and lives in Bozeman, Montana.



WHC SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM for 2018

Please visit the “Programs/Scholarship” page of the WHC website, www.wisconsinhorsecouncil.org, to access the Scholarship Program Guidelines and the Scholarship Application for 2018.

Application Deadlines: All Scholarship applications MUST BE POSTMARKED BY FEB. 15th, 2018. Scholarship applications received postmarked after that date ARE NOT ELIGIBLE. Scholarships applications and all supporting documentation as listed in the program guidelines posted on the WHC website must be mailed to: Wisconsin Horse Council, Attn: Scholarship Program, PO Box 72, Columbus, WI 53925.

No fax applications will be accepted.



2018 WISCONSIN HORSE COUNCIL ANNUAL AWARD NOMINATIONS NOW OPEN

These Awards are sponsored by the Wisconsin Horse Council, Inc. in cooperation with the Midwest Horse Fair®. Nominations may be submitted by clubs, associations, or individuals.

Horseperson of The Year Award is based on contributions to Wisconsin's equine industry as a whole, or in any specific area such as: youth activities, education, research, industry promotion, related legislation and regulation, trails, other equine events, or activities.

- ✦ Any person 18 years old or older can be nominated.
- ✦ Nominees must be a Wisconsin resident.
- ✦ Nominees need not be a member of the WHC.
- ✦ Include a paragraph explaining why your nominee should receive this award. Nominations received without an appropriate write up will not be accepted.

Special Achievement Award is based on a major accomplishment in the equine industry.

- ✦ Any person 18 years old or older can be nominated.
- ✦ Nominees must be a Wisconsin resident.
- ✦ Nominees need not be a member of the WHC.
- ✦ Include a paragraph explaining why your nominee should receive this award. Nominations received without an appropriate write up will not be accepted.

Lifetime Achievement Award is based on a lifetime of service to the equine industry.

- ✦ Preference given to any person who has devoted at least 25 years to the equine industry.
- ✦ Nominees must be a Wisconsin resident.
- ✦ Nominees need not be a member of the WHC.
- ✦ Include a paragraph explaining why your nominee should receive this award. Nominations received without an appropriate write up will not be accepted.

Judge of the Year is based on the integrity, diversity of knowledge, sportsmanship, willingness to accept and continually strive for greater knowledge of various breeds and disciplines at open shows.

Equine of the Year is to recognize the horses, ponies, donkeys, mules or any equine who have enriched the life of one or more humans or been cast into the spotlight because of outstanding acts, creating a positive image for equines and is awarded to the owner of the horse and is based on merit and voted on by District members. Once each District has chosen their winner, the WHC Board of Directors decides the state Equine of the Year.

- ✦ Nominated equine must be a living resident of Wisconsin.
- ✦ Owner must be a current Wisconsin Horse Council member and a resident of Wisconsin.
- ✦ A completed District Equine of the Year Award Nomination Form, one (1) clear, color photo of the nominated equine (5x7 or 8x10), and an essay containing 250 words or less describing how the nominated equine has enriched the life of one or more people through outstanding training, contributions or accomplishments or been cast into the spotlight because of outstanding acts, creating a positive image for equines must be received on or before December 1, 2017.

Awards will be presented to the winners at the Wisconsin Horse Council Awards Ceremony on Sunday, April 22, 2018 during the Midwest Horse Fair®.

Nomination forms can be accessed at www.wisconsinhorsecouncil.org under the "Programs" & then "Annual Awards" tabs or by contacting the WHC Office at info@wisconsinhorsecouncil.org.

All Nominations are due by January 10th with the exception of Equine of the Year which is due to the appropriate District President by December 1, 2017.

What is Wisconsin Horse Council?

WHC is a non-profit organization representing horsemen and women and the equine industry in Wisconsin. In representing the equine industry, we promote the horse through leadership, education, and service, and take a proactive role in the growth of our industry.

Who is Wisconsin Horse Council?

You and me - we are the Horse Council through our membership, participation in our districts, and involvement in WHC committees and programs. We are the Force of the Horse in Wisconsin.

Why belong to Wis Horse Council?

This is the only state organization that exists for "the horse" and the people who own them or simply love them. We are not a breed organization, a saddle club, or a riding discipline. We are here for the welfare of the horse and the betterment of our equine industry as a whole. Membership in WHC connects you with other horse people who share your concerns and brings a broader view of the equine industry to you. The strength of our voice is in direct proportion to the size of our membership. Often, people belong to organizations in relation to their profession; you should belong to WHC in relation to your passion. The important part of representing an industry is you. We can't do our work effectively without you. We need your membership and participation to do a good job—promoting the value of our industry, protecting the welfare of our horses, and preserving our chosen way of life. Become part of taking care of our horse community by joining WHC today!

Question: Who do you want representing your interests as an equestrian—an organization that knows and understands our industry or some other organization with a different agenda?

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How does Wisconsin Horse Council make a difference?

- ◆ Own and operate one of the premiere horse expos in the U.S.—Midwest Horse Fair
- ◆ Produce and sell the definitive guide book on public horse trails in Wisconsin
- ◆ Re-invest in our horse industry through such efforts as purchasing the Kiser footing system at Alliant Energy Center, sponsoring large animal rescue training for first responders, employing the services of a professional state lobbyist
- ◆ Conduct and sponsor an annual Trail School to educate volunteers, public land managers, and trail planners in designing and building sustainable recreational trails for equestrian riders and drivers
- ◆ Improve the level of open show judging through the educational seminars and certification of our Show Judge program
- ◆ Encourage the growth of open show competition with our Championship Challenge awards program
- ◆ Provide funding for scholarships and grants at levels that offer significant financial help to students, equine charity events and programs, and volunteers building and improving recreational trails
- ◆ Sponsor recognition of people who have invested time and money in growing and developing our industry through mentoring young horse people, initiating new programs, providing leadership in various equine/equestrian areas, and promoting responsible use of horses
- ◆ Sponsor educational seminars and clinics for horse owners
- ◆ Pursue an active role in legislative matters affecting both our state and national equine industry
- ◆ Pursue and encourage a strong connection with the ag community as a whole with our participation in Ag Day at the Capitol, Farm Technology Days, and other ag events

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Partner with us to promote and protect the equine industry in Wisconsin

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Members-only Programs

Championship Challenge: This program encourages open horse show competition with a year-end championship show and awards.

Certified Judges Program: WHC has run the annual WHC Certified Judges seminar since 1979. The seminar is a key element in the Wisconsin Judge's Certification System.

Trail Riding/Driving Program: You can obtain recognition and awards for your hours spent enjoying horse trails through our Trail Riding/Driving Program.

Grants: WHC provides funding to develop and improve public horse trails in Wisconsin; volunteers and land managers provide the labor. Funding is provided also for equine programs and events in Wisconsin along with improvements benefiting our equine industry.

Scholarships: WHC members who meet eligibility requirements may apply for annual scholarships.

Additional Member Benefits

Members receive the CouncilLetter - the newsletter that keeps you connected with the Wisconsin equine industry. It includes a members-only classified section. Also, members receive a discount on advertising in the CouncilLetter.

WHC employs a professional lobbyist to assist us in evaluating and acting on legislation affecting the equine community. In addition, WHC is a participating member of American Horse Council, which is our lobby force in Washington DC working on national issues affecting the horse industry.

Members have access to the special discount programs of Association Resource Group and the American Horse Council.

A \$1 million excess personal liability insurance option is now offered with an individual or family membership.

Links to our web site are offered to member businesses and organizations.

\$1 Million Personal Excess Liability Insurance from Equisure, Inc.

The newest member benefit is a \$1 million Personal Excess Liability Insurance for our individual and family memberships.

This is excess insurance, beyond your primary liability coverage as an equestrian. For Members without primary policies, the excess liability will be considered "primary." This insurance covers you in the event your personal horse(s) causes injury or damage to another person or property. It is only offered to non-commercial equines and activities. It even covers equine related incidences away from your residence for which you are personally liable or negligent.

Protection is provided if you are performing or competing in horse shows, clinics, or demonstrations. Business and professional pursuits, rodeo, and racing exposures are excluded.

The insurance is optional; you are not required to take it as a WHC member. This insurance is available only with an individual or family membership. You do not have to be a Wisconsin resident to become a WHC individual or family member and get this protection. Check out the insurance details at our web site.

***** FREE *****

Upcoming Events

Listing on WHC website

We have created a special section for your upcoming events ... and it's FREE!

E-mail any equine-related event (shows, tack sales, clinics, meetings, etc.) to info@wisconsinhorsecouncil.org.

Information to include:

Date:

Event:

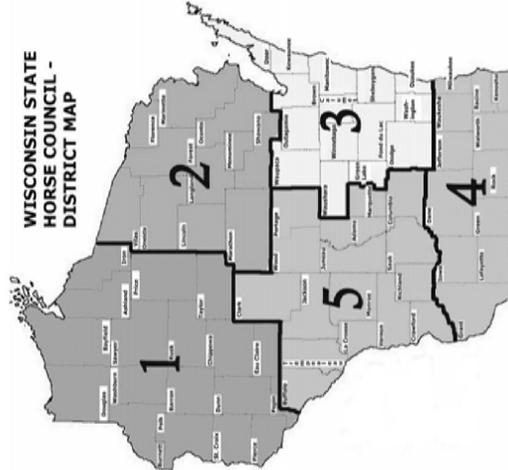
Location:

Contact phone: (very important)

Maximum = 2 lines

Questions? 920-623-0393

WISCONSIN STATE HORSE COUNCIL - DISTRICT MAP



JOIN US!

Does Wisconsin Horse Council sound like a good fit for you? Joining is easy! Download a membership form at www.wisconsinhorsecouncil.org or join on-line.

SIGN UP TODAY!

EQUESTRIAN TRAIL UPDATE!

The Horseshoe Fall Equestrian Trails located in District 2 near Dunbar WI, sustained some heavy storm damage earlier in the year but is happy to announce that the trails are open, and even with the heavy rain of late the trails are in great shape! Be sure to add this trail with over 20 miles of available riding to your fall plans! Maps can be found at [HorseShoe Falls Equestrian Trail System Map - \(PDF\)](#)

(Driving directions Take HWY 141 south to Pembine, WI, continue 3.8 miles south to Beecher Lake Rd. Turn RIGHT. Follow Beecher Lake Rd. for 1.5 miles to Smeester School Rd. TURN LEFT. Continue for 0.6 miles to Trout Haven Rd. TURN RIGHT. Follow Trout Haven Rd. for 4.8 miles. Watch for Forest Rd. 511 on left. TURN LEFT. Day parking is on the left. For over-night camping, follow FR 511 for 2 miles, TURN LEFT on 12 Foot Falls Rd. Travel approximately ½ mile to the entrance road to camp on right. Follow road to end.)

Thanks so much for the grant donation of \$2,000.00! Cannot wait to send photos of items purchased.

*Kim Sievers
Executive Director
HART Equine Therapy*



Thank You!

Thank you for your support of the Wisconsin 4-H Horse Association Educational program and the Youth of Wisconsin 4-H. The final teams for regional and national competitions will be chosen during State 4-H Horse Expo September 14-17.

*Thank you,
Linda Pribek
Executive Secretary*

New....New....New

Wisconsin Horse Council



Advertise your Horse and Equine related business in our Wisconsin Horse Council newsletter and/or Website. Only \$10.00 per month (newsletter or website) for members and \$15.00 per month (newsletter or website) for non-members. **POST YOUR BUSINESS CARD for all to see.** This is an introductory discount for 2016. Please send a jpg. and we will do the rest. Our April newsletter will be handed out at the Midwest Horse Fair®. Deadline March 10th.

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Wisconsin Horse Council

ATTENTION !

FREE....Upcoming Events section on Website.

We have created a section on our website for your upcoming events...FREE..... You can send (email) us any EQUINE related event (shows, tack sale, clinic, meetings, events etc.- 2 line maximum) and we will put it on our website free of charge. All you need to do is send us a copy of your event with a contact phone number and we will list it for all to see.

Questions-call 920-623-0393/email info@wisconsinhorsecouncil.org

I would like this event posted on the Wisconsin Horse Council website.

Date: _____

Event: _____

Location: _____

Phone: _____

Please limit information to 2 lines and include a contact phone number.

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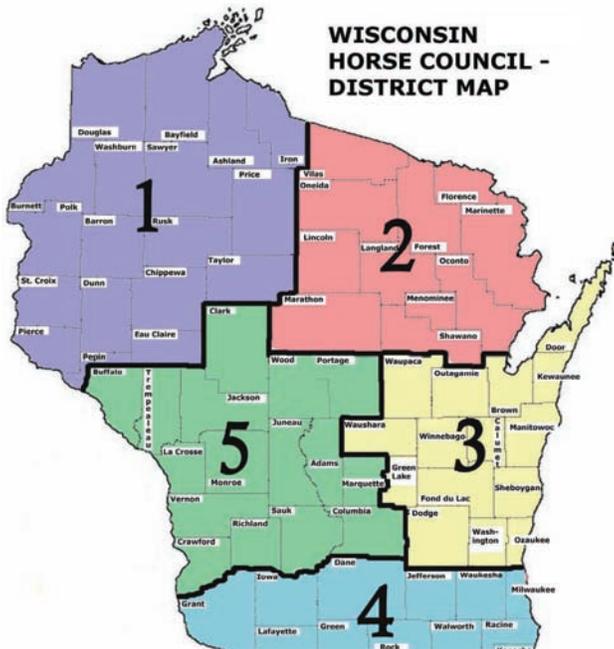
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I would like to know more about becoming a WHC Member

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Send this form with payment to:

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**WISCONSIN
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DISTRICT MAP**

District 1 includes the counties of: Ashland, Barron, Bayfield, Burnett, Chippewa, Douglas, Dunn, Eau Claire, Iron, Pepin, Pierce, Polk, Price, Rusk, Sawyer, St. Croix, Taylor and Washburn

District 2 includes the counties of: Florence, Forest, Langlade, Lincoln, Marathon, Marinette, Menominee, Oconto, Oneida, Shawano, and Vilas

District 3 includes the counties of: Brown, Calumet, Dodge, Door, Fond du Lac, Green Lake, Kewaunee, Manitowoc, Outagamie, Ozaukee, Sheboygan, Washington, Waupaca, Waushara, and Winnebago

District 4 includes the counties of: Dane, Grant, Green, Iowa, Jefferson, Kenosha, Lafayette, Milwaukee, Racine, Rock, Walworth, and Waukesha

District 5 includes the counties of: Adams, Buffalo, Clark, Columbia, Crawford, Jackson, Juneau, La Crosse, Marquette, Monroe, Portage, Richland, Sauk, Trempealeau, Vernon, and Wood

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Council Letter Deadline

The deadline for articles, upcoming events and advertisements for the WHC Council Letter is:

November Issue: October 15th noon

Articles must be equine related, may not be for commercial benefit and must be sent to us in a timely fashion. The Editor reserves the right to revise or refuse articles.

Ads and articles are best sent in electronic format (prefer

MS Word or Adobe Acrobat) to:

info@wisconsinhorsecouncil.org

Office hours: Monday-Friday - 8am-3pm



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October 14	WHC D4 Poker Ride Fundraiser
October 21	WHC D3 "Horses in the Park"
October 25	WHC BOD Monthly Meeting
October 28	WHC D5 Tack Sale & Clinics

* Please check out our Calendar of Upcoming Events, included in this issue of the *CouncilLetter* as well as on our website, for shows, fundraisers, clinics, tack sales and more!



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