

# Missouri Quarter Horse Youth Association

*March 2018 News*

Hi Everyone!

As the weather starts to get warmer, I hope everyone can get out to the barn and enjoy their American Quarter Horses! Last month we had the first ever MQHA Winter Blast show in St. Louis. The show was a huge success for MQHYA! We had over 100 youth attend our horse judging clinic and contest on Friday and Saturday of the show. We awarded the top teams in the Junior and Senior divisions with MQHYA t-shirts and offered to pay their entry fees if they choose to judge at the AQHYA Youth World this summer. Thank you to Kat Dixon and Hannah Inchiostro for their work on designing and selling our new MQHYA logo t-shirts. They were a big hit! Be sure to get yours at one of the upcoming MQHA shows. In addition, we held a chili cookoff that helped us raise money! All funds that were raised at this show will go toward the Youth Excellence Seminar (Y.E.S.) this year. If you are planning on attending Y.E.S. this June 28-30 in College Station, Texas, you need to [go to AQHA's website and complete the registration form](#). **The registration deadline is May 15.** It is a great event and I hope you all will consider attending this year. Please let Cara know as soon as possible if you plan to attend so we can arrange travel and hotel plans. We have a great group going this year and would love to have you come with us!

If you are interested in participating on Missouri's AQHYA Youth World team, plan to attend the remaining 2018 qualifying shows listed below.

## REMAINING 2018 QUALIFYING SHOWS FOR THE YOUTH WORLD AND NYATT TEAMS:

March 10-11 - Ozark QH Show | Lucky J Arena, Carthage

March 28- 31 - March To The Arch | National Equestrian Center, Lake St. Louis

April 14-15 - Ozark QH Show | Lucky J Arena, Carthage

May 24-27 - MQHA Gateway Classic | National Equestrian Center, Lake St. Louis

Letters of Intent need to be turned in as soon as possible. I am attaching a current list of Letters of Intent we have received so far. Please look it over to make sure it is correct. Also, if you qualify nationally, please let us know so we can put a NQ by your name. This helps us to know and it opens up another spot for someone else. The [tentative schedule for the 2018 Youth World Show can be found on AQHA's website](#).

There are several additional opportunities to compete at the AQHYA Youth World Show, outside of the show pen - such as horse judging, speech competitions, art contests and more. Go to AQHYA's website to explore [all contest opportunities](#). MQHYA sponsors the cost for all contest entries!

If you haven't renewed your MQHA membership for 2018, this is the time to do so! You can find the 2018 membership form on MQHA's website, [here](#).

As you can see we have a lot going on! If you are interested in attending the Youth Excellence Seminar or the Youth World show with Missouri and have any questions, contact Cara or myself.

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