

# Missouri Quarter Horse Youth Association

*May 2018 News*

I hope everyone is enjoying this wonderful weather! I saw a number of you at March To The Arch and the April Ozark shows - it seems like it's going to be a fun year. ***I know this is a longer newsletter, but there is a lot of important information, so please read everything carefully!***

Speaking of fun, the Youth Excellence Senior (Y.E.S.) is being held June 28-30 in College Station, Texas. Last year we took four Youth from Missouri and this year we already have 10 attending! If you are interested, let Cara know ASAP, as **registration is due May 15<sup>th</sup>**. Cara is also arranging our room reservations. Believe me, you don't want to miss this fun opportunity to meet horse kids from all over the nation and other countries also! I'd like to encourage all of you to attend, I'm sure you won't be disappointed. If you're at all interested, [check out more details and register here!](#)

The Gateway Classic show is coming up the last weekend of May (24-28). I'm excited to share that Justin Boots has donated a brand-new pair of boots to each circuit winner at the show again this year. If it's not on your calendar already, put it on there and show up to win some boots! We are going to host a pizza party for exhibitors on Saturday afternoon at the show. We are also going to have a silent auction on Friday and Saturday. We would like each family to bring a basket or item to be auctioned off. If you will be at the show, just bring it with you. Please be sure the basket arrives to the show on Friday, so exhibitors can begin bidding! If you can't attend, but would like to donate an item, let Cara or I know, and we'll figure out the best way to get it from you. These fundraisers are our largest of the year, so we need them to be a huge success!

We encourage members to please make a poster/flyer or two for the fundraisers. Details for these posters are included below. Any youth members who are not a director and would like to create a flyer or poster are encouraged and welcome to do so! The youth who creates the best poster will receive a special gift at the show!

## POSTER DETAILS:

### **Pizza Party:**

Date: Saturday, May 26

Time: Immediately following the show

Sponsored by MQHYA

Proceeds go towards our youth world show expenses

Pizza and salad by Donatelli's

### **Silent Auction:**

Friday & Saturday

We will conclude bidding during the exhibitor party on Friday evening

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Bid on your favorite items!

After the exhibitor party, we will hold a membership and Youth World Team meeting to discuss plans for this year's Youth World Show. I hope you are all planning to show or compete in one of the contests this year. Be sure to join us that Saturday night so we can plan a great week in August!

I have attached a current list of Letters of Intent for the Youth World Show. Please look it over to make sure it is correct. Also, if you happen to qualify nationally, please let us know so we can put a NQ by your name. It really helps us to know as it opens up another spot for someone else. If you are listed in a class that you no longer plan on showing in at the youth world, please let us know so that we can open that spot to other youth. **If you are planning to attend this year's Youth World Show and have not submitted your Letter of Intent to Cara, you need to get ahold of her asap!** *It's also important to note the upcoming Gateway show is the first show of the 2019 qualifying season. You must have your 2019 Letter of Intent submitted in order for your points at that show to count. Letter of Intent forms can be found on the MQHA website under the Youth page.*

Speaking of the Youth World Team, all contests for the 2018 AQHYA World Championship Show have been posted! There is an array of fun contests for you to participate in, including art and photo contests, horse judging, speech (including the new 13 & under public speaking contest!), and Wrangler jeans and Justin boots decorating contests. Having youth participate in these contests helps our overall team awards at the Youth World. MQHYA sponsors the entry fee for these contests for youth who participate in them! Look over [all the contest information here](#) and contact Cara if you would like to participate! **The contest entry deadline is June 15, so please contact Cara no later than June 10. Cara will send all Team Missouri contest entries to AQHA together.**

Pam Downing will have the consignment clothes at the Gateway Classic show! Please look through your clothes and bring items you would like to sell and make sure to look through the items on consignment to find some great new things for you! This is a great way to put some money in your pocket and at the same time help MQHYA raise money for our scholarship program. For those of you in the scholarship program, remember you have to put in service hours with Pam so make sure you volunteer to help Pam at the Gateway Classic!

Lastly, I am including a note from our Reporter, Hannah Inchiostro. Hannah is working very hard on our scrapbook for the Youth World Show and needs your help! Please take a few minutes to send Hannah pictures and/or videos of you and your horse. You can send to these Hannah in an email to: [hinchioastro@gmail.com](mailto:hinchioastro@gmail.com) or text: 314-677-9051

I am looking forward to seeing you all at upcoming horse shows and event such as Y.E.S. and the Youth World. Enjoy your time with your American Quarter Horse!

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