

## TEJAS CARRIAGE ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

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## HAPPY NEW YEAR TCA MEMBERS!

As we look forward to another year of driving, just a few reminders...

- The new membership year has begun. Please remember to send in your renewal dues for 2010. An updated application can be found later in the newsletter. If you have questions, please contact Membership Chair, Alta Pederson at 817-447-8077 or email [gpederdrum@aol.com](mailto:gpederdrum@aol.com).
- Our first event, the **Beginner to Winner Day**, is scheduled for February 20<sup>th</sup>. The schedule and lecturers for the day have been determined and can be found in this month's flyer. A general club meeting will take place at the conclusion of the event.
- Along with a Pleasure Drive at Cedar Creek Run in June, there are tentative plans to hold a Novice Day in March and possibly, an ADT in July. More information will be available, as the dates approach. Keep an eye on the calendar for more information.
- And finally, don't miss the **Carriage Classic at Cedar Creek Run (ADS)** on May 22<sup>nd</sup>. This Pleasure Driving Show will be followed by a Continuous Day of Driving on the 23<sup>rd</sup>. Both days will be officiated by Mickie Bowen. Please consider volunteering, if you are not able to compete. Details for both days can be found on the club website.

Best wishes for a wonderful year!

**Tejas Carriage Association**

## CARRIAGE ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA

We are pleased to announce the Tejas Carriage Association is now a chapter of the Carriage Association of America. The CAA was founded in 1960 and is the oldest and largest international organization devoted to the preservation and restoration of horse-drawn carriages and sleighs. The CAA has thousands of members in all fifty states and in forty other countries.

For more information on the Carriage Association of America or to join, visit [www.caaonline.com](http://www.caaonline.com), write to [info@caaonline.com](mailto:info@caaonline.com), or call 859-231-0971.



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## PLUM CREEK CARRIAGE & SHOOTING SOCIETY

Sheriff Chuck Leshikar is calling together a posse. A round-up of members for the Plum Creek Carriage and Shooting Society is now open for the 2010 season. Membership runs from January 1<sup>st</sup> to December 31<sup>st</sup>. Annual dues are \$35.00 for individuals or \$50.00 for families.

The membership fee will allow a reduced rate (\$10.00) on work/play days (the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of each month). Non-members will pay \$15.00. Members will also be notified FIRST of all planned events at Plum Creek.

### PLUM CREEK REMINDERS:

Got the winter blues? Need to get out and play? Plum Creek has got just what you need and a chance to practice for the 2010 show season.

#### **Feb 13<sup>th</sup>, 2010 is the Day of Dressage.**

BRING ANY TEST. A test for an upcoming show or one that you just want to try. You will be judged and get to speak with the judge.

#### **Feb 14<sup>th</sup>, 2010 is the Day of Cones.**

There will be 3 cones courses. Cat Cook is designing a course in the dressage arena. Lew Smith's course will be in front of the Chapel. Terry Arnold and Claire Zaidow will create a design among the trees. Each individual will bring a different challenge for you to try.

We will treat the weekend in a swap drive format. Entries competing in the morning or afternoon, so on your entries tell me which you would like best. It's pot luck meals, socializing and bragging all weekend long.

#### **Entries are now open for the Plum Creek CDE.**

Check your Omnibus for information. Remember, if you are going to need a RV site, get your entry in early. There are only (8) sites and it is first come, first reserved.

PCCSS membership and entry forms can be found at [www.pccss.org](http://www.pccss.org). For more information or to mail entries, contact Paula Long at:

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## CARRIAGE CLASSIC SILENT AUCTION

Items are needed for the silent auction being held during the **Carriage Classic at Cedar Creek Run** on May 22<sup>nd</sup>. Half of the proceeds from the silent auction will be donated to local therapeutic programs, such as Riding Unlimited. For more information on Riding Unlimited, see [www.ridingunlimited.org](http://www.ridingunlimited.org).

If you would like to donate or have questions, please contact Betty Lowe at the information listed below. Betty will also be attending the **Beginner to Winner Day** in February and can accept items at that time. Items do not need to be equine or driving related. All donations are greatly appreciated!

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## VSE DRIVERS: PLEASE NOTE

Do you want to plan an event and include VSEs? Do you want to take your VSE somewhere to just drive with friends? Barbara Siebenhausen is the contact person for all Very Small Equine (VSE) activities for ALL the Clubs in this area. Contact Barbara at 817-925-6641.

## 2010 DRIVING CALENDAR

The Tejas Carriage Association calendar is open to all driving related activities. **TCA activities are listed in red.** Please send calendar submissions to [jennifer@tejasdrivingclubs.com](mailto:jennifer@tejasdrivingclubs.com) or call 817-269-0632. For additional activities, see [www.texasdrivingclubs.com](http://www.texasdrivingclubs.com), [www.americandrivingsociety.org](http://www.americandrivingsociety.org) and [www.caaonline.com](http://www.caaonline.com).

### FEBRUARY

**13<sup>th</sup> - 14<sup>th</sup> - PCCSS Day of Dressage & Cones at Plum Creek.** Agarita Ranch - Lockhart, TX. Contact: Paula Long at 817-614-2986 or [long.paula@rocketmail.com](mailto:long.paula@rocketmail.com). Also see, [www.pccss.org](http://www.pccss.org).

**20<sup>th</sup> - TCA Beginner to Winner Day & General Membership Meeting.** Wiregrass Prairie - Greenville, TX. Contact: Ruthie Graves at 903-883-4638 or [rufus1953@joimail.com](mailto:rufus1953@joimail.com).

**21<sup>st</sup> - Driving Trail Challenge - "Rocky Road".** C-Bar Ranch - Valley Mills, TX. Contact: Kate Love at 817-202-5371 or [kelove1958@gmail.com](mailto:kelove1958@gmail.com). Website: [www.texastrailchallenge.com/driving](http://www.texastrailchallenge.com/driving).

**21<sup>st</sup> - NTW Denise Hinder Clinic.** Sunrise Ridge - Paradise, TX. Contact: Denise Hinder at 559-350-2753 or [teambomber1@hotmail.com](mailto:teambomber1@hotmail.com).

### MARCH

**TBD - TCA Novice Day.** (Tentative) More information to follow.

**20<sup>th</sup> - HACA's 2nd Annual Scavenger Hunt.** Bonnie and Lee McMurty's Farm - Round Top, TX. More details to follow at [www.houstonareacarriageassociation.org](http://www.houstonareacarriageassociation.org).

**21<sup>st</sup> - NTW Denise Hinder Clinic.** Sunrise Ridge - Paradise, TX. Contact: Denise Hinder at 559-350-2753 or [teambomber1@hotmail.com](mailto:teambomber1@hotmail.com).

### APRIL

**10<sup>th</sup> - NTW 15th Annual Sunrise Ridge HDT.** Sunrise Ridge Ranch—Paradise, TX. ADS sanctioned. Contact: Kate Morgan at 817-523-4616 or [katemorgan@gmail.com](mailto:katemorgan@gmail.com).

**17<sup>th</sup> - 18<sup>th</sup> - Plum Creek CDE.** Agarita Ranch - Lockhart, TX. Contact: Paula Long at 817-614-2986 or [long.paula@rocketmail.com](mailto:long.paula@rocketmail.com). Also see, [www.pccss.org](http://www.pccss.org).

### MAY

**16<sup>th</sup> - NTW Wits End Drivathon.** Cross Country, Obstacles and Scurry Thru the Trees. Contact: Ree Salter at 940-374-3928 or [witsend@wccs.net](mailto:witsend@wccs.net).

**22<sup>nd</sup> - 23<sup>rd</sup> - TCA Carriage Classic (ADS) and Continuous Day of Driving.** Mickie Bowen will judge both events. Contact: Alta Pederson at 817-447-8077 or [gpederdum@aol.com](mailto:gpederdum@aol.com). More information can be found at [www.tejasdrivingclubs.com/carriageclassic.html](http://www.tejasdrivingclubs.com/carriageclassic.html).

### JUNE

**12<sup>th</sup> - NTW ADT.** Non-sanctioned event to be held in Jacksboro, TX. More information to follow.

**19<sup>th</sup> - TCA Recreational Drive at Cedar Creek Run.** Cedar Creek Run - Greenville, TX. Also see, [www.cedarcreekrun.com](http://www.cedarcreekrun.com).

### JULY

**TBA - TCA ADT.** (Tentative) More information to follow.

### AUGUST

**21<sup>st</sup> - Equestrian Market Day.** Sponsored by the Brazos Valley Driving and Riding Club. Brazos Expo Center - Bryan, TX. Contact: BVDRC at [www.equinedriving.com](http://www.equinedriving.com).

**29<sup>th</sup> - Driving Trail Challenge - "West Side Story".** Parrie Haynes Ranch HTC - Killeen, TX. Contact: Kate Love at 817-202-5371 or [kelove1958@gmail.com](mailto:kelove1958@gmail.com). Website: [www.texastrailchallenge.com/driving](http://www.texastrailchallenge.com/driving).

### SEPTEMBER

**11<sup>th</sup> - Driving Trail Challenge at Trace Trails.** Athens, TX. Contact: Kate Love at 817-202-5371 or [kelove1958@gmail.com](mailto:kelove1958@gmail.com). Website: [www.texastrailchallenge.com/driving](http://www.texastrailchallenge.com/driving).

### NOVEMBER

**13<sup>th</sup> - Driving Trail Challenge - "Final Follies".** Tarrant Ranch - Tyler, TX. Contact: Kate Love at 817-202-5371 or [kelove1958@gmail.com](mailto:kelove1958@gmail.com). Website: [www.texastrailchallenge.com/driving](http://www.texastrailchallenge.com/driving).

## CLASSIFIEDS

Classifieds are free to current TCA Members. Please send your information to [jennifer@tejascarriageassociation.org](mailto:jennifer@tejascarriageassociation.org) or call 817-269-0632 by the 10<sup>th</sup> of each month. Your advertisement will be included in the newsletter and on the website. The Tejas Carriage Association is not responsible for advertisement content or accuracy.

## CARRIAGES

**New Frontier Easy Entry Pony and Mini Carts.** In stock. The pony comes with metal or wood shafts, and the mini carts come with the expanded metal or wood flooring and dash in both A and B size. The pony starts at \$500.00 and the mini at \$450.00. Call Rex Ann at 903-845-6047.

**Mini Cart.** Call Karen Gorham at 512 793-2158 after 8PM.

## HARNESS

**VSE/Mini Four in Hand Harness.** Leather with brass. Can be used as two pair harnesses. \$800. Email Al Bulgawicz at [mini@willowcrest.com](mailto:mini@willowcrest.com) or call 281-351-9770.

**Mini Harness.** Call Karen Gorham at 512 793-2158 after 8PM.

**Mini Synthetic Harness.** Made by Tammy Rose a few years ago. Used by the Redman kids on "Scotty", but now missing bridle. A riding bridle is included. Tammy says with inflation, the harness is still worth \$200.00. Stephanie is in college and needs money for books. Email Helen Hogan at [h.m.hogan@sbcglobal.net](mailto:h.m.hogan@sbcglobal.net) or call 817-478-0072.

## HORSES

**16 yr. old White Percheron Gelding.** Snowman has worked in commercial carriage operations in DFW area. He did work at a therapeutic riding center. Reason for placement - he is not fond of indoor arenas. Best offer to good home. Please contact Riding Unlimited at 940-479-2016 or [ridingunlimited@aol.com](mailto:ridingunlimited@aol.com).

**Free To Good Home.** 9 yr. old Shetland pony. Oneka's Apple Cider Spider (Charley Brown) is looking for someone to spend time with. Charley Brown is a bay gelding that was started roadster, then restarted with Tom O'Carroll. He is green-broke to drive, but has not had the practice needed. He needs someone with time and experience to make him feel loved and wanted. Call Barbara Siebenhausen at 817-925-6641.

**2004 Second Premie Friesian Gelding for Sale.** Magist is by the approved stallion Igram B (Lute) and is out of the Ster mare Lucky. He was orphaned at three days old, and as such has become quite a people horse. He is small at about 15 hands tall, but is put together perfectly. Extremely long mane and tail. Has been ridden and shot off of. Has also been put to a drag.

**2007 First Premie and Site Champion 2 year-old Filly.** Also by Igram B (Lute) and out of Epiphany (Provisional Ster). This filly is very tall and elegant. Beat a Model Mare to make site champion at her Keuring. This is a Stam 50 filly, which is hard to come by. Priced at \$7,500.00 apiece or \$14,000 for the pair. I hate to sell them, but I do need to do so. I own both the stallion and own both of their dams as well. Email Anita Sepko at [anita.sepko@verizon.net](mailto:anita.sepko@verizon.net) or call 972-358-9286.

## MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

**Horse Trailer.** 1998 Aluminum two horse slant load Siesta Sundowner for sale. \$18,500.00 In great condition. Email Jo Starkweather at [rustyspur1@hotmail.com](mailto:rustyspur1@hotmail.com) or call 903-662-5569.

**Vaught Western Leather-tooled Saddle.** 15" rough out seat for sale. good condition and a very comfortable saddle. \$100.00. Email Jo Starkweather at [rustyspur1@hotmail.com](mailto:rustyspur1@hotmail.com) or call 903-662-5569.

**Parelli Lunge Line.** 50 foot. Never used. \$80.00. Email Jo Starkweather at [rustyspur1@hotmail.com](mailto:rustyspur1@hotmail.com) or call 903-662-5569.

## TRAINING

**Carriage Driving Training/Coaching.** If you need eyes on the ground, or just a bit of help improving communication with your driving horse or with personal driving goals or motivation, I am offering carriage driving lessons and coaching at Cedar Creek near Greenville (see website, [www.cedarcreekrun.com](http://www.cedarcreekrun.com)). Tuesdays, Thursdays and some Saturdays would be available subject to Cedar Creek schedule. \$40.00 per session with additional facility fee of \$10.00. Sessions run approx 45 min. - 60 min. depending on progress. If interested contact me, Ruthie Graves at [rufus1953@joimail.com](mailto:rufus1953@joimail.com) or call 903-883-4638.

# Beginner to Winner Day

Sponsored by the Tejas Carriage Association



Join us for a day of informative lectures and a general club meeting. Attendance is free to all TCA members.

**February 20<sup>th</sup>, 2010**  
**10:00 AM**

**Wiregrass Prairie ~ Carriage House**  
**Greenville, Texas**

## **Schedule for the Day:**

### *The Anatomy of a Safety Check*

The first seminar of the day will be a presentation by Alta Pederson on the safety check list used at competitions. The standard ADS safety check will be used as an outline. 45 minutes

### *Carriage Quiz, What the heck is this?*

Paul Graves will present this carriage quiz and answer session. 30 minutes

## **Lunch Break**

### *The Class formerly known as "Reinsmanship through the Trees"*

What judges are looking for in your Super Reinsmanship class using the new scoring system and rules. Presented by Ruthie Graves. 15-20 minutes

### *Moving on Up*

Tom Knicker will present on overview of criteria to guide competitor's decisions to progress through the combined driving levels. 45-60 minutes

*Lectures will be followed by a short general meeting at approximately 3:00 PM. Lunch will be ordered on site that day with a menu of Subway or pizza to be decided. Car pooling is encouraged with the weather we have been experiencing. Please bring a chair. If you plan to attend, RSVP to Ruthie, either by phone or email.*

**Wiregrass Prairie**  
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**Directions:** From I-30W (Dallas), take exit #87 towards FM 1903. Turn right onto FM 1903. Go 4.1 miles, turn right onto TX-34 S. Turn left onto CR 1564. Turn left on CR 3318. The Graves' farm will be located on the right.



# Membership Application

Membership runs from January 1<sup>st</sup> to December 31<sup>st</sup>.

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Family Members: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Website: \_\_\_\_\_

Membership Level: \_\_\_\_\_ Individual (\$30) \_\_\_\_\_ Family (\$35) \_\_\_\_\_ Junior (\$10)-Birthdate \_\_\_\_\_

Half-Year Membership (New Members Only-Runs from July 1<sup>st</sup> to December 31<sup>st</sup>):

\_\_\_\_\_ Individual (\$15) \_\_\_\_\_ Family (\$17.50) \_\_\_\_\_ Junior (\$5)-Birthdate \_\_\_\_\_

ADS Member \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No Membership Number \_\_\_\_\_

CAA Member \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No Membership information is required for ADS & CAA affiliation purposes only.

I am interested in (check all that apply):

\_\_\_\_\_ Recreational Driving \_\_\_\_\_ Pleasure Driving Shows \_\_\_\_\_ Clinics & Educational Events

\_\_\_\_\_ Endurance Driving \_\_\_\_\_ CDEs, HDTs & ADTs \_\_\_\_\_ Volunteering

Please make checks payable to **Tejas Carriage Association** and mail with application to:

Alta Pederson  
305 Ryan Avenue  
Burleson, Texas 76028

I hereby release the Tejas Carriage Association, its board and members from any liability and all claims of every kind (including costs, expenses, or attorney fees) that might result from damages, injuries or losses to my person or property during, or in connection with, any show, clinic, event or functions, whether or not such damages, injuries, losses result directly from the negligent act of omissions of the board or members of the Tejas Carriage Association. I understand that under Texas Law (Chapter 87, Civil Practice and Remedies Code), an equine professional is not liable for an injury to or the death of a participant in equine activities resulting from the inherent risks of equine activities.

Signature(s): \_\_\_\_\_

If Junior, signature of Parent or legal Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_