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IEO DRESSAGE CLUB DVD CLINIC - "ON THE LEVELS"

6 - 9 p.m. Tuesday, January 24, 2012 in the Community Room of the Giant Food Store at 3301 Trindle Rd in Camp Hill, PA 17011. The Community Room is on the 2nd floor above the in-store cafe. Non-members are welcome!

Join the IEO Dressage Club for a viewing of the US Dressage Federation DVD "On the Levels".

This DVD shows Intro through Fourth level tests from the perspective of the judge with commentary from a judge and trainer. You will learn what the judge is looking for at each level and get tips to improve your own scores.

Why not come for dinner and a movie? You are welcome buy food or drinks from the store's cafe and bring it upstairs to the community room. Please do not bring any food or drinks from outside the store. All are welcome. You do not have to be a member to attend. Questions? Call Beth at 717-432-7068.

HORSE WORLD EXPOS

Lectures, demonstrations, exhibitions, lots of stuff to see and lots of stuff to buy! January 20-22 Maryland State Fairgrounds, Timonium and February 23-26, PA Farm Show Complex.

www.horseworldexpo.com

All materials must be submitted in writing by the 20th of each month for the next issue of "Close Contact" to the Editor, Katherine Nelson, 9856 Holly Hill Lane, New Freedom, PA 17349, or fax: 717-235-2853, or email katherinnelson08@comcast.net with "IEO" in the subject bar. Officers and board members must submit reports. Newsletters are mailed around the first of each month. Material submitted after the due date will be held for the following issue. Persons submitting material will be responsible for any violation of copyright laws. The editor reserves the right to shorten and/or edit any material received. Editor: Katherine Nelson, 9856 Holly Hill Lane, New Freedom, PA 17349; 717-235-6665; email KatNels@msn.com

UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND - UNIVERSITY SEMINARS

January 20-22, 2012 at the **Maryland Horse World Expo** in Timonium, Maryland. We have 3 days of fabulous speakers scheduled! A variety of topics provide something of interest to everyone. Whether you are thinking of starting a horse business, looking at colleges or vet school, wondering about what's new in vet medicine for horses, or how to best care for and feed them, you will find a seminar to help you do just that! For more detailed information on the Maryland Horse World Expo, visit their website <http://www.horseworldexpo.com>

Stop by our University of Maryland vendor booth to say hello and see what else we have planned for the new year!

CLINIC AT HARMONY HILL FARM

Harmony Hill Farm will host a three-day clinic with Paula Kierkegaard from March 9th through 11th. Lessons are \$110 for 45 minutes, and auditing is \$10 per day. Paula Kierkegaard has been a USEF "R" Judge for more than 30 years, and a USDF certified instructor since 1990. Join us for a refresher on traditional dressage, and a reminder of how our equitation influences our horses' carriage and movement. Paula welcomes horses and students of all levels. Contact Amy Pavlik: email amy@pavliklaw.com, or call 717-226-7747.

BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP IEO/USDF

Coupon codes for USDF member discounts:

[USDF Store](#) (10% discount) – **USDFMEM12**

[DressageTrainingOnline.com](#) (15% discount) – **95121521**

[DressageClinic.com](#) (15% discount) – **USDF20108070**

[Barnby Notes](#) (Free upgrade to premium online notebook version) – **USDF2012**

[FarmVet](#) (5% discount on online orders) – **FVUSDF**

NEW!!!! [Perfect World Dressage](#) (Free Gold Membership) – **USDF/PW2012**

USDF NEWS

[Christoph Hess](#) as the presenter for our [Succeed/USDF FEI-Level Trainers' Conference](#) to be held January 16-17, 2012 at High Meadow Farm in Loxahatchee, FL. Hear Christoph on the [Dressage Radio Show](#) as he talks about the classical way of riding, and training issues – worldwide! Get to know Christoph's teaching style by visiting [e-TRAK](#).

"The Classical System Simplified" features [Lilo Fore](#). During each clinic [Lilo](#) will get into the nitty-gritty of the classical system, starting with the basics. Visit the [website](#) to find the date and location near you. Tune in to the [Dressage Radio Show](#) to hear [Lilo Fore's](#) advice on selecting the appropriate competition level based on your training program and hear her goals for the clinic series during the USDF portion of the show. Experience Lilo's teaching style on [e-TRAK](#).

Don't forget about the Spring Region 1 meeting on Sunday March 18 at Hassler Dressage in Chesapeake City, MD. This event is being held in conjunction with the Jeremy Steinberg Youth clinic March 17 and 18. Jeremy's knowledge is extensive so whether you are Junior, Young Rider or Adult, attendance at the clinic as an auditor would be invaluable.

IEO PRESIDENT'S LETTER

The New Year is racing forward and it's time to catch up on IEO events!

The new Board and officers are planning to meet for the first time on Sunday, January 15 at 4 PM at Susan Moody's home. One big item we plan to discuss is the schooling show schedule for 2012, so if you have a favorite show venue or judge that you'd like to suggest, please do so by contacting our Schooling Show Committee Chair, Margaret Scarff, at mdanews@aol.com.

We are also planning a DVD clinic for January that will encourage you to brave the cold and get back on your horse! On Tuesday, January 24th we will be showing the USDF DVD, "On the Levels" in the Community Room at the Camp Hill Giant on Trindle Road. The clinic will start at 6 and run until 9 PM and will cover the USDF 2011 dressage tests (Training through Fourth levels) from the judge's perspective. This clinic is open to members and non – members as well – maybe you know a prospective member you could bring along? See the item in this month's newsletter for more information.

Hope you and your horse are enjoying the lovely (and unusually warm!) January weather and that you are looking forward to more IEO activities in the near future.

Susan Moody,
IEO President

PEER-TO-PEER COMMISSION – NEED YOUR INPUT!!

USDF has established a new Peer-to-Peer Commission comprised of volunteers who have been charged with trying to make riding in dressage competitions more appealing and rewarding for riders by creating a system whereby riders can compete against others of similar ability and experience. Many USDF members have a passion for the sport, but a reluctance to compete. The Commission needs your input on what would entice more competitors to the dressage competition arena as every rider should be able to enjoy showing and have a chance to win!

Other sports have handicaps or rating systems that enable a level playing field such as golf, tennis or even other equestrian sports like team roping or the hunter arenas. The Commission has discussed adding classes/divisions based on prior show history, taking into account scores accumulated, ribbons won and/or Championship qualifications earned. But they need to hear from you, the members! Please send your input to peertopeer@usdf.org by November 23 so that the Commission can discuss these ideas at the Adequan/USDF Annual Convention in San Diego.

THE INAUGURAL NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

To be held at the Kentucky Horse Park in Lexington, KY in November 2013. Results from the USDF/GAIC Regional Championships that year will determine the invitees to the national championships.

PLANNING TO SHOW AT LISCENCED COMPETITIONS?

Go to the USDF website to order your 2012 Region One Prize List Omnibus.

NEW BOLTON CENTER FREE LECTURES

The schedule for the next several months has been announced:

Feb 7, 2012 Janet Johnson, DVM, DACVIM, DACVS
Colic in 3D - The Glass Horse

March 6, 2012 Suzanne Stewart, DVM
Suspensory ligament disease in the performance horse

April 3, 2012 Louise Southwood, DVM, PhD
It's 10 p.m. and my horse isn't right: When is it an emergency?

This schedule is subject to change. Please check the website,
<http://www.vet.upenn.edu/FirstTuesdays>, for the most current information.

VISIT [e-TRAK](http://www.usdf.org/e-trak); USDF'S NEW ONLINE LEARNING CENTER

Available at *no cost* to all current IEO members, e-TRAK is USDF's online learning center for dressage and equine education. Through one convenient location, members can access hundreds of educational resources, engage in structured learning activities, and earn USDF University Program credit! To access e-TRAK, IEO members just need to log in to the website at www.usdf.org/e-trak.

USDF and RFDTV Bring Dressage to Your Living room

Watch Robert Dover, Hilda Gurney, Jessica Ranshousen and Michael Poulin as they delve into the many aspects involved in the progressive dressage training of the horse and rider. Show times can be found on the USDF website. Check it out and share with others!

THE IEO LIBRARY NEEDS YOU!

You know the adage, "neither a borrower nor a lender be", but we want you to be both. The IEO library has over 40 horse-related titles ranging from training to novels - something for everybody. The titles are now posted on the IEO website (www.ieodressage.org) so you can see what is available. Is there something you would like to borrow? Something you would like to donate? Something you wish we had? Call or email librarian Beth Major. Phone: 717-432-7068 email: Beth.Major@ymail.com

YOUR HELP NEEDED TO BENEFIT THE IEO DRESSAGE ORGANIZATION: S.H.O.W. PROGRAM

Do you or your barn where you board your horse, feed Triple Crown, Legends, or Reliance feed? If you do, the IEO Dressage Organization, a non-profit club, can benefit from your feed labels. The S.H.O.W. program (Special Horse Organization Winner's) has a program based with Southern States feed which includes Triple Crown, Legends, and Reliance.

If you can work with your barn owner and **cut off your proof of purchase seals on the back bottom of your bags**, or, if you receive **bulk deliveries**, obtain the **original bulk bin delivery tickets** and send to Cindy. The club will receive:

\$0.25/proof for Triple Crown feeds, \$0.25/proof for Legends, \$0.10/proof for Reliance

\$10.00/ton for Triple Crown & Legends bulk deliveries, \$4.00/ton for Reliance bulk deliveries
When you have acquired several, send them along with your show entry forms and they will be forwarded to Cindy. Or, **mail them directly to:**

Cindy Mattern, 2889 Ford Farm Rd., Mechanicsburg, PA 17055

We are planning on using the proceeds from these labels to sponsor our Young Riders, and to sponsor various clinic opportunities for our club members.

Cindy Mattern, Donation Chair & Board Member, IEO, 717-796-0755 home

ACTIVITIES COMING IN 2012

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Information on the USDF website about on-line coverage of this event.

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March 9 - 11, Clinic with Paula Kierkegaard, Harmony Hill Farm amy@pavliklaw.com, or call 717-226-7747

March 18, 2012 The Spring Region One meeting will be held at Hassler Dressage at Riveredge in Chesapeake City, MD.

June 6-7 Region 1 Adult Team Championship Prince George Equestrian Center Upper Marlboro, MD Contact: Betty Thorpe bsthorpe@aol.com

June 8-10 East Coast Young Horse Selection Trials, Morven Park, Leesburg, VA Contact: Dianne Boyd greyhorse11@gmail.com

July 28-29 Region One North Youth Team Competition Morven Park Leesburg, VA Contact: Alison Head lookingglassfarm@mac.com

September 26-30 Dressage at Devon

October 6-7 Region One Adult Clinic with Lilo Fore at Averett College Danville, VA
Contact: Polly Yeago payeago@bellsouth.net

October 18-21 BLM Championships Virginia Horse Center Lexington, VA Contact: Dianne Boyd greyhorse11@gmail.com

November 1-4 USDF/GAIC Regional Championships Williamston, NC Contact: Martie Healey martieh@cox.net

November 10 Region One Fall Meeting Leesburg, VA Contact: Lisa Schmidt crisismgt@aol.com

CLASSIFIED ADS *IEO members advertise for free*

FOR SALE:

Hungarian Broodmare - 16h, 12 yrs, sound and healthy has had 3 fabulous foals. Winner Get of Mare Class at Fair Hill in '08. Her offspring have won USDF All Breeds 2008 Reserve Champion AWR, '08 PHR Silver Stirrup National Reserve Champion for Dressage Sporthorse, the '09 'Born In The USA' Filly Championship at Fair Hill. Double registered AWR. \$1500. or will consider a lease, can stay at my farm. Katherine Nelson 717-235-6665

16 H, 9 yr old Hanoverian cross mare for lease \$175/ month or sale. Good disposition and temperament. Snaffle mouth. Would be great for someone looking for high dollar horse but doesn't have the bucks, but

has the time. She has 10 trot. I have to many horses and to little time I don't want this one to be pushed aside she is to nice so my loss is your gain. This horse is kind, not stupid and worth a lot, she will be competitive on the AA circuit in hunters or in the dressage arena. She is schooling training level dressage and has easily Jumped 2'6 on the trail and great ground manners up to date on all shots no vices fmi call Melanie Adams 443-220-6058.

3 year old filly, is a gorgeous full bred Reg. **Lipizzan. Devona** is out of Casurina, Sired by Pluto Matina. Devona, has three very correct gates, beautiful confirmation and movement, this filly has already proven she is very trainable. Devona, in 2007 as a yearling year won first place at Dressage At Devon breed class with a 72% from Hilda Gurney! This was her first show ever! She leads, loads ties baths, blankets, stands for farrier and loves to be brushed and worked with at liberty and in hand. Has had a saddle and lunges. This fall she will be backed and her price will increase with her training. Dr. O evaluated this young filly and she received all 8's & 9's! Final score, 82.7% FMI see her video at www.lipizzanerhorses.com or contact Melanie 443-220-6058

Albert is a 16.2 TB Gelding 16 years old, 1st level, Cadillac to ride, beautiful floating action. Very sweet. Easy to be around. No vices. Looking for a good home with someone who can use and appreciate him. Owner is out of commission and will be for another year;

Mallo Mar is a stunning 17.2 Irish Sport Horse, gelding, black with chrome. Extremely personable. Has EPM. Would make a stellar therapy horse. Free to good home; and

Brenda Lee is an 8 yr old Cleveland Bay mare, 15.2, jumping 3 feet easily, flying lead changes, fox hunted last season, good bone, terrific feet, glamorous, nice mover. Not suitable for beginner. Forms a strong bond with her human. Asking \$5,000.

These three horses can be seen at the Whodathunkit Farm in Fairfield, PA. 717 642-5917 Ask for Cookie. ClubEquestrian.com

EQUANIMITY FARM SPORT HORSES: Quality Hanoverians for the discerning rider....Currently for sale – foals, yearlings, and 2 year olds. Visit our website at www.equanimityfarm.com or contact Diane Vickery at (717) 919-2020, Dillsburg, PA

Used RO-TO harrow for sale, good condition. needs teeth. \$500. Or best offer. FMI 410-692-6921 or 410-459-0798. Margaret Scarff

Trilogy Verago Elite dressage saddle, 18" med tree, excellent condition. Flocking maintained by Trilogy Rep., asking \$2500, contact Scott Nickel @ 410-241-0075 or scottnickel@gmail.com for more info.

16 1/2" Laser Dressage saddle adjustable tree, 16" flaps, excellent condition, panels re-flocked and soft. \$950. 717-235-6665 or katnels@msn.com.

Crosby Sofride All-Purpose Saddle, black 17" Wide Tree. This saddle has been lovingly cared for. Excellent condition. Asking \$1050. Please call Jane @ 717-805-3289 regarding any questions.

BOARDING:

HARMONY HILL FARM 3 Boarding Opportunities: exceptional boarding program individualized to every horse personalized instruction & training For Every Level Of Horse & Rider *Hunters – Jumpers – Dressage* 150 X 275 Outdoor Arena Show Jumps – Dust Free Custom Footing, Regulation Size Dressage

Arena, Olympic Caliber Perimeter – Custom Footing 72 X 152 Attached Indoor Arena, Bright & Airy – Custom Footing Permanent Cross Country Fences Manicured Fields, Hacking Paths & Wooded Trails
Visit Our Website Harmony-Hill-Farm.com 717-528-4247

NEWBERRYTOWN. New Private barn between Harrisburg and York, 5 minutes off I83. One stall available, sorry Geldings only. Quite small barn great for a retired horse. Matted stalls each with a Dutchdoor, for view and ventilation. Outdoor riding ring with great footing. Pastures with board fence or No Climb horse fence and lots of shade. FULLCARE- Hay available at all times, feeding, watering and stalls are done twice a day. Daily turnout weather permitting, I do not turn out in the rain. Brushing, hoof care are done daily, blanketing and fly protection as needed, holding for vet or Farrier if needed. Sate parks and trails near by. \$300 per month. Call Christina Barclay Sauder 717-319-9241

BOARDING - WHITE HALL, MD 5 min from Shrewsbury and Fawn Grove \$350 a month. 14 acre farmette Cost includes excellent daily care, feeding 2 times a day daily turn out, blanketing when needed, worming, grain and hay. 120x60 lighted indoor arena 12x12 matted stalls hot and cold water, wash stall, fans miles of trails. FMI call Melanie at 443-220-6058

BEAUTIFUL, AIRY, CLEAN INDOOR ARENA, large box stalls near Lineboro, MD and convenient to I83. \$415 per month. Field board also available \$295. (717) 235-0941.

FULL BOARD IN EAST BERLIN, PA includes 12x12 stall and grass pasture. Riding ring, heated tack room, trails, wash stall with hot water. Must have great references. Call Gail @ 717-586-6076

NEED AN INDOOR ARENA FOR TRAINING? Cynthia (Cindy) Mattern, a USDF Bronze Medalist, has over 25 years of experience teaching riders and training horses in both Dressage and Hunt. She utilizes the pyramid for classical training. Cindy accepts trailer-ins at two (2) barns in the Dillsburg area, plus one (1) in Perry County. She will travel to you. See her ad in the IEO website. Call 717-796-0755 or kroniek1@aol.com References available.

BOARD/TRAIN AT SHIP'S QUARTERS FARM. Indoor with lights, mirrors, and sand/rubber/fabric footing with dust polymer for dust free environment. Outdoor dressage ring and large fenced jumping ring. Individualized, personal care. Instruction with USDF Silver Medalist and FEI competitor. Convenient to Southern PA, Carroll and surrounding counties. Call 410-751-9953 or go to shipsquartersfarm.com.

EVELYN PFOUTZ - COOL BREEZE DRESSAGE, available for instruction, horse training, clinics, fix a tests, schooling show judging, and musical freestyle. Visit www.Coolbreezedressage.com.

If you would like to add or remove a classified ad, please call Kathy Nelson 717-235-6665 or email katherinnelson08@comcast.net. Non-member ad rates: Full page \$20. per issue; Half page \$15. per issue; Quarter page \$10. per issue; Classified ad or business card ad \$5. per issue. 'Camera ready' ad copy should be sent to Katherine Nelson, 9856 Holly Hill Lane, New Freedom, PA 17349.



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Dues for December 1 – November 30

2012 IEO Membership Application

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____ E-mail: _____

_____ Young Rider (under 22 years old) \$45.00 date of birth: _____

_____ Individual or Primary Adult \$50.00

_____ Additional Family Members \$35.00 each

List participating family members: (Include date of birth for Young Riders)

Make check payable to I.E.O. and send to: Cindy Mattern
2889 Ford Farm Road
Mechanicsburg, PA 17055