

MINUTES

General Meeting – February 5, 2013

Meeting held at Carroll County Office Building, 225 N. Center Street, Room 003-004 Lower Level, Westminster, MD and called to order at 7:35 p.m. by Bridget McCullough, President.

ATTENDANCE: Lynda Arnold, Janet Breeding, Jessica Dustin, Carolyn Garber, Nancy Hoffa, Kristy Kraus, Bridget McCullough, Peggy Miller, Linda Polzin, Dave Radcliffe, Darlene Welsh, Joe Zentgraf, Tina Shupp.

VOLUNTEER HOURS for January 2013: 108 hours

Motion by Peggy Miller to approve the minutes of the meeting held on January 8, 2013; second by Linda Polzin. Motion passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Report for January 1 – 31, 2012 is attached.

EQUESTRIAN CENTER REPORT: Darlene Welsh reported she has received several releases and will be calling with the combination. Contracts for 2013 will be processed in February. Peggy Miller reported major damage to the parking lot area outside the gates of the Equestrian Center and to the driveway where the millings have washed away. Tina will put in a repair request to Carroll County Roads Dept.

RECREATION AND PARKS REPORT: Tina Shupp reported receipt of the \$1,500 check from the Maryland Horse Industry Board that is being processed through Friends of Carroll Recreation and Parks. Tina announced that Abby Gruber (Chief, Bureau of Recreation) is resigning; her last day is 2/19/13. Abby Gruber has accepted the position of Director for Westminster City Recreation and Parks. Tina read an email from Donna Cooper, who had attended a Joe-ronimo Ride a few years ago.

OLD BUSINESS

17th Annual Horse World Expo (January 18 – 20, 2013) – Carolyn thanked all who helped staff the booth; Darlene Welsh, Lynda Arnold, Janet Breeding, Joe Dragan, Bridget McCullough, Peggy Miller, Linda Polzin, Dave Radcliffe, Joe Zentgraf, Todd Laudeman, Bob Lilly, Charlie Beusch, Maureen Boskin, Peggy Hunt Brenda Klaunberg, Donna McCullough, and Jean Swartz. Thanks were also sent to Denise Parsons of Equestrian Promotions, Inc. for providing the 10 x 10 booth space (valued at \$525.) at no charge. Discussion followed regarding the prime location of our booth, close to the demonstration area and the general attendance/inquiries.

Maryland Horse Industry Board (MHIB) Grant Award Status – Tina Shupp reported the \$1,500. check is being processed through Friends of Carroll Recreation and Parks.

2013 Calendar of Events

March 5, 2013 – 7:30 p.m. "Riding Smart – Using Safety Equipment to Avoid Injury"
Special Presentation by J. Christopher Kuhlman, OTR/L CHT of Maryland SportsCare & Rehab addressing concussions and Pat Mansfield, USEF Technical Delegate addressing safety equipment. Held at Carroll County Building, Room 003-004 Lower Level, 225 N. Center St., Westminster, MD.

April 2, 2013 - Meeting Location – Bridget McCullough reported the dine-out fundraiser will be held at J & P Pizza, 480 Meadow Creek Drive, Westminster. CCEC dinner meeting at **7:00 p.m.** The fundraiser event is from 5:00 – 9:00 p.m.; present a copy of the flyer at time of service and CCEC will receive 10% of your bill; good for in restaurant dining and carry out.

As follow up to January meeting discussion, Janet Breeding reported no success with her contact for availability of a facility for an obstacles training

NEW BUSINESS

MD Horse Council News – See Current issue of the Equiery.

4-H Therapeutic Riding Program of Carroll County - Horse Fair Flea Market to be held on Saturday, March 16, 2013 from 9:00 – 2:00 at the Shipley Arena at the Agriculture Center, Smith Avenue, Westminster, MD.

Darlene Welsh volunteered to set up the booth and sign-up sheet for booth volunteers was distributed.

9:00 – 10:30 Joe Zentgraf

10:30 – 12:00 Joe Zentgraf

12:00 – 1:00 Janet Breeding

1:00 – 2:00 Peggy Miller and Carolyn Garber

Southern States Platinum Sponsor for 2013 – Jessica Morton (SS rep) indicated they would continue the sponsorship for \$600. Carolyn Garber has provided the appropriate paperwork to her for processing.

Publicity and Promotion - Carolyn Garber reported the calendar of events, membership and equestrian center brochures were distributed at Horse World Expo. Media release was sent to The Equiery, WTTR Radio, Carroll County Times, Hope Holland and HoCoMoFreddies for the 3/5 special presentation “Riding Smart – Using Safety Equipment to Avoid Injury.” Calendar of events, membership and center brochures will also be distributed to all six branches of the Carroll County Public Library.

Recreation in Carroll in WTTR 1470 AM – Air date 1/27/13 promoted the Equestrian Council in general , named the Officers and Board of Directors and highlighted the Calendar of Events. Air date of 2/3/13 featured promotion of the special program to be presented on 3/5/15 “Riding Smart – Using Safety Equipment to Avoid Injury.”

Membership Report – Carolyn Garber reported membership of 75 to date (57 renewals/18 new) and described the zip code breakdown of the membership. The top three areas are: Woodbine 21797 = 15, Mt. Airy 21771 = 13 and Westminster 21157-58 = 13.

Bridget McCullough announced that Jean McCormac resigned from the Board. Thanks to Jean for serving in this position for quite some time.

Joe Zentgraf reported property line problems at the Union Mills trails near the mountain bike course.

Discussion followed regarding trail maintenance at Union Mills. Jessica Dustin volunteered to organize two trail work days; she will contact Jean McCormac for more information.

Carolyn Garber distributed the Equestrian Council Contact sheet for updates to be made. This contact sheet is used by Recreation and Parks staff and is distributed to Equestrian Council Officers and Board of Directors.

Janet Breeding reported on the proposed expansion of deer hunting season in Carroll County. See excerpts from the Carroll County Times on 1/29/13 and 1/30/13.

Linda Polzin suggested having a Judged Pleasure Ride with 6 obstacles as a fundraiser event. Discussion followed regarding the number of volunteers required; no action taken.

Nancy Hoffa asked if others saw the Ravens Super Bowl Celebration Parade; discussion followed regarding the wonderful work done by the Baltimore City Police Department Mounted Unit. Carolyn offered to send a letter of support to Baltimore City Police Department/Mayor's Office in support of the Mounted Unit.

Morgan Run/Patapsco Valley State Park – Carolyn Garber reported recent personnel changes; former Patapsco Valley State Park Assistant Manager Steve McCoy is now Acting Park Manager; and the new McKeldin Area (which includes Morgan Run NEA) Manager is Joe Vogelpohl. PVSP approved the trail work dates for Morgan Run NEA (5/19, 6/1, 7/14, 9/14, 10/6).

Motion to adjourn by Janet Breeding; second by Linda Polzin. Meeting adjourned 9:05 p.m.

Senate Delegation discusses legislation-Carroll County Bills - From Carroll County Times 01/19/2013 Front Page and Page A5 “These bills apply only to Carroll County and do not have statewide implications. Deer Hunting Season Extension

Extends firearms deer hunting season to go from the third Saturday in November through the third Saturday in December and from the first Saturday in January through the second Sunday in January. The bill would extend the hunting season by a total of two weeks, according to County Attorney, Tim Burk.”

And it continues:

Carroll's delegation votes on local bills – From Carroll County Times 01/29/13 Page A3

“The Carroll County Senate Delegation to the Maryland General Assembly voted on which bills it will file during the 2013 legislative session on Friday.The delegation held off on voting on the following bill requests:.....and extending deer bow hunting season in Carroll.”

House delegation votes on bills – From Carroll County Times 01/30/13 page A3

“The Carroll County House of Delegates Delegation to the Maryland General Assembly voted on which bills it will file during the 2013 legislative session on Jan 22.

The following local bills were filed by the delegation:.....and extending deer bow hunting season in Carroll.”

FOR SALE – Contact Charles & Peggy Smith 410-876-3377

2001 Adam Bumper Pull Horse Trailer (2 horse slant load with tack room) asking \$4,000 obo

Hay Bunker with trough 4 ft free standing \$125 obo

Tack, blankets, 3 saddles and other items.

FOR SALE – Contact Gil Breeding 410-795-4262

6 Y/O gelding, dark bay, 15 hands, good on trail, sound, clips, ties, loads, neg. Coggins, Appcross?, \$800 OBO, must go.

FOR SALE – Kristy Kraus c#410-259-8039 (kaktek@verizon.net)

FLASHY TRAIL AND/OR WALK-TROT PLEASURE HORSE. CUTE ENOUGH FOR THE SHOW RING BUT QUIET ENOUGH FOR THE TRAILS. HOT CHILI PEPPER IS A 13 YO , 14.2 H, SORREL MARE WITH FLAXEN MANE AND TAIL, SMALL BLAZE FACE AND FOUR WHITE FEET. CHILI HAS BEEN USED PRIMARILY FOR RECREATIONAL TRAIL RIDING BUT IN THE LAST COUPLE OF YEARS SHE WAS SHOWN QUITE SUCCESSFULLY AT SOME OF THE LOCAL SHOWS IN THE YOUTH AND ADULT WALK/TROT CLASSES. HER WALK AND JOG/TROT ARE VERY COMFORTABLE BUT SHE COULD USE SOME WORK ON HER LOPE/CANTER AS OWNER DOESNT DO THAT ANY MORE. CHILI IS A VERY EASY KEEPER AND IS CURRENTLY TURNED OUT, 24/7, WITH ACCESS TO GOOD SHELTER, WATER AND HAY. SHE STANDS QUIETLY FOR THE VET AND THE FARRIER. SHE TIES, LOADS AND TRAILERS WELL AND IS UTD ON ALL VACCINATIONS AND HAS A NEGATIVE COGGINS. ASKING \$1200