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Calendar

April & May

The KHC website contains a full listing of events including saddle club meetings, trail work days, parades, clinics, etc.

For a complete listing [CLICK HERE](#).

[Click Here](#) for Kansas barrel racing dates/events

KHC Appoints New Board Members

Speak Up to Make A Difference

Let's protect our Kansas equine industry

Here we go again -- asking you to contact your elected legislator. But, folks if we don't educate them about what our industry needs, who will?

I received the following message today from the president of the Kansas Thoroughbred Association. Please read it and take the couple minutes required to either call and leave a message or send an email to your legislator right now.

Even if you don't support racing, this bill could provide funds for establishing equine programs that would benefit horse owners across the state.

CLICK HERE to send a message if you know who your legislators are.

Or, call 800-432-3924, give them your physical address and they'll find them for you.

" I'm writing to keep you informed of current legislation in Topeka with a potential tremendous impact on the Kansas horse industry. A Bill entitled HB 2055 was passed out of committee to the Senate floor yesterday. The Senate Fed and State Affairs Committee took a House Bill, gutted it and inserted language that could very possibly eliminate any future for the Kansas horse racing industry. What was produced and sent on to the Senate is a Bill that allows for a Southeast Kansas casino only and offers nothing to help re-open The Woodlands or Eureka Downs. If this Bill passes in it's current form, all leverage for the votes of Southeast Kansas legislators will be lost. In the past, those interested in re-opening the racetracks and opening a Southeast Kansas casino have always stuck together as in most cases it takes groups all working together and some luck to pass a Bill. If any one faction goes rogue, it usually signals the death knell.

The KHC Board of Directors is made up of nine individuals that donate their time and talents to support the mission of the Council.

We would like to introduce our newest Board members; Rachel Zenger of Haddam and Tom Frey of Kansas City. Last months issue had Tom's bio so this month we want to introduce you to Rachel.

Rachel Zenger was born and raised in Kansas, and from the time she was propped up in the saddle at eighteen months old by a horse crazy aunt, she has always loved to spend time around horses. Her involvement in 4-H was her primary source of information with her first horse, so Rachel believes strongly in the important role 4-H plays and volunteers as a 4-H leader for the horse project.

At Kansas State University, Rachel spent a year on the NCAA Equestrian Team and the competitive horse judging team, which earned championship honors that year at the AQHA World Show. Rachel was the second-ranked individual.

Rachel began showing Paint horses through the Kansas Paint Horse Association, and still enjoys those competitions. Recently, she became involved in the Kansas Cowboy Dressage Association as its secretary, and showed her horse at the first-ever All-Breed Western Dressage show at the Color Breed Congress in Tulsa last year.

In 2012, Rachel finished law school at the University of Kansas and married her husband, Drew. Drew has her halfway talked into learning to team rope. Rachel currently lives with her husband, two dogs, and their six horses in north-central Kansas, near Washington.

Are You There?

KansasEquineDirectory.com

This site is FREE, EASY To USE and available to everyone involved with horses in and near Kansas.

Farriers, vets, trainers, western stores, breeders, feed stores,

The members of the Kansas Thoroughbred Association and the Kansas Quarter Horse Racing Association began a large scale call and email campaign to their respective legislators today. Our message is simple and consistent... "please support amending racing language back into HB 2055. If racing language is not inserted into the Bill, please oppose the Bill".

A healthy racing industry in Kansas is a boon for the State's agri-business sector, creates jobs throughout the State and provides much needed tax revenue. It's time Kansas draws the thousands of horses lost to surrounding states back where it helps all Kansans. If any of your membership feels so inclined, I implore them to act swiftly in delivering the above message to their legislators as this matter is extremely urgent. If they have further concerns or questions, they are welcome to contact me."

Best Regards,
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Morgan Horse Owners

AMHA is proud to sponsor Full Circle, a program to encourage individuals to provide a "safety net" for horses they bred, owned, trained, drove, cared for, or just admired. The initiative is modeled after a similar program first introduced by the American Quarter Horse Association. [Read More . . .](#)



Elk City Ride May 4-5, 2013

HURRY - JUST A FEW SPOTS LEFT!

The Elk River Trail at Elk City Lake in southeast Kansas is a

equine photographers, artists, horse haulers, saddle clubs, insurance companies, etc. -- the Kansas Horse Council created this site Just For You!

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**Homes for Horses
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Dancer

Dancer is a Sorrel Quarter Horse mare. She is broke to ride. Unfortunately, someone at some point decided to wrap her tail. They tied it too tight, cutting off the circulation. The dead appendage eventually fell off. The horse probably suffered very little pain, but now must cope with having no weapon to swat flies. Dancer is ready to go to a good loving home.

The March 2013 featured rescue comes from the: [Hope in the Valley Equine Rescue.](#)

This monthly feature provides contact details for a horse adoption in Kansas. Please contact the rescue or adoption service directly. Thanks!

Be Actively Involved --

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isn't affiliated with KHC,
why not?
Club memberships are only*

rugged hiking and biking trail that is considered one of the most unique and most beautiful in Kansas. Through special permit, equestrians are allowed on this trail two times a year. There are several places along this trail that are impassable for horses, so some re-routing has been done to avoid those spots. But, equestrians still enjoy the diversity of this area as the trail winds through hardwood forest with rock walls that rise up to towering heights and continues to pass through numerous other rock formations.

Click Here for a registration form.

The cost is only \$25.00 per rider.

For more information contact:

Jim Thomas: 785-633-4761, thomasjc68@gmail.com or
Jennifer Carnahan: 620-251-0512, jcarnahan@crmcinc.org

American Horse Council

An Open Letter to the Horse Industry

Time to Be Proactive on Equine Disease Outbreaks

The horse community is always just one step from a calamity and that calamity is a disease outbreak of such proportion as to widely imperil the health of our horses and threaten the economic viability of our industry. The ever-present risk is due to the equine industry's reliance on the timely movement of healthy horses for sales, breeding, racing, showing, work and recreation. In this environment an infectious disease outbreak can result in federal or state restrictions on horse movement to stop the spread of the disease. *Read More . . .*



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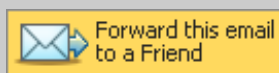
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This insurance protects you from anything you are held liable for due to the actions of any of your horses (no matter how many you own), at any place and any time whether it's on or off your personal property.

Plus you'll receive a subscription to Better Horses Magazine, you'll get discounts at great western stores like Roy Frey in Topeka and RB Outpost in Manhattan; you and your family are eligible for Foundation scholarships, discounts on our trail rides and \$10 off the cost of Liability Law Warning signs.

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For national vendors call 866-678-4289 before you shop to enjoy your membership advantages at John Deere, UPS, Sherwin Williams, Office Max, Valvoline, Equine Travel Advantage, NTRA Rx Discount Card.

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