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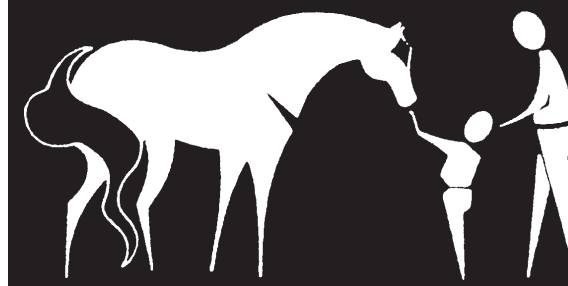
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Time To take Advantage of AYHC's programs!

This is the newsletter that offers the opportunity for AYHC members to take advantage of some of the benefits of membership. Take full advantage of your membership in the organization that strives to connect kids through horses!

Do you know an outstanding student or adult leader of youth horse programs? Now is the time to start thinking of nominating that person for AYHC's awards programs. We now have two awards in order to recognize an outstanding adult leader and outstanding student leader. A few tips on nominating - read the full application and accompanying instructions carefully. Pay special attention to the criteria for judging the nomination. It is important to follow all instructions and submit information based on each of the categories as outlined in the application.

Also included in this newsletter is the AYHC Grants Program Application. AYHC has limited funds each year to award to member programs and events that meet the criteria outlined on page 9. Applications that do not meet the criteria or other qualifications as outlined will not be granted any funds. AYHC is looking for regional events that team up groups or organizations of dissimilar affiliation. This is important and some examples of this would be a 4-H group teaming up with a breed organization youth group or a Pony Club teaming up with a High School Rodeo group for a project. The Grants and Scholarships Committee will review all submitted applications and award grants to those who qualify as financial resources allow.

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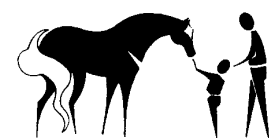
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# AYHC Publications

AYHC is the umbrella organization providing resources and leadership to the youth horse industry.

AYHC's three standard publications are available through [HorseBooksEtc.com](http://HorseBooksEtc.com): the Safety Manual, the Youth Leader's Manual and the Horse Industry Handbook



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## AYHC 2007 National Student (Youth) Leader of the Year Nomination Instructions

**Who:** American Youth Horse Council Student Leader of the Year

**What:** An annual award to recognize a student leader (age 14 – 18) who has offered outstanding leadership to young people within the horse industry. This top leader introduces newcomers to the horse industry, mentors young horsemen, and promotes the horse industry within the local community and accomplishes these goals in fun, innovative ways. **The AYHC awards program is a member benefit and any member may nominate one student leader they feel worthy of this honor.**

**When:** Nominations for the award must be submitted to the AYHC office by September 30, 2007.

**Where:** The winner and four finalists for the AYHC Student Leader of the Year will be recognized early each year during the annual AYHC Youth Leaders Symposium. The 2008 National Youth Leaders Symposium will be held in Raleigh, NC on February 29 – March 2, 2008.

**Why:** Peer mentoring is very important to the growth of youth. Having a strong youth leader in a horse club is a great attribute to keep the club vibrant and growing. Kids love looking up to other kids and a good role model is important to have in any youth group and should be recognized for his/her contributions. Any student leader who volunteers time and effort to the youth horse industry should be recognized as a potential candidate for the award.

**How:** AYHC Awards Committee members will review and evaluate the nominations and present their findings to the AYHC Board. The final selection will be based on the nominee's accomplishments within the horse industry in general and his/her contributions to the youth horse industry in particular. **The scoring will be done as outlined below, it is very important for nominators to outline why the nominee fulfills each category in order for the committee to completely see the nominee's qualification.**

**Nominees will be scored on a scale of 1 to 10, with 10 being the highest score, in these categories:**

1. Horse industry leadership experience
2. Innovative approach to working with peers.
3. Mentoring of other youth.
4. Horse industry and community involvement.
5. Letters of recommendation (one from a peer, one from an adult leader)

### Application Requirements:

- **Must** include documentation formatted specifically to address these five scored categories. Additional supporting materials such as program brochures, fliers, schedules, etc. can be attached as appropriate and will not be included in the 10 page limit.
- 10 page limit including the nomination form (excluding supporting materials such as program brochures, fliers, schedules, etc)
- No more than 2 pages for each of the 5 scored categories.
- Three photos illustrating the nominee's involvement in horse and/or leadership activities must also be submitted with the application. Photos in an electronic format (jpeg) are preferred.

**Applications that do not meet these requirements will not be considered.**

### NOMINATION FORM

**Nominee:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Telephone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **E-Mail:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Nominated by:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Telephone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **E-Mail:** \_\_\_\_\_

Number of years student leader involved with horses: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of years student leader involved with a youth horse club/organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of years student leader involved with youth horse club/organization in a leadership role: \_\_\_\_\_

List the horse organizations student leader is member of: \_\_\_\_\_

List the leadership roles student leader has held in horse clubs/associations: \_\_\_\_\_

Following documentation **must** be included:

- \* Horse industry leadership experience.
- \* Innovative approach to working with peers.
- \* Mentoring of other youth.
- \* Horse industry and community involvement.
- \* Letter of recommendation from a peer
- \* Letter of recommendation from an adult leader
- \* Three photos - jpeg format preferred email to [info@ayhc.com](mailto:info@ayhc.com)

Submit completed application to AYHC no later than September 30, 2007 via mail, fax or email:

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**Downloadable application available online at [www.ayhc.com](http://www.ayhc.com) or by emailing [info@ayhc.com](mailto:info@ayhc.com).**

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## From the Pen of the Prez

by Christy Landwehr



Hope the weather in your area is staying great so you can ride! In this issue you will find information on the benefits of AYHC membership and on all the great AYHC programs your membership entitles you to.

One of these is to be able to apply for an AYHC grant through the AYHC Grants and Scholarships Program. The application is in this issue and the deadline is September TBA. Remember that the event needs to be in partnership with other groups.

Another benefit is to be able to nominate someone for the Adult Youth Leader of the Year Award or the Student Leader of the Year Award. Take the time to think of someone for one of these awards that you know. This is a great opportunity for local leader or student mentor in your club to be recognized by a national association!

You never know what your impact might be on someone..... Two years ago at the Certified Horsemanship Association Conference I was speaking to Pamila Cronkhite. She was telling me how she was thinking of closing her equestrian center due to family issues. During the course of our conversation I told her how I thought she could make a go of it and should keep her program open as it was helping so many children and adults and making her happy as well. I really didn't think anymore about this conversation with Pam, until the AYHC awards banquet this year when Pam won our Youth Leader of the Year Award and said that if it wasn't for our conversation two years ago she would not be winning the AYHC awards as she would have closed her business! Sometimes the things that we say to others that don't mean much to us at the time mean the world to them. So nominate someone that has had an impact on you in the horse world today!

In this issue you will also find the Call for Papers for the AYHC Symposium to be held in Raleigh, North Carolina February 29 – March 2, 2008. We will be hosted by North Carolina State University Extension Horse Husbandry and the North Carolina 4-H Horse Program. Please take the time to put something together that you think other youth horse leaders would be interested in or let us know about a speaker we should invite by emailing us at [info@ayhc.com](mailto:info@ayhc.com).

Until next time,

Christy Landwehr  
AYHC President



## AYHC 2007 National (Adult) Youth Horse Leader of the Year Nomination Instructions

**Who:** American Youth Horse Council Leader of the Year

**What:** An annual award to recognize an adult leader who has offered outstanding leadership to young people within the horse industry. This top leader introduces newcomers to the horse industry, mentors young horsemen, and promotes the horse industry within the local community and accomplishes these goals in fun, innovative ways. **This is a benefit to AYHC members and any AYHC member may nominate one adult leader (must be a current AYHC member) they feel worthy of this honor.**

**When:** Each year nominations for the award can be made to the AYHC Awards Committee through September 30.

**Where:** The award will be presented to the AYHC Leader of the Year early each year during the annual AYHC Youth Leadership Symposium. The 2008 National Youth Leaders Symposium will be held in Raleigh, North Carolina on February 29 – March 2, 2008.

**Why:** Strong adult leadership for young horsemen now helps ensure a vital horse industry in the future. Any leader who volunteers time and effort to the youth horse industry should be recognized as a potential candidate for the award.

**How:** Awards Committee members will review and evaluate the nominations and present their findings to the AYHC Board. The final selection will be based on the nominee's accomplishments within the horse industry in general and his or her contributions to the youth horse industry in particular. It is very important to fully outline why the nominee fulfills all of the categories below in order for the committee to completely see the nominee's qualifications.

**Nominees will be scored on a scale of 1 to 10, with 10 being the highest score, in these categories:**

1. Contributions to youth horse industry.
2. Innovative approach to working with youth.
3. Industry promotion at local level.
4. Horse industry and community involvement
5. Two letters of recommendation from young horsemen or horsewomen

### Application Requirements:

- **Must** include documentation formatted specifically to address these five scored categories. Additional supporting materials such as program brochures, fliers, schedules, etc. can be attached as appropriate and will not be included in the 10 page limit.
- 10 page limit including the nomination form (excluding supporting materials such as program brochures, fliers, schedules, etc)
- No more than 2 pages for each of the 5 scored categories
- Three photos illustrating the nominee's involvement in horse and/or leadership activities must also be submitted with the application. Photos in an electronic format (jpeg) are preferred.
- \*\*\*Applications that do not meet these requirements will not be considered.

### Nomination Form

Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominated by: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of years involved with horses: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of years youth horse leader involved with youth horse club/organization in a leadership role: \_\_\_\_\_

List the horse organizations youth horse leader is member of: \_\_\_\_\_

List the leadership roles youth horse leader has held in horse clubs/associations: \_\_\_\_\_

Following documentation **must** be included:

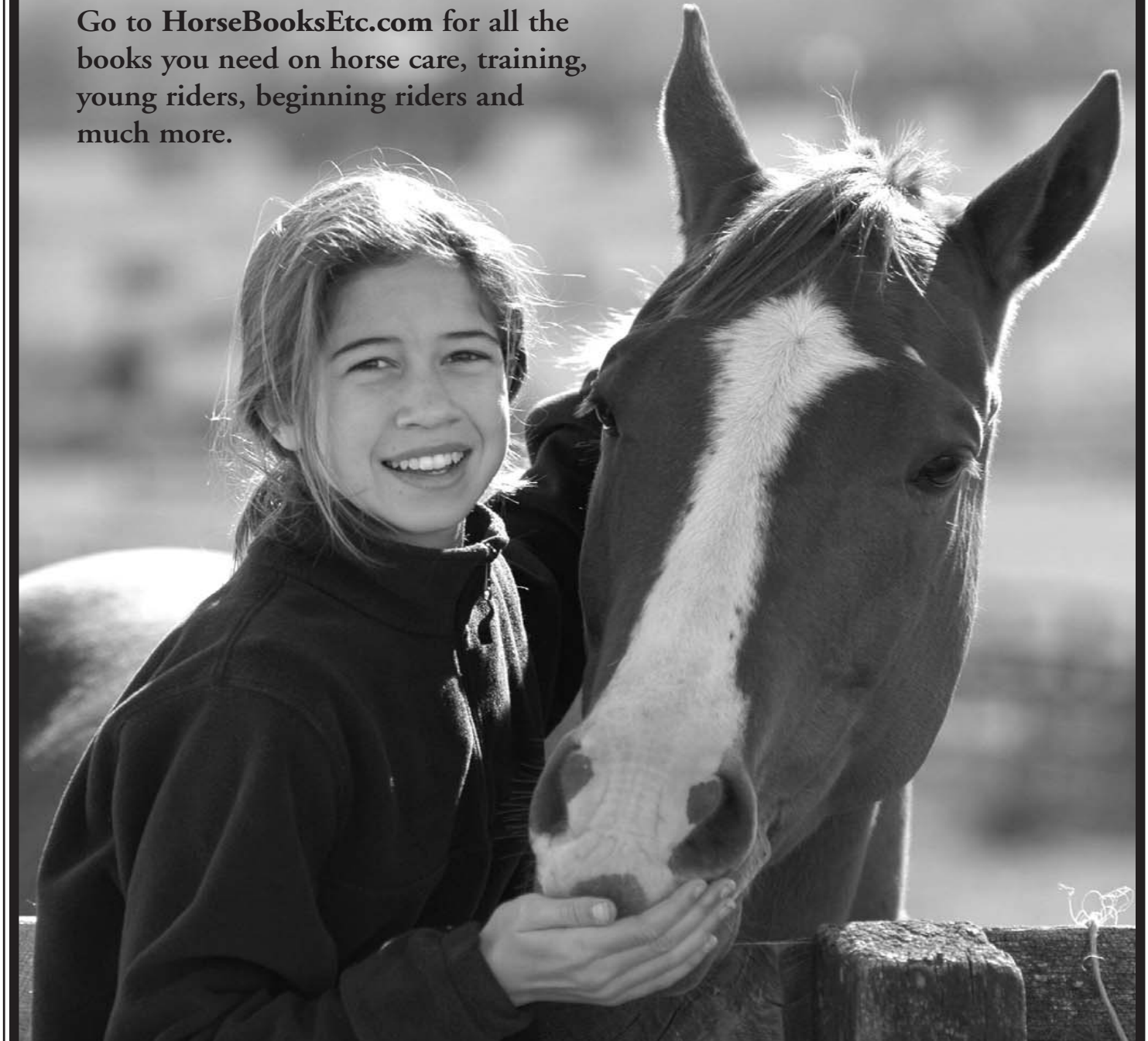
- \_\_\_\_ Horse industry leadership experience.
- \_\_\_\_ Mentoring of other youth.
- \_\_\_\_ Two letter of recommendation from young horsemen and/or horsewomen.
- \_\_\_\_ Three photos - jpeg format preferred email to [info@ayhc.com](mailto:info@ayhc.com)
- \_\_\_\_ Innovative approach to working with peers.
- \_\_\_\_ Horse industry and community involvement.

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## Test Your Horse Knowledge

Be the first to email the correct answer to [info@ayhc.com](mailto:info@ayhc.com) and win a prize!

### Summer Question:

How much hoof growth occurs in a horse in six months?

### Answer to Spring Question

Congratulations to Jo Gelinas for submitting the correct answer.

What are the symptom of rabies in horses?

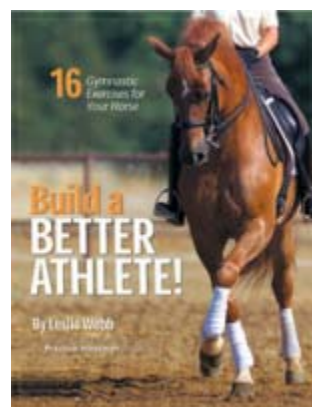
Rabid animals may exhibit several different types of symptoms: the classic (furious or excited), prodromal, and paralytic.

Because the clinical symptoms of rabies are so variable, it is difficult to diagnose. Often rabies is not diagnosed upon the initial onset of the disease as the horse or mule may appear alert and calm while still showing a healthy appetite. The primary symptom to notice is unexplainable changes in behavior. Many times these changes in behavior will present themselves as a digestive disorder, poisoning, injury, something foreign in the animal's mouth or airway, or an early infectious disease. The majority of rabid horses will initially appear dull, depressed, lethargic or ataxic (in coordination). These unusual behaviors generally will lead to either the excited or paralytic forms of the disease.

Source: *Horse Industry Handbook, 2007 Update*

## Book Review: Build A Better Athlete

### 16 Gymnastic Exercises for Your Horse



By Leslie Webb  
Produced by the Editors of  
**Practical Horseman Magazine**

Looking for a way to make your horse more supple and a better athlete? This 118 page book is easy to use with great color photos and diagrams to help you utilize Leslie's great exercises. You'll also see Leslie's tips about tack, good training, softening the jaw from the ground and under saddle, transitions and much more!

Leslie Webb has developed to "gymnasticize" her horses whether they're green youngsters just starting their careers or advanced horses and this book can help you utilize these exercises with your horse. Leslie explains that "gymnasticizing" her horses she is teach them: to balance, supple, straighten, and strengthen them. The exercises are not just for dressage, they can benefit any horse and rider team whether hunter, eventer, trail or equitation.

Taken from the series that ran in Practical Horseman, these 16 exercises will benefit any horse, whether he's a hunter, jumper, trail, or eq horse.

Leslie Webb's gymnastic exercises are simple, allowing you and your horse to focus on and develop one skill at a time.

These exercises are:

- Simple: They allow you and your horse to focus on and develop one skill at a time.
- Diagnostic. Leslie explains how each one can correct an underlying problem that may be hindering you and your horse at home or in the show ring.
- Sensitizing. Your horse will learn to tune in to your seat for subtle cues that increase communication and response, determine his direction and bend, and act as the metronome that sets his rhythm, tempo, and length of stride.
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Deadline for Sept. 1, 2007 newsletter is August 1, 2007.

**AQHVA Convention and Youth Excellence Seminars**  
June 28-July 1, 2007  
Amarillo, TX  
[www.aqha.org](http://www.aqha.org)

**AQHA Youth World Cup**  
London, ONT Canada  
July 6-13, 2007  
[www.aqha.com](http://www.aqha.com)

**Paint Youth World Show**  
June 22-30, 2007  
Ft. Worth, TX  
[www.ajpha.com](http://www.ajpha.com)

**North American Nationals Model Horse Show**  
June 22-24, 2007  
Mesquite, TX  
[www.stonehorses.com](http://www.stonehorses.com)

**World Championship Appaloosa Youth Show**  
June 25 - 30, 2007  
Oklahoma City, OK  
[www.apaloosa.com](http://www.apaloosa.com)

## National Youth Leader Symposium - Call for Papers February 29 - March 2, 2008 - Raleigh, NC

The American Youth Horse Council (AYHC) cordially invites individuals to submit proposals to speak at the 2008 National Youth Horse Leaders Symposium Raleigh, NC on February 29 - March 2, 2008. This annual event, now in its 31st year, presents an opportunity for leaders in the youth horse industry to come together to learn, network, share ideas and grow as an industry. The American Youth Horse Council is a network of academic, breed, industry and other representatives interested in facilitating the flow of horse related educational and promotional resources for youth. AYHC's mission is to provide encouragement, communication, leadership & resources to serve and promote the youth horse industry.

Presentations at the hotel will be offered Saturday and Sunday. Demonstrations with horses will be held Sunday. Priority in selection will be given to new presentations, innovative or unique ideas for programs, and topics that meet the locally requested subject matter. All abstracts will be peer reviewed by distinguished members of the AYHC Symposium Committee. **Classroom lectures will be 40 minutes with 10 minutes for questions, you may request 2 slots if needed but the time constraints will be strictly enforced to keep the symposium on schedule.**

Three audiences will be represented at the meeting: **Adult Leaders of Youth** - mostly volunteers who work directly with youth in the field, **Youth Industry Professionals** - those employed in the youth horse industry (such as Extension Specialists and Breed Association Youth Program Coordinators) and **Peer Leaders of Youth** - older teens leaders, and college students, focusing on leadership. Peer leaders are also encouraged to submit presentation abstracts for consideration. The presentations will be identified in program materials as targeting one or more of these audiences and a specific track will be included for the Peer Leaders, called the Teen Track.

**Presentations can address, but are not limited to the following categories:**

- \* Youth Leadership/Character Development
- \* Youth Issue Forums
- \* Traditional Youth Programming
- \* Horse Management and Health Care
- \* Interactive and Hands on Youth Development Activities
- \* Horse Industry Issues
- \* Teaching tools and methods
- \* Training youth for communication contests and public speaking
- \* Animal welfare: nutrition, rescue, adoption, first aid,
- \* Novice, Intermediate and advanced horsemanship skill exercises and demonstrations.
- \* Breed and discipline demonstrations and instruction.
- \* Ethics, sportsmanship, team building, and life skills development
- \* Safety
- \* "Horseless" horse activities

**IMPORTANT:** We ask you to submit a summary or abstract of what you wish to present, a one paragraph biography of your self suitable for printing in the program as well as an electronically submitted photo of yourself to be used in the program if your abstract is accepted for presentation. This will be peer reviewed and included in a proceedings book. It is important that these summaries include enough information that those participants who are unable to attend your session would be able to derive some value from the information to take home. These summaries/abstracts will also draw people to your session! Please note the format in the Symposium guide and directory for 2007. If you need a sample please call the office at 800-879-2942 or email [info@ayhc.com](mailto:info@ayhc.com) to request one.

Please use the nominations forms for presentations on the reverse of this page to format your submission and return complete applications with electronic copy of the abstract / summary by **July 31, 2007**. AYHC will contact you by September 15, 2007 to let you know if your abstract has been accepted.

A long-standing policy of the AYHC is that no honorariums will be paid to speakers and presenters. However, speakers' registration fees for the symposium are waived and they are invited to attend symposium activities free of charge. Speakers are responsible for their own travel and lodging and other expenses not included in the registration. Please call the AYHC office at 800.879.2942 with any questions.

## Membership Application

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Name \_\_\_\_\_

Organization \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

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

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\_\_\_\_ Check here if you do NOT wish to be listed in the AYHC Membership Directory.

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- Quarterly Newsletter: AYHC News Network
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Nomination form for presentations for Symposium  
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Type of presentation:

- Lecture
- Demonstration (indicate space requirements and number of horses/riders)
- Interactive Session (indicate space requirements)

Target Audience (Track) for this presentation—select all that apply:

- Adult Leaders of Youth - mostly volunteers who work directly with youth in the field
- Youth Industry Professionals - those employed in the youth horse industry
- Peer Leaders of Youth - older teens and college students, focusing on leadership.

Presenter(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
 Organization: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone/Fax/E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Title of Presentation: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Audiovisual Needed: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Other Requirements: \_\_\_\_\_

**All sessions are allotted 40 minutes for presentation followed by 10 minutes Q & A and 5 minutes to change rooms. Please keep this in mind and let us know if you need more time, the symposium schedule is very tight and sessions will not be allowed to go over 50 minutes if one session is allotted. Sessions that require more time may be allotted two sessions, with a break.**

Will this presentation require two time slots? Yes or No

(If presenting more than one topic, please duplicate form and submit second presentations on another form.)

Please submit your abstract / summary on a separate sheet of paper and electronically using the following format:

Paper Title, (please limit to 10 words)  
 Author,  
 Position Title  
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Biographical Sketch of Presenter (Maximum 150 words)

Abstract

Body of Text: (use 12-point type in clear font)

Introduction:

Summary:

Results and Conclusions - or Take Home Message

Further Study / Suggested Reading

Keywords: use three to five keywords that describe the abstract contents.

(Margins for page: Left 1.5", Right 1", Top 1", and Bottom 1")

**Maximum number of pages = 1 (750 words)**

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**Submit your nomination form, abstract/summary, one paragraph bio and photo by July 31, 2007 via email to [info@AYHC.com](mailto:info@AYHC.com), via mail to 6660 #D-451 Delmonico, Colorado Springs, CO 80919.**

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## Members Upcoming Events

**Wrangler Junior High Finals Rodeo**

July 2-7, 2007  
 Red Rock Park  
 Gallup, New Mexico  
[www.nhsra.org](http://www.nhsra.org)

**Equilocity Model Horse Show**

July 19 - 22, 2007  
 Lexington, KY  
[www.stonehorses.com](http://www.stonehorses.com)

**National High School**

**Finals Rodeo**  
 July 23-29, 2007  
 IL. State Fairgrounds  
 Springfield, IL  
[www.nhsra.org](http://www.nhsra.org)

**United States Pony Club Festival**

July 24 – 31, 2007  
 Lexington, KY  
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**AQHYA World Show**

August 4 – 11, 2007  
 Ft. Worth, TX  
[www.aqha.org](http://www.aqha.org)

**Certified Horsemanship Association International Conference**

Sept. 20 – 22, 2007  
 Orlando, FL  
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There are about 150 different college-level undergraduate programs for high-school students with a career interest in horses. Only the University of Louisville offers the opportunity to major in **Equine Business** while earning a four-year AACSB-accredited degree in business administration. UofL students take more than 30 hours of unique, specialized courses related to the horse business - in addition to the full complement of standard business courses in accounting, computer information systems, economics, finance, marketing, management and statistics.

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## NEWS FROM OUR CORPORATE PARTNERS

► **HorseCity.com 2007 Laptop Contest Selects First Winner!** When [HorseCity.com](http://HorseCity.com) started its 2007 Laptop Contest asking, "Where will your new laptop go?" thousands of horse lovers entered for their chance to find out. Jennifer Swanson of Osteen, Fla. is the first winner to answer that question! Swanson is a stay-at-home mom who has been involved with horses for over 20 years. She competed for 12 years in hunter/jumper and dressage. Swanson heard about the contest through [HorseCity.com](http://HorseCity.com), which she avidly enjoys. Her favorite area of interest is the Classifieds. For 2007, [HorseCity.com](http://HorseCity.com) launched its Laptop Contest after researching the latest trends in the online horse world. [HorseCity.com](http://HorseCity.com) found that locations for horse owners to connect to the Internet continue to multiply. What better way to encourage the use of the Internet than by providing users with the ability to log on with a new laptop! [HorseCity.com](http://HorseCity.com) users simply log on to the site to enter their e-mail address to start the registration process. A user can sign up once a month, each month Throughout 2007. Along with the laptop, other multiple monthly prizes will be given away including a signed edition of *The American Paint Horse: A Photographic Portrayal* by Darrell Dobbs and David Stoecklein from the American Paint Horse Association. Dover, Mane n' Tail, and Smith Brothers are among the additional sponsors for the contest and will provide prizes such as gift certificates and product gift baskets. There is something for every horse enthusiast! For more information, log on to [www.horsecity.com/club](http://www.horsecity.com/club).

► **AAEP's Healthy Horse Workshop Headed to Colorado.** The American Association of Equine Practitioners' (AAEP) Healthy Horses Workshop will be held Saturday, July 28 in Fort Collins, Colo. Intended for horse enthusiasts interested in learning more about equine health care, the Healthy Horses Workshop will feature leading veterinary experts delivering the latest news and advances in horse health. This will be the first of two Healthy Horses Workshops slated for 2007, with the second workshop taking place on Saturday, Dec. 1 in Orlando, Fla. Moderator for the day's event will be Casey Gruber, AAEP student chapter president at Colorado State University's College of Veterinary Medicine. The Healthy Horses Workshop, held in conjunction with AAEP's Focus/Practice Management meeting, will take place from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the ARDEC Conference Center in Taylor Auditorium. The pre-registration fee through July 6 is \$70; on-site registration will be \$85. Lunch is provided with the cost of registration. To register, visit the Horse Owner section of [www.aaep.org](http://www.aaep.org) and click on the Healthy Horses Workshop link. You may also register by calling the AAEP office at 1-800-443-0177.

### STONE HORSES The Stone Model Horse Project is now available!

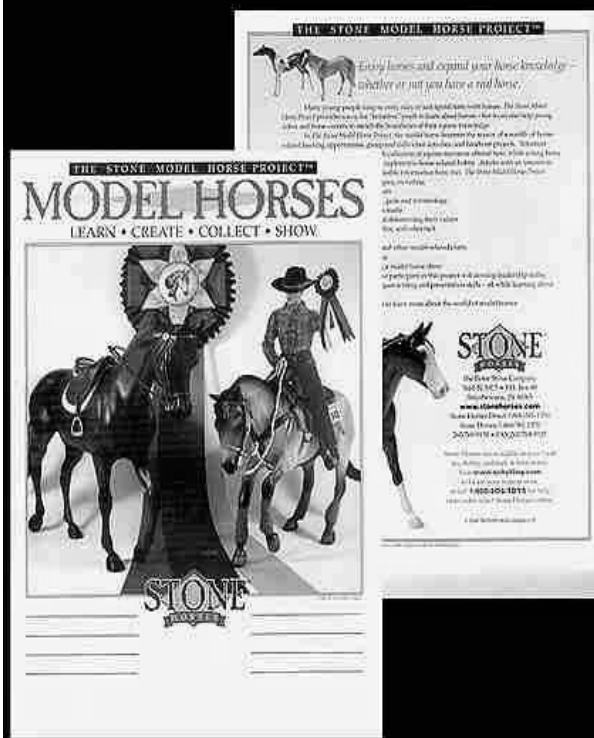
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## American Youth Horse Council Educational Grant Program Criteria and Eligibility

**AYHC Mission Statement:** *"The American Youth Horse Council (AYHC) is the umbrella organization providing encouragement, communication, leadership and resources to serve and promote the youth horse industry."*

### About The American Youth Horse Council Educational Grant Program

Among its many projects, the AYHC annually awards grant funding to collaborative, high quality, youth and youth leader educational programs. The intent of AYHC's educational grant program is to assist groups that will provide training for volunteer leaders in an effort to enrich horse experiences of youths.

### Criteria and Eligibility for Funds

**Membership:** All applicants must be AYHC members. You may submit membership at the time of application.

**Requirements:** Funding proposals should include the following:

- Be related to the development, promotion, and management of leader training events.
- Demonstrate that the ultimate goal of the event is related to the education of youth and development of adult/teen leadership skills for the enhancement of the horse industry.
- Demonstrate support, collaboration, partnerships, and links with other entities. The AYHC looks for a minimum of two (2) organizations of dissimilar affiliation to participate as co-

sponsors.

Examples of cosponsors meeting this requirement are 4-H, Pony Clubs, 4-H and FFA, and breed associations.

Funds that are issued through the AYHC in support of educational programs, must only be spent for the items described in the grant application.

### Restrictions

The AYHC does not approve grants that support political campaigns, are entities that are designed primarily for lobbying, that support religious activities, or any that may jeopardize the AYHC's tax-exempt status.

### Repeat Applications

If your organization received funding last year, you must submit a final report of the event to the AYHC office before **September 15** of the project year to be eligible for funding the following year. The AYHC expects a final report from grant recipients within one month of completion of events that have received AYHC grant funds.

### Funds

The AYHC's maximum amount of annual funding varies annually as determined by the AYHC Board of Directors. Generally, grants are at or below \$1,500. Grants will be made available on a regional and national basis. Examples of regional events that meet this definition include: several states in the case of locations such as New England, or several counties as in the case of northern Texas.

### Application Deadline

Applications must be received in the AYHC office by no later than **September 15** of the current year.

### Grant Application and Approval Process

The AYHC makes funding decisions based on completed and signed application forms, which can be obtained from the AYHC's website and in this newsletter. Please provide additional documents and information as the application form requires. At its discretion, the AYHC may seek additional information. After the application has been reviewed by the AYHC's Grants and Scholarships Committee, with approval by the AYHC Board of Directors, applicants will be notified in writing or by phone of the AYHC's decision. Award winners will be notified in November or as soon as possible. Half of the funds awarded will be presented prior to the event and the second half will be sent upon receipt of final report from the event, to be submitted by the grant recipient. The AYHC welcomes your questions. Please contact our Executive Director at 800-879-2942 or [info@ayhc.com](mailto:info@ayhc.com).



## American Youth Horse Council Educational Grant Program Application

### Information About You

Name of Applicant (if person) or Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Contact Person/Title with Organization (if any): \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Organization's Website (if any): \_\_\_\_\_

Is the Project/Event Coordinator different from the person above? \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ Yes – If YES, please complete below:

Coordinator of Event/Project: \_\_\_\_\_ Title of Coordinator: \_\_\_\_\_

Coordinator Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Coordinator Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

### Information About Your Event or Project

Name of Event/Project: \_\_\_\_\_

Anticipated Date(s) of Your Event/Project: (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

Location of Event/Project (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

Description of Project/Event (Please attach proposed schedule, topics, clinicians, speakers, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

Please answer the following regarding the event (use separate pages, if necessary):

(a) Whom will your Event/Project benefit? (Examples: "Youth Leaders in the state of Missouri," or "Adult and youth in the Pittsburgh community and surrounding counties," or "People of all ages in the Southwestern United States.") \_\_\_\_\_

Please list the names of all other organization(s) that are co-sponsoring or collaborating in your Event/Project and describe their role in the Event/Project. \_\_\_\_\_

(c) Have other organizations or leaders in your community/industry shown support for your Event/Project? \_\_\_\_\_

Feel free to attach letter(s) of support or list their names.

(d) How many people do you expect will be served by or attend your Event/Project? (Why do you believe this many?) \_\_\_\_\_

(e) What efforts will be undertaken to inform these potential participants/attendees of the Event/Project? \_\_\_\_\_

### **Educational Grant Application (continued)**

(f) Has this Project/Event been held before? \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ Yes – If YES, please complete below:

When? \_\_\_\_\_ Past number of attendees/per year \_\_\_\_\_

(g) Did you or your organization apply for AYHC funding in the past? \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ Yes – If YES:

Amount received: \_\_\_\_\_ Date(s) received: \_\_\_\_\_

Please attach a list of all event(s) or project(s) for which you have received AYHC funding in the past.

### **Justification of Need**

Describe the specific use that the AYHC funds (if granted) would be put to: (Examples: "Worker salaries," "clinician fees," "clinician lodging/travel only," "refreshment expense during break on [date]," "expense of appreciation plaques for participants" or "scholarships for students who demonstrate need.") \_\_\_\_\_

Do you expect to receive funding for your Event/Project from any other sources? \_\_\_\_\_

Which ones? \_\_\_\_\_

How much do you expect to receive from those sources? \_\_\_\_\_

**Assurances By Applicant.** Applicant agrees to comply with these assurances if the application is approved by the AYHC:

I/my organization will not discriminate on the basis of race, marital status, religion, sex, age, handicap, or national origin in administering the programs, events, or projects supported in whole or in part by this grant (if granted by the AYHC). I/my organization will acknowledge the AYHC's funding assistance in press releases, media contacts and printed, video, Internet, or audio material resulting from the programs, events, or projects supported in whole or in part by any grant awarded. The AYHC logo, banner, promotional booth, and educational materials will be displayed and/or promoted at the AYHC grant funded educational program. If my/our project/event is not held, the funds will be returned promptly to the AYHC, and AYHC will be notified of the reason.

Signature of Applicant/Representative: \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**Attachments** Please check, as appropriate, regarding all attachments to this application:

- \_\_\_ Information regarding your Project/Event proposed for funding
- \_\_\_ Letters of support
- \_\_\_ List of all organizations co-sponsoring or collaborating in the Project/Event
- \_\_\_ List of past funding
- \_\_\_ Other useful information regarding the project for which funding is sought

**DEADLINE FOR GRANT APPLICATION: SEPTEMBER 15TH, 2007**

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