2006 EVALUATION, CLINIC & APPRENTICE JUDGING PROGRAM CANCELLED

AN OPEN LETTER from the Board of LANA

To the many members of the Lipizzan community who looked forward to the August 2006 National Lipizzan Evaluation and were saddened or troubled by its cancellation, the LANA Board of Directors wishes to provide a chronology of the events, leading to the untimely cancellation of the event.

Planning for this National Lipizzan Evaluation (the first of what was hoped would be regular national evaluations) began in April 2005. The first panel of judges was to include Dr. Pohl (the Director of the Spanish Riding School), Herr Pischler (Manager of the Piber Stud Farm), and a Chief Rider of the Spanish Riding School. With changes in the SRS and Piber, the panel of judges was altered in November 2005 to include Herrn Riegler and Ulm, and Dr. Erasimus.

This event was to be under the auspices of the Lipizzan Federation of America (LFA), the umbrella organization consisting of LANA, ALBA and USLR, and this event was approved at the November 2005 LFA Meeting.

The announcement of this first National Evaluation brought excitement and interest from the American membership and also from the international Lipizzan community. Mr. Atjan Hop, General Secretary of the LIF (Lipizzan International Federation), was so pleased that he planned to come at his own expense to participate and to give a lecture to the attendees at this event, in support of this American effort to begin regular national/international evaluations of our horses. Dr. Jaromir Oulehla, former Director of the Spanish Riding School, offered to begin a standardized training program for Lipizzan judges here in the USA, with the first session to be held jointly with the National Evaluation. Herr Johann Riegler, Chief Rider of the Spanish Riding School, offered to conduct advanced dressage clinics, without charge to us, in conjunction with the National Lipizzan Evaluation.

From November 2005 through May 2006, after at least 75 email communications among LANA-ALBA-USLR and an extensive amount of planning and preparation by Sandy Heaberlin of LANA, it appeared that everything was in place – European judges, facilities, stabling, hotels, food, translators, scribes and videographers. By mid-June, registrations were flowing in, and it appeared that all available time slots for clinics and evaluations would be filled. Everything was on track for this to become a “break even” event, with no anticipated financial loss to the participating organizations once all expenses and revenue were reconciled.

On June 22, eight (8) days before the close of registration, the USLR Board withdrew its support, citing financial limitation and an interest in redefining the vision and mission. The cancellation announcement, sent to Sandy Heaberlin of LANA on June 22, 2006 from the president of the USLR, Tim Foley, read:

“The USLR board met tonight and we had a lengthy discussion about the proposed August Evaluation/Judging event. Kerry Scott definitely remembers the topic being broached at the LFA meeting in Ohio. Evidently we lost contact while you were working on this. The USLR board sends our regrets that we will not be able to participate as an organization. From a financial standpoint we cannot afford such a major expenditure.

More importantly, we feel that it is imperative that all three organizations be involved from the beginning in setting up the vision and mission for this endeavor which will set the agenda for years to come. This is a perfect opportunity to use our consensus building skills to achieve a truly workable standard worthy of what we are all about. Certainly the conversation generated so far has brought to light a plethora of concerns that must be addressed.

We would welcome a working group representing all three organizations that can hammer out an acceptable proposal. I host and numerous symposia and can vouch that it is not too early to start preparing for an event of this scope planned for the fall of 2007.

I personally apologize for any responsibility I shall in any misunderstanding that has occurred. I know you have worked long and hard and I’m sure it is exasperating to see it shrivel. I’m sure we all agree that the goal is worth the effort.

Tim [Foley]”
Open Letter (Continued)

This cancellation was deeply troubling to the LANA Board, believing that good faith joint commitments were made 16 months ago and reaffirmed 8 months ago. There had been frequent communications on the planning and progress of the National Lipizzan Evaluation to ALBA and the USLR, through Nancy Stockdale at their central office, with some comments and suggestions received back. Commitments to members of the national and international Lipizzan communities had been made, including some irreversible financial commitments. Advanced deposits had been made and announcements were sent, including mailings to USLR members. Registrations were to close in a few days. This event was far past the “proposal” stage suggested by President Foley.

With the withdrawal of the USLR, LANA had no recourse but to cancel the National Evaluation. The cancellation has resulted in many emails and telephone calls from LANA and USLR members expressing their frustration and dismay. Our European associates have been inconvenienced and are disappointed. From the International perspective, the American Lipizzan Community appears disconnected and disorganized as a result of this event.

As leaders in the American Lipizzan community, we fully supported the spirit of camaraderie that bloomed at the 2005 Columbus, Ohio meeting, and we looked forward to all of the organizations working together closely and effectively. The 2006 National Lipizzan Evaluation would have been the first cooperative event. The subsequent withdrawal of support by the USLR at a critical stage in the 2006 National Lipizzan Evaluation negated hundreds of hours of effort and has hurt us tremendously.

To be truly effective, the members of the American Lipizzan community must be able to depend on each other for full support of mutually-agreed goals and objectives. We, the LANA Board of Directors, pledge to the Lipizzan community that we will continue to work for the promotion and preservation of the magnificent Lipizzan breed.

We invite the USLR to reach out to us and to the entire Lipizzan community to provide a full explanation of why they appear to have broken their promise to support the 2006 National Lipizzan Evaluation, and we invite USLR to advise us what they will do going forward to assure that mutually-agreed objectives and events will be fully supported. We believe, under the circumstances, that these requests are reasonable.

We are hopeful that USLR will continue this somewhat difficult dialog and help us to identify what we need to do together and going forward, to demonstrate credibility and shared commitment on behalf of the Lipizzan community.

Respectfully submitted,

LANA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

LANA Annual Meeting to be held October 7-8 in Wilsonville, Oregon

The 2006 LANA annual meeting is set for 8:00 a.m. on Saturday, October 7 in Wilsonville, Oregon at the Holiday Inn and Convention Center. Following the precedent set at the November 2005 event held in Columbus, Ohio, LANA, USLR, ALBA, and LFA will have their annual meetings at this time. The Lipizzan Symposium runs from October 6-8, 2006. USLR and ALBA will have their business meetings on Friday and the annual meetings will be interspersed with several seminars on subjects of interest to horse owners.

The Pacific Northwest Lipizzan Association (regional club) is hosting a presentation of Lipizzans at the DevonWood Equestrian Centre, featuring dressage, driving, and in-hand demonstrations. A parade of local Lipizzan stallions as well as sale horses is planned. Food and a merchandise area will also be offered, and this event will be open to the public. Saturday evening is the traditional banquet and auction. The auction proceeds are to benefit the operaiton of LANA/USLR/ALBA so send what you can to help out. Auction items may be sent by 9/22/06 directly to Gayla Edwards at 29971 SW Ladd Hill Road, Sherwood, OR 97140. The LFA meeting will be held on Sunday morning.

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BUYER BE AWARE . . . Registration Alert
by Carolyn Proeber

With the growing popularity of breeders’ offers such as mare-leasing (breed someone else’s mare to an approved stallion of your choice and own the offspring), and the closely related offer of the pre-purchase of a foal in utero at a discounted price, an important “Buyer Beware” notice needs to be mentioned.

Some buyers have been unpleasantly surprised to learn that sometimes foals from these programs are not registerable. In addition, we have learned that some of the horses who have been involved in recent rescues or farm liquidations have also been unregistered and are possibly not registerable at all.

Just because someone represents to you that “Of course you’ll be able to register the foal, it’s a purebred Lipizzan” doesn’t necessarily mean that will actually be the case. Glitzy marketing doesn’t guarantee a registerable Lipizzan. Not even a recent evaluation is a guarantee that the horse’s pedigree has been formalized with DNA typing and registration, either.

The only way to be sure, before you sign a contract or send money, is to ask the breeder for the registration numbers of the planned foal’s parents. If no registration number is provided, then it is possible the parents haven’t been DNA typed or registered; in this case it’s critical to contact the Lipizzan registries to be sure that the DNA of both mare and stallion are on file. If they aren’t, then the resulting foal might not be registerable, unless the breeder goes to the trouble and expense to procure the DNA typing and/or the registrations of the foal’s parents. As some purchasers have learned, it’s more difficult to insist that this be done if money has already exchanged hands – and it becomes even more complex, sometimes impossible, if one of the foal’s parents is deceased, or if the former owner is incognito.

Protect the value of your Lipizzan. By ensuring the registerability (and, thus, the breedability) of your Lipizzan, you are helping to protect the legacy of all American Lipizzans. As a purchaser, be absolutely positive that any foal you purchase, whether in utero or via mare lease, or for that matter as a youngster or even as an adult, is registerable. As a seller, do the breed (and your clients) a favor by registering your foals before you sell them. Any foals offered by our farm come with USLR or LANA registration, a lifetime USDF registration, USEF Horse I.D. Number, current immunizations and a current Coggins, and an interstate health certificate. (Believe it or not, some farms grudgingly provide only a halter and a leadline, and things like Coggins tests and registrations are often passed on to the client as additional line-item charges.)

Making sure that your client will have a registerable, breedable Lipizzan is the bare minimum you should freely offer. Your horse, your client, your farm’s reputation, and the breed deserve it.

BOOK REVIEW

There are several known, and not-so-well known, published authors in the LANA membership ranks. For the next couple of issues we are going to introduce these authors to both our old and new members.

Not all the authors write books about horses, some combine fact and fantasy and new worlds, while others delve into everyday life. Among the more quiet of the LANA members is John N. Iannuzzi, founder of the Lipizzan Association of America.

John is a renowned New York criminal defense attorney and Adjunct Professor of Law who has somehow found the time to author five other fiction books as well as several non-fiction. Some of the best books are written by people who are very familiar with their subject and John’s latest book, “Condemned,” does not disappoint the reader who is drawn into the dark and dangerous world of international drug trafficking. Of course there is also the bizarre twist – he’s an attorney, remember?

The book is confrontational and an altogether excellent read as you jump from the Prohibition era of the 1920s to the 1996 world of Columbian drug lords, street junkies, law enforcement, corruption, and courtroom intrigue.

The book is exciting and if you decide that there are similarities between the charming and cunning Ferrari-driving criminal defense lawyer portrayed in the book who so deftly extricates his clients from their predicaments, well, maybe you have already met John.
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Pluto III Canada proves that classical can be competitive, with scores in the 70's at second level. He was 1/2 of a State Champion Pas de Deux team. Wherever he goes, he wins compliments for his beauty, presence and sweet, people-loving disposition.

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Driving East With A Lipizzan Pair

Lipizzans are renowned worldwide for their beauty and athleticism as carriage driving horses. Many of the top placing pairs and fours at the FEI World Driving Championships are Lipizzans and have been over the years. Especially successful in driving competitions have been the Hungarian Lipizzans, as singles, pairs and fours in hand. It is only in the USA that Lipizzans are under represented in the field of competitors.

During the past five years, Joe Kasza, retired businessman from Grass Valley, California, has made several trips to Hungary to import Lipizzan stallions to use in pair driving and in breeding. He competes regularly in CDE (Combined Driving Events) and in Pleasure Driving throughout the USA.

One of his driving pairs, Prince Neapolitano (9 years old) and Conversano (7 years old), is moving up the ranks quickly and Joe wanted to put finishing touches on their training with the help of Dr. Leslie Kozsely, renowned driving expert, Lipizzan enthusiast, and LANA member. Dr. Kozsely literally wrote the rule book for competitive driving in the USA. Over the past 50 years, Dr. Kozsely has won every major competition, often with his Pair and Four in Hand Lipizzans.

In April, Joe brought the horses east and, through the month of May, worked the horses regularly at Dr. Delphi Toth’s Huszár Farm in Valley City, Ohio under the direction of Dr. Kozsely. Joe and Dr. Kozsely focused their attention on building the horses’ endurance for the Marathon component, refining their accuracy for the Obstacle-Cones component, and developing their precision for the Driven Dressage component. Dr. Kozsely, who has competed successfully in all aspects of driving during his long career, showed subtle rein and whip techniques to polish Joe’s driving and performance skills.

Many visitors dropped by Huszár Farm to meet and drive with Joe and the Lipizzans, including equine artist Kelli Swan, actor Nathan Gurr, LANA member Rae Molnar and her son Michael who is a young single horse driver, and LANA Board of Directors members Sandy Heaberlin and John Gliege.

During his stay in Ohio, Joe was assisted by Courtney Perram, Huszár Farm’s Head Trainer. They are currently training five other Lipizzans for driving and riding. Anyone interested in sending their young Lipizzans for early training for driving or for initial gentle breaking to saddle, should contact Delphi or Courtney.
261 Maestoso Samira XXI

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Editor’s Note: On May 3, 2006, the Lipizzan community suffered the loss of Leonard Boardman, one of our most dedicated Lipizzan enthusiasts. In 1985, Leonard, and his wife, June, purchased their first Lipizzans and so began White Horse Vale, now one of the largest Lipizzan farms in the Pacific Northwest, if not the United States. Somehow between raising both a family and horses and teaching history to hundreds of students, Leonard still managed to find time to promote the Lipizzan horse both in the United States and around the world. He served on both the USLR and ALBA board of directors, was a founding member of ALBA and worked tirelessly to help form the Lipizzan Federation of America as well as the International Lipizzan Union. An avid outdoor enthusiast, Leonard leaves behind his wife of almost 40 years, June and their sons and grandchildren, as well as his beloved horses and students. Leonard, we’ll miss you

I REMEMBER..................a tribute to Leonard Boardman

by Cele Noble

The photo on my May 2006 calendar depicts a well worn dirt road slicing its way between two rows of trees. The vibrant spring green leaves are artfully enhanced with filtered sunlight. The caption says:-- LIFE IS A JOURNEY

Leonard’s Life Journey was way too short. I wish that he were here to savor these reflections.

I remember in February 1985 when the four of us, Leonard, June, Juni and myself sat in the Hermiston, Oregon sales pavilion. We bought many Lipizzan (Piber bloodlines) mares. Leonard did the bidding for all of us.

I remember in 1986 when the four of us, Leonard, June, Tony and myself flew to Michigan to attend the first Lipizzan show in the U.S. We met Dr. Oulehla. We watched him do the first Lipizzan evaluation in the U.S. The weather was cold, blustery -- and we were cold too! On the way home on the plane there were very few passengers. The stewardess invited us to sit in the First Class section. We enjoyed the warmth. We laughed and said “This is the Life”

I remember in 1986 when the four of us bought the “Airstream” (that was the first barn name for F.B.), and had him shipped from Texas to June and Leonard’s in Goldendale. Most of the offspring from that first foal crop are still in the Pacific NorthWest, as is F.B.--27 years strong.

I remember in 1987 when, along with the Gills, we did a photo shoot at the Maryhill Museum and the Stonehenge replica down on the WA side of the Columbia River. Those photos became part of the Leepin’ Lipizzans article published in Horse Illustrated April 1989. We had such fun! Leonard arranged it all.

I remember in the summer of 1987 when, along with the Gills, our three farms trailered to the L. A. Equestrian Center to show and promote our Lipizzans

I remember in August 2001 when Judy Tarr and I visited with June and Leonard. We drove to the ranch, and to the hillside across the way, and walked up on the hilltop. We saw ALL the horses. Leonard spoke caringly of and about each one.

I remember in November 2001 when Tony and I went to Goldendale to pick up the weanling Conversano Antiqua-that we had just bought. We met for dinner. Leonard entertained us- with additional comments from June- with the importation/quarantine intricacies involved in importing Conversano Mima. Leonard was quietly persuasive as we loaded Andy into our trailer the next morning.

I remember in November 2005 in Columbus, Ohio at the conclusion of the Lipizzan Convergence, as a large group of us were having dinner together, how Leonard regaled us with the details of his and June’s marriage in Reno! It was a happy, hilarious time.

But, most of all, I remember Leonard’s passionate dedication to our Lipizzan breed, his extensive involvement in worldwide activities, and the great pleasure he took in daily activities around the farm. In particular, I remember the lilt in his voice, the sparkle in his eye, when he said he was going to name the new filly out there in the field “AMBROSIA” Lipizzans were an integral part of Leonard’s Life Journey. Thank you for my 21 years as part of that journey.

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INTERNATIONAL UPDATE
by John Gliege

This year the annual meetings of the two International Lipizzan Organizations were held one week apart. Because of this it was possible to attend both meetings.

The first meeting, the International Lipizzan Union, was held at the Castle Slatinany in the Czech Republic. In attendance at this meeting were representatives from Austria, Germany, England, the Czech Republic and four Americans, Rebecca Dabbs, Jorie Sligh, Kathryn Arce and John Gliege. The setting for the meeting was in the library at the old castle, which now contains a museum, dedicated to the horse. On the day prior to the meeting the delegates toured the Castle and attended a horse exhibition at Kladruby which held their interest for more than four hours as demonstrations were presented showing a number of the uses of the horse from driving competitions, to formal driving presentations, from children learning about the horse to dressage exhibitions, including an operatic pax de deux where one of the riders sang the piece to which the horses were ridden. To stir the blood of the crowd there was a chariot exhibition and a wonderful Roman Riding exhibition where there were two teams of five horses, and the driver stood on the back of two of the horses and drive the other three, usually at rather high speeds around the track at the facility.

The meeting, which was managed in a very precise and orderly way opened with a moment of silence in honor of one of its board members, Leonard Boardman, of the United States. It was truly a fitting honor for Leonard after all he has done for the Lipizzan industry, not only in the United States, but internationally. The ILU Board next voted to place June Boardman on the Board to fill the unexpired term of office of Leonard.

The meeting then proceeded, as most do with a brief discussion of the finances of the organization, which appear to be in order. Dr. Oulehla then gave a brief presentation concerning the status of Lipizzan breeding worldwide. He also advocated the development of an international database where all information on all Lipizzan horses in the world could be located in a single resource.

Two vacancies on the board of directors were filled at this meeting. Rebecca Dabbs and John G. Gliege were elected as directors of the organization.

The following weekend the International Lipizzan Federation met at Djakovo, Croatia. The meeting opened Friday evening with a dinner for all the delegates at the Hotel in Djakovo. In attendance were representatives from many places including, but not limited to, Slovenia, Croatia, Romania, the Netherlands, Belgium, Denmark, Austria, Germany and the United States. Among those in attendance, who were later honored at a brief reception were Hildegaard Gekiere and Rudolph Leiner, two of the founding officers of the LIF. The next day the General Assembly of the LIF met to discuss its general business.

A complete financial report was distributed which shows that the organization is in a very healthy position right now, not only in its general fund, but also in the special funds which were established for the Copernicus Project and to provide aid to horses during the wars in Croatia. It was determined that the money in the Copernicus Project fund would remain until the project was completed. The money in the Croatia fund was to be donated to the private breeders and the state stud farm in Djakovo to be used for genetic research. Another financial
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Proposal, which was approved, reduces the yearly dues for private breeders organizations, such as LFA to 300 euros per year from the present 450 euros.

Next the LIF granted full membership to the Croatian Federation of Private Lipizzaner Breeders and observer status to the Romanian Association of Private Lipizzaner Breeders and the Dutch Lipizzaner Studbook Association.

Of great interest was a brief discussion of developing an educational and support program for Lipizzaner judges. All LIF members were asked to provide information regarding the judging principals in their respective countries and regarding the training of judges in their countries. The LFA needs to respond to this request as quickly as possible.

The General Assembly was reminded that at next year’s meetings there would be an election of officers for the LIF.

Following the meeting the delegates were received by the Bishop of Djakovo, and enjoyed traditional Croatian food and music at a reception hosted by the Ivandor Stud farm. The next morning the delegates had the opportunity to view the Lipizzan stallions at the training center in Djakovo.
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Maestoso in Italian means “magentic” or “worthy” and Maestoso Senior was born in Spain in 1773. He was transferred from the Royal Stud in Kladrub to Lipizza in 1783 at age 10. Unfortunately the line died out at Lipizza in 1837. Fortunately for this traditional stallion line, Maestoso X, a grey stallion born in 1819 was transferred from Mezohegyes in Hungary to Lipizza to reinstate the Maestoso line.

Maestoso (senior)
1773, Gray, Kladruber (Kladruber)

Maestoso Cremona
1786, Gray (Klaudruber)

Maestoso I. Venturino
1798, Gray, Lipizza

Maestoso II Escurienca
1813, Gray, Mezohegyes

Maestoso X Romanito III
1819, Gray, Mezohegyes

Maestoso Erga
1838, Gray, Lipizza

Maestoso Perletta
1854, Gray, Lipizza

Maestoso Mascula
1874, Fleabitten Gray, Lipizza

Maestoso Slavina II
1882, Gray, Lipizza

Maestoso Brezovica
1898 Gray, Lipizza

The Maestoso line branches out again from Maestoso Mascula where several of his offspring stood at Lipizza and other studfarms. The description of the Maestoso line comes from the Lipizzan International Federation. The lineage and line drawing is from Der Lipizzaner by Hinz Nurnberg, 1993.

Top to Bottom: 261 Maestoso Samira XXI (Owner: Kathy Donnelly); Maestoso Primrose (Owner: John Gliege); Maestoso Africa (Owner: Juni Greenough)
Standing
Pluto II DIXANA
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October 8, 2006 - LFA meeting Holiday Inn and Convention Center in Wilsonville, Oregon.

Mr. Rajko Vojtkovszky
(1947-2006)
By Marko Verbic, President Lipizzan International Federation

Dr. Rajko Vojtkovszky, former director of Lipica Stud Farm and the president for many years of the Slovenian Association of Lipizzan Breeders, passed away in early July. Mr. Rajko Vojtkovszky (1947-2006) had been active in the Lipizzan community since the establishment of LIF in Lipica in 1986 and was very active with the private breeders in neighborhood of Lipica and Slovenian Karst.

In 1991 the Slovenian private breeders established the Slovenian Association of Lipizzan Breeders which became a member of LIF the same year. As president of the new association, Mr. Vojtkovszky developed the rule book, breeding programs and dealt with the new organization’s paperwork.

A favorite with the Lipizzan private breeders within the LIF family, Mr. Vojtkoszky had no difficulties in communicating with heads of states, ministers, general managers, breeders, or just with ordinary people from his commune Divača in which he was mayor for three consecutive mandates.

In year 2004 he became a director of Lipica Stud farm and under his management the LIF General Assembly 2004 took place in Lipica and the 425 years jubilee of Lipica and the Lipizzan breed started and culminated in joint performances of all state stud farms around the Europe. This autumn the LIF will again come together in Lipica to celebrate the 20th anniversary of LIF but without Rajko Vojtkoszky. The LIF community, Lipizzan breeders and fans have lost a true friend and expert.
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