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CORRAL CHATTER



OUR PURPOSE IS TO PROMOTE GOOD FELLOWSHIP
BETWEEN HORSEMEN AND A GREATER
UNDERSTANDING OF HORSES



President's Message

Hello Everyone-



As I type this letter, I have to keep reminding myself that today is actually the 1st of November – it just doesn't seem possible that Halloween is over and we are heading feet-first into the holiday season!

Planning is underway for our upcoming Thanksgiving feast at our November General Meeting on Friday the 17th, organized by all the current board members. We will also be voting for those board positions that are opening up for 2018. If you are interested in running for a board position, or have someone that you would like to nominate, please contact Linda Carcione who is heading up our Nominations Committee. Being on the SCCHA board is a fun and fulfilling way to show your dedication to the club, and I encourage anyone who is interested to reach out and discuss this opportunity.

The month of October gave us the opportunity to have Michael Raynor host his Extreme Cowboy Obstacle Clinic, where we had 26 people who attended with their horses. This was a fabulous clinic, with lots of great information, instruction and obstacles provided by Mike. He has offered to come again next year and we will gladly take him up on this gracious offer!

Additionally, at our last General Meeting, the membership did strongly show their support in voting for the club to purchase a new tractor! Arrangements are currently underway to make this transaction and I could not be more excited – thank you to everyone who made the extra effort to come out & show your support for this important vote.

As the final two months of the year march forward, please mark your calendars with the following dates and try to join us for all the fun events below:

Friday 11/17: Thanksgiving Feast/General Meeting and election

Saturday 11/25: Hollister Lights-On Parade

Saturday 12/2: Los Gatos Holiday Parade

Saturday 12/9: SCCHA Installation Dinner

I look forward to seeing everyone soon, and in closing, a fitting piece of Cowboy Wisdom:

"Strength doesn't come from what you can do, it comes from overcoming things you once thought you couldn't."

Karen Tarasco
President

Santa Clara County Horsemen's Association, Inc.
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Next General Meeting

NOVEMBER 17TH

Bar Opens 6:30

Dinner 7:30

Meeting 8:00

DINNER TICKETS

Adults \$10 Children \$5

Join us for social hour, dinner, and then a short meeting with information about our club and upcoming events.

MENU

Thanksgiving Feast



Provided by your Board of Directors

The Santa Clara County Horsemen's Association publishes the Corral Chatter monthly for its members and friends. Please send articles of interest to Linda Carcione via email to lindabcarcione@gmail.com by the 25th of the month to be published in the next month's edition.

ADVERTISING IN THE CORRAL CHATTER

Members have free personal classified ads. Members' business ads will cost half of the price shown at right. For new ads or renewals, or cancellations, contact Angie Moffatt via email at angiemoffatt@comcast.net or phone her at 408-268-4215. Send all monies to SCCHA, P.O. Box 20124, San Jose, CA 95160, Attention Treasurer.

The Board has established the following monthly advertising rates for non-members' business ads.

Business Card

\$ 5.00

¼ Page Ad

\$10.00

½ Page Ad

\$20.00

Full Page Ad

\$40.00

GENERAL INFORMATION

OFFICERS

PRESIDENT	Karen Tarasco	408-705-7024
VICE PRES	Yvonne Lee	408-927-0985
SECRETARY	Linda Carcione	408-476-1683
TREASURER	Angie Moffatt	408-268-4215
SGT AT ARMS	Norma Tucker	408-268-0318

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PAST PRES.	Edie Behning	408-421-1214
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SCCHA CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2017



General Meetings are held the third Friday of the month.

❖ **No General Meetings in July or December** ❖

Social Hour 6:30 Dinner 7:30 Meeting 8:00

Events subject to change – be sure to check with contact for updates.

EVENT	DATE	PLACE	CONTACT
General Dinner Meeting	November 17	SCCHA Clubhouse	Any Board Member
Hollister Lights-On Parade	November 25	Hollister	Karen Tarasco
Holiday Parade	December 2	Los Gatos	Edie Behning/Yvonne Lee
Installation Dinner	December 9	SCCHA Clubhouse	Any Board Member

**NOMINATIONS
are coming**



The Santa Clara County Horsemen's Association wants volunteers!

Help lead our Club into the future!

We are recruiting qualified members to become Board Members for **2018**.

Any member in good standing for at least one year can run for a position as an Officer or Director. Please consider serving our club by putting your name in the hat!

**Nominations and Elections
take place at our
November General Meeting.**

For more information or to volunteer

Contact Linda Carcione @ 408-476-1683

SCCHA GENERAL MEETING MINUTES
October 20, 2017

CTO at 8:03 p.m. by president Karen Tarasco

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE lead by Mike Behning

THANK YOU TO OUR COOKS: All the volunteers that brought Chili for our Chili Cook-Off.

THANKS TO OUR BARTENDERS: Bill and Sharon Pope

WELCOME GUESTS: Grace, brought by Kayla; Rick and Emma brought by Sandie Holder.

TREASURER'S REPORT by Angie Moffatt

To help clarify our financial standing, Angie gave a summary of our savings account showing the increase over the last four years. In 2014 we had \$4,300 in savings, then in 2015 the FTB took it all leaving \$0 in savings. By the end of 2015 we had \$2000 in savings. Then in 2016 our savings account rose to \$15,000 thanks in large part to our many hall rentals. The year 2017 started with \$15,000, then rose to \$21,000 in May, and is now at \$13,000 after large expenses such as the arena rock removal costing \$4,000 and the IRS audit which claimed another \$2500 in extra taxes for years 2014-16. This was because the IRS audit results took away our non-profit 501(c)7 status and we had to re-file using the Corporate Form 1120 for those three years. Angie expects we will end 2017 with approximately \$17,000 in savings.

- Beginning Balance 6,566.08
- Income 7,291.00
- Expenses 9,841.71
- Balance 4,015.37
- Juniors 553.28
- Rental Reserve 2,240.00
- Liabilities 4,330.74
- Savings 12,902.25

There was a question concerning our non-profit status and answered that the Board has reviewed the issue with Pat McAndrews, who is working with an attorney to start the process of application for non-profit 501(c)3 status.

JUNIORS have been selling SCCHA logo hats and have sold enough to break even. There are more for sale and the profits go to our Juniors.

OBSTACLE CHALLENGE CLINIC was a success with 26 riders. Mike Raynor was a great teacher, and stayed the full day to help riders and their horses. Thank you to Tora for dragging the arena to prepare the ground for this event.

UPCOMING EVENTS include the Mounted Shooters here on Sunday, all are welcome to come. And Saturday is a Bingo Bash fundraiser at our hall for Leland High School, and all are welcome.

TRACTOR UPDATE: Karen announced that our Directors had reviewed several tractors, both new and used, for purchase by SCCHA, and agreed upon the John Deere 2032R with attaching mower, front bucket and Arena-vator. We need a reliable tractor/mower to maintain our grounds and arena. Our old tractor is 50 years old and breaks down, parts are hard to find. We need to be self sufficient and able to groom our arena regularly as we rent our arena to riding clubs and shows. We had compared new vs. used. The new ones offer 0% financing, no down payment, free delivery and free instruction. Cost is about \$27,000 and payments would be about \$475 per month. Our CPA said we can write off the entire amount for our taxes. Purchasing a used tractor requires a volunteer to find one, travel to see the tractor, arrange to transport it, no financing, and have to pay in full. The cost to insure a new tractor is about \$96/year.

Karen then reviewed the process by which the membership would vote on this purchase. The Board had made a motion at the recent Board Meeting, and all in favor, of putting this tractor purchase to the membership for a vote, as noted in the October Board Meeting Minutes. The membership had been notified in advance that this

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vote would take place at our October meeting. Only members who were in attendance could vote.

Vote was taken by a show of hands, which were counted twice.

In favor: 35. Opposed: 0. Abstained: 5.

We received overwhelming membership approval for the purchase of the new tractor.

We will put the old tractor up for sale, we are still researching the value, but it's about \$2000-\$6000, and was purchased for \$3500 many years ago.

CHILI COOK-OFF

Members and guests voted for their favorite Chili, and awards were handed out.

1st place: a tie between Grace Takacs and Sandie Holder

2nd place: #9

3rd place: Norma Tucker

4th place: Edie Behning

5th place: #5 which no one claimed

COSTUME CONTEST

1st place: Angie, dressed as a clown

2nd place: tied with Sharon Pfeiffer as Indian, and Kelsey Tarasco as Wonder Woman

3rd place: Karen Tarasco dressed as a Giants Fan.

NOMINATIONS FOR 2018 OFFICERS AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Linda explained the nominating procedure. Then took names of volunteers who were nominated.

President: Karen Tarasco was nominated by Norma Tucker, Karen will consider it.

Vice President: Yvonne Lee was nominated by Linda Carcione, accepted

Treasurer: Angie Moffatt was nominated by Norma Tucker, Angie will consider it.

Sgt at Arms: Norma Tucker was nominated by Karen, accepted

Director: Edie Behning was nominated by Linda, accepted.

Director: Sharon Pfeiffer was nominated by Linda, accepted.

Director: Linda Carcione was nominated by Yvonne Lee, accepted.

Nominations will be open until the November meeting, when the vote will be taken.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Kitty announced that she had maps of the Mt. Umunhum trails and facility. Any horse rigs should park at the Quicksilver lot on Hicks Road, and equestrians can ride to the top where there is a water trough and one hitching post.

Also, Rancho San Vincente will be opening soon. Trails and a new bridge will connect adjoining parks.

MOTION TO ADJOURN at 8:45 made by Yvonne, second by Mike, all in favor.



SCCHA MEMBERSHIP

NO NEW MEMBERS THIS MONTH BUT...

Keep up the great work inviting your horse-loving friends to our meetings and events. After attending 3 events in a 12-month period, your guest can become a member with your sponsorship.

You can find membership applications on the SCCHA website www.horsemens.org. Click on the link in the "Services and Membership" section. You can also renew your membership at the General Meetings. Mail your completed Membership Form and fee to SCCHA, Attention Membership, P.O. Box 20124, San Jose, CA 95160. Questions? Call Angie Moffatt at 408-268-4215.

SCCHA JUNIORS

Please support our Juniors and our club by purchasing a cap to wear. These are adjustable size, with an embroidered SCCHA logo in front. Wear them at club events, or for those days when you have barn hair!

\$20.00 regular cap
\$25.00 Bling cap

Stella Villett
Juniors President



Los Gatos Holiday Parade

Saturday, December 2nd 2017

The Horsemen's will be participating in this holiday tradition again this year. Any SCCHA member may join us as we display our club's holiday spirit on horseback. Please RSVP if you plan to attend so we can have enough decorations for you and your horse.

Banner carriers and others welcome! For more information please contact Edie Behning 408-421-1214
Or Yvonne Lee 408-927-0985

*The Santa Clara County Horsemen's Association
Invites you to attend our annual*

Installation Dinner

*Saturday, December 9th, 2017
6:00 pm cocktails
7:00 pm dinner*

Join us for an entertaining evening of catered dining, music and dancing at the Horsemen's Clubhouse. We will be honoring our 2017 Board of Directors and welcoming in our new Board for 2018. This is our last gathering of the year, so be sure to celebrate the season with the Horsemen's at this event.

*Tickets in Advance, RSVP Required
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